

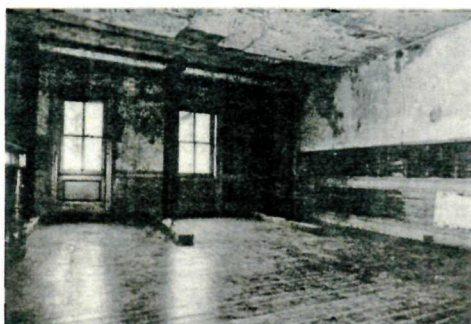


## Mr. Gallatin's Mansion and the Arson Fires of July, 1979

In 1978, Congress passed legislation creating Friendship Hill National Historic Site. The house was in very poor condition when acquired and major work lay ahead. It took several years to research which portions of the structure were built by Mr. Gallatin. During this same time frame, arson fires occurred in the house.

In the "Before" column below, the pictures show the arson fire damage to the Gallatin house. The "After" column pictures show the results of over three years of study, and ten years of careful rehabilitation. If Friendship Hill had not become part of the National Park Service, the Gallatin house may not be here for you to enjoy today.

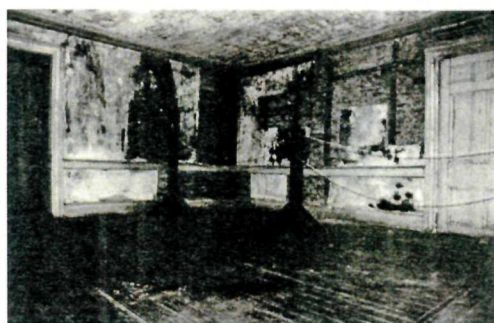
### Before



First Floor Brick House



Second Floor Brick House



First Floor Frame House

### After



First Floor Brick House

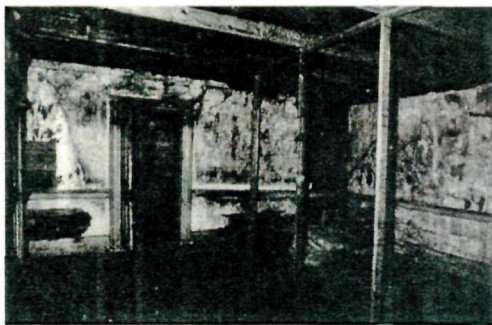


Second Floor Brick House



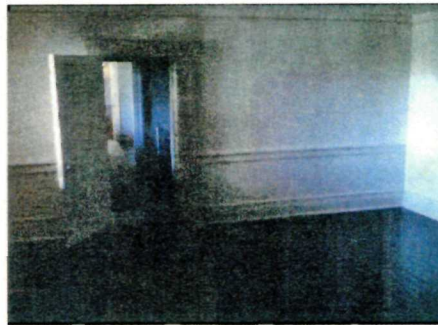
First Floor Frame House

## Before

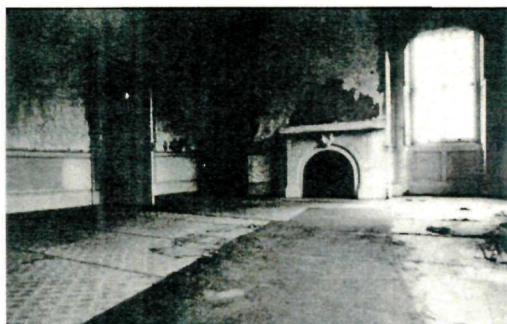


**Second Floor Frame House**

## After



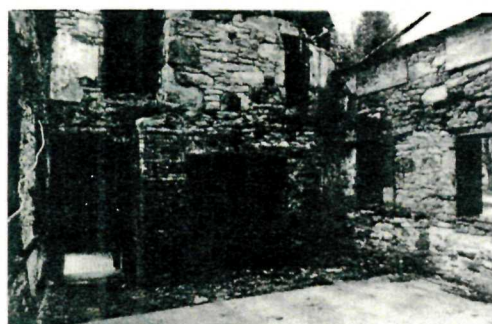
**Second Floor Frame House**



**Second Floor Stone House**



**Second Floor Stone House**



**Stone Kitchen**



**Stone Kitchen**

**Thus far, the National Park Service has done significant rehabilitation to the Gallatin house. Continuing research aids in the efforts to learn more about the house and the families who lived here.**

**The National Park Service wishes to thank all those individuals and volunteers who help with this research. Their efforts provide you, the visitor, with the best experience possible.**