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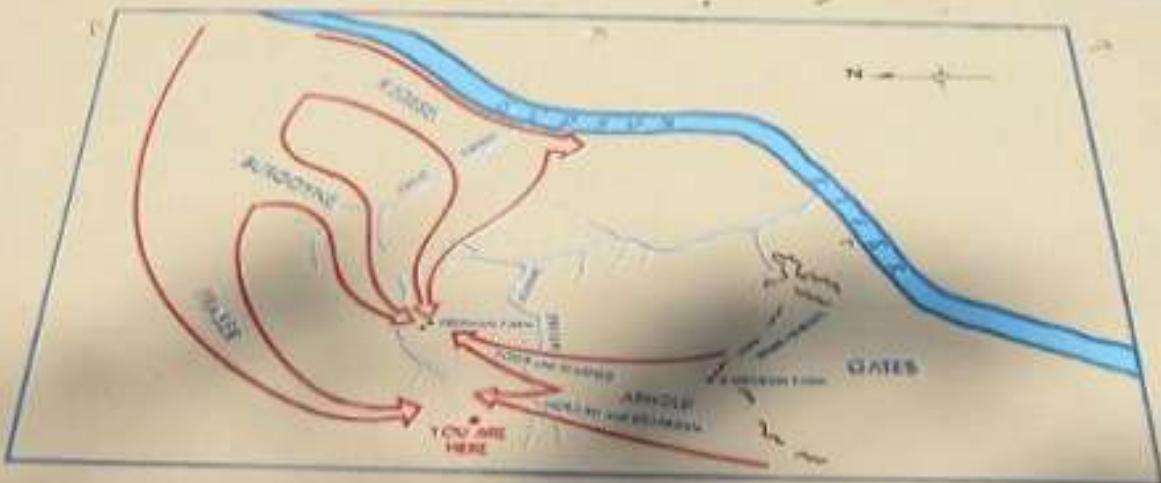
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Oneida Chief Warrior Han Yerry Tewahangarahken (He Who Takes Up The Snow Shoe) and his wife Tyonajanegen (Two Kettles Together) were early supporters of America's fight for independence. Both fought together in the August 1777 Battle of Oriskany. Although Han Yerry was wounded there, he and his wife traveled here with over 100 Oneida and Tuscarora warriors in order to again fight against the British.

A highly crafted pouch made of dyed porcupine quills and animal hairs, like this reproduction, held personal items and was designed to allow for quick movements through a forest.

