

I haven't any doubt that the highest crime rate among boys is in those districts where there are the fewest playgrounds.

And among the boys who live next to parks or on the edge of the city where there is plenty of room to play there is the least amount of crime.

There is no poverty worse than lack of playgrounds.

Let us all join in this move. Make it an offense against decency and humanity for anybody to kick about boys using a vacant lot to play in.

Policemen are obeying orders from property owners most of the time when they chase boys away from streets or vacant lots. Let us reach these property owners.

It will mean fewer gunmen, thieves and petty crooks of all kinds.

Time or money can't be invested in any better way than to produce happier, healthier boys.

THE MEXICAN SITUATION

Mexico City, June 8.—The Huerta government today decided to countermand the order for a blockade of Tampico. This action by Huerta is believed to have followed receipt of word from Niagara Falls to the effect that the United States would not permit the blockade. The Huerta cabinet, of course, realized the utter futility of opposing the American naval force.

Washington.—It seems likely that the events of the coming 72 hours will be momentous. The Tampico incident will be settled within that time. Carranza's reply to the mediators, in which he will agree to be represented, but will argue that he cannot agree to a suspension of hostilities or to consideration of Mexico's internal affairs, will also have been considered. No one will hazard a guess how the mediators will take this reply. If they accept it, Carranza's ultimate triumph is assured. If they reject it, it is believed nothing can come of mediation unless the final result is adoption of a plan to which the U. S.

can persuade the constitutionalists to agree.

El Paso — Immediate settlement with heirs of Gustave Bauch, American slain in Juarez in February, will be made within the next week by the Mexican constitutionalist government. An indemnity probably amounting to \$25,000 in gold will be paid. This will close the incident.

TELEGRAPH BRIEFS

Atlanta, Ga.—Leo M. Frank, convicted of murdering 14-year-old Mary Phagan, refused new trial.

Racine, Wis.—Fred Essmus, brakeman, who contributed to delinquency of girl 13, and Chas. Foster, clerk, who rented him room, got 100 days in jail.

Richmond, Cal.—Mrs. Geo. Burke Simmons, Winslowe, Ariz., arrested. Charged she sent poisoned candy to Mrs. W. B. Dagg, San Diego. Alleged infatuated with Dagg.

Cleveland, O.—Chas. F. Eicker, 55, Chicago, treas. Perolin Co., dead. Heart trouble.

Portsmouth, O.—Strike of local shoe workers off. Lasted 11 weeks.

Newcastle, Ind.—R. H. Abel, who swore to warrants charging Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Winters and W. R. Cooper with conspiring to murder and burn body of Catherine, says he will be on hand when time is right.

New York. — Chas. Clark, 18, slammed out home run for St. Stephen's Lyceum team. Dropped dead.

New York.—Chas. D. Hilles says bad teeth make bad boys.

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Mrs. Margaret Snyder, discharged in police court by declaring she was drunk in celebration of 7th anniversary of husband's death. So happy!

Muscatin, Ia.—Verne and Walter Siverly went to sleep under flat car on side track at Rowley, Ia. Car pulled out. Killed.

And even a very tall man may not be above criticism.