

# Battle of Kettle Creek

- When? Battle took place on February 14, 1779
- Where? outside of Washington, Georgia
- Who wins? Georgia (patriot)/US victory
- Other details:
  - Battle is led by Colonel Elijah Clarke
  - The Patriots defeated a force of more than 800 British troops
  - Minor battle when compared to other battles of the Revolution
  - It was important because the militia was able to take weapons and horses from the British soldiers, and this lifted the spirits of the Georgia militia

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- Why are Elijah Clarke and Austin Dabney important?
  - Gen. Elijah Clarke, who leads the B. O.K.C., is shot off of his horse and injured badly
  - Austin Dabney, a black soldier fighting with Clarke, gives Clarke his own horse so Clarke can resume command of his troops.

# The Siege of Savannah

- When? Battle took place on October 9, 1779
- Where? Savannah, GA
- Who wins? British victory

## Other details:

- In Dec. 1778, British forces attack and take control of Savannah (almost 2 yrs after Battle of the Rice Boats).
- 15,000 patriot troops, led by General Benjamin Lincoln, and a French fleet of twenty-five ships and nearly 4,000 soldiers, under the command of Charles Henri Comte d'Estaing, arrived near Savannah in September 1779 to help the patriots kick out the British who controlled Savannah at that time.
- Battle last only 45 minutes
- More than 1,000 Patriot fighters (821 of whom were French) die / Only 40 British soldiers die
- Savannah would remain in British control for the next 3 ½ years and James Wright comes back to rule Georgia until 1783.