

QUARRY COMPANY HELPS DRYBROOK AND RUARDEAN



A seat, presented to the parish of Ruardean by Amey Roadstone Drybrook Quarries as a Jubilee year gesture, has been placed on Shoot Hill and, as our picture shows, affords a splendid view of the surrounding hills and mountains.

As well as this gift to Ruardean (which was gratefully acknowledged by the Parish Council at its meeting on Friday) the Company has also, as a jubilee venture in Drybrook, done an immense amount towards the completion of the Hazel Hill play space.

In association with Mr M. F. Freeman, of Ruardean, the Company is supplying between 6,000 and 7,000 tons of waste material to fill the ground and is using its machines to level it. It is also intended to contribute £100 to the playspace committee, as a start for the

purchase of swings and other play equipment for the younger children.

Mrs M. M. Beech (secretary and Parish Council representative of the committee of three that have struggled to keep the scheme going and who have made several appeals for support) said on Wednesday that it was largely because of the quarry company's assistance that the play space would be ready so soon (it is anticipated that seeding can be carried out in September).

"They have given us literally hundreds and hundreds of pounds of practical assistance and used their machines, which would have been very costly indeed to hire," she said.

The ground, which should be ready for use when the grass has grown, will provide a football area and a play area with equipment for younger children.