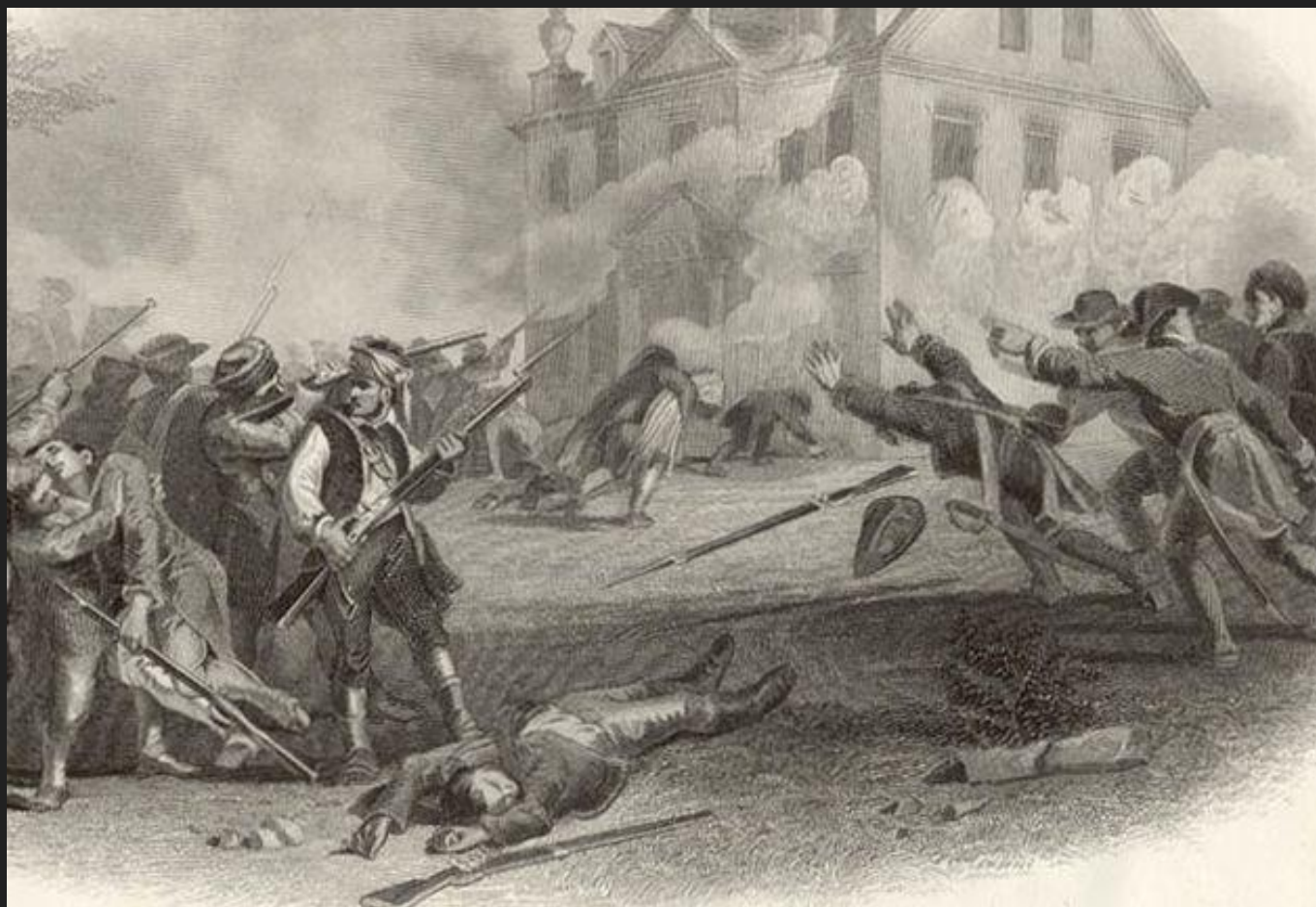


The Battle of Germantown

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Introduction

- Battle took place in the Revolutionary War
- Date of battle was October 4th, 1777
- American Continental Army was defeated by the British at this battle
- Battle showed that the Americans were on their way to become a real army



Why attack Germantown?

- A large amount of British troops were camped at this location
- It was a vulnerable location due to the four roads leading into it
- However, they failed the battle plan that Washington laid out

The Battle

- Four columns of the continental army marched for Germantown on October 3rd
- One column, led by General John Sullivan caught the British by surprise and drove them back
- The last column later entered, led by General Nathanael Greene, and attacked the other column on accident
- After realizing that they attacked each other, they fled due to a British counter attack

Aftermath

- Many European countries were shocked by Americans continued determination
- Complex battle plan was smart but many aspects made it fail
- The Americans did improve however, when Von Steuben helped train them



Conclusion

- I enjoyed this topic because I barely knew about this battle
- It was interesting how Washington planned coordination despite lack of technology
- I thought it was interesting how a large amount of British soldiers were camped in a very vulnerable place

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