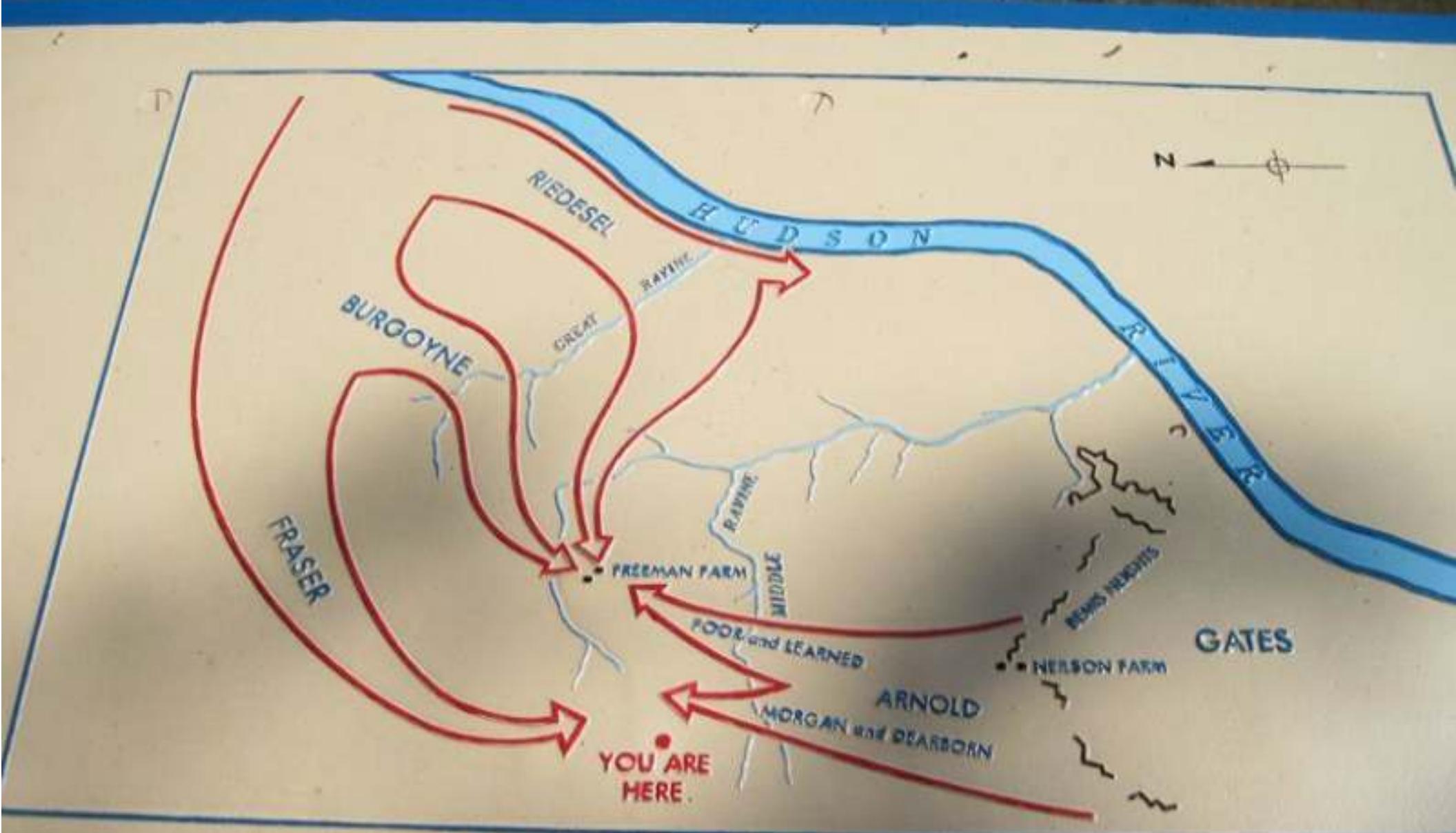


THE BATTLE AT FREEMAN'S FARM

SEPTEMBER 19, 1777

After a hard day's march, the first units of the British army began to arrive about 10 a.m. on September 19. American militia posted to the heights above had no advance warning of the approach of the British army. They withdrew rapidly back up the hill. One American general, John Brown, had his men strip their clothes and bandage over them. Then,

they crept under Brown's command from the front road and across the elevation flush, forcing the British to withdraw to Bemis Heights. The British had possession of these fields for their advance on Albany but were held.



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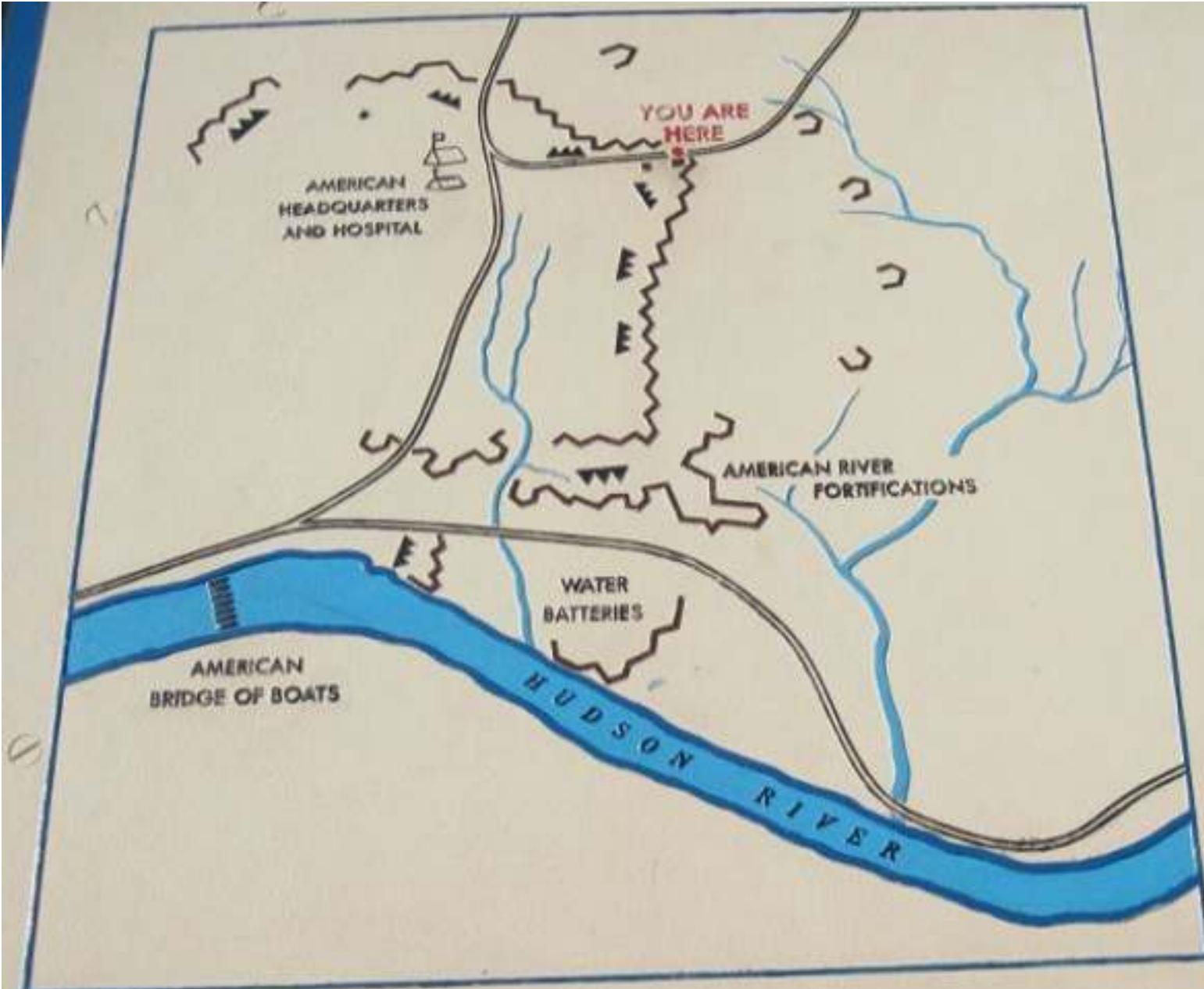
PRELUDE TO HISTORY

