Saratoga Will Buy Historic Marshall Home

House Sheltering Baroness During Battle Will Become Memorial

CANNON MARKS SHOW

British Soldier Undergoing Amputation Lost Second Leg in Firing

Schuylerville, Sept. 24—(Associated Press)—The Saratoga Historical society plans to purchase and preserve the Marshall house, one of the landmarks of the Saratoga battlefield.

Situated on a hill west of the highway, about a mile north of this village, the old building is still used as a dwelling, 154 years after it was built by Peter Lansing of Albany. The frame has not been altered and the arrangement of the rooms has not been changed since the days, 150 years ago next month, when it sheltered the Baroness Riedesel and her children during the second battle of Saratoga. It was this incident that gave the residence its paragraph in history.

About 7 o'clock in the afternoon of Oct. 10, 1777, a rude cabin containing the young and beautiful wife of the commander of the Hessians with Burgoyne drove up to the house, with her three daughters, whom she sought to remove as far as possible from the impending battle.

Stretching away to the southwest lay the British troops and the German auxiliaries, resting in their retreat from the battleground near Bemis Heights. To the west Morgan's famous riflemen were forming up positions along Burgoyne's front and flank. Just across the Hudson to the east, the forces of Colonel Fellows were bringing their batteries to bear upon the foe at bay.

As Baroness Riedesel's party halted before the house some soldiers stationed across the river leveled their muskets, believing that the dwelling was the British headquarters and that the arrivals were probably high officers. Hastily pushing her children to the bottom of the conveyance, the young mother herself had time to throw herself down before the bullets of the American sharpshooters whistled overhead, severely wounding a soldier in attendance on the baroness.

The house soon became the refuge of other ladies of the British army and also of some wounded soldiers. No sooner had they entered than the American batteries stationed on the heights across the river leveled their artillery upon the house and opened a fire that speedily drove the occupants to the cellar. Here Madame Riedesel lay down in a corner, quieting her three children as best she could. She was forced to remain a week in this dark, damp retreat.

The cellar was divided by plank partitions in which the women and children and the wounded officers and soldiers found shelter. Early next morning the firing was resumed and 11 cannonballs passed through the house in a brief interval.

In the northeast parlor surgeons were amputating the leg of a wounded British soldier when a solid shot tore away his remaining leg. The man was abandoned to die in a corner. One of the planks shattered by this ball in its passage through the house is still shown visitors.

Towards soldiers from time to time sought to force their way into the cellar and were restrained with difficulty. Wounded soldiers were constantly brought in for nursing. Being hard and badly harassed on both sides of the situation, Some dared to go to the river for water was a soldier's wife, whose arm was wounded by the enemy.

The history not intended to use the house as a hospital it became, however, the prison of its inmates, which were put to bed with after the defeat of the British.

After the Revolution the house passed into the hands of the Marshall family, and has since been known by their name.

Ammunition Pit Fire Sends Nearby Residents Scurrying to Safety

Baltimore, Sept. 24—(Associated Press)—Fire originating in an ammunition pit at the Curtis Bay army ordnance depot near here, exploded shells on a loading platform nearby and spread panic among residents of the neighborhood, but was brought under control without serious damage to the reservation load night.

Ammunition magazines containing thousands of tons of explosives several thousand yards away were quickly sealed by soldiers on the reservation, who with the assistance of local firemen and a fireboat extinguished the flames in less than two hours.

The presence of fire became known outside the reservation when a series of sharp explosions shook nearby homes. About the families loaded hastily collected belongings into automobiles and fled toward Baltimore, but reported when it became clear that there was no danger of the fire spreading.

Major Julius H. Traegar, commanding officer of the depot, announced that no one was hurt.

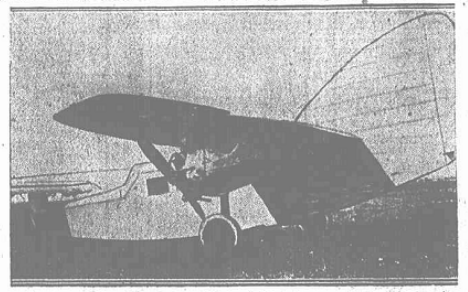
High School Pupils Fight; Police Squad Quells Riot

Chicago, Sept. 24—(Associated Press)—The football season is on. Witness:

Twelve policemen were needed to quell a riot last night between students of the Austin and Oak Park High schools, engaging in some "knock-for-the-battle, brotherly" hostilities. Thirty students were arrested and later freed.

