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A BEAUTIFUL SPOT

Is Mountain Park on the Jersey
Central Railroad.

IT IS 15 YEARS OLD NOW

On July 25th an Excursion Will
Leave This City for the Park—It
Will be for the Benefit of the
Proposed Hospital.

Mountain Park is the loveliest of mountain spots on the Jersey Central Railroad. This was the verdict of Councilman R. S. Lelsenring, County Treasurer John R. Gossler, William G. Dwyer, of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company; Charles A. Reger, of the variety store at No. 819 Hamilton street; Rev. J. Kessler, of Mulberry Indiana; Robert J. Olhausen and the local reporters, who were the guests yesterday of H. E. Ruhe, assistant general passenger agent of the Central Railroad on a trip to Mountain Park.

On July 25 the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Hospital Association will run an excursion to this place and in making this selection the ladies have chosen a spot that will be agreeable and attractive for the many who are expected to go. The park is on one of the highest elevations on the Jersey Central road, about seven miles from Wilkes-Barre.

THE MEANS FOR PLEASURE.

Prominent among many of the smaller buildings is a large dancing-pavilion with a splendid floor. The swings are all of the latest improved kind and all are safe. Besides there are many of the regular gymnasium equipments that form lots of amusement, bowling alley, a merry-go-round, which most of yesterday's party will swear by, and a hundred other means that need not be enumerated. But of all equipments there is not one apparatus that is not in first-class condition. At present a toboggan slide is being erected aside of a miniature railroad. The buildings must extend for about a mile.

THE WYOMING VALLEY.

At a prominent point a large tower is erected and after going up half a dozen flights of stairs a view of the beautiful Wyoming Valley may be enjoyed. Here Phillip Weiss, of Wilkes-Barre, who is well known here, pointed out the places of interest, and, by the way, Mr. Whalen, of Wilkes-Barre, was also one of the guides of the party. From this tower may be seen Ashley, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton, Wyoming, Mill Creek, Plains, Luzerne, Nanticoke, Kingston and half a dozen other places. At a distance is seen the spot where monument is erected to the fallen heroes of the Wyoming massacre.

THE ROMANTIC WALKS.

All along the mountain are delightful paths and roads that are well kept. On the top is a large place cleared where the German Shooting Clubs of Wilkes-Barre gather annually and shot at a wooden bird placed on a pole hundreds of feet in the air. The prize is \$225.00 and goes to the one that breaks the final piece of the bird. The winner is then entitled to the name King of the Marksmen for a year. The Hermit's cave is one of the most interesting spots.

THE PHOTOGRAPHER.

Any park is incomplete without a photographer. Mountain Park is fortunate in having A. J. Sturdevant, of Wilkes-Barre, who does excellent work. He has been there for thirteen years and conducts this place beside his Wilkes-Barre establishment. Yesterday the Edwardsville Sunday School picnicked in the Park and Mr. Sturdevant was kept busy all day. The forerunners of the hospital excursion were also immortalized on tin.

THE WATER.

The water is supplied from the independent water works of the company. There are nice drinking fountains throughout the grove and at various places are fountains that add considerably to the beautiful grove.

It would require a small volume to fully describe Mountain Park. Suffice this, that the people who may accompany the hospital excursion will not regret having done so, because it is a place where a day may well be spent for recreation or historical research. Everything is in first-class condition, and the simple fact that it has stood the test for fifteen years while other mountain resorts have not been able to survive.

Mr. Ruhe expects to run the excursion in five sections, four from this city and one from Catasauqua. The fare from this city will be \$1.50. By 9 o'clock each section will be at the park.