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ALTAMONT, N. Y., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1958

To Attend Assembly

M. L. Lewis, local presiding minister, is arranging transportation for all persons interested in attending the three-day assembly of Jehovah's Witnesses being held at the Olympic Arena, 216 Main St., Lake Placid, Oct. 3-5.

Mr. Lewis stated that 45 local delegates will be joining upwards of 9,000 delegates representing 21 congregations in eastern New York and western Massachusetts.

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Tawasentha Chapter, DAR

Tawasentha Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will be represented at the 63rd annual conference of the New York State Organization, DAR, being held this year in Binghamton, Oct. 1-3, by Mrs. Ward C. Ackerman, official delegate, and Mrs. Jerrald E. Potts of the Junior Membership committee.

Mrs. Potts will be personal page to Mrs. Kenneth G. Mayne, state corresponding secretary, a member and former regent of Tawasentha Chapter.

Tuesday evening, Sept. 30, Mrs. Schurr will attend a reception for Mrs. Ashmead White from Maine, candidate for President General on one of the national tickets to be voted on next April at the 68th Continental Congress of the DAR in Washington, for Mrs. Har- old Erb, past New York state regent, who is running for Vice President General on the same ticket.

Buy Registered Ayrshire

Henry Whipple, a 4-H member, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Whipple of Altamont, recently made an initial purchase of one registered Ayrshire according to the Ayrshire Breeders' association secretary, David Gibson, Jr., of Brandon, Vt.

The transaction was recorded in the national office of the Ayrshire Breeders' association in Brandon, where complete records on all registered Ayrshires in the United States have been maintained since 1875.

Because of their ability to produce at a low cost an abundance of milk with an average butterfat test of 4 per cent, the Ayrshire breed of dairy cattle has become increasingly popular with dairymen.

As much as we love peace it would seem much more sensible for us to work and fight, as a last resort, in cooperation with the free nations of the world rather than by means of our own armaments.

Early History of Crouse Family

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an ensign (today it would be called a second lieutenant) in the company of his friend and neighbor, Captain Jacob Van Aernam, 3rd Albany Regiment of Militia - Col. Philip P. Schuyler commanding. His name in this muster roll was recorded as "Frederick Gauss."

Our militia was called out when wanted, kept as long as wanted and the soldiers then sent to their homes. Sometimes a regiment or part of a regiment would be called out a half dozen times in the course of a year. The Third Albany Regiment was in active service from Oct. 28, 1775 to Nov. 4, 1781.

Several quotations from the proceedings of the Albany Committee for Detecting and Defeating Conspiracies give us a vivid picture of the conditions surrounding the Crouse family during the seven long years of the Revolution.

"May 2, 1777. This committee, having received information that a number of disaffected persons skulked in and about the Heilberg and by various indirect and insidious ways and means, induce many of the well meaning though misguided inhabitants to enter into combinations against the Liberties and Independence of the United States. To prevent practices so detrimental to the safety of the State and to support in those parts the Friends of their Liberty and property - Resolved, that Col. Peter B. Vroman of the Regiment of the District of Schoharie be ordered, and he is hereby ordered to draft 50 men under command of proper officers to march immediately to the House of Jacob Van Aernam. And also that 100 Men of the Militia of this County already drafted, be ordered on the said service. . . . Said Militia to be divided into every such person or persons as they have sufficient cause by proof to suspect inimical to the Liberties of this State and forthwith to Convey them to the Goal of the County."

On June 7, 1778, the minutes show this alarming condition had not improved after two years. Robberies at the Heilberg and adjacent places still continue notwithstanding the unremitting Endeavor used by this Board to put a stop to the same, and as most of the well affected subjects in that Quarter, unless a Speedy Alteration takes place, must inevitably be ruined and forced to quit their Habitations, therefore, Resolved, that Mathew Vischer, Esq., one of the members of this Board, do immediately wait on the Honorable Brigadier General Clinton, and advise with him what steps are most proper to be taken towards apprehending the Parsons who commit the said Robberies. The records of the Committee for Detecting Conspiracies are full of such outrages, so that the Heilberg is now a "Nest of Vipers and Hatcheries of Treasonable Design."

