

Foreword

The following study, conducted over a period of eight years, was undertaken to document the organization of the Continental Army's command structure during its winter encampment at Valley Forge (December 19, 1777-January 19, 1778).

When General Washington's army arrived at Valley Forge it was an ill fed, poorly supplied, and indifferently trained organization. Washington used the time of this winter encampment to vastly improve the army's training and logistical support, as well as its command structure.

This study lists the command organizations, as it was comprised when the Continental Army left Valley Forge in the spring of 1778. The data has been verified from a number of sources including official pay records of the Continental units involved.

Most brigades were named after commanders but also bore Continental Brigade names. We attempted in the work to show both designations. At one time or another there were ninety-one regiments at Valley Forge, they are included in the study even if they were on site for only a short period of time. They are listed numerically by colony and are not in any particular order of battle.

Because Revolutionary Army records are at best scarce, and when available fragmented, you may note some gaps in certain organization's list of officers. It is hoped as additional documentation comes to light, some of their missing pieces might be found.

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Continental Army at Valley Forge

GEN GEORGE WASHINGTON

Division:

FIRST DIVISION	MG CHARLES LEE
SECOND DIVISION	MG THOMAS MIFFLIN
THIRD DIVISION	MG MARQUES DE LAFAYETTE
FOURTH DIVISION	MG BARON DEKALB
FIFTH DIVISION	MG LORD STIRLING
ARTILLERY	BG HENRY KNOX
CAVALRY	BG CASIMIR PULASKI
NJ BRIGADE	BG WILLIAM MAXWELL

Divisions were loosely organized during the encampment. Reorganization in May and JUNE set these Divisions as shown.

KNOX'S ARTILLERY arrived Valley Forge JAN 1778

CAVALRY arrived Valley Forge DEC 1777 and left the same month.

NJ BRIGADE departed Valley Forge in MAY and rejoined LEE'S FIRST DIVISION at MONMOUTH.

Previous Division Commanders were; MG NATHANIEL GREENE, MG JOHN SULLIVAN, MG ALEXANDER MCDUGEL

MONTHLY STRENGTH REPORTS

Month	Fit For Duty	Assigned	ALTERATIONS			
			Died	Desert	Disch	Enlist
DEC	12501	14892	88	129	25	74
JAN	7950	18197	0	0	0	0
FEB	6264	19264	209	147	925	240
MAR	5642	18268	399	181	261	193
APR	10826	19055	384	188	116	1279
MAY	13321	21802	374	227	170	1004
JUN	13751	22309	220	96	112	924
Totals:	70255	133787	1674	968	1609	3714

Ref: C.M. Lesser - The Senews of Independance, Monthly Strength Returns of the Continental Army

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S STAFF

PERSONAL STAFF

ALEXANDER HAMILTON
JOHN LAURENE
ROBERT HARRISON
RICHARD MEAD
TENCH TILGHMAN
CELAB GIBBS (LIFE GUARD)

MILITARY STAFF

STAFF OFFICER

MG JOHN SULLIVAN

QUARTERMASTER

MG NATHANIEL GREENE

INSPECTOR GENERAL

BG FREDERICK VON STEUBEN

ENGINEER

COL LOUIS DUPORTOIL

**ATTRITION OF CONTINENTAL ARMY OFFICERS
DURING VALLEY FORGE ENCAMPMENT**

**DURING THE VALLEY FORGE ENCAMPMENT 19 DEC 1777
TO 18 JUNE 1778, 5% OF OFFICERS LEFT THE CONTINENTAL
ARMY. MOST RESIGNED, SOME LEFT FOR OTHER REASONS**

THEY ARE BY MONTH

DECEMBER 41

JANUARY 88

FEBRUARY 68

MARCH 96

APRIL 91

MAY 77

JUNE 110

**1622 OFFICERS ENTERED VALLEY FORGE,
1308 WERE LEFT AFTER JUNE 18 1778**

FIRST DIVISION

Division

FIRST DIVISION

MG Charles Lee

RI BRIGADE

BG JAMES VARNUM

NH BRIGADE

BG ENOCH POOR

2ND CT BRIGADE

BG JEDEDIAH HUNTINGTON

Some JAN alteration figures not available

MONTHLY STRENGTH REPORTS

Month	Fit For Duty	Assigned	ALTERATIONS			
			Died	Desert	Disch	Enlist
DEC	3278	5314	14	9	1	18
JAN	2287	4662	0	0	0	0
FEB	1902	4521	56	31	8	8
MAR	1258	4482	66	16	15	53
APR	2520	4374	112	34	18	115
MAY	2892	4555	93	41	35	326
JUN	2811	4652	40	13	72	322
Totals:	16948	32560	381	144	149	842

Ref: C.M. Lesser - The Senews of Independance, Monthly Strength Returns of the Continental Army

Brigade

RI BRIGADE BG JAMES VARNUM

Division: FIRST

4TH CT REGT	COL JOHN DURKEE
8TH CT REGT	COL JOHN CHANDLER
1ST RI REGT	COL CHRISTOPHER GREENE
2ND RI REGT	COL ISRAEL ANGELL

Entered Valley Forge in DEC 1777 and left Valley Forge in JUN 1778 part of LEE'S FIRST DIVISION

Some JAN and JUN alteration figures not available

MONTHLY STRENGTH REPORTS

Month	Fit For Duty	Assigned	ALTERATIONS			
			Died	Desert	Disch	Enlist
DEC	1023	1715	7	4	0	10
JAN	814	1436	0	0	0	0
FEB	677	1381	29	14	1	7
MAR	397	1385	27	8	9	22
APR	730	1280	41	21	8	33
MAY	874	1263	35	9	20	30
JUN	796	1166	0	0	0	0
Totals:	5311	9626	139	56	38	102

Ref: C.M. Lesser - The Senews of Independance, Monthly Strength Returns of the Continental Army

Brigade

NH BRIGADE BG ENOCH POOR

Division: FIRST

1ST NH REGT	COL JOSEPH CILLEY
2ND NH REGT	COL NATHAN HALE
3RD NH REGT	COL ALEXANDER SCHAMMELL
2ND NY REGT	COL PHILIP VAN CORTLAND
4TH NY REGT	COL HENRY LIVINGSTONE

Entered Valley Forge in DEC 1777 and departed in JUN 1778 as part of LEE'S FIRST DIVISION

Some JAN alteration figures not available

MONTHLY STRENGTH REPORTS

Month	Fit For Duty	Assigned	ALTERATIONS			
			Died	Desert	Disch	Enlist
DEC	965	1660	4	5	0	5
JAN	468	1566	0	0	0	0
FEB	539	1537	15	6	4	0
MAR	421	1521	20	3	2	12
APR	840	1524	23	5	6	53
MAY	943	1698	36	20	4	272
JUN	979	1941	27	2	12	304
Totals:	5155	11447	125	41	28	646

Ref: C.M. Lesser - The Senews of Independence, Monthly Strength Returns of the Continental Army

Brigade

2ND CT BRIGADE BG JEDEDIAH HUNTINGTON

Division: **FIRST**

1ST CT REGT COL JOSIAH STARR
2ND CT REGT COL CHARLES WEBB
5TH CT REGT COL PHILIP BURR BRADLEY
7TH CT REGT COL HEMAN SWIFT

Entered Valley Forge DEC 1777 unassigned Division, left Valley Forge as part of LEE'S FIRST DIVISION

Some JAN alteration figures not available

MONTHLY STRENGTH REPORTS

Month	Fit For Duty	Assigned	ALTERATIONS			
			Died	Desert	Disch	Enlist
DEC	1290	1939	3	0	1	3
JAN	1005	1660	0	0	0	0
FEB	686	1603	12	11	3	1
MAR	440	1576	19	5	4	10
APR	950	1570	48	8	4	29
MAY	1075	1594	22	12	11	24
JUN	1036	1549	13	11	13	18
Totals:	6482	11491	117	47	36	85

Ref: C.M. Lesser - The Senews of Independence, Monthly Strength Returns of the Continental Army

REGIMENTS

REGIMENTS BY STATE

CONNECTICUT

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST CT	JOSIAH STARR	HUNTINGTON	1ST
2ND CT	CHARLES WEBB	HUNTINGTON	1ST
4TH CT	JOHN DURKEE	VARNUM	1ST
5TH CT	PHILIP BURR BRADLEY	HUNTINGTON	1ST
7TH CT	HEMAN SWIFT	HUNTINGTON	1ST
8TH CT	JOHN CHANDLER	VARNUM	1ST

DELAWARE

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST DE	DAVID HALL	1ST MD	5TH

MARYLAND

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST MD	JOHN STONE	1ST MD	5TH
2ND MD	THOMAS PRICE	2ND MD	5TH
3RD MD	MORDECAI GIST	1ST MD	5TH
4TH MD	JOSIAH C HALL	2ND MD	5TH
5TH MD	WILLIAM RICHARDSON	1ST MD	5TH
6TH MD	OTHO WILLIAMS	2ND MD	5TH
7TH MD	JOHN GUNBY	1ST MD	5TH

MASSACHUSETTS

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST MA	JOSEPH VOSE	GLOVER	4TH
2ND MA	JOHN BAILEY	LEARNED	4TH
4TH MA	WILLIAM SHEPHARD	GLOVER	4TH
8TH MA	MICHAEL JACKSON	LEARNED	4TH
9TH MA	JAMES WESSON	LEARNED	4TH
10TH MA	THOMAS MARSHALL	PATTERSON	4TH
11TH MA	BENJAMIN TUPPER	PATTERSON	4TH
12TH MA	SAMUEL BREWER	PATTERSON	4TH
13TH MA	EDWARD WIGGLESWORTH	GLOVER	4TH
14TH MA	GAMALIEL BRADFORD	PATTERSON	4TH
15TH MA	TIMOTHY BIGELOW	GLOVER	4TH

REGIMENTS BY STATE

NORTH CAROLINA

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST NC	THOMAS CLARK	MC INTOSH	3RD
2ND NC	JOHN PATTEN	MC INTOSH	3RD
3RD NC	JETHRO DUMNER	MC INTOSH	3RD
4TH NC	THOMAS POLK	MC INTOSH	3RD
5TH NC	EDWARD BUNCOMBE	MC INTOSH	3RD
6TH NC	GIDEON LAMB	MC INTOSH	3RD
7TH NC	JAMES HOGUM	MC INTOSH	3RD
8TH NC	JAMES ARMSTRONG	MC INTOSH	3RD
9TH NC	JOHN P WILLIAMS	MC INTOSH	3RD
10TH NC	ABRAHAM SHEPHARD	MC INTOSH	3RD

NEW HAMPSHIRE

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST NH	JOSEPH CILLEY	POOR	1ST
2ND NH	NATHAN HALE	POOR	1ST
3RD NH	ALEXANDER SCAMMELL	POOR	1ST

NEW JERSEY

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST NJ	MATTHIAS OGDEN	MAXWELL	
2ND NJ	ISRAEL SHREVE	MAXWELL	
3RD NJ	ELIAS DAYTON	MAXWELL	
4TH NJ	EPHRAIM MARTIN	MAXWELL	

REGIMENTS BY STATE

NEW YORK

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST NY	GOOSE VAN SCHAICK	2ND PA	2ND
2ND NY	PHILIP VAN COURTLAND	POOR	1ST
4TH NY	HENRY LIVINGSTONE	POOR	1ST

RHODE ISLAND

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST RI	CHRISTOPHER GREENE	VARNUM	1ST
2ND RI	ISRAEL ANGELL	VARNUM	1ST

PENNSYLVANIA

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST PA	JAMES CHAMBERS	1ST PA	2ND
2ND PA	HENRY BICKER	1ST PA	2ND
3RD PA	THOMAS CRAIG	3RD PA	2ND
4TH PA	LAMBERT CALDWALDER	2ND PA	2ND
5TH PA	FRANCIS JOHNSTON	2ND PA	2ND
6TH PA	ROBERT MAGAW	3RD PA	2ND
7TH PA	DAVID GEIER	1ST PA	2ND
8TH PA	DANIEL BROADHEAD	2ND PA	2ND
9TH PA	RICHARD BUTLER	3RD PA	2ND
10TH PA	GEORGE NAGEL	1ST PA	2ND
11TH PA	RICHARD HAMPTON	2ND PA	2ND
12TH PA	WILLIAM COOKE	3RD PA	2ND
13TH PA	WALTER STEWART	WEEDOM	5TH

VIRGINIA

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST VA	JAMES HENDRICKS	MUHLENBERG	5TH
2ND VA	CHRISTOPHER FIBIGER	WEEDOM	5TH
3RD VA	WILLIAM HETH	WOODFORD	5TH
4TH VA	ISAAL READ	SCOTT	5TH
5TH VA	JOSIAH PARKER	MUHLENBERG	5TH

REGIMENTS BY STATE

VIRGINIA

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
6TH VA	JOHN GIBSON	WEEDOM	5TH
7TH VA	ALEXANDER McCLANACHAN	WOODFORD	3RD
8TH VA	ABRAHAM BOWMAN	SCOTT	3RD
9TH VA	GEORGE MATHEWS	MUHLENBERG	5TH
10TH VA	JOHN GREEN	WEEDOM	5TH
11TH VA	DANIEL MORGAN	WOODFORD	3RD
12TH VA	JAMES WOOD	SCOTT	3RD
13TH VA	WILLIAM RUSSELL	MUHLENBERG	5TH
14TH VA	CHARLES LEWIS	WEEDOM	5TH
15TH VA	DAVID MASON	WOODFORD	3RD
1ST VA STATE	GEORGE GIBSON	MUHLENBERG	5TH
2ND VA STATE	GREGORY SMITH	MUHLENBERG	5TH

ADDITIONALS

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
GRAYSON	WILLIAM GRAYSON	SCOTT	3RD
HARTLEY	THOMAS HARTLEY	1ST PA	2ND
MALCOLM	WILLIAM MALCOLM	3RD PA	2ND
PATTON	JOHN PATTON	SCOTT	3RD
SPENCER	OLIVER SPENCER	3RD PA	2ND
GERMAN	LEWIS WELTNER	MUHLENBERG	5TH

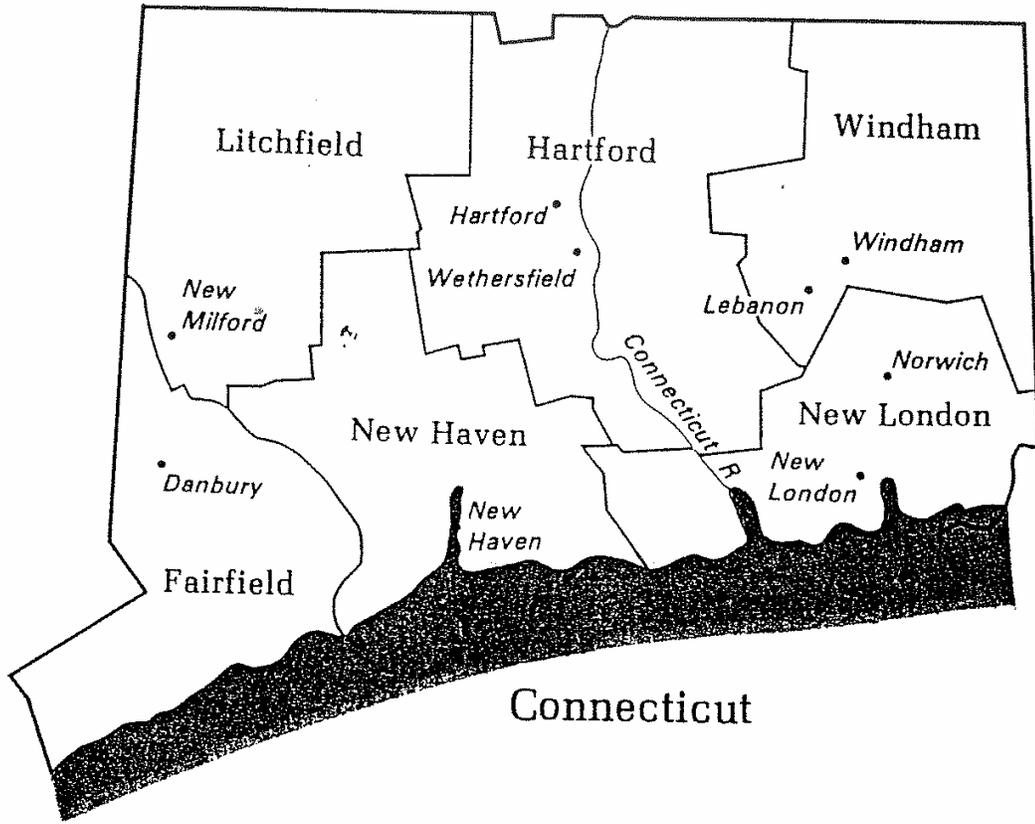
ARTILLERY

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST ART	CHARLES HARRISON	KNOX	ARTILLERY
2ND ART	JOHN LAMB	KNOX	ARTILLERY
3RD ART	JOHN CRANE	KNOX	ARTILLERY
4TH ART	THOMAS PROCTOR	KNOX	ARTILLERY

CAVALRY

<i>REGIMENT</i>	<i>COMMANDER</i>	<i>BRIGADE</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
1ST DRAGOONS	THEADORE BLAND	PULASKI	DRAGOONS
2ND DRAGOONS	ELISHA SHELDON	PULASKI	DRAGOONS
3RD DRAGOONS	GEORGE BAYLOR	PULASKI	DRAGOONS
4TH DRAGOONS	STEVEN MOYLAN	PULASKI	DRAGOONS

CONNECTICUT



Connecticut

REGIMENT: 1ST CT

DIVISION FIRST

BRIGADE 2 ND CT

HISTORY 1-4-77 AT NORWICH FROM NEW LONDON, WINDHAM
& HARTFORD COUNTIES

Entered Valley Forge with 562 men assigned, 393 fit for duty,
Left Valley Forge with the 7th CONN, 486 assigned, 551 fit
for duty, Left Valley Forge as part of 1st DIVISION (LEE)
Previous Engagements NYC 1777, PHILADELPHIA-
MONMOUTH

COL PRENTICE NOT AT VF resigned MAY 78

Staff Officers

COL JOSIAH STARR

MAJ DAVID STILL

MAJ CHRISTOFER DARROW

Company Commanders

CAPT WILLIAM BELCHER

CAPT CHRISTOPHER DARROW

CAPT JAMES ELDREDGE

CAPT ELIPHALET HOLMES

CAPT WILLIAM RICHARDS

CAPT JOHN SHUMWAY

CAPT BENJAMIN THROOP

CAPT CHRISTOPHER ELY

Regimental Staff

CHAPLAIN JOHN ELLIS

Q M PAUL PERCIVAL

ADJ EZRA SELDEN / JOHN MIX

PAYMASTER RUFUS ABELL

SURGEON ALBIGENCE WALDO

SURGEON MATE SAMUEL BROWN

SGT MAJ WILLIAM TRACY

DRUM MAJ ROGER MANNIND ./ HEZKH BUCKINGHAM

FIFE MAJ EPHRAM COY / WILLIAM BROWN

QM SGT EPHRAIN MORGAN

1ST CT Continued

Notes: JAN and FEB figures are brigade only, See 2ND CT BRIGADE.

MAR, APR, MAY Combined with 5TH CONN See 5TH CONN for figures

Joined with the 7TH CONN in JUN

APR figures not available, See 2ND CT BRIGADE

MONTHLY STRENGTH REPORTS

Month	Fit For Duty	Assigned	ALTERATIONS			
			Died	Desert	Disch	Enlist
DEC	393	562	0	0	0	0
JAN	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEB	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAR	0	0	0	0	0	0
APR	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAY	0	0	0	0	0	0
JUN	551	869	10	3	9	12
Totals:	944	1431	10	3	9	12

Ref: C.M. Lesser - The Senews of Independance, Monthly Strength Returns of the Continental Army

REGIMENT: 2ND CT

DIVISION FIRST

BRIGADE 2ND CT

HISTORY FORMED 1 JAN 77 AT DANBURY,CONN FROM FAIRFIELD,HARTFORD, AND WINDHAM COUNTIES, Entered Valley Forge with 362 men assigned of which 286 were fit for duty, left Valley Forge June 1778 with 340 assigned, 260 fit for duty, Left Valley Forge with 5TH CT. Previous Engagenents were; CONNECTICUT 1777, NEW YORK 1777, ,HUDSON HIGHLANDS,DEFENSE OF PHILADELPHIA, PHILAMONMOUTH.

Staff Officers

COL CHARLES WEBB

LTC ISAAC SHERMAN

MAJ HEZEKIAH HOLDRIDGE

Company Commanders

CAPT	STEPHEN BETT
CAPT	JAMES BEEBEE
CAPT	ICHABOD HINCKLEY
CAPT	WILLIAM MANNING
CAPT	JOHN MILLS
CAPT	JONATHAN PARKER
CAPT	DAVID PARSON
CAPT	AMOS WALBRIDGE
CAPT	SAMEUL GRANGER

Regimental Staff

CHAPLAIN	JOHN ELLIOT
ADJ	HENRY TEN EYCK
PAYMASTER	CHARLESWEBB
SURGEON	NOAH COLEMAN
SERGEON MATE	ISAAC DAY
QM SGT	SAMUEL WHITTEN
SGT MAJ	SAMUEL HICKOK
DRUM MAJ	ENOS FOUNTAIN
FIFE MAJ	PORTER WALBRIDGE
SGT MAJ	SAMUEL HICKOCK
QM SGT	JABEZ PARSON

2ND CT Continued

Notes: JAN and FEB figures are brigade only, See 2ND CT BRIGADE.

APR alteration figures unavailable

Left Valley Forge with 5TH CT in JUN

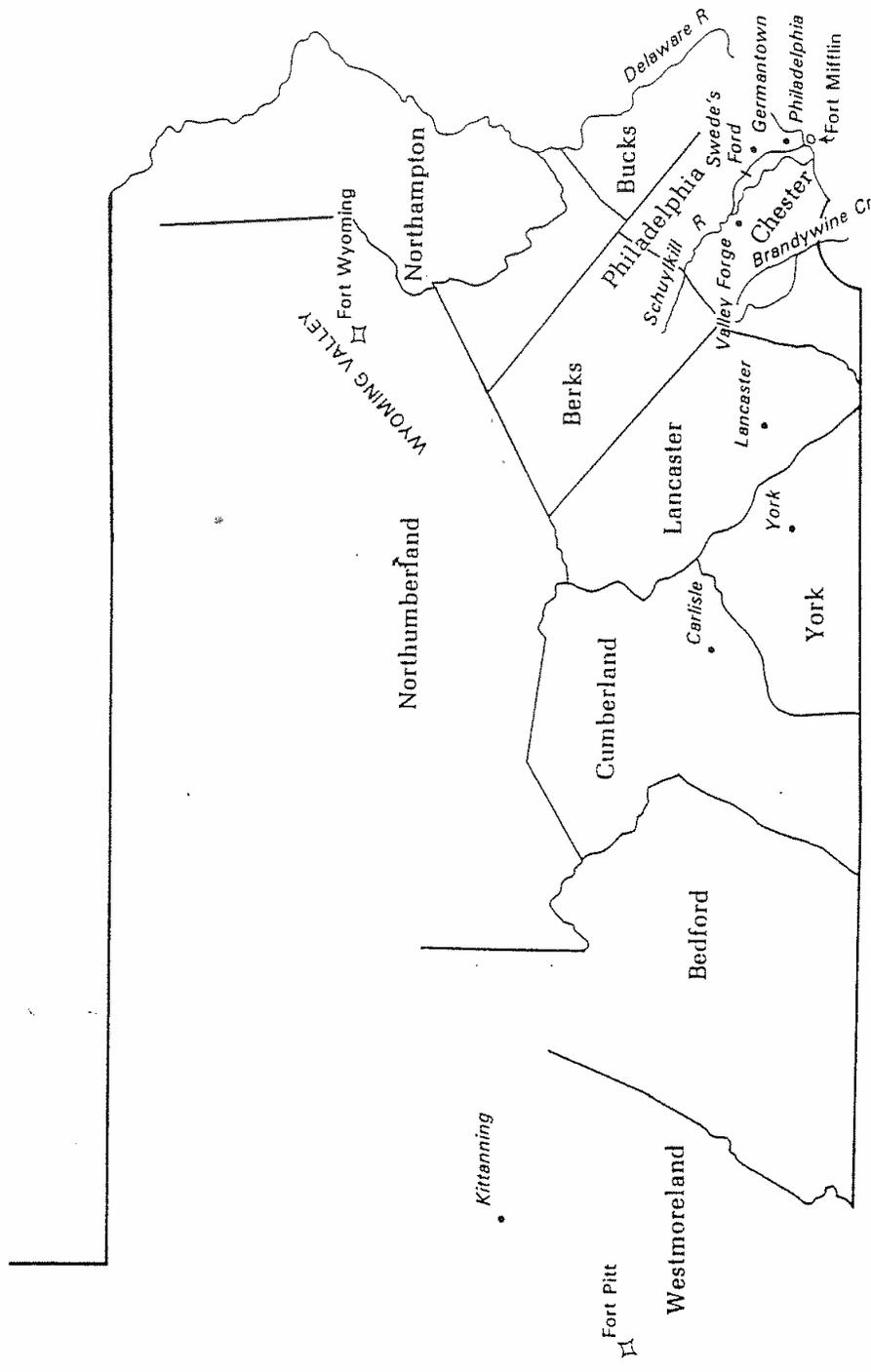
Combines with the 7TH CT in MAR, APR and MAY

MONTHLY STRENGTH REPORTS

Month	Fit For Duty	Assigned	ALTERATIONS			
			Died	Desert	Disch	Enlist
DEC	262	362	1	0	0	0
JAN	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEB	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAR	177	705	9	5	4	3
APR	453	761	0	0	0	0
MAY	397	732	8	7	7	14
JUN	485	680	3	8	4	5
Totals:	1774	3240	21	20	15	22

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PENNSYLVANIA



Pennsylvania

REGIMENT: 1ST PA

DIVISION SECOND

BRIGADE 1ST PA

HISTORY ORGANIZED JUNE --JULY 1775 FROM CUMBERLAND, LANCASTER, NORTHUMBERLAND, NORTHAMPTON, BEDFORD, YORK AND BERKS COUNTIES. Entered Valley Forge with 385 men assigned and 122 fit for duty, left Valley Forge with 344 assigned 221 fit for duty. Previous engagements were; SIEGE OF BOSTON, NEW YORK CITY, TRENTON-PRINCETON, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, DEFENSE OF PHILADELPHIA, PHILADELPHIA-MONMOUTH.

Staff Officers

COL JAMES CHAMBERS

LTC THOMAS ROBINSON

MAJ JAMES MOORE

Company Commanders

CAPT THOMAS BUCHANAN

CAPT JAMES WILSON

CAPT JAMES PARR

CAPT SAMUEL PARR

CAPT WILLIAM WILSON

CAPT DAVID ZIEGLER

CAPT JOHN HOLLIDAY

CAPT JOHN MCCLELLAN

CAPT SAMUEL CRAIG

Regimental Staff

CHAPLAIN

QM

JOSEPH CONN / ANDREW JOHNSTON

ADJ

ROBERT RALSTON / HENRY MCCARMICK

PAYMASTER

SURGEON

FRANCIS O'NEAL / WILLIAM MAGAW

SURGEON MATE

JOHN RAGUE

QM SGT

DAVID MARSHALL

SGT MAJ

JOHN MCMURTREY

DRUM MAJ

FIFE MAJ

1ST PA Continued

Notes: JAN and FEB figures are by brigade only, See 1ST PA BRIGADE.

APR and JUN alteration figures not available See 1ST PA BRIGADE

MONTHLY STRENGTH REPORTS

Month	Fit For Duty	Assigned	ALTERATIONS			
			Died	Desert	Disch	Enlist
DEC	103	385	1	6	1	2
JAN	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEB	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAR	91	359	1	9	0	7
APR	207	361	0	0	0	0
MAY	188	348	10	11	13	15
JUN	221	344	0	0	0	0
Totals:	810	1797	12	26	14	24

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REGIMENT: 2ND PA

DIVISION SECOND

BRIGADE 1ST PA

HISTORY ORGANIZED OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 1775 AT PHILADELPHIA FROM PHILADELPHIA CITY, PHILADELPHIA, BUCKS, BERKS AND NORTHAMPTON COUNTIES. Entered Valley Forge with 148 assigned and 105 fit for duty, left Valley Forge with 148 assigned and 148 fit for duty. Previous Engagements were; DEFENSE OF CANADA, LAKE CHAMPLAIN, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, DEFENSE OF PHILADELPHIA, PHILADELPHIA-MONMOