

Bidwell Park

Main Street, north of Maple Street

42° 19'56.37"N 73° 04'58.93"W elevation 1205 feet

The Bidwell Park, was deeded to the town by Florence H. Bidwell, widow of Addison Bidwell on August 16, 1929. The 1927 flood had washed away the imposing Bidwell General Store and much of the land that had been located here. Today the park is approximately a 1-acre strip; located between Main Street and Yokum Brook, bounded by Maple Street on the south and by the West Branch of the Westfield River to the north. The World War I Monument was dedicated here on Memorial Day, 1931. It was made from a 10-ton piece of Becket granite. The monument was moved to [Ballou Park](#) further south on Main Street in 1951 after the town approved a second, matching World War II monument to be placed in [Ballou Park](#); a more prominent location on Main Street.



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