The patriotic Crouses carried on in spite of all such dangers to their lives and property. Then came a day when they really proved their worth. It was the fall of 1777. In August, the greatest assembly of Tories from all the surrounding territory, bent on the destruction of Schenectady, had been decisively beaten at the Battle of the Normans-Burgoyne, was almost before the defenses of Gen. Gates near Saratoga. Suddenly there appeared, one day, at the homestead of Frederick Crouse, two men on horseback - one in the uniform of a Patriot officer, the other evidently, his aid. Smilingly, he introduced himself.

"I'm General Ten Broeck, acting for my ward and nephew, the young Patriot. Our troops at Saratoga are hungry. Food is needed, lots of it, and right now. I'm told you are one man in this section of our Mar who can find it and get it into the battlefield. The result of this battle may well determine our hope of freedom and the future of our country. Can we count on you?"

"I'll do my best, General," said Frederick.

At once he began loading into his ox-carts the products of his grand pig styes, cattle stalls and the commissary at Saratoga. Then he called on a number of patriotic farmers below the Heilberg to do the same. "Keep only enough for your family needs. Send all the rest to me."

Guilderland

HAMILTON UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday, Sept. 28, 9:45 a. m. Church school. 11 a. m. Morning worship. 6 p. m. Westminister Fellowship. Wednesday, Oct. 1 - 7:30 p. m. Choir rehearsal. Thursday, Oct. 2 - 8 p. m. Preparatory service for Holy Communion.

CHURCH OFFICERS URGES NEW LETTER

At a planning conference for church officers held at Hamilton Union Presbyterian church, this week, it was urged that a new letter be published by the church to keep the congregation informed on church activities and on the program of the church.

WORLDWIDE COMMUNION OCTOBER 5

Hamilton Union Presbyterian church will join with the other major denominations throughout the world in celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Oct. 5. The topic of the day will be "God's Covenant." New members will be received at the service.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP ELECTS

The Youth Fellowship of Hamilton Union Presbyterian church elected President Charles Tubbs; Vice President, Russel Case; Treasurer, B. Liedike; secretary, Carl Schmidt; news reporter, Don Fonda.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank each and every one for their acts of kindness and assistance given us, during the time of our deep sorrow. Many thanks. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Arnold.

A surprise mutual aid drill was called Tuesday night at 7 o'clock. The call came from the Heilberg. Cox at Guilderland, and the Heilberg fire was centered on Wilbur street. All seven fire companies in the town as well as North Bethlehem responded.

in the limits of his - the said Erick Crants' Farm. And now for the aftermath of the contribution of food to the hungry soldiers at Saratoga. At the close of the Revolution there came an invitation to Frederick to call at the Manor House in North Albany. When he was welcomed by the General he was ushered into the parlor of the Mansion and greeted by old General Ten Broeck and his nephew, the patron himself. He now was a narrow young gentleman, just graduated from Harvard. With a friendly smile he turned to Frederick and said: "I called you here, Mr. Crouse, to offer my personal thanks for the great service you rendered our troops at Saratoga. I can think of no better way to show my appreciation than to give you an opportunity of buying the land you now have under lease. As you know, we have always retained a foot of our estate at Saratoga is the cause of this exception. We may never do it again. If you agree, my attorney will draw up a warranty deed."

And so the following is an extract that deed, which is now the property of Arthur R. Crouse of Altamont.