Oak Park boys started the argument, said the police, by painting

German Safety Plane Is Successful in Tests



Here is a new type of German plane, which i n all ife tests has proven that it cannot turn turtle. It is said to op the first plane developed that can be b raked and it can be stopped on a short flying field.

Soo Line Trainmen Will Take Strike Vote; 2,000 Workers Involved

Minneapolis, Sept. 24—(Associated Press)—A strike vote has been ordered for all members of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen employed by the Soo Line, the result of failure of the brotherhood to get a reply from the railroad to demands for "satisfactory settlement" of grievances.

The ultimatum which expired yesterday noon was addressed by brotherhood officials to the Soo Line management. It asked that further efforts be made for adjustment of 17 grievances of which the brotherhood has complained. Alleged violation of the union labor agreement by the road is one of the grievances listed. The ultimatum brought no reply.

A strike would involve about 2,000 train service employes.

LAUGHS LAST

Mrs. O'Hara—"An' how did ye get along wi' the dentist, Pat?"

O'Hara—"Sure, he mighty near kill me, but at last he laugh on him, all the same, for he pulled out the wrong tooth."—Passing Show.

Furniture Movers and Truckmen secure excellent results from their ads in the Moving and Trucking Columns of The Press Classified section.

Clown's Mussolini Ditty Stirs Italian Protest

Sarajevo, Sept. 24—(Associated Press)—In the place that was the cause of one big war another one has just been averted by a circus and its clown being ordered out of town. The clown had a ditty about Mussolini that provoked the Jugo-slave to great mirth. The Italian consul protested, saying Italy would take suitable measures if need be. The circus is now somewhere else and the ditty is heard no longer.

Painters and Paperhangers report excellent results from advertising in The Press Classified Section.

Several Women Say Pastor Is Their Husband

The Rev. Willis F. Jordan Faces Court Action in North Carolina

Grand Rapids, Mich., Sept. 24—(Associated Press)—The Rev. Willis F. Jordan, pastor of Columbus, Ga., who told police he left that city at the urging of some of its citizens, was being sorely harassed today by persons who claimed him for husband and father.

Detained here pending arrival of officials from Charlotte, N. C., with a warrant for him on a charge that has not been disclosed the preacher was the subject of communications from various cities where it is claimed he is wanted for desertion.

From Charlotte came a telegram to Chief of Police Al A. Carroll, alleging that the evangelist had deserted a wife, the former Miss Emma Landrum, and two children.

Another signed by a Mrs. Cora S. Corywell from Atlanta, Ga., set out that the signer believed the preacher to be the man who deserted her.

"He had enough brass to return to Columbus, Ga., in disguise, as pastor of a church," the telegram added, and also made mention of a discrepancy in accounting of church funds entrusted to the man. Mrs. Corywell later when shown a picture of the preacher said she was positive he was not the man referred to in her communication. In a request for information regarding the man held here the chief of police of Elton, Ill., sent along a group picture of a family that sought its absconding head.

The Rev. Mr. Jordan recalled having some children in Zion, in fact he thought they were the young people pictured, but the woman in the group was not his wife, he was certain on that point.

Another woman from Roanoke, Va., wired a purported identification of the preacher as her husband and the father of her children, and Columbus, Ga., officials wrote that Jordan left a wife and family there when he disappeared last week.

Confronted with the accusations, the preacher in desperation exclaimed, according to Chief Carroll: "If there are records of these marriages against me I am sure that they occurred while I was under the spell of amnesia, from which I suffer frequently."

The preacher who was placed under arrest here yesterday at the home of Mrs. Ella Thomas, announced he would not fight extradition, but was going back to North Carolina to plead his case "before God, the judge, the jury and man."

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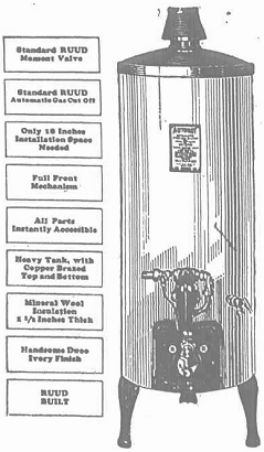

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