When news of the British invasion reached the farmers who tilled these fields, some went north to join the Crown Forces. Such a loyalist was John Freeman.

On a hot summer afternoon in 1777, one of Freeman's neighbors who stayed to fight for the Patriot cause may have paused thoughtfully as he passed his old friend's abandoned fields and home.

Travel back in time as you walk this ground where history was made. From the "History Home" station and kiosk to a presentation especially prepared to help you relive the exciting events which took place in what is now Saratoga National Historical Park.

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You are on the crest of B Heights at the apex of American defense lines. N were a fortified barn, ba infantry breastworks, h headquarters and enco sites.











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HOUSE AND FARM

John Neilson, who farmed this land, cast his lot with the Patriot cause. The building you see is a restoration of his original home. By mid-September 1777, the American Army had taken over Neilson's house and barn, and enclosed much of his farm within its defenses.



This sketch drawn by Lieutenant Colonel Varick, an American officer, shows Neilson's house and outbuildings





JOHN NELSON
HOUSE AND FARM

John Nelson's house and farm were built in 1830. The house was originally a two-story structure with a gambrel roof. It was later converted into a single-story residence. The farm included a barn, a smokehouse, and a number of outbuildings. The property was owned by the Nelson family until 1945.

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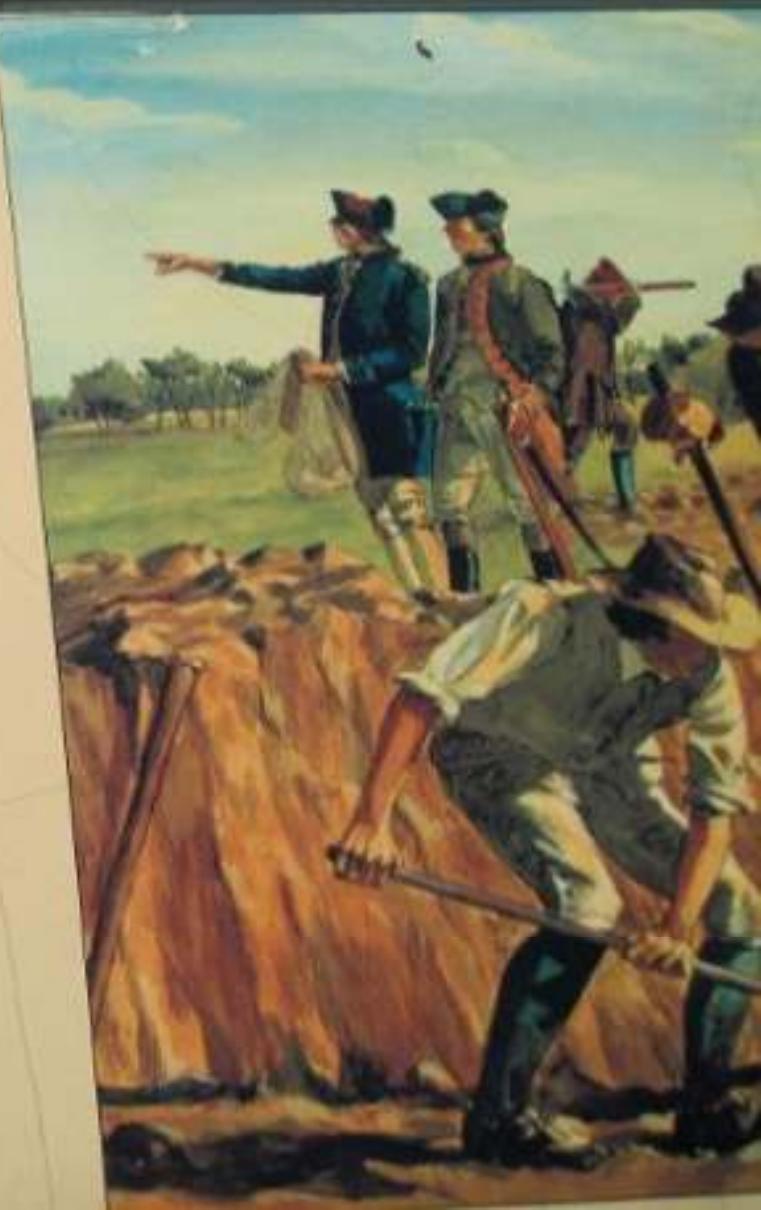
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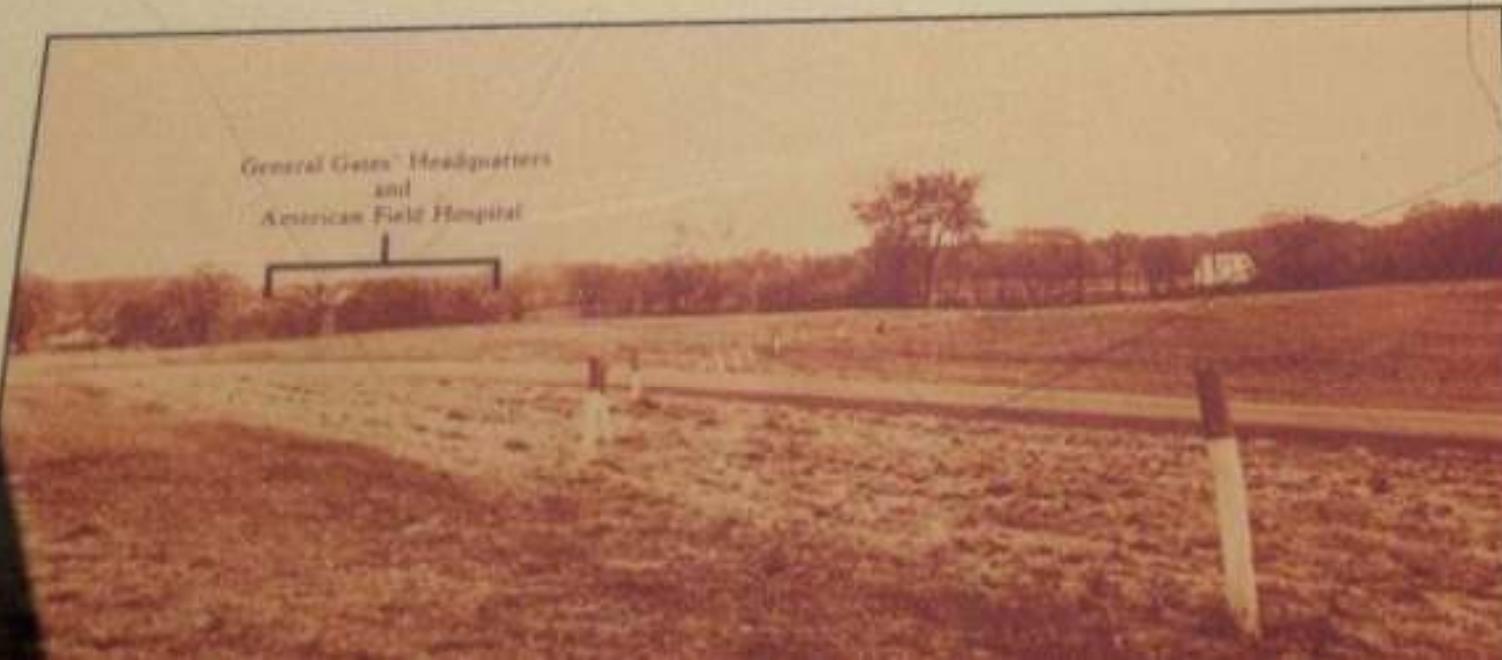
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In 1777 General Washington and his army encamped at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, during the American Revolution.



General Horatio Gates' hospital about

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A wide-angle photograph of a parking area. In the foreground, a paved road curves from the bottom left towards the center. A grassy field occupies the middle ground, featuring several large, mature trees. A long, low wall made of blue-painted metal fence posts runs across the background. On the left side of the grassy area, two grey concrete pillars support a black rectangular sign. The sign has white text that reads "Sorley Assembly" on the top line and "Parking Only" on the bottom line. The sky is clear and light blue.

Sorley Assembly
Parking Only



Cemetery
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FRANCIS A.
CARRELL

1888 - 1918
Private Soldier
Killed in Action

CHARLES
LAWRENCE
THOMAS

1888 - 1918
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PATRICK W.
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