Made the 12th Day of June, 1784. Between Stephen Van Rensselaer, Esq., of Watervliet, in the County of Albany and State of New York, of the first part, and Frederick Crants, of the second part, Witnesseth, That the Party of the first part, for and in consideration of Two hundred and Ninety Five pounds, Gold or Silver Money, (\$775.00 in N. Y. dollars), hath Engrossed, and Confirmed, Remised, said Frederick Crants, and his heirs, assigns and assigns forever, of Land or Farm in the Manor of Hudsons River, near the place commonly called the Heilberg, Containing Two Hundred and Twenty Six Acres of Land. And will forever warrant and defend the same, Stephen Van Rensselaer, Witnesseth. And that is the reason why wheat, loads of wood, and many papers of Frederick or his heirs, are from all encumbrances, and will come down through the generations, a constant reminder of the patriotism of their old ancestor.

First Reformed Church of Bethlehem

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Letter to Editor

Dear Sir: How much of the personal affairs of YOUR family belong in secret school files?

In schools of Guilderland, the children are repeatedly required to answer prying questions on their "home life." In English class, autobiographies are required, in which details are requested on all phases of their home-life, plus an analysis of "personal problems," and these compositions are not returned further questionnaires and "compositions" to be written with details of family background, status, etc. If you wonder what the questions concern, ask your son or daughter.

As a result of last summer's Guilderland High summer home-making program, files were compiled for each visit made by the worker, which describes the homes, the families, and "personal" remarks.

Is all this necessary to understand the teaching of pupils? Files of this type of information are well understood in European countries, but some of these affairs are better left to those who have accepted them without question in the past - the church and the home.

Name Submitted.

Died LA FRANCE - Bessie E. Wilcox, Guilderland, entered into rest at Memorial Hospital, Albany, Sept. 22, aged 73 years, wife of the late Joseph N. La France, mother of Mrs. Clifford M. Arnold of Guilderland, Elwin J. La France of Baltimore, Md.; sister of Mrs. Amy Jorgensen, Mabel Austin, Laura Vogel, Jones, Clinton Jones, both of North Adams, Mass. Also survived by seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held from the Fredendall Funeral Home Thursday afternoon.

children in the Weisheit building are scheduled to begin Oct. 1. The first annual barbecue of Camp Fowler will be held at the camp at Speculator on Saturday, Oct. 11. Those interested in attending should register at the church office by Oct. 5.

Brown - Nesbitt

Miss Judith F. Nesbitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Nesbitt, R. D. 1, Fletcher, North Carolina, and Lawrence P. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Brown, R. D. 2, Altamont, were united in marriage on Friday, Sept. 12, at Asheville, N. C. The Rev. Thomas Grace, pastor of the First Methodist church of Asheville, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride is a graduate of A. C. Reynolds High school and Barton Business College, Asheville, N. C. The groom is a graduate of Voorheesville Central school and is a senior at the New York State College of Forestry, Syracuse University.

The couple will make their home in Syracuse for the present.

Thompson's Lake

SECOND REFORMED CHURCH 9:30 a. m. Worship service. 10:30 a. m. Sunday school. The first hymn Sing of the season sponsored by the Sixth Sunday School District will be held in the Beeverdam Reformed church, West Berne, on Oct. 5 at 7:30 p. m. everyone is invited. This Sunday, Sept. 28, there will be a Youth Rally held in Schenectady. Anyone from this church who may be interested in going please call Mrs. James Gibbs and transportation will be arranged. It starts at 3 p. m., so prepare a box lunch for your supper, beverages will be furnished.

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Pat's Ranch

OPENS Saturday, Oct. 4 BILL MASSOTH AND HIS BAND - Round and Square Dancing -

Ken's Skating Rink

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CHOICE MEATS BONELESS BRISKET ARMOUR'S STAR SMOKED SHOULDERS 39c lb

CORNER KING Sliced Bacon 1-Lb. Cello Layer 69c

OSCAR MAYER Sausage Meat 1 Lb. Bag 55c

BUY-RITE CREAMERY Butter Lb. Roll 69c lb

PRODUCE POTATOES, U. S. No. 1 10 Lb. Bag 33c PEPPERS, Home Grown 2 Lbs. 25c APPLES, Fancy Macintosh 3 Lbs. 25c

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