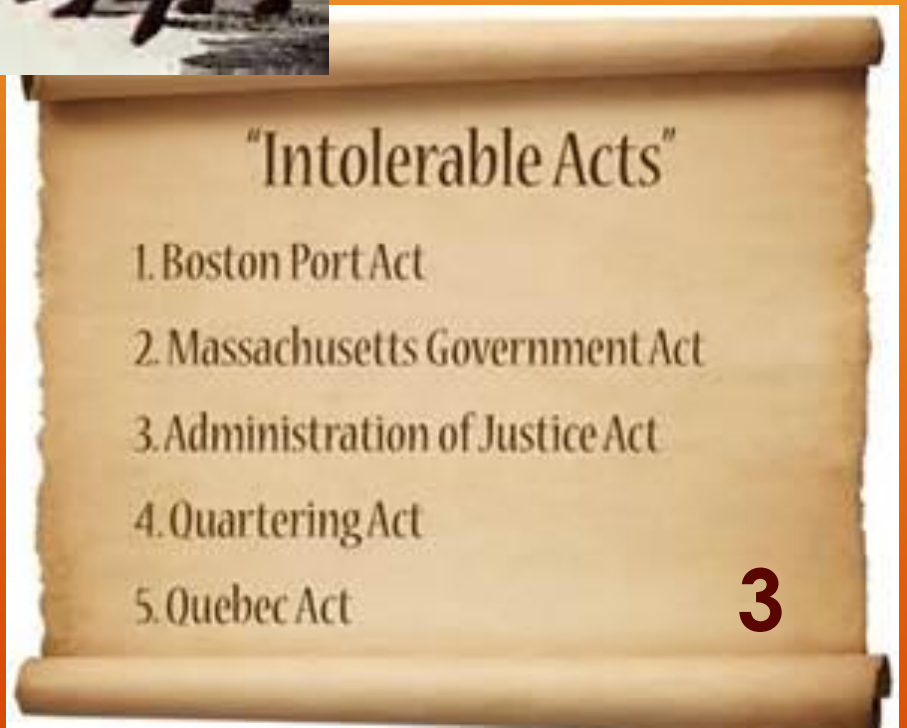
WELCOME TO THE REVOLUTION

OR… HEY KING GEORGE, WE'RE DONE HERE

WHERE HAVE WE BEEN SO FAR IN THE STORY?.



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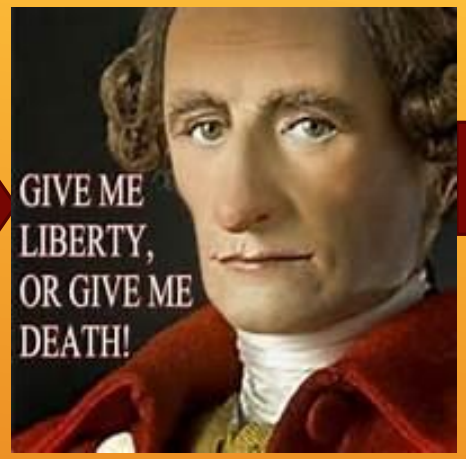

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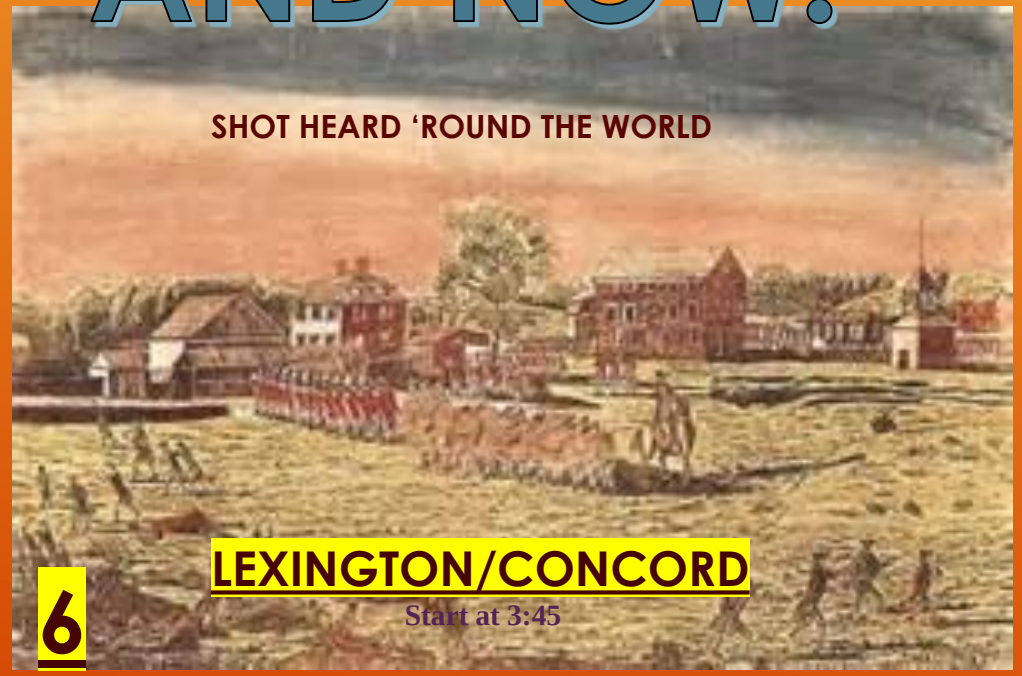

Start at 30:00

Primary view

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Ethan Allen
Green Mountain Boys
Benedict Arnold

May 10, 1775

15 June 1775

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DON'T FIRE TIL YOU SEE THE WHITES OF THEIR:

COL PRESCOTT

17 June 1775

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OCTOBER 26, 1775 King's response received

- **King George officially declared the American colonies to be in rebellion**
  - **August 23, 1775.**
- **Received the Olive Branch Petition**
  - **21 August 1775**
  - **Slap in the face**
- **Persuaded many wavering American colonists that the king was actively seeking to destroy their God-given rights**

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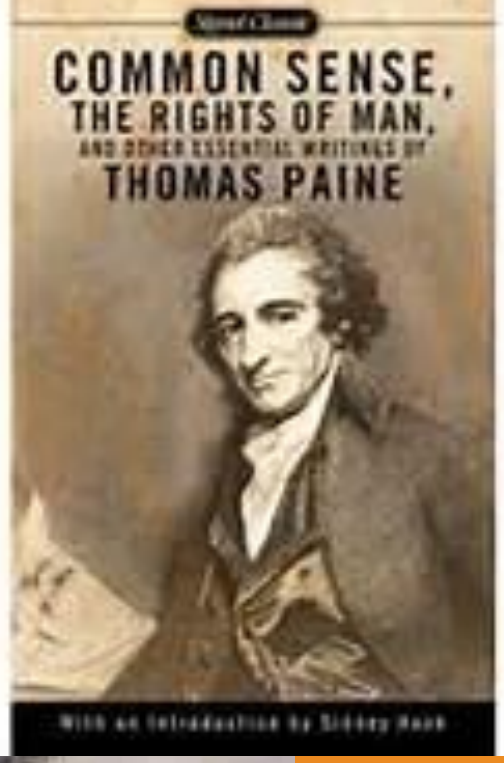

JAN 9, 1776

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59 cannon

Henry Knox hauls cannon to Dorchester Heights

24 January 1776

WAIT!!! WHAT DO YOU MEAN NOT EVERYONE WANTED INDEPENDENCE?

THREE SEPARATE IDEAS ABOUT THIS WHOLE THING:

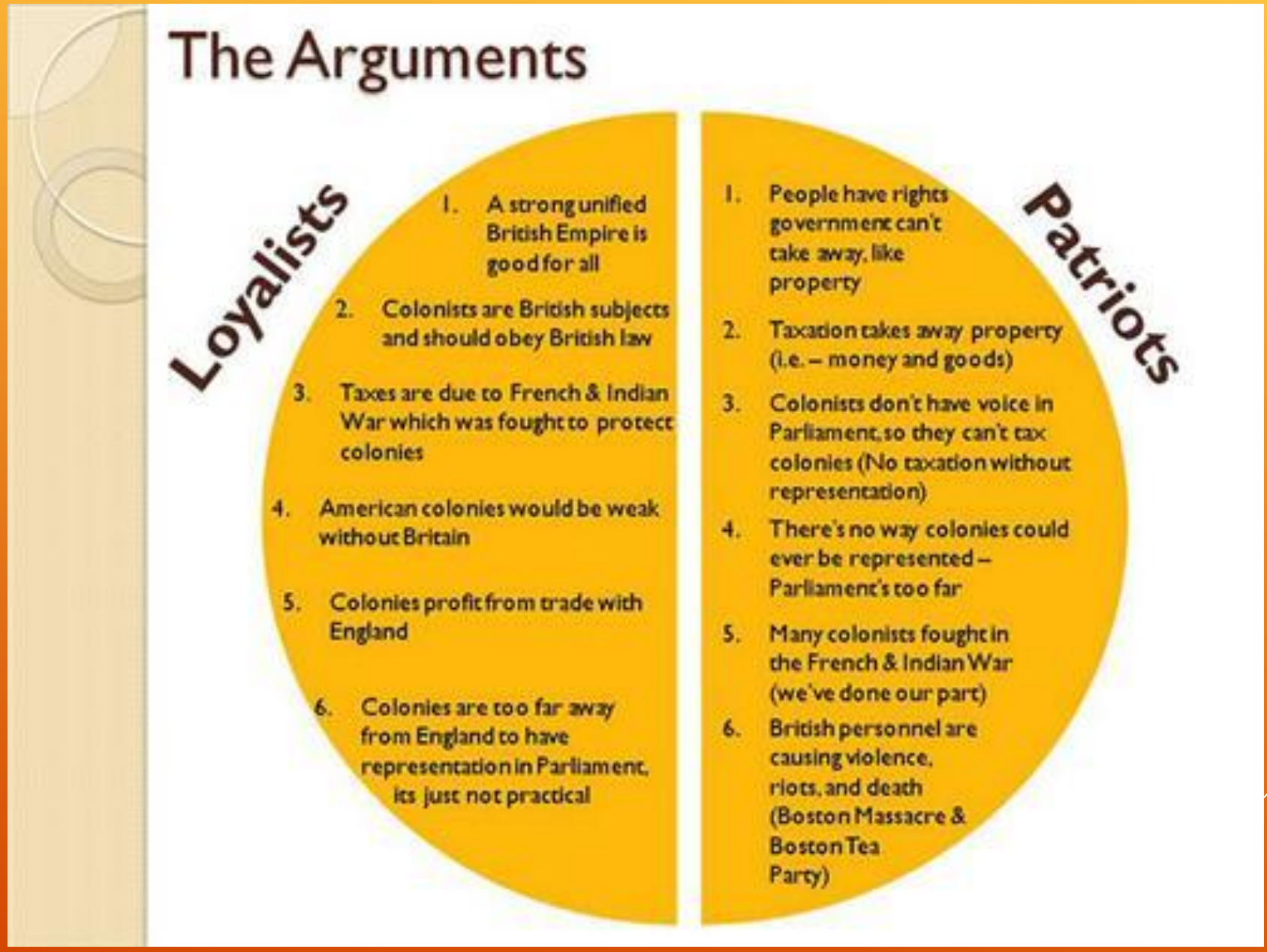
- CONSERVATIVE GROUP (GUESS NY, NJ, PA):
  - RETURN TO TRADITIONAL TIES WITH ENGLAND

- RADICAL GROUP (LED BY JOHN ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS)
  - COMPLETE INDEPENDENCE
  - STAY IN THE SHADOWS (TOO RADICAL).

- MOST POPULAR GROUP (JOHN HANCOCK, MASSACHUSETTS)
  - MAINTAIN TIES WITH ENGLAND
  - PARLIAMENT TOO CORRUPT TO GOVERN OVER COLONIES
  - REPORT DIRECTLY TO THE KING
    - ALLY
    - FRIEND

*GEORGIA ISN'T SOLD ON ANY OF THIS AND DOESN'T ATTEND THE CONGRESS (THEY HAVE AN INDIAN UPRISING TO DEAL WITH AND NEED BRITISH HELP).

DISSENT AMONG THE PEOPLE



NO EASY ANSWER

NOT A DONE DEAL

55-60% OF THE PEOPLE DID NOT SUPPORT THE REVOLUTION!

DEMOGRAPHICS OF SUPPORT AND OPPOSITION TO THE REVOLUTION

LOYALISTS

PATRIOTS

MIXED

INDIAN TRIBES:

IROQUOIS NATION WITH BRITISH (4 OF THE 6 TRIBES). (FEARED AMERICANS WOULD TAKE LAND)

TRIBES THAT INTERACTED WITH COLONISTS FOUGHT WITH THEM (PRIMARILY TWO).

AFRICAN-AMERICANS FOUGHT ON BOTH SIDES (SLAVES AND FREEMEN).

- **GENERAL WASHINGTON INITIALLY SIGNED AN ORDER PROHIBITING THEIR ENLISTMENT**
  - **SLAVEOWNER HIMSELF**
  - **CLOSEST FRIEND WAS HIS PERSONAL SLAVE, BILLY LEE.**
- **OWNERS FEARED SLAVES WITH GUNS**
- **5000 FOUGHT WITH AMERICANS**
- **BRITIAN OFFERED FREEDOM (30,000 IN THE SOUTH ACCEPTED).**

AND NOW FOR THE STUFF NO ONE EVER TOLD YOU

THE DECISION TO APPOINT A COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY WAS NOT CLEAR CUT

- **THREE MEN WERE HOPING TO GET THE POSITION**
  - **JOHN HANCOCK THOUGHT HE DERSERVED IT (MOST POPULAR CHOICE)**
    - **BOSTONIAN SMUGGLER WITH A LOT TO LOSE**
    - **PRESIDENT OF THE 2ND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS**
    - **NO MILITARY BACKGROUND**
    - **NOT IN FAVOR OF INDEPENDENCE**

- **BRITISH-BORN LTC CHARLES LEE**
  - **NICKNAMED “BOILING WATER” BY THE IROQUOIS (HOT TEMPER).**
  - **KIND OF A SLOB**
  - **IN IT FOR HIMSELF (YOU’LL SEE WHAT I MEAN LATER).**

  - **NO RELATION TO ROBERT E. LEE**

- **ARTEMAS WARD**
  - **COMMANDER OF THE FORCES AT BUNKER HILL**
  - **ALWAYS ILL**
  - **MASSACHUSETTS APPOINTED HIM: COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF “THE GRAND AMERICAN ARMY”**

- JOHN ADAMS AND JOHN HANCOCK HAVE BEEN FRIENDS SINCE CHILDHOOD
  - ADAMS NOMINATES WASHINGTON FROM VIRGINIA
    - NEED THE SUPPORT OF THE SOUTHERN COLONIES
    - DOES NOT TRUST HANCOCK'S VIEW ON SEPARATION
  - HANCOCK IS STUNNED
  - WASHINGTON HAD NOT LOBBIED FOR THE JOB. BUT!!!
    - WORE HIS UNIFORM EVERYDAY
      - REMINDER THAT HE IS A SEASONED WARRIOR
    - HE IS BORED AND WANTS THE ACTION.
    - ALL THE DELEGATES KNEW HIS MINDSET WAS TO TAKE THE JOB

WASHINGTON TRIVIA

- WANTED TO MARRY SALLY FAIRFAX
BUT SHE WAS MARRIED TO ONE OF HIS FRIENDS

- MARRIED MARTHA DANDRIDGE CUSTIS AND ROCKETED TO TOP OF SOCIAL LADDER
  - PROPOSED 9 DAYS AFTER FIRST MEETING
  - NO CHILDREN: SMALLPOX AFTER-EFFECTS
  - HER HOME WAS CALLED THE "WHITE HOUSE"
    - 17,500 ACRE PLANTATION
    - 300+ SLAVES
- WASHINGTON'S HOME: MT. VERNON
  - 7,600 ACRES
  - 150 SLAVES
  - INHERITED FROM HALF-BROTHER LAWRENCE (DEATH)
- FORMALLY NOMINATED FOR COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF BY THOMAS JOHNSON, MARYLAND
  - FOUGHT IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR
  - FIRST GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND AFTER STATEHOOD
  - JUSTICE ON U.S. SUPREME COURT
  - INSISTED THE NATION'S CAPITOL BE RENAMED FROM "FEDERAL CITY" IN HONOR OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON'S ARMY

>17,000 (40,000 MAX)

<48,000-121,000

COMPARISON OF THE FORCES

PLUS 25,000 MERCENARIES

ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

25 THINGS YOU NEVER KNEW

POPULATION

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APPROXIMATELY 12 MILLION PEOPLE

ABOUT 3 MILLION. BUT!!! MANY LOYALISTS

MANUFACTURING

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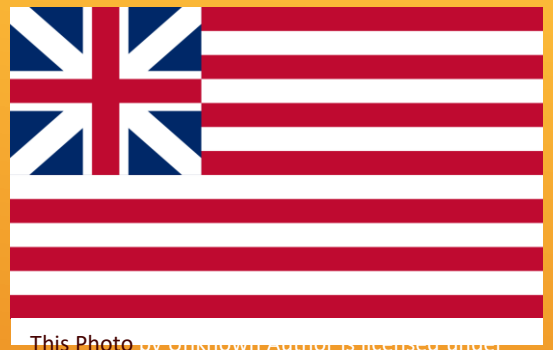

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YOU HAVE TO BE ABLE TO PRODUCE THE MATERIALS NEEDED FOR WAR: GUNS, CANNON, POWDER, UNIFORMS, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT NECESSARY
THERE IS A MASSIVE CAPABILITY IN THE COUNTRY

PROVIDE RAW MATERIALS TO ENGLAND FOR FINISHED PRODUCTS.
THERE IS LITTLE CAPABILITY

MONEY

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WEALTHIEST NATION IN THE WORLD

NO MONEY TO SUPPORT AN ONGOING EFFORT. A FEW MEN OF WEALTH, BUT NOT AN ABUNDANCE OF AVAILABLE CASH ON HAND.

ARMY

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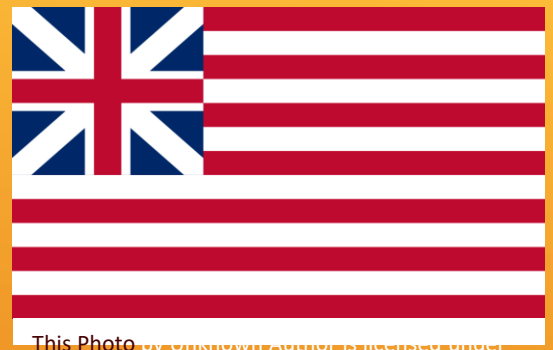

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- LARGE, WELL-TRAINED
- USE OF HESSIANS
- EXPERIENCED THROUGH CONSTANT WARFARE

- ALL-VOLUNTEER
- HIGHLY MOTIVATED
- POORLY TRAINED
- FEW WITH EXPERIENCE

NAVY

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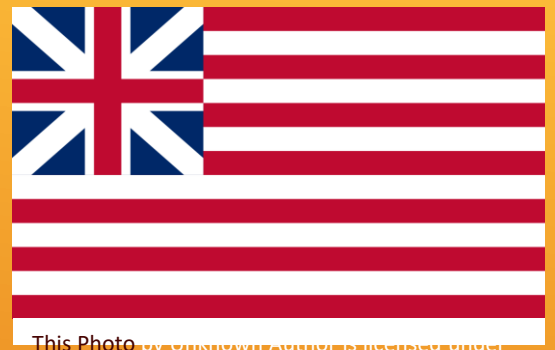
- **STRONGEST NAVY IN THE WORLD**
- **LARGE TRANSPORTS**
- **MAN-OF-WAR SHIPS**



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- **NO NAVY**
- **USE PRIVATEERS**
- **CANNOT DEFEND THE PORTS**

LEADERS

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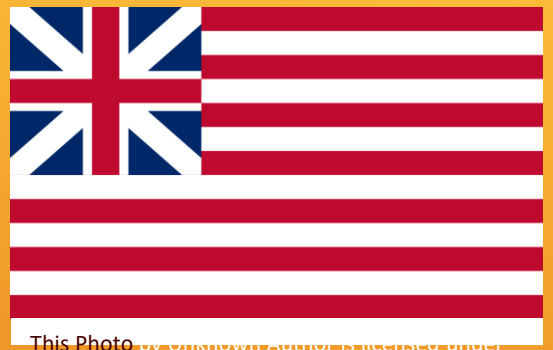
- **FEW CAPABLE LEADERS**
- **KEEP THE BEST IN EUROPE TO FIGHT THERE**
- **DECISION THAT THE REVOLUTION WON'T TAKE THE BEST THEY HAVE.**



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- **EXCELLENT LEADERS**
- **SUPPORT FROM EUROPEAN COUNTRIES**
  - **FRANCE**
  - **POLAND**
  - **GERMANY**

GEOGRAPHY (MINI-ICE AGE)

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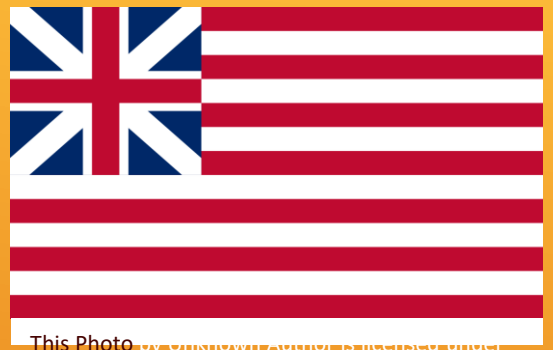
- FAR FROM HOME
- NOT USED TO THE SIZE OF AMERICA
- HARSH CONDITIONS
- VERY WOODED



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- CLOSE TO HOME
- KNOW THE LAND
- ACCUSTOMED TO THE HARSH CONDITIONS
  - HURRICANES
  - WINTER
  - TORNADOES

ANALYSIS
WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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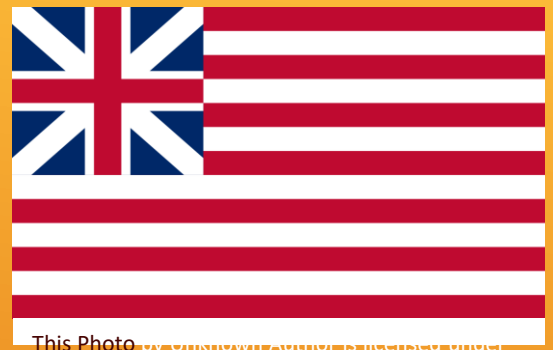

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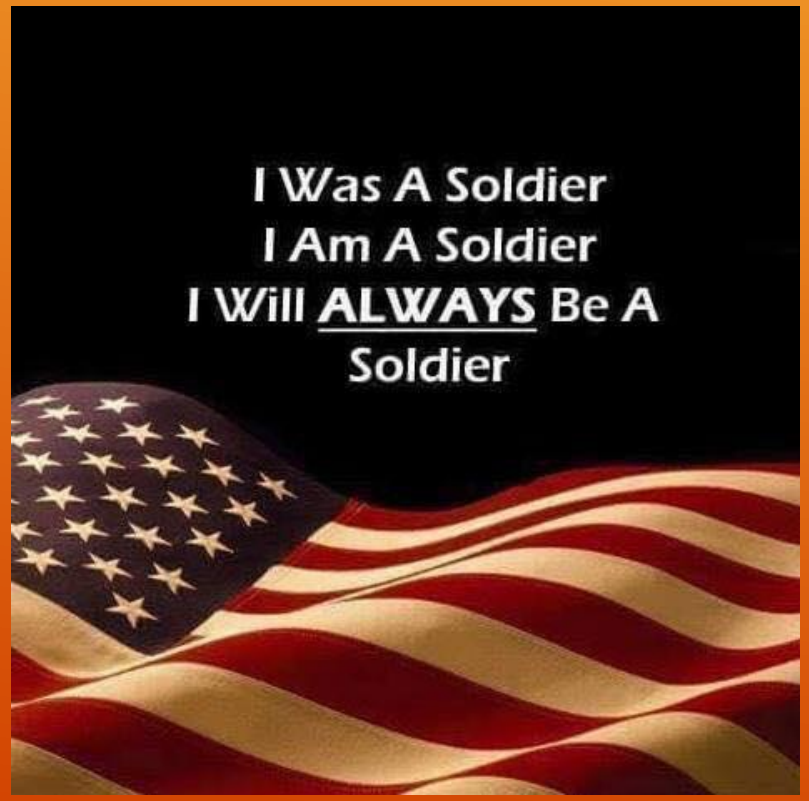
THINK ABOUT IT: AFTER THE VIETNAM WAR, AN ARMY COLONEL MET A FORMER NORTH VIETNAMESE ADVERSARY. AS PART OF THEIR EXCHANGE, THE AMERICAN TURNED TO THE VIETNAMESE COUNTERPART AND SAID, "YOU KNOW, YOU NEVER DEFEATED US ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE."

THE VIETNAMESE GENERAL REPLIED, "THAT IS TRUE, BUT IT IS ALSO IRRELEVANT."

THE VIETNAMESE UNDERSTOOD THE CONCEPT OF "CENTER OF GRAVITY."

WAIT! THIS DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE!!! SO, HOW DID THEY WIN?



GEOGRAPHY AND CLIMATE AS CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

CLIMATE
- ✓ MINI-ICE AGE
- ✓ HOT HUMID SUMMERS
- ✓ SNOW

TERRAIN (DIRT)
- ❑ HEAVILY FORESTED AREAS
- ❑ MOUNTAINS IN WEST
- ❑ LOWLANDS IN SOUTH
- ❑ CROSS-COMPARTMENTED
- ❑ NOT CONDUCIVE TO OPEN LAND WARFARE

WATERWAYS AND OCEANS
- ❖ MULTIPLE RIVER SYSTEMS
- ❖ SWAMPY AREAS
- ❖ ATLANTIC OCEAN AS A BARRIER
- ❖ MULTIPLE HARBORS
- ❖ CHANNELIZES FORCES
- ❖ BARRIER

THE EARLY PROBLEMS OF THE REVOLUTION

- NO REGULAR ARMY: USED STATE MILITIAS AT FIRST
- NO UNIFORMS
- NO MONEY TO PAY SOLDIERS
- NO NAVY
- NO FOOD
- NO BLANKETS
- NO SHOES
- NO AMMUNITION
- NO WEAPONS

NO NOTHING

CONGRESS
- ESTABLISHED ENLISTMENTS FOR ONE YEAR
- COULD NOT PROPERLY SUPPLY ARMY

AND: THEY WERE UNTRAINED AND UNDISCIPLINED (SURE WAY TO DIE IN BATTLE)

TO THE RESCUE!!!

BARON VON STEUBEN

WOMEN FOLLOWED THEIR HUSBANDS INTO BATTLE
COOKED, DID LAUNDRY
NURSED MEN TO HEALTH
FOUGHT (DEBORAH SAMPSON, MOLLY PITCHER)

TO THE RESCUE!!!

CASIMIR PULASKI

FATHER OF THE AMERICAN CAVALRY

- SAVED WASHINGTON'S LIFE AT BRANDYWINE
- FOUGHT THROUGHOUT NEW JERSEY
- FOUGHT IN THE SOUTH
- DIED AFTER THE BATTLE OF SAVANNAH

MARQUIS de LAFAYETTE

19 YEARS OLD

ARRIVED IN AMERICA TO FIGHT

- APPOINTED MAJOR GENERAL
- NO TROOPS
- FOUGHT UNTIL 1780
- RETURNED TO FRANCE
  - LOBBIED FOR TROOPS
  - RETURNED FOR BATTLE OF YORKTOWN

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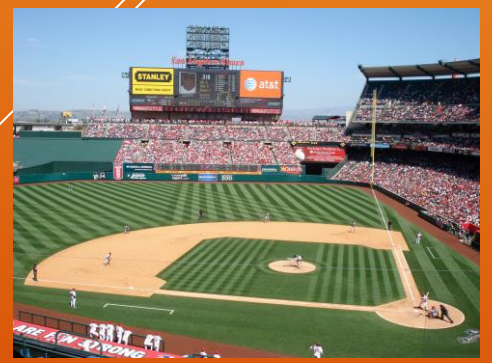


MISSION

THE COLONIES

GAIN INDEPENDENCE

REMOVE THE BRITISH THREAT

GREAT BRITAIN

SQUASH THE INDEPENDENCE BUG

BRING THE COLONIES BACK IN LINE

ENEMY

THE COLONIES

INDIANS ALLIED WITH BRITISH
BRITISH ARMY AND NAVY
LOYALISTS IN THE COUNTRY

GREAT BRITAIN

PEOPLE OF THE COLONIES
AMERICAN ARMY
INDIANS FRIENDLY TO AMERICANS
***FRANCE (MATERIEL THEN TROOPS)**

TERRAIN

THE COLONIES

-KNOW THE LAND

-KNOW HOW TO MANEUVER

- KNOW SHORT CUTS

***QUICKEST ROUTES**

- FIGHT USING THE TERRAIN

***BEHIND ROCKS AND TREES**

***USE THE RIVERS**

-USE AREAS WHERE YOU CAN CANALIZE THE ENEMY (DRIVE THEM INTO AREAS WHERE THEY CANNOT MOVE FREELY)

-KNOW THAT YOU CANNOT STAND TOE TO TOE

*** (HIT AND RUN)**

TERRAIN

GREAT BRITAIN

-RELY ON LOYALISTS FOR INFORMATION.

-TRY TO FIGHT AS IF THEY ARE IN EUROPE

(ONE LINE, MASS FORCES)

-LOOK FOR LAND THAT CONFORMS TO THEIR WAY OF WARFARE

-DO NOT KNOW WHERE THEY ARE AT ANY GIVEN TIME.

-DIFFICULT TO MANEUVER LARGE FORCES

(SUPPLY LINE STRETCH 10-16 MILES)

TROOPS:

THE COLONIES

-NO EXPERIENCE UNLESS FOUGHT IN THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR

-LOCAL MILITIAS

(TRAIN UP A REGULAR CONTINENTAL ARMY OVER TIME)

-FRIENDLY INDIAN TRIBES (ONLY TWO)

-FOREIGN FORCES: FRANCE

(SPAIN NEAR THE END)

-NO NAVY TO PROTECT SHORES AND HARBORS.

TROOPS:

GREAT BRITAIN

-LARGE STANDING ARMY

AVERAGE OF 6.5 YEARS COMBAT EXPERIENCE

LARGEST AND BEST NAVY IN THE WORLD

-USE MERCENARIES: HESSIANS

STATE OF HESSE IN GERMANY.

BAD HERSFELD.

I WAS STATIONED ON THE SAME KASERNE (FORT) THAT THE HESSIANS THAT FOUGHT AT TRENTON ONCE CALLED HOME).

(USE THE BAYONET AS A TOOL OF TERROR)

TIME

THE COLONIES **-ALL THE TIME IN THE WORLD**

BUT!!!!

CONSTRAINTS:

THE CONGRESS

MONEY

-EQUIPMENT

-FOOD

GAIN ALLIES

THE PEOPLE

- WILL THEY CONTINUE TO SUPPORT?

- WILL THEY FEEL IT IS A LOST CAUSE?

TIME

GREAT BRITAIN

DO NOT HAVE THE LUXURY OF SPENDING ENDLESS TIME ON THIS WAR

-TAXES ON PEOPLE IN ENGLAND PUSH HARD AGAINST PARLIAMENT

-MANY IN PARLIAMENT AGAINST WAR

-FRANCE AND SPAIN CAUSING TROUBLE IN EUROPE

-AMERICAN NAVY (WHEN IT GETS GOING) STARTS TO CAUSE PROBLEMS ON COAST

-FRUSTRATION BECAUSE OF AMERICAN TACTICS

THE AMERICAN LEADERSHIP

AMERICAN COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE ARMY

GEORGE WASHINGTON

- **APPOINTED COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF: JUNE 15, 1775**
  - **DID NOT SEEK JOB**

- **WEALTHIEST MAN IN VIRGINIA (IF NOT ALL THE COLONIES)**
  - **MARRIED MARTHA (WIDOW) INCREASED HIS PROPERTY/ SOCIAL STANDING**
    - **WHITE HOUSE**

- **BRITISH PRAISED HIS CHARACTER THROUGHOUT THE WAR**

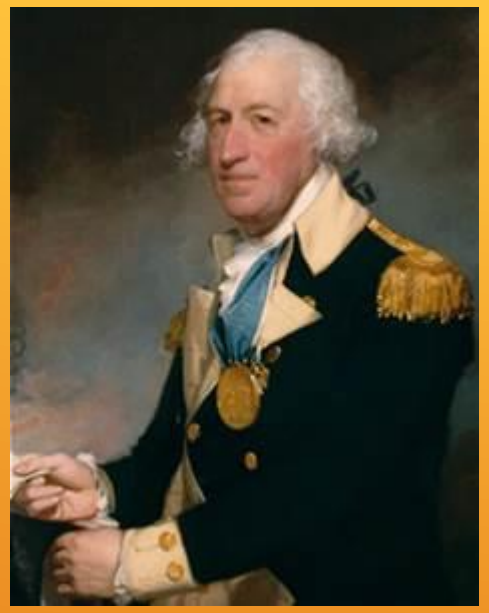
- **MAJOR BATTLES**
  - **LONG ISLAND (DEFEAT)**
  - **TRENTON (VICTORY)**
  - **PRINCETON (VICTORY)**
  - **BRANDYWINE (DEFEAT)**
  - **GERMANTOWN (DEFEAT)**
  - **SARATOGA (VICTORY)**
  - **PHILADELPHIA (DEFEAT) CONGRESS QUESTIONED HIS ABILITY**
  - **MONMOUTH (VICTORY)**
  - **YORKTOWN (VICTORY)**

AT THE END OF THE WAR, KING GEORGE III UPON HEARING THAT WASHINGTON WAS GOING TO RETIRE TO HIS HOME IN MOUNT VERNON

“IF HE DOES THAT, HE WILL BE THE GREATEST MAN IN THE WORLD.”(HE COULD HAVE HAD ANYTHING HE WANTED)

AMERICAN COMMANDER UNDER WASHINGTON

GEN HORATIO GATES
"GRANNY GATES"



We will see him again

RETIRED BRITISH OFFICER SERVED IN THE AMERICAN ARMY

TOOK CREDIT FOR VICTORY AT SARATOGA (LATER IN WAR)

- **CREDIT REALLY BELONGED TO BENEDICT ARNOLD**
- **BYPASSED WASHINGTON AND SENT REPORTS DIRECTLY TO CONGRESS**
- **USED HIS SUCCESS TO TRY TO REPLACE WASHINGTON**
  - **APPOINTED TO HEAD "BOARD OF WAR"**
    - **CIVILIAN JOB OVER WASHINGTON**
    - **"CONWAY CABAL"**
    - **APOLOGIZED FOR HIS ATTEMPT**
- **ROUTED AT THE BATTLE OF CAMDEN**
  - **COVERED 170 MILES IN 3 DAYS ON HORSEBACK "RETREATING"**
  - **RELIEVED AND COURTS MARTIAL CALLED FOR: CALL REPEALED LATER**
- **RE-JOINED WASHINGTON IN NEW YORK**
- **NEWBURGH CONSPIRACY (MILITARY COUP AGAINST CONGRESS 1783)**
  - **WASHINGTON SQUASHED IT.**

AMERICAN COMMANDERS

LTC HARRY "LIGHTHORSE" LEE

- SKILLED HORSEMAN
- HARASSED BRITISH DURING THE WINTER OF VALLEY FORGE
- SURROUNDED BY 200 BRITISH AND FOUGHT THEM OFF
  WITH 8 MEN IN A HOUSE AND A RUSE

"FIRE AWAY MEN, HERE COMES OUR INFANTRY. WE WILL HAVE THEM ALL"

- REFUSED HONOR TO BE WASHINGTON'S AIDE: "I AM WEDDED TO MY SWORD".

- FOUGHT IN THE SOUTH AND AT YORKTOWN
- DELIEVERED THE EULOGY FOR WASHINGTON'S FUNERAL

"First in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen..."

- **FATHER OF ROBERT E. LEE (COMMANDER OF THE CONFEDERATE FORCES)**

AMERICAN COMMANDERS

Nathanael Greene

- MOST TRUSTED OF WASHINGTON'S GENERALS
- IN CHARGE OF GATHERING SUPPLIES AT VALLEY FORGE
- TOOK COMMAND OF WEST POINT AFTER ARNOLD'S TREASON
- TOOK OVER FOR GATES AFTER THE DEFEAT AT CAMDEN
- FOUGHT CORNWALLIS THROUGHOUT SOUTH CAROLINA

AMERICAN COMMANDERS

BRIGADIER GENERAL FRANCIS MARION
"SWAMP FOX"

- SURVIVED A SHIPWRECK AT THE AGE OF 15 IN THE CARIBBEAN
- LEARNED HOW TO FIGHT IN THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR
  - CHEROKEE TACTICS
- FORMED A SMALL UNIT TO HARASS BRITISH SUPPLY LINES
  - SAVANNAH
  - SOUTH CAROLINA
- <u>PURSUED BY BANASTRE TARLETON THROUGH THE SWAMPS</u>
  - 26 MILES
  - PROVIDED MARION HIS NICKNAME ("… OLD FOX, THE DEVIL HIMSELF COULD NOT CATCH HIM.")
- FOUGHT UNDER
  - MG GREENE
  - LTC HENRY "LIGHTHORSE" LEE
  - BG SUMTER

(SEE DVD)

AMERICAN COMMANDERS

JOHN PAUL JONES

BORN IN SCOTLAND

FLED TO AMERICA AFTER KILLING A MUTINEER

FAMOUS ENCOUNTER: BONHOMME RICHARD V. SERAPIS

"I HAVE NOT YET BEGUN TO FIGHT"

SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS THE "FATHER OF THE US NAVY" AND "FATHER OF THE RUSSIAN NAVY"

AMERICAN COMMANDERS

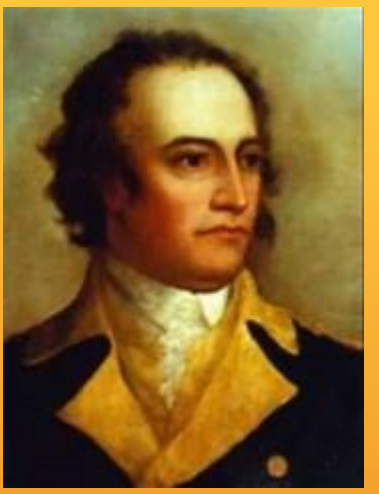
AMERICA'S MOST NOTORIOUS TRAITOR

BENEDICT ARNOLD

- ENTERED WAR AFTER LEXINGTON/ CONCORD
- MARCHED ON FORT TICONDEROGA
  - COULDN'T GET ALONG WITH ETHAN ALLEN
  - GOT ALONG BETTER WITH THE BRITISH OFFICERS
- EXPERIENCED SAILOR
  - PLANNED INVASION OF CANADA
  - CAN'T GET ALONG WITH ANYONE: RESIGNS HIS COMMISSION
    - TRIED TO DUEL COL EASTON: FISTFIGHT
    - PUT UNDER COMMAND OF COL BENJAMIN HINMAN
    - WASN'T PAID IN FULL BY MASSACHUSETTS FOR HIS EXPEDITION TO FT. TICONDEROGA
      - FINALLY PAID BY CONTINENTAL CONGRESS
- GEORGE WASHINGTON SELECTS HIM TO LEAD BATTLE OF QUEBEC (DEFEATED AND WOUNDED)
- PLUNDERED MONTREAL (LEGAL PROBLEM)
  - IN-FIGHTING WITH OTHER COMMANDERS
  - HOTHEAD
- SAW OTHERS PROMOTED OVER HIM: RESIGNED AGAIN IN 1777!
  - DECIDED TO COME BACK UNDER GEN SCHUYLER TO FIGHT IN CANADA
  - IN TROUBLE WITH GEN GATES
  - WOUNDED AT SARATOGA (VICTORY BUT GATES TOOK THE CREDIT)
- SENT TO PHILADELPHIA: MET PEGGY SHIPPEN
  - SHE LOVED JOHN ANDRE BUT MARRIED BENEDICT ANYWAY
  - ARNOLD COULDN'T MAINTAIN THE LIFESTYLE
  - TRAITOR
    - 10000 POUNDS IN CASH
    - COMMISSION IN BRITISH ARMY

AMERICAN COMMANDERS

JOHN SULLIVAN



- IRISH-AMERICAN
- BORN IN NEW HAMPSHIRE
- MEMBER OF THE FIRST CONTINENTAL CONGRESS
- MEMBER OF THE SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS
  - COMMISSIONED A BRIGADIER GENERAL IN 1775
- CAPTURED AT THE BATTLE OF LONG ISLAND (RELEASED).
- LED FORCES AT
  - BATTLE OF TRENTON
  - BATTLE OF PRINCETON
  - SULLIVAN'S EXPEDITION
- PERFECTED WAYS TO SMUGGLE AMMUNITION AND WEAPONS TO AMERICAN FORCES

- GOVERNOR OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
- FEDERAL JUDGE FOR THE NEW HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT UNTIL HIS DEATH 1795.

AMERICAN COMMANDERS

HENRY KNOX

- GREW UP IN THE STREET GANGS OF BOSTON: LEARNED TO FIGHT
- WITNESSED AND TESTIFIED AT THE BOSTON MASSACRE TRIAL.
- OPENED THE “LONDON BOOKSHOP”
- SHOT OFF TWO OF HIS OWN FINGERS IN AN ACCIDENT
- READ AND LEARNED ALL ABOUT ARTILLERY FROM READING HIS BOOKS
- JOINED THE CONTINENTAL ARMY AFTER LEXINGTON AND CONCORD
- FOUGHT AT BUNKER HILL
- BROUGHT THE CANNON TO ASSIST IN THE SIEGE OF BOSTON
- FOUGHT WITH WASHINGTON THROUGHOUT THE WAR
  - TRENTON
  - PRINCETON
  - BRANDYWINE
  - MONMOUTH
  - YORKTOWN
- CHIEF OF ARTILLERY FOR WASHINGTON
- BECAME SECRETARY OF WAR UNDER WASHINGTON’S PRESIDENCY.
- DIED IN 1806

NOW WHAT ?

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IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776.

A DECLARATION

BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

IN GENERAL CONGRESS ASSEMBLED.

JOHN HANCOCK, PRESIDENT.

THOMAS JEFFERSON

1

VIRGINIA

JOHN ADAMS 2

MASSACHUSETTS

ROBERT LIVINGSTON

Well respected

NEW YORK

Didn't sign, called away by NEW York Legislature

TALKED JOHN DICKINSON INTO MISSING THE VOTE: HE WOULD HAVE VOTED NO

3

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

PENNSYLVANIA

CONNECTICUT

ROGER SHERMAN

Proposed Great Compromise

9 KEY CONCEPTS 6

Back up video 4

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE BROKEN DOWN INTO PARTS

BASIC STRUCTURE (1400 WORDS)

- THREE SECTIONS
  - PRINCIPLES AND BELIEFS (200)
  - LIST OF THE KING'S ABUSES (1000)
  - DECLARATION AND PLEDGE (200)

TRIVIA: JOHN HANCOCK WAS THE ONLY SIGNER ON 2 JULY, IT WAS READ TO THE PUBLIC ON 4 JULY, AND THE OTHER 56 DELEGATES SIGNED ON 2 AUG 1776.

THE NINE BASIC KEY CONCEPTS OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

"THE PRICE OF FREEDOM IS ETERNAL VIGILANCE"

THOMAS JEFFERSON

- **UNDERSTAND THE BASIC STRUCTURE OF THE DOCUMENT**
- **UNDERSTAND THE SEVEN COMPONENT PARTS**
- **UNDERSTAND THAT THE DECLARATION AND THE CONSTITUTION WORK TOGETHER.**

THE SEVEN PARTS OF THE DECLARATION

1. THE REASON FOR THE DECLARATION

"When in the Course of human Events, it becomes **necessary for one People to dissolve the Political Bands which have connected them with another**, and to **assume** among the Powers of the Earth, the **separate and equal Station** to which the **Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them**, a decent Respect to the Opinions of Mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the Separation"

2. SELF-EVIDENT TRUTHS

"All Men are **created equal**, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are **Life**, **Liberty**, and the **pursuit of Happiness"**

THE SEVEN PARTS OF THE DECLARATION (CONT'D)

3. THE PURPOSE OF GOVERNMENT

"…**to secure these Rights**, Governments are instituted among Men, **deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed"**

4. REASONS FOR ALTERING OR ABOLISHING GOVERNMENT

"…whenever any Form of Government **becomes destructive of these Ends**, it is the **Right of the People** to alter or to abolish it"

THE SEVEN PARTS OF THE DECLARATION (CONT'D)

5. LIST OF GRIEVANCES

TWENTY-FIVE SPECIFIC ABUSES OVER A 10 YEAR PERIOD GROUPED INTO 12 CATEGORIES

- **UNFAIR TAXATION**
- **CUTTING OFF TRADE**
- **ABOLISHING GOOD AND HELPFUL LAWS**
- **MAKING ARBITRARY LAWS WITHOUT PARLIAMENT**
- **CREATING NEW GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS WITH OFFICIALS THAT HARASS THE PEOPLE**
- **DEPRIVING COLONISTS OF TRIAL BY JURY**
- **PROTECTING HIS OWN OFFICIALS THAT WERE MURDERERS**
- **ATTEMPTING TO ESTABLISH MILITARY RULE**
- **HIRING MERCENARIES TO HARASS AND KILL COLONISTS**
- **CAPTURING AND FORCING COLONISTS TO FIGHT AGAINST THEIR FELLOW COLONISTS OR BE KILLED**
- **FOSTERING DOMESTIC UPRISINGS IN THE COLONIES**
- **DISALLOWING OR NOT HEARING ANY APPEALS FOR JUSTICE**

THE SEVEN PARTS OF THE DECLARATION (CONT'D)

6. THE DECLARATION

"We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World for the Rectitude of our Intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly Publish and Declare, That **these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political Connection between them and the State of Great-Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved;"**

THE SEVEN PARTS OF THE DECLARATION (CONT'D)

7. RIGHTS OF SOVEREIGN STATES

"…as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to **levy War**, **conclude Peace**, **contract Alliances**, **establish Commerce**, and to do **all other Acts and Things** which Independent States may of right do"

THE LAST TWO BASIC KEY CONCEPTS OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

8. THE PLEDGE

"—And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm Reliance on the Protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other **our Lives**, **our Fortunes**, and **our sacred Honor**…"

Note: colonists viewed each state as a sovereign state. This is why they had so much trouble later on with the Articles of Confederation (just keep this in mind when we get there).

9. THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE AND CONSTITUTION WORK TOGETHER

THE FRAMERS OF THE CONSTITUTION REFERRED BACK TO THE DECLARATION TIME AND AGAIN TO **ENSURE** ITS **PRINCIPLES WERE UPHELD**.

PRINCIPLES AND BELIEFS

- SELF-EVIDENT TRUTHS
  - ALL MEN CREATED EQUAL
  - GIVEN UNALIENABLE RIGHTS BY CREATOR
    - LIFE
    - LIBERTY
    - PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS: **THE RIGHT TO USE OWN TIME, TALENT, AND RESOURCESTO SATISFY SELVES AND THOSE THEY CARE ABOUT NOW AND IN THE FUTURE.**
- **GOVERNMENTS ARE INSTITUTED BY MEN TO SECURE THOSE RIGHTS**

- **IF GOVERNMENT BECOMES DESTRUCTIVE TO THOSE ENDS PEOPLE HAVE THE RIGHT TO**
  - **ALTER OR**
  - **ABOLISH**

THE DECLARATION

FINAL SECTION OF THE DOCUMENT

- **THAT THESE UNITED COLONIES ARE AND HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATES**

- **PLEDGE THEIR LIVES, FORTUNES, AND SACRED HONOR**

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NJ's Signers

Francis Hopkinson

He was present on 2 July 1776, voted for the resolution "That these Colonies are and of right ought to be free and independent States…,
signed the Declaration on 2 August 1776.

Judge Richard Stockton

Only signer to be put in irons, starved and imprisoned under brutal conditions by the British four months after signing the Declaration of Independence.

John Hart

Hart was often called "Honest John". He strongly supported the idea of Independence and was the thirteenth delegate to put his signature on the historic document

John Witherspoon

Only clergyman to sign, 6th Pres. of Princeton. Originally from Scotland

"Not ripe sir, we are not only ripe for the measure but in danger of rotting for the want of it".

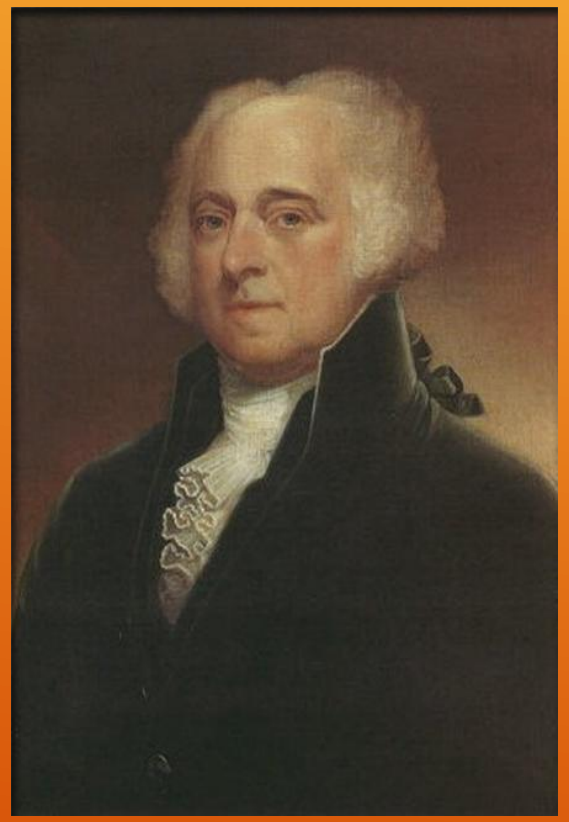
Closed Princeton when British approached.
Son died in the Battle of Germantown.

Abraham Clark

it was upon Clark's insistence the word "Liberty" was placed on the U.S. coinage.

"We must now be a free independent State, or a Conquered Country. . . ."

FINAL ARGUMENTS



JOHN ADAMS

JOHN DICKINSON

AGAINST AND ABSENT

CAESAR RODNEY

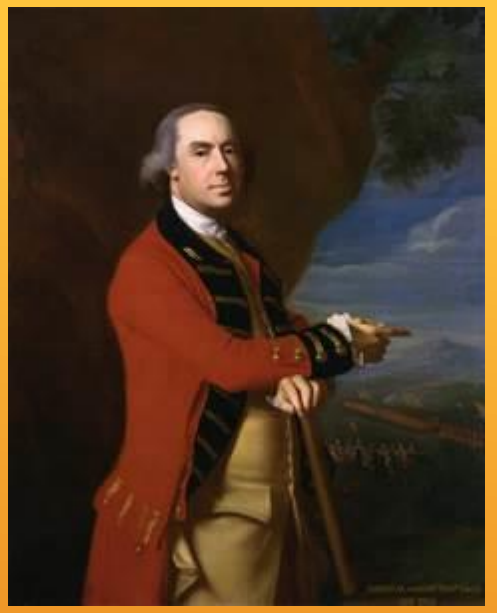
EDWARD RUTLEDGE

THE VOTE AND SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

BRITISH COMMANDERS
THE MAJOR PLAYERS

AN OVERVIEW

GEN THOMAS GAGE
THE KING'S "MILD GENERAL"



FOUGHT WITH GEORGE WASHINGTON IN THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR

IMPLEMENTED THE INTOLERABLE ACTS AFTER THE BOSTON TEA PARTY

RECALLED TO ENGLAND AFTER THE RESULTS OF THE BATTLE OF BUNKER HILL WERE REPORTED TO LORD DARTMOUTH (FOUNDER OF DARTMOUTH COLLEGE).

> **"These people show a spirit and conduct against us they never showed against the French…. They are now spirited up by a rage and enthusiasm as great as ever people were possessed of and you must proceed in earnest or give the business Up."**

"The loss we have sustained is greater than we can bear. "

SIR WILLIAM HOWE

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

- **FIRST COUSIN OF KING GEORGE III**
- **SYMPATHETIC TOWARDS COLONISTS**
  - **OPPOSED THE COERCIVE ACTS (INTOLERABLE ACTS)**
  - **DID NOT WANT TO FIGHT THE AMERICANS**
  - **COMMANDED THE ASSAULT ON BUNKER HILL**********
    - **AFFECTED HIM GREATLY**
      - **COULD NO LONGER DEFEND COLONIES**
      - **BECAME VERY CAUTIOUS**
      - **LOST SELF-CONFIDENCE**
  - **COULD HAVE ENDED THE WAR IN 1776 AT BROOKLYN HEIGHTS BUT REFUSED TO ASSAULT WASHINGTON'S LINES**
    - **LET WASHINGTON ESCAPE AT EVERY ENCOUNTER**
      - **LONG ISLAND**
      - **PRINCETON (TWICE)**
    - **OVERRUN EACH TIME HE FACED WASHINGTON**
    - **LOST FAITH IN HIMSELF**
  - **OCCUPIED PHILADELPHIA BUT FAILED TO SUPPORT ATTACKS IN NEW YORK**
  - **HIS FAILURE TO ACT ENCOURAGED FRANCE TO ENTER THE WAR**
    - **SPAIN**
    - **NETHERLANDS**

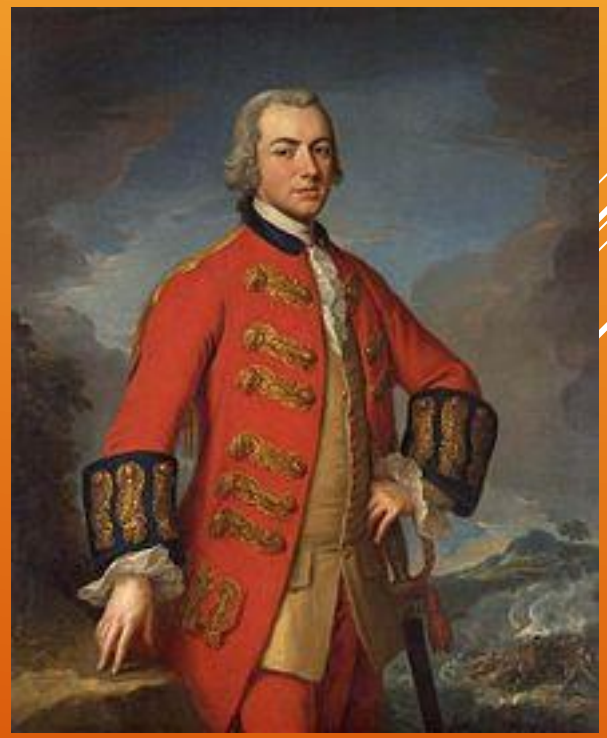
  - **EXECUTED NATHAN HALE FOR ESPIONAGE**
  - **RESIGNED IN 1778**

SIR HENRY CLINTON
INITIALLY UNDER GEN HOWE

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN NORTH AMERICA
ALSO A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT AND GOVERNOR OF GIBRALTAR

- **BORN IN NEWFOUNDLAND**
- **GREW UP IN NEW YORK**
- **SERVED IN THE NEW YORK MILITIA**
- **WENT TO ENGLAND TO START CAREER IN BRITISH ARMY**
  - **PARENTS BOUGHT HIS RANK**
- **COULDN'T GET ALONG WITH PEOPLE**
- **DID NOT SEND TROOPS TO SUPPORT CORNWALLIS**

UNTIL IT WAS TOO LATE



GEN JOHN BURGOYNE "GENTLEMAN JOHNNY"

- **POLTICIAN**
- **DRAMATIST**

- HAD A PLAN TO SPLIT THE AMERICAN FORCES IN NEW YORK **BUT!**
  - CAPTURED TICONDEROGA THEN HAD A PARTY!
    - GAVE AMERICANS TIME TO BLOCK THE ROADS
    - ALTERNATE ROUTE TOOK HIM INTO A SWAMP
  - GEN HOWE WENT TO PHILADELPHIA INSTEAD OF GOING NORTH TO SUPPORT HIM
  - LTC ST. LEGER WAS FOOLED INTO THINKING HE WAS GOING TO FACE A MUCH LARGER FORCE SO HE RETREATED.

- SURROUNDED IN A HEAVY RAIN: SURRENDERED: **BATTLE OF SARATOGA (BENEDICT ARNOLD)**
  - HIS MEN WERE MADE PRISONERS
  - HE AND HIS OFFICERS WENT BACK TO ENGLAND. NEVER COMMANDED AGAIN!

TURNING POINT IN THE ENTIRE WAR!!!

SIR GUY CARLETON

- CAREER SOLDIER
- GOVERNOR OF QUEBEC
- DEFEATED THE AMERICANS AT QUEBEC

- APPOINTED COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF BRITISH FORCES IN 1782

- EVACUATED LOYALISTS FROM THE COLONIES (END OF WAR)
  - RESETTLED 30,000 FORMER SLAVES AGAINST AMERICAN OBJECTIONS

"REMAIN ON DUTY UNTIL EVERY MAN, WOMAN, AND CHILD WHO WANTED TO LEAVE THE UNITED STATES IS SAFELY MOVED TO BRITISH SOIL."

BANASTRE TARLETON

PROPAGANDA FOCUS

- **FIRED ON SURRENDERING FORCES**

“BLOODY BAN”

IMMORTALIZED IN THE MOVIE “THE PATRIOT”

LT. GEN. CHARLES EARL CORNWALLIS

FOUGHT IN GERMANY DURING FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR

MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF LORDS IN PARLIAMENT

- **AGREED WITH AMERICAN COLONISTS**
- **AGAINST STAMP ACT**
- **AGAINST TAXING THE COLONIES**

SENT TO AMERICA AFTER THE SEIGE OF BOSTON

FOUGHT IN THE BATTLE OF NEW YORK

CHASED WASHINGTON ACROSS NEW JERSEY

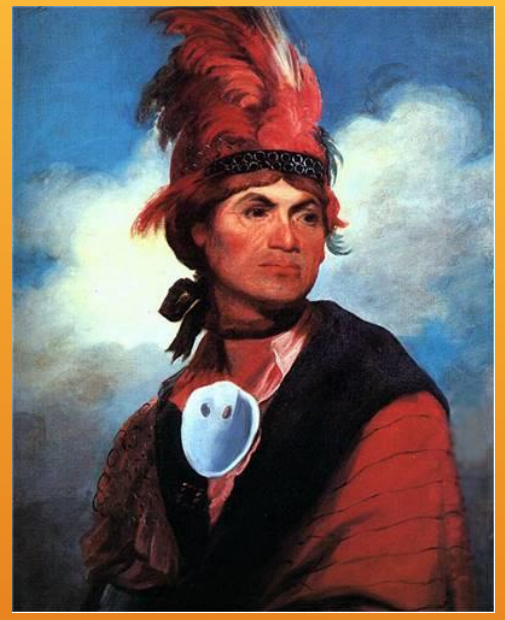
CAPTURED PHILADELPHIA

WIFE DIED: HE DEVOTED HIS ENTIRE LIFE TO THE WAR AFTER THIS

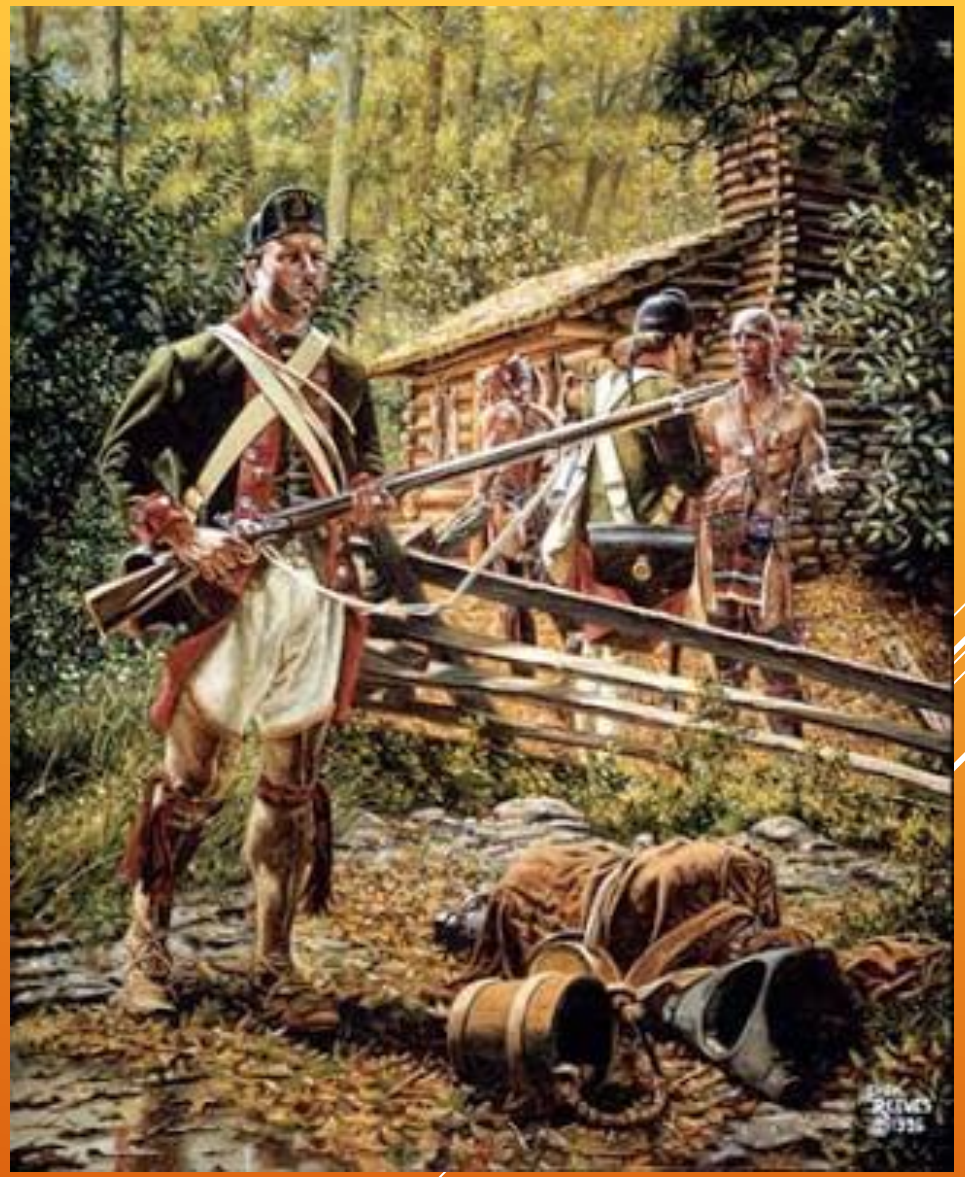
WENT TO THE SOUTHERN COLONIES

DEFEATED AT YORKTOWN

THE ONLY GENERAL FROM THE REVOLUTION WITH A MONUMENT IN HIS HONOR IN ST. PAUL'S ABBEY IN LONDON (THIS IS A BIG DEAL---- A REALLY BIG DEAL!)



NATIVE AMERICAN COMMANDERS (BRITISH SIDE)



JOHN BUTLER LOYALIST

: LOATHED BY THE AMERICANS FOR HIS CRUELTY

- BORN IN CONNECTICUT
- RAISED IN THE MOHAWK VALLEY
- KNEW SEVERAL INDIAN LANGUAGES

- LED HIS OWN REGIMENT OF INDIANS IN THE BATTLE OF ORISKANY
  - SENECA
  - CAYUGA

- ESTABLISHED BUTLER'S RANGERS
  - IROQUOIS
  - LOYALISTS

- WYOMING MASSACRE
- 1000 BRITISH, LOYALIST, AND INDIANS
  - EXECUTED AND SCALPED PRISONERS AND FLEEING ENEMY SOLDIERS
  - 227 SCALPS TAKEN
  - ONLY 60 OF THE 386 CONNECTICUT MILITA SURVIVED.

CHIEF JOSEPH BRANT (THAYENDANEGEA)
"HE WHO PLACES TWO BETS"

- MOHAWK MILITARY AND POLITICAL LEADER
- LED MOHAWK AND COLONIAL LOYALISTS
- FOUGHT WITH ST. LEGER AT ORISKANY
- RAIDED THROUGHOUT MOHAWK VALLEY
  - STEALING CATTLE
  - BURNING HOMES
  - KILLING SETTLERS
- DESTROYED 60 HOMES AT GERMAN FLATTS
  - AMERICANS RETALIATED AND DESTROYED AN ENTIRE INDIAN VILLAGE; KILLING EVERY INDIAN "IN SIGHT'
  - BRANT'S RETALIATION: MASSACRE AT CHERRY VALLEY

WALTER BUTLER (THE SON)
MASSACRE OF CHERRY VALLEY
ALL ABOUT REVENGE

- CAPTURED IN UPSTATE NEW YORK 1777 TRIED FOR TREASON
  - SENTENCED TO DEATH
  - GRANTED A REPRIEVE BY BENEDICT ARNOLD (FAMILY TIES)
  - SENT TO ALBANY PRISON: REALLY BAD CONDITIONS
  - USED A LITTLE-KNOWN LAW: FAKED ILLNESS AND SENT TO A PRIVATE HOME
  - ONE GUARD
    - HOMEOWNERS WERE TORIES AND RESENTED THAT THEIR HOME WAS BEING USED AS A PRISON
    - GOT THE GUARD DRUNK AND HELPED BUTLER ESCAPE
  - PATRIOTS HAD BURNED BUTLER'S HOME AND DESTROYED HIS CROPS
  - JOINED WITH CHIEF JOSEPH BRANT (NOT GOOD BUDDIES):
    - SENECA (MOST VISCIOUS)
    - 200 TORIES AND INDIANS UNDER BUTLER
    - 500 INDIANS UNDER BRANT
  - ATTACKED THE PEOPLE OF CHERRY VALLEY: KNOWN AS GOOD, MORAL PEOPLE
    - 182 PEOPLE LEFT HOMELESS
    - 32 KILLED (MOSTLY WOMEN AND CHILDREN)
    - 40 PRISONERS TAKEN
    - 30 PRSONERS RELEASED

MAJOR BATTLES 1775-1777

~31°F
BLIZZARD CONDITIONS

BATTLE OF QUEBEC
31 DECEMBER 1775
(AMERICA'S FIRST REAL DEFEAT OF THE WAR)

CAPTAIN WILLIAM DeLaPLACE
SIR GUY CARLETON

BENEDICT ARNOLD,
DANIEL MORGAN,
RICHARD MONTGOMERY

BRITISH FORCES: 1800
- CANADIAN MILITIA
- BRITISH REGULARS

KILLED: 5
WOUNDED: 14
CAPTURED: 0

AMERICAN FORCES: 1200
1st CANADIAN REGIMENT, US
- KILLED: 48
- WOUNDED: 34
- CAPTURED: 431

STOP @ 1:50

OBJECTIVE

❑: DRIVE THE BRITISH OUT OF CANADA

❑: ENLIST FRENCH CANADIAN SUPPORT FOR THE REVOLUTION

❑: MAKE QUEBEC THE 14TH COLONY

BATTLE

ADVANTAGES FOR THE AMERICANS

- ST LAWRENCE RIVER FROZEN
  - BRITISH COULD NOT GET REINFORCEMENTS
  - LIMITED REGULAR FORCES
  - SOME CANADIAN MILITIA
- MONTREAL TAKEN

ADVANTAGES FOR THE BRITISH

- DESERTER GAVE THE PLANS FOR THE ATTACK TO GEN. CARLETON
- BAD WEATHER (BLIZZARD)
- POORLY TIMED ATTACK
- MONTGOMERY KILLED
- ARNOLD WOUNDED
- MORGAN CAPTURED
- SMALLPOX OUTBREAK

RESULT

AFTER 5 MONTH SIEGE BRITISH REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED WITH BURGOYNE WHEN RIVER THAWED: AMERICANS RETREATED
FIRST DEFEAT OF AMERICANS
CANADIANS THAT HELPED WERE PUNISHED: MINIMIZED SUPPORT FOR AMERICANS FOR REST OF WAR.

BRITISH VICTORY

A LITTLE-KNOWN STORY THAT ALMOST UNRAVELED THE REVOLUTION

ASSASSINATION PLOT AGAINST GENERAL WASHINGTON IN NEW YORK

- **PLANNED BY GOV. TYRON WHILE IN EXILE IN NEW YORK HARBOR**
  - **ON BRITISH WARSHIP**
  - **NO AMERICAN NAVY TO CONFRONT**
- **GOV TYRON ENLISTED THE HELP OF THE MAYOR OF NEW YORK: MATHEWS TO HIRE ASSASSINATION SQUAD PAID OUT LARGE SUMS**
  - **DISAFFECTED PATRIOTS**
  - **FORMER BRITISH SOLDIERS WHO HAD JOINED THE CAUSE BUT HAD SECOND THOUGHTS**
  - **MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL'S LIFE GUARD (BODYGUARD OF SEVERAL DOZEN MEN) WERE TARGETED AS A KEY GROUP.**
  - **WORKED THE TAVERNS FOR RECRUITS**

- **PLOT UNCOVERED THROUGH A PRISONER ARRESTED FOR COUNTERFEITING TOLD OF THE PLAN AND WANTED FREEDOM (6 CHILDREN, WIFE HAD DIED)**
- **SECRET COMMITTEE (JOHN JAY, PHILLIP LIVINGSTON, AND GOUVERNEUR MORRIS IDENTIFIED A SERGEANT HICKEY OF THE LIFE GUARD AS A LEADER**
  - **WASHINGTON ORDERED HIS HANGING IN FRONT OF 20,000 SOLDIERS AT THE END OF JUNE 1776**
  - **PRIVATE GREENE (LIFE GUARD DRUMMER) WAS OUTED BY HICKEY ON THE GALLOWS BUT THEY ALL THOUGHT HE WAS REFERRING TO GENERAL GREENE**

"GREENE, YOU'RE NEXT"

BATTLE OF LONG ISLAND
(BROOKLYN HEIGHTS)
AUGUST 26-29, 1776

THE BATTLE AS IT UNFOLDS

AUGUST 27, 1776
78-82° RAIN/ FOG HIGH WINDS

****LARGEST SEABORNE OPERATION IN HISTORY OF GREAT BRITAIN UNTIL WW II****

BRITISH FORCES: LED BY THE HOWE BROTHERS

RICHARD LEADS THE NAVY
--- 10.000 SAILORS
--- 300 SUPPLY SHIPS
--- 30 BATTLESHIPS
--- 1200 CANNON

- WILLIAM LEADS THE ARMY
  - 30,000 SOLDIERS
    - BRITISH
    - 8000 HESSIAN
      - RENTED FOR £7 PER MAN

AMERICAN FORCES: WASHINGTON, PUTNAM, ALEXANDER, LEE

MIX OF COLONIAL SOLDIERS NEVER FOUGHT TOGETHER BEFORE

- 10,000
  - VIRGINIA
  - MARYLAND
  - NEW HAMPSHIRE
  - CONNECTICUT
  - NEW YORK
- NO CONTINUITY OF THE FORCE
- NEVER FOUGHT A BATTLE THIS BIG BEFORE

THE BATTLE AND THE CONSEQUENCES FOR AMERICA

BIG OOPS: LEFT JAMAICA PASS GUARDED BY ONLY 5 SOLDIERS

- FORCED WILLIAM HOWARD (TAVERN OWNER/ PATRIOT) TO GET THROUGH
- HOWE SENT 10,000 THROUGH THE PASS
  - GETS BEHIND THE AMERICANS
  - AMERICANS RETREAT IN POOR ORDER
    - ESCAPE THROUGH THE MARSH
    - SLAUGHTERED AS THEY FLEE
- WASHINGTON BUILDS FORTIFICATIONS AT BROOKLYN HEIGHTS
  - HOWE DOES NOT ATTACK
- WASHINGTON ESCAPES IN NIGHT FOG INTO MANHATTAN

BRITISH AND HESSIAN LOSSES

- KILLED: 64
- WOUNDED: 293
- CAPTURED: 31

AMERICAN LOSSES

- KILLED 300
- WOUNDED 800
- CAPTURED 1079

WASHINGTON WAS ABLE TO SAVE HIS ARMY FROM ANNIHIATION BY SECRETLY EVACUATING IN DARKNESS, FOG, AND BAD WEATHER (1:21:50)

“I only regret that I have but one life to give for my country,”

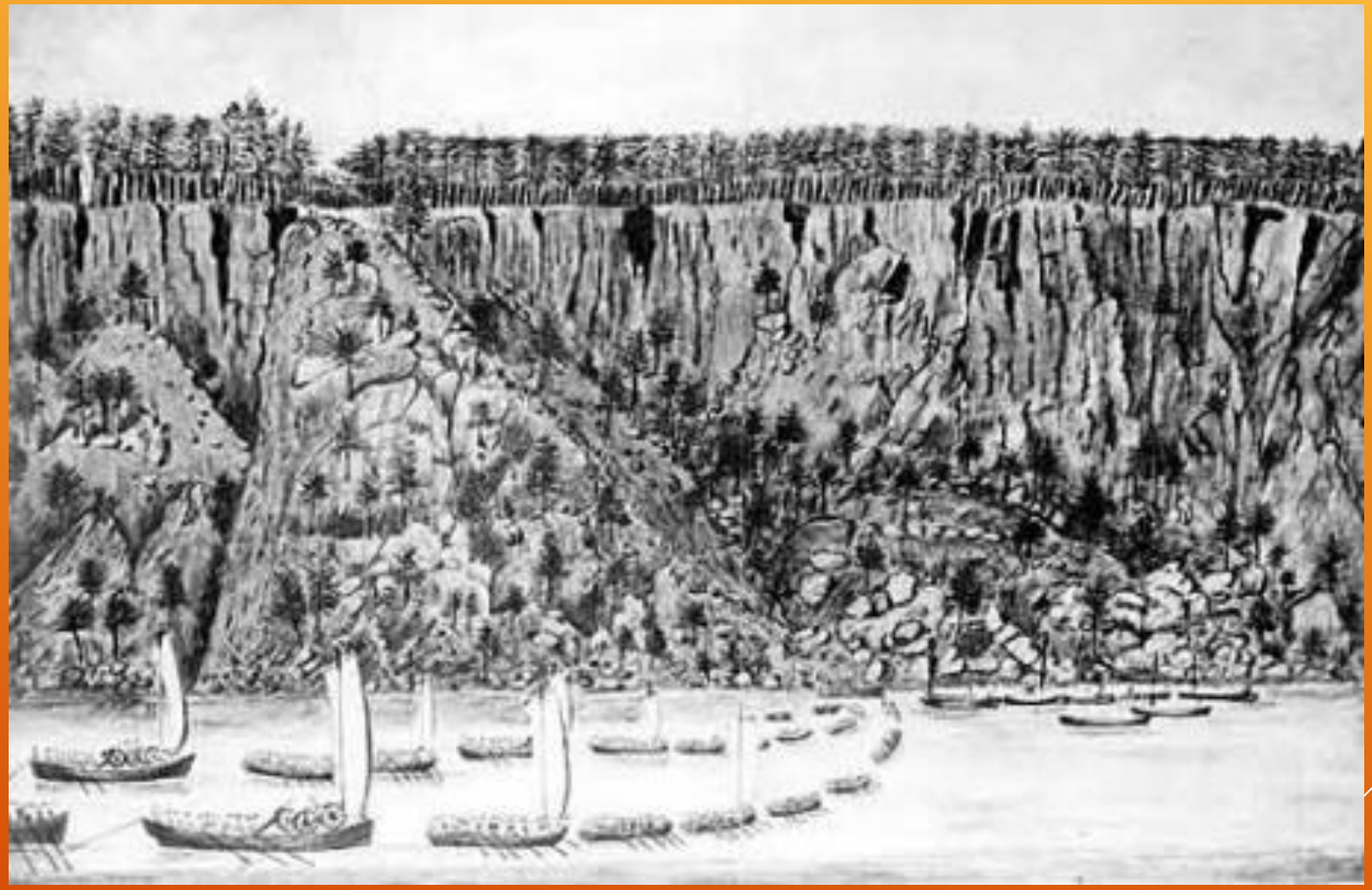
1LT NATHAN HALE

CONNECTICUT MILITIA

GEN WASHINGTON

- **NEEDED A VOLUNTEER TO FIND OUT ABOUT THE BRITISH STRENGTH AND FORTIFICATIONS IN NYC**
- **HALE VOLUNTEERED, 8 SEPTEMBER 1776**
- **POSED AS DUTCH SCHOOLTEACHER, 12 SEPTEMBER 1776**
- GREAT FIRE OF NEW YORK CITY, 21 SEPTEMBER 1776
- **CAPTURED AS PART OF A ROUND UP OF PATRIOTS**
  - **PAPERS IN HIS SHOES DETAILED BRITISH POSITIONS AND FORTIFICATIONS**
- **HUNG AS A SPY, 22 SEPTEMBER 1776**
  - **21 YEARS OLD**

BATTLE OF WHITE PLAINS
OCTOBER 28, 1776



THE BATTLE AS IT UNFOLDS

OCTOBER 28-31, 1776
HEAVY RAIN

BRITISH FORCES: GENERAL WILLIAM HOWE
4500-7500 MEN

- REGULARS
- HESSIANS
- LOYALISTS
- IROQUOIS

LOSSES

- KILLED: 47
- WOUNDED: 182
- CAPTURED: 4

AMERICAN FORCES:
GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON
3100 MEN

- UNTRAINED MILITIA
- MARYLAND
- NEW YORK
- DELAWARE
  - FARMERS
  - YOUNG
  - OLD
- INDIAN ALLIES

LOSSES

- ❑ KILLED 50
- ❑ WOUNDED: 150
- ❑ CAPTURED: 17

THE BATTLE AND CONSEQUENCES

WASHINGTON

- EVACUATES MOST OF HIS ARMY INTO NEW JERSEY
- CHASED ACROSS NEW JERSEY INTO PENNSYLVANIA
- SETS UP CONDITIONS FOR ATTACK ON TRENTON

HOWE

- DID NOT FOLLOW WASHINGTON
- SET UP CHAIN OF OUTPOSTS ACROSS NEW JERSEY
- DECIDED TO EVICT AMERICANS FROM NEW YORK
  - BATTLE OF FORT WASHINGTON

TRIVIA: THE HEADLESS HORSEMAN MYTH OF THE STORY OF SLEEPY HOLLOW COMES FROM THIS BATTLE: INSPIRED BY A REAL-LIFE HESSIAN SOLDIER WHO LOST HIS HEAD TO CANNON FIRE!!!

BRITISH VICTORY

BATTLE OF FORT WASHINGTON (1:27:00)

MARGARET CORBIN

IMPORTANCE OF LOCATION

LACKING: DITCHES, BARRACKS, BOMBPROOFS, WATER, EXTERIOR WALLS
NOT "SIEGE PROOF"

THE BATTLE AS IT UNFOLDS

NOVEMBER 16, 1776
-28°F. STRONG WINDS, LIGHT SNOW

BRITISH FORCES: GENERAL WILLIAM HOWE
HESSIANS: GEN. KNYPHAUSEN
8000 MEN

- **REGULARS**
- **HESSIANS**

LOSSES

- **KILLED: 84**
- **WOUNDED: 374**
- **CAPTURED: 0**

AMERICAN FORCES:
GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON
COL MAGAW
3000 MEN

- **UNTRAINED MILITIA**
- **MARYLAND**
- **NEW YORK**
- **PENNSYLVANIA**

LOSSES

- ❑ **KILLED 59**
- ❑ **WOUNDED: 96**
- ❑ **CAPTURED: 2837**

THE BATTLE AND CONSEQUENCES

COL MAGAW'S ASSISTANT: WILLIAM DEMONT

- DEFECTS TO BRITISH
- PROVIDES PLANS TO THE FORT
- GIVES HOWE ALL HE NEEDS
  - LOCATION OF DEFENSES
  - FORTIFICATIONS

INITIAL STAGES

- WASHINGTON AND HIS GENERALS SPLIT OVER WHAT TO DO
  - GEN LEE WANTS TO ABANDON THE FORT
  - GEN GREENE WANTS TO HOLD IT
    - COL MAGAW THINKS HE CAN HOLD THROUGH DECEMBER
    - IF NOT IMPORTANT, BRITISH WOULDN'T WANT IT
    - PREVENTS PASSAGE OF SHIPS
    - EXPECT EVACUATION IF NEEDED COULD HAPPEN
    - CONVINCES WASHINGTON

- BRITISH DEMAND SURRENDER OF THE FORT
  - MAGAW REFUSES
  - ATTACK ON THREE SIDES
  - NO HELP AVAILABLE FOR MAGAW
  - MAGAW FINALLY SURRENDERS
    - 146 CANNON
    - 12,000 SHOT AND SHELL
    - 2,800 MUSKETS
    - 400,000 CARTRIDGES
    - SOLDIERS AND OFFICERS ORIGINALLY PAROLED BUT THEN PUT ON PRISON SHIPS IN THE HARBOR TO DIE.

AFTERMATH

GEN WASHINGTON'S FORCES AT FORT LEE

- ESCAPED SOUTH TO NEW BRUNSWICK
- LOST 50 CANNON
- LOST 1000 BARRELS OF FLOUR
- LOST 100 MEN
- WINTER IN NEW JERSEY TO PROTECT THE FORGES AND FURNACES
- ENLISTMENTS UP IN 2 MONTHS
- MEN SICK AND WITHOUT CLOTHES OR SHOES
- LOSS OF FORT WASHINGTON'S MATERIEL WAS HUGE!!!!
- MOVE INTO PENNSYLVANIA FROM TRENTON, 8 DEC 1776

GEN HOWE'S FORCES:

- CORNWALLIS WANTS TO PUSH SOUTH
  - IF WE KEEP UP THE FIGHT, THEY WILL QUIT
  - MOVE ON TO PHILADELPHIA AND END THE WAR.
- HOWE BEGINS PREPARATIONS TO MOVE INTO RHODE ISLAND
  - NO TIME FOR TWO OFFENSES
  - NOT ENOUGH TROOPS FOR NJ AND RI
- BRITISH DO NOT PURSUE WASHINGTON

CRITICISM ABOUNDS

AMERICAN:

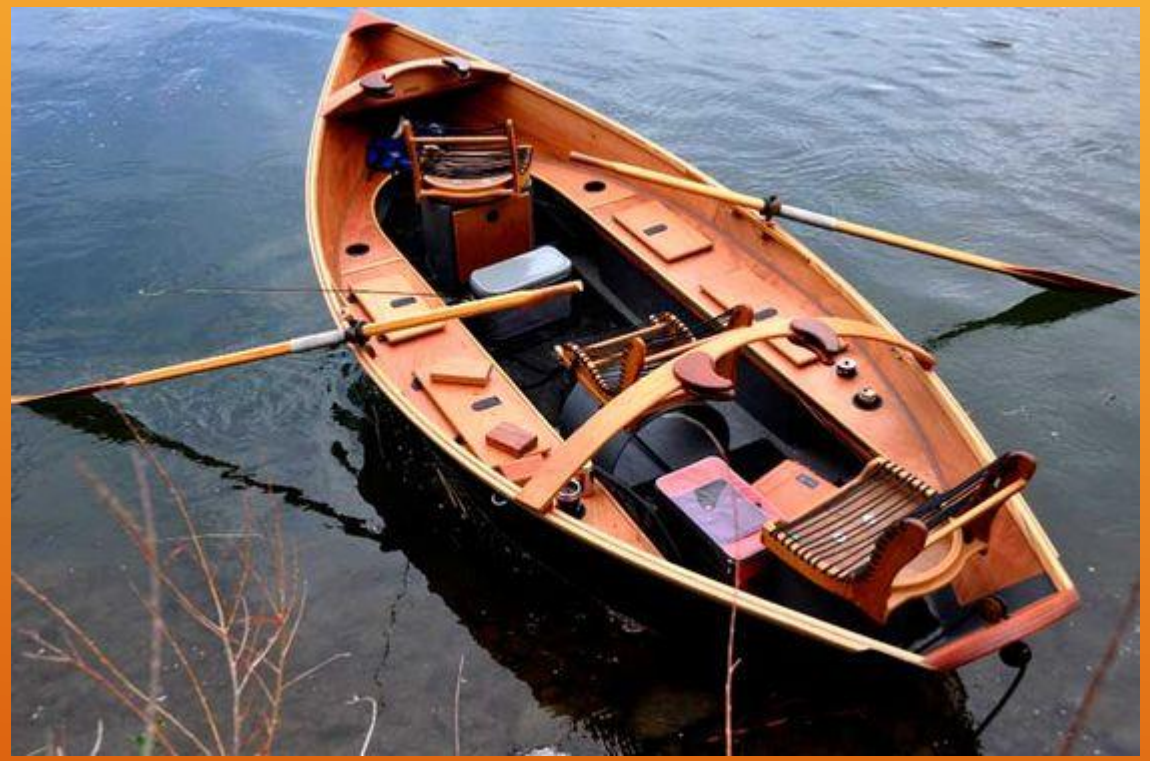
- SUPPLIES AND MEN SQUANDERED
  - WASHINGTON
  - MAGAW
  - GREENE
- FORT WASHINGTON COULD NOT BE DEFENDED WITH THE FORCE
  - GREENE
- DOUBTS SHOULD HAVE BEEN RESPECTED AND THE FORT ABANDONED
  - WASHINGTON “FATAL INDECISION OF MIND”

BRITISH:

- THE FORT’S GARRISON SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN SPARED
- SLAUGHTER WOULD HAVE CAUSED PANIC AND CONGRESS TO SUBMIT
- FAILURE OF GEN. HOWE TO MAINTAIN PURSUIT EXTENDS THE WAR

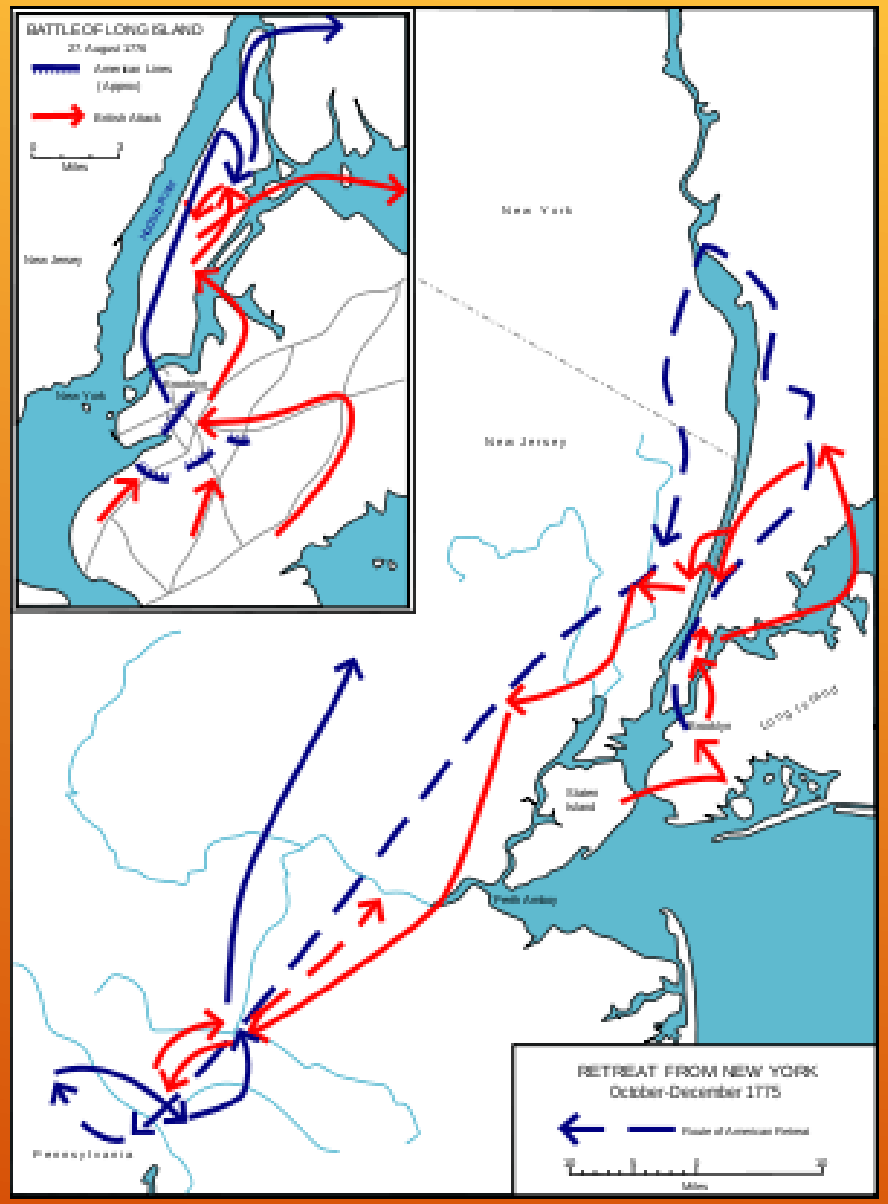
BRITISH VICTORY

THE RETREAT FROM NEW YORK



WASHINGTON'S MESS

WASHINGTON'S ARMY IN RETREAT



START AT 11:35-17:55)

BATTLE LINES ARE DRAWN

THE BRITISH

- HOWE WINTERED IN NEW YORK CITY
- CORNWALLIS CHASED WASHINGTON ACROSS NJ
  - SET UP OUTPOSTS
    - BORDENTOWN
    - NEW BRUNSWICK
    - TRENTON
- LEADERSHIP FOCUS
  - RE-GROUP
  - WAIT FOR SPRING
  - RE-SUPPLY
  - REST
  - STRATEGIZE
  - FEELING PRETTY GOOD ABOUT THIS
- SENDS THE HESSIANS TO TRENTON

THE AMERICANS

- DEMORALIZED
  - DESERTIONS
  - ENLISTMENTS EXPIRING
  - 4-6000 MEN AVAILABLE
    - 1700 UNFIT
    - NO MEDICAL CARE
  - NO SUPPLIES
- PROBLEMS WITH COMMANDERS
  - GATES SLOWED BY WEATHER
  - LEE DECLINED TO MOVE (11:35-17:55)
    - CAPTURED AT BASKING RIDGE
    - COLLUDES WITH BRITISH
- CAN'T WIN!
- CONTINENTAL CONGRESS FLED TO BALTIMORE

GERMAN (HESSIAN) COMMANDERS

LTG WILHELM von KNYPHAUSEN

- LED HESSIAN TROOPS
  - WHITE PLAINS
  - FORT WASHINGTON
  - BRANDYWINE
  - GERMANTOWN
  - SPRINGFIELD
  - MONMOUTH
  - NEW YORK CITY GARRISON

COLONEL JOHANN RALL

- BATTLE OF BROOKLYN
- BATTLE OF WHITE PLAINS
- BATTLE OF LONG ISLAND

- FAILED TO STRENGTHEN THE GARRISON AT TRENTON
  - FOOLED BY JOHN HONEYMAN (SPY)
  - CELEBRATED CHRISTMAS
  - TOLD OF WASHINGTON'S ATTACK (BUT NEVER READ THE NOTE!)
  - KILLED AT TRENTON 26 DEC 1776

AND WHAT ABOUT THOSE HESSIANS? (17:55-20:20)

COL JOHANN RAHL (RALL) COMMANDER

- **SAME TROOPS THAT BUTCHERED 300 AMERICANS IN THE NEW YORK CAMPAIGN**
  - **WASHINGTON WANTS REVENGE ON THIS MAN**
    - **HAS NO QUARREL WITH THE SOLDIERS, UNDERSTANDS THE DUTIES.**

- **ARRIVES IN TRENTON ON 14 DEC 1776 FOR WINTER QUARTERS**

- **REQUESTED REINFORCEMENTS: DENIED**
- **MISTREATS POPULACE (HELPS WASHINGTON GAIN NEW RECRUITS)**

- **TRENTON SMALL TOWN**
  - **NO FORTIFICATIONS**
  - **NO WALLS**
- **RAHL LEAVES TOWN "AS IS" DOES NOT ANTICIPATE PROBLEMS**
  - **JOHN HONEYMAN AFFIRMS HIS THOUGHTS (SPY)**
  - **TOLD OF AN IMPENDING ATTACK BUT PUT THE NOTE IN HIS POCKET (NEVER READ IT).**

- **1520 MEN**

- **PICKET GUARD ½ MILE OUTSIDE TRENTON: 4-6 MEN**

THE BATTLE OF TRENTON (11:25-16:30))

KEY TO THE BATTLE

Thomas Paine: "American Crisis"

- "These are the times that try men's souls…the summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of their country; but he that stands it now deserves the love and thanks of man and woman."

"Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered;
yet we have this consolation with us,
that the harder the conflict,
the more glorious the triumph"

The pamphlet, read aloud to the Continental Army on December 23, 1776, three days before the Battle of Trenton, attempted to bolster morale and resistance among patriots, as well as shame neutrals and loyalists toward the cause*

THE PLAN 19:20-24:38) AND THE OBJECTIONS OF GATES

- GENERAL WASHINGTON PLANS TO USE CHRISTMAS AS HIS COVER

- GENERAL GATES SHOWS HIS DISDAIN FOR WASHINGTON AND THE REVOLUTION
  - ESCORTED OUT (SAYS HE'S ILL)
  - GOES TO BALTIMORE TO ARGUE FOR WASHINGTON'S REMOVAL

- GENERAL LEE IS CAPTURED WHEN HE GOES TO A TAVERN BY HIMSELF

- ENLISTMENTS ALMOST UP
  - LOST 90% AFTER THE NEW YORK CAMPAIGN
  - NO MONEY TO PAY THEM
  - ALL ENLISTMENTS UP ON 1 JAN 1777
    - WASHINGTON ASKS THEM TO STAY ONE MONTH LONGER
      - ½ AGREE
      - THOMAS PAINE'S LETTER READ TO ALL.

The Plan (stop @1:30)

IN ONE NIGHT (Full movie: "The Crossing")
"VICTORY OR DEATH"

COL JOHN GLOVER LED THE MAIN CROSSING: MARBLEHEADERS FROM MASSACHUSETTS (FISHERMEN) (41:00-44:50)

TWO OTHER CROSSING TO SUPPORT NOT SUCCESSFUL:
GEN CADWALADER CANNOT GET HIS CANNON ACROSS SO HE RETREATS BACK INTO PENNSYLVANIA (WASHINGTON DOES NOT KNOW)
-GEN EWING WAS TO CROSS DIRECTLY ACROSS TRENTON AT THE FERRY: TOO MUCH ICE.

- **USED A WIDE VARIETY OF FLAT BOATS USED TO HAUL IRON**
- **FERRY BOATS**
- **IN THE MIDDLE OF A STORM (44:58-48:55// 50:55-59:00)**
  - **POWDER DRENCHED**
  - **2400 MEN**
  - **18 CANNON**
  - **56 HORSE**

WHEN TOLD THAT WEATHER HAD MADE THE MUSKETS USELESS, WASHINGTON REPLIED:"TELL GEN SULLIVAN TO USE THE BAYONET. I AM RESOLVED TO TAKE TRENTON."

DECEMBER 25-26, 1776

20°F
CALM,
CLOUDY

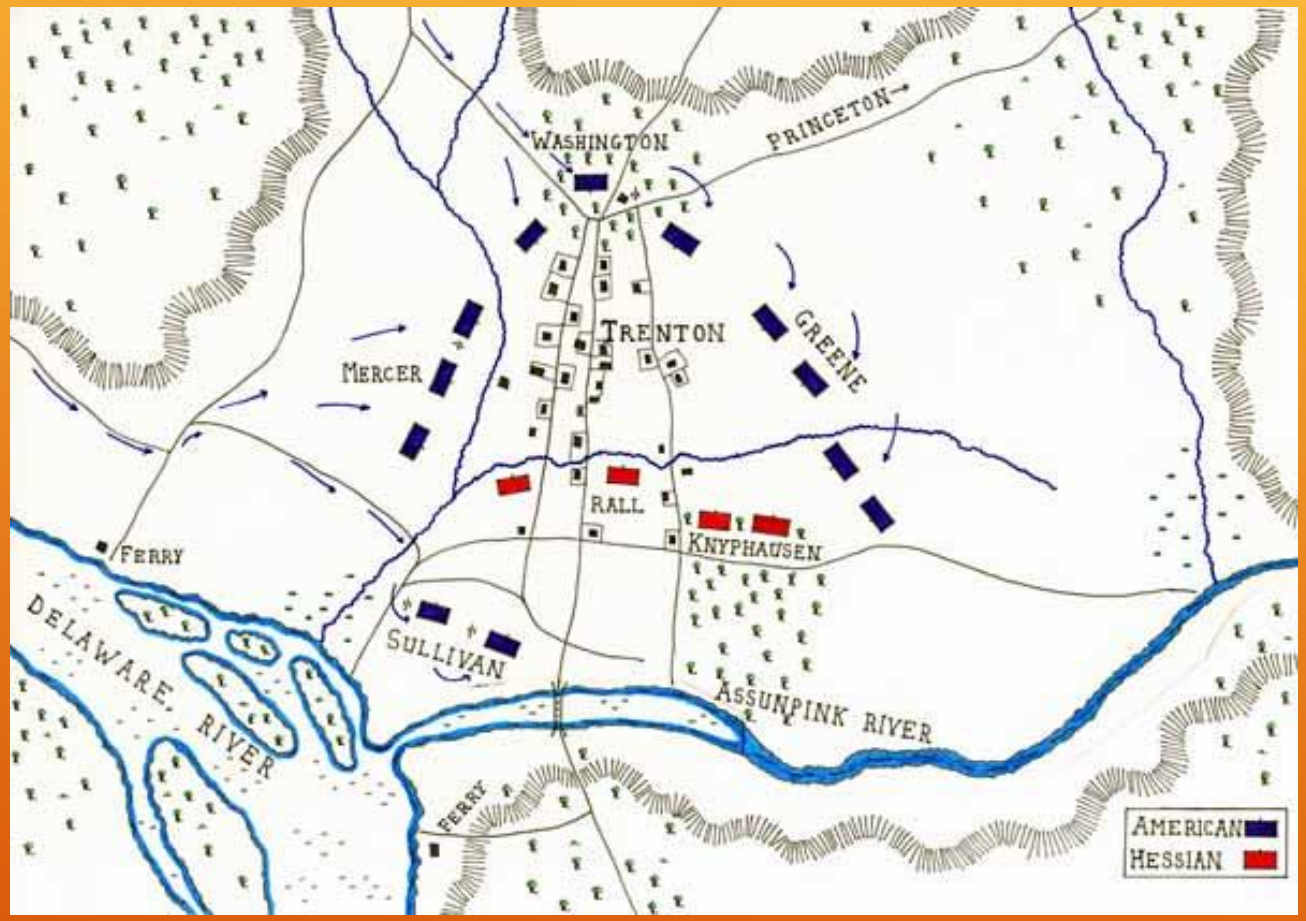
GEN WASHINGTON

2400 MEN

COL RAHL (RALL)
1520 HESSIANS

ATTACK IN DAYLIGHT

8 AM (59:22-1:08:22)



BACK ACROSS THE RIVER

900+ HESSIAN PRISONERS

COL RAHL (RALL) KILLED(1:14:15-, 1:19-1:21:22)

AMERICANS LOSE 2 KILLED AND 5 WOUNDED

- (LT. MONROE: NECK BECOMES 5TH PRESIDENT)
- (TWO KILLED PRIOR TO THE BATTLE:WEATHER RELATED)*

GEN CADWALADER AND GEN EWING NEVER GOT THEIR FORCES ACROSS THE RIVER (ICE). LUCKILY FOR WASHINGTON, THEY WEREN'T NEEDED.

SIGNIFICANCE

CHANGED THE COURSE OF THE REVOLUTION

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE HESSIAN PRISONERS?

WASHINGTON ORDERED THAT THEY BE TREATED HUMANELY. HE EVEN HAD DINNER WITH THEM

- **OFFICERS WENT TO VIRGINIA AND WERE TREATED VERY WELL**
- **SOLDIERS WENT TO PHILADELPJIA AND LANCASTER, PA**
  - **TREATED WELL**
  - **SOME HIRED SELVES OUT AS FARM SERVANTS FOR PAY**

OTHERS ESCAPED ACROSS THE ASSUNPINK CREEK AND RE-JOINED THE BRITISH

AMERICAN VICTORY

AMERICAN BATTLE LINES ARE DRAWN

GEN CADWALADER LANDS IN NEW JERSEY ON 27 DEC 1776

- CROSSES NEAR BURLINGTON
- MOVES INTO BORDENTOWN
  - PEOPLE "REMOVING THE RED RAGS" FROM THEIR DOORS
    - RED COLOR =ALLEGIANCE TO CROWN
  - SENDS WORD TO WASHINGTON: BRITISH IN PANIC
- OBTAINS MAP OF BRITISH POSITIONS FROM AMERICAN SPY

GENERAL WASHINGTON HAS PROBLEMS

- SHORT OF FOOD
- PHYSICALLY EXHAUSTED
- ENLISTMENTS RUNNING OUT
  - 30 DEC- NO ONE AGREES TO STAY ON
  - PLEADS FOR THEM TO STAY (PROMISE OF $10)
  - ½ DECIDE TO STAY

ACTIONS AFTER TRENTON

WASHINGTON

- ✓ **GETS BACK ACROSS THE RIVER**
  - ❖ **SEPARATE FROM THE BRITISH**

- ✓ **HAS TO RE-CROSS TO HELP GEN CADWALADER**
  - ▪ **HE WAS SUPPOSED TO CROSS EARLIER**
  - ▪ **HELD UP BY WEATHER**
  - ▪ **ENTERED TRENTON**
  - ▪ **HAS MAP OF BRITISH POSITIONS (FROM A SPY)**
- ✓ **SETS UP DEFENSE SOUTH ON ASSUNPINK CREEK**

BRITISH FORCES REACT
SECOND BATTLE OF TRENTON (stop at 3:26)

GEN HOWE RECEIVES WORD OF THE FALL OF TRENTON

- SENDS CORNWALLIS TO PRINCETON
  - COUNTERATTACK TRENTON
  - 6000 MEN
  - MAWHOOD STAYS IN PRINCETON
    - 1200 MEN

- CORNWALLIS MEETS WASHINGTON IN BATTLE AT ASSUNPINK CREEK
  - REPELLED SEVERAL TIMES
  - HOLDS OFF ATTACK UNTIL MORNING
  - OFFICERS WANT TO ATTACK THROUGH THE NIGHT
    - KNOW OF WASHINGTON'S ABILITY TO ESCAPE

THE BELLIGERENTS

BRITISH FORCES

GENERAL CORNWALLIS
GENERAL MAWHOOD
CPT DeLaPLACE (FOUGHT AT QUEBEC)

- 1200 REGULARS WITH MAWHOOD (IN PRINCETON)
- 6000 WITH CORNWALLIS (MARCH TOWARDS TRENTON)

LOSSES
- KILLED 100
- WOUNDED 70
- CAPTURED 280

AMERICAN FORCES

GENERAL WASHINGTON
GENERAL GREENE
GENERAL MERCER
GENERAL CADWALADER

- 4500 MOSTLY MILITIA (ENLISTMENTS EXPIRED ON 1 JAN)

LOSSES
- KILLED 25
- WOUNDED 40
- CAPTURED 0

WASHINGTON'S PLEA

"MY BRAVE FELLOWS, YOU HAVE DONE ALL I ASKED YOU TO DO AND MORE THAN COULD REASONABLY BE EXPECTED. BUT YOUR COUNTRY IS AT STAKE, YOUR WIVES, YOUR HOUSES, AND ALL THAT YOU HOLD DEAR. YOU HAVE WORN YOURSELVES OUT WITH FATIGUES AND HARDSHIPS, BUT WE KNOW NOT HOW TO SPARE YOU. IF YOU WILL CONSENT TO STAY ONLY ONE MONTH LONGER, YOU WILL RENDER THAT SERVICE TO THE CAUSE OF LIBERTY AND TO YOUR COUNTRY WHICH YOU PROBABLY NEVER CAN DO UNDER ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES. THE PRESENT IS EMPHATICALLY THE CRISIS WHICH IS TO DECIDE OUR DESTINY."

IF WASHINGTON LOSES WITH THE TROOPS, HE HAS ***IT IS THOUGHT THE REVOLUTION WOULD COLLAPSE.***

THE OLD FOX ELUDES THE TRAP

WASHINGTON

- LEAVES A FEW MEN BEHIND IN A RUSE
  - CAMPFIRES
  - MAKE NOISE

- MOVES AROUND CORNWALLIS TOWARDS PRINCETON
  - MAIN AND BACK ROADS ARE SIMPLE TRAILS (SOME UNUSED)
  - ROADS ARE FROZEN (MAKES IT EASY)
  - WAGON WHEELS WRAPPED TO MUFFLE SOUND
  - MOVE IN SILENCE (WHISPER ORDERS)

BATTLE OF PRINCETON

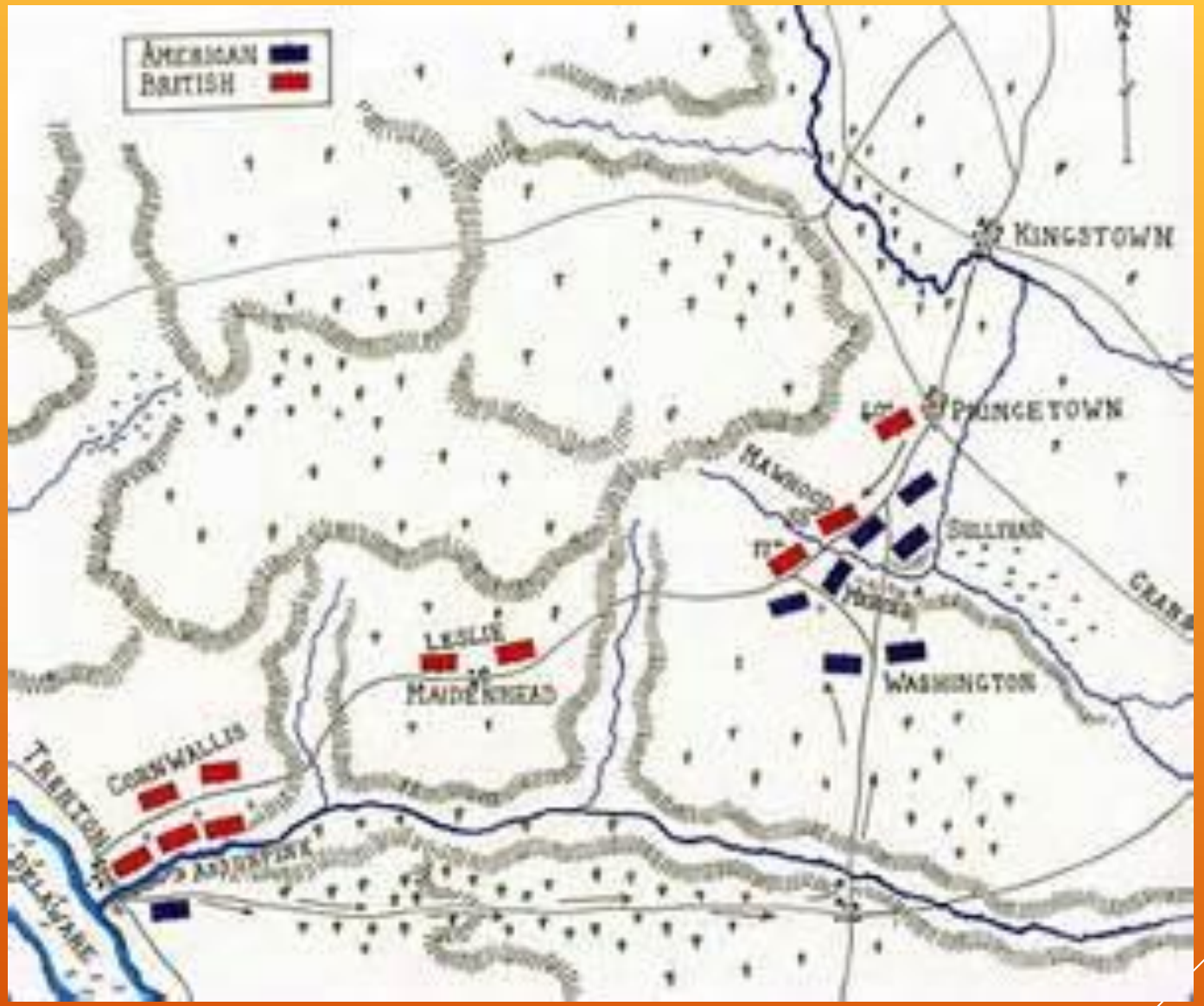
BRITISH COMMANDER

LORD CHARLES CORNWALLIS

- Leading General for British
- Fought
  - Siege of Charleston
  - Long Island
  - White Plains
  - Fort Washington
  - Fort Lee
  - Significant engagements in New Jersey
  - Philadelphia
  - Brandywine Creek
  - Monmouth
  - 2nd siege of Charleston
  - Waxhaw
  - Yorktown
- Governor-General of India
- Lord Lieutenant of Ireland

Funny Facts

- In England, he had voted against policies such as the Stamp Act that led the colonies to declare independence.
- He captured Savannah, Charleston, and Camden, South Carolina.
  - Swamp Fox made his life miserable.
- Cornwallis camped at Yorktown in August 1781 and waited for General Clinton to resupply him by sea. But at Yorktown, his troops were trapped.
- Cornwallis couldn't bring himself to hand over his sword to Washington in person, so he sent one of his generals instead. Some British critics accused him of "losing America" but it wasn't really his fault.


AMERICAN
BRITISH
N
KINGSTOWN
PRINCETOWN
HAMILTON
WASHINGTON
LESLIE
MAIDENHEAD
CORNWALLIS
TRENTON

UNINTENDED CONTACT!!!!

GEN MAWHOOD LEAVES PRINCETON TO FOLLOW CORNWALLIS INTO TRENTON AT DAWN

- ❖ LEAVES ONE REGIMENT (600 MEN) IN PRINCETON
- ❖ RUNS INTO THE AMERICAN FORCE UNDER GEN MERCER
- ❖ SENDS ANOTHER REGIMENT BACK TO PRINCETON (600 MEN)
- ❖ DEPLOYS ON LINE AGAINST AMERICAN ASSAULT
- ❖ BAYONET CHARGE INTO MERCER'S LINE

GEN MERCER (AMERICAN) (A DOCTOR)

- ❑ ATTEMPTS TO TAKE THE HIGH GROUND
- ❑ ONLY HAS 20 MEN WITH BAYONETS
- ❑ MERCER KILLED AND TROOPS RETREAT

GEN CADWALADER ARRIVES ON SCENE

- ATTACKS MAWHOOD THEN FALLS BACK
- TROOPS RALLIED ON BY WASHINGTON AS HE ARRIVES

GENERAL WASHINGTON DOES THE UNTHINKABLE

WASHINGTON'S TROOPS SUPPORT GEN CADWALADER'S LINE

- HE POSITIONS HIMSELF BETWEEN THE TWO FORCES
  - 30 YARDS FROM THE BRITISH (HOME TO FIRST BASE DISTANCE) ORDERS HIS MEN TO FIRE
  - BOTH SIDES VOLLEY
  - WASHINGTON IS IN THE MIDDLE
  - SMOKE CLEARS, WASHINGTON IS STILL ON HIS HORSE
  - MAWHOOD'S LINE BREAKS
  - AMERICANS CHARGE THE LINE
    - "IT'S A FINE FOX HUNT BOYS!" (WASHINGTON)

THIS IS A MAN! (3:26-5:30)

MEANWHILE IN THE TOWN OF PRINCETON

BRITISH HAVE TWO REGIMENTS (1200 MEN) PREPARED TO DEFEND

AMERICANS UNDER GENERAL SULLIVAN MOVE ON THE BRITISH FLANK

- PUSH BRITISH BACK
  - BRITISH RETREAT INTO NASSAU HALL (MAIN COLLEGE BUILDING)
  - AMERICANS FIRE 3 CANNONBALLS INTO NASSAU HALL
    - ONE GLANCES OFF THE BUILDING (GASH STILL THERE TODAY)
    - ONE“DECAPITATES” A PORTRAIT OF KING GEORGE III
    - THIRD MISSES ENTIRELY
  - BRITISH SURRENDER THE HALL.

- REMAINING BRITISH FORCE FLEES THE TOWN UNDER COVER OF THE DRAGOONS (LIGHT CAVALRY)
- WASHINGTON DOES NOT PURSUE
  - FOCUSED ON CORNWALLIS
  - CORNWALLIS STILL IN TRENTON HEARS OF BATTLE AND MOVES NORTH
- WASHINGTON ESCAPES TO MILSTONE (9 MILES WEST OF NEW BRUNSWICK)
- CORNWALLIS RESTS HIS TROOPS
  - MOVES TO DEFEND NEW BRUNSWICK
  - WASHINGTON CAN’T ATTACK: EXHAUSTED

****AFTER THE BATTLE, MANY BRITISH OFFICERS QUESTION WHETHER THEY CAN WIN THIS WAR****

Mawhood
69th Dgns. (mounted)
recruits & convalescents
extent of British advance
Story Brook
Worth's Mill
17th Foot
69th Dgns. (dismounted)
2.
fence line
Cadwalader & Mercer (rallied)
Maidenhead

TEN CRUCIAL DAYS

25 DEC ‘76-3 JAN ‘77

FAILURE WOULD HAVE MEANT THE END OF THE REVOLUTION AND THE RETURN TO BRITISH RULE OVER THE COLONIES

NOW WHAT???

WASHINGTON MOVES NORTH TO MORRISTOWN FOR THE WINTER (3:30-5:50)

BRITISH ORDERED TO ABANDON NEW JERSEY (WONDER WHAT THEY KNEW)

- MAINTAIN A LINE OF DEFENSE FROM PERTH AMBOY TO NEW BRUNSWICK
- "TEN CRUCIAL DAYS" PROVE TRUE TO THE REVOLUTION'S EXISTENCE

WHAT DOES ALL THIS MEAN??????????????????????

- REVOLUTION HAS A CHANCE OF SUCCESS
  - MORALE IMPROVED
  - PEOPLE BELIEVED THEY COULD STAND UP TO THE BRITISH
- BRITISH HAD TREATED THE PEOPLE POORLY IN NEW JERSEY
  - TURNED MANY TO THE REBEL CAUSE
  - PAPER MONEY (CONTINENTAL) WAS AGAIN ACCEPTED
  - REBEL ARMY AND GOVERNMENT FOUND SUPPORT
- WASHINGTON LEARNED NOT TO FIGHT THE MAIN FORCE BUT THE OUTPOSTS INSTEAD.
- FRENCH WERE ENCOURAGED AND SENT SUPPLIES
- ENGLISH GOVERNMENT WAS LOSING SUPPORT FOR THE WAR
- LOOKED LIKE THE CRISIS WAS PASSED AND THE REVOLUTION WOULD CONTINUE.

AMERICAN VICTORY

(6:05-6:45)

RE-CAP

WINTER QUARTERS IN MORRISTOWN

JANUARY 6, 1777

- GENERAL WASHINGTON MOVES HIS ARMY NORTH TO MORRISTOWN.
  - 37 miles in two days
- WINTERS UNDER PROTECTION OF SURROUNDING HILLS
- CLOSE ENOUGH TO WATCH BRITISH MOVEMENTS (NEW YORK CITY).
- PROTECTS THE ROADS FROM BRITISH ADVANCE AND THOSE LEADING TO PHILADELPHIA

- USES THE TIME TO REORGANIZE HIS ARMY
  - LOST MANY TO DESERTION
  - ENLISTMENTS UP, SOLDIERS GO HOME

- WASHINGTON'S A POPULAR GENERAL NOW AFTER TWO STRAIGHT VICTORIES
  - HIS LEGEND GROWS
  - ATTRACTS NEW RECRUITS
  - CHANGES THE RULES TO MAKE THE FORCE MORE EFFECTIVE
    - DISCIPLINE: MAXIMUM PUNISHMENT RISES FROM 39 LASHES TO 100!
    - MONETARY INCENTIVES (CAUSES PROBLEMS NEAR END OF WAR)
      - CASH BONUS FOR THREE YEARS SERVICE
      - LAND BOUNTY IF ENLIST FOR THE DURATION.
  - TRAINS AND MAINTAINS HIS FORCE
    - 11,000 MEN COME OUT OF WINTER QUARTERS
    - 17,000 PATRIOTS COMMIT TO FIGHT FROM NEW YORK.

(3:30-5:50)

REVOLUTIONARY WAR DOCUMENTARY PART I

REVOLUTIONARY WAR DOCUMENTARY PART II

STARTS WITH THE SHIPPENS

NEXT UP……

SPRING OF 1777 THROUGH TO VALLEY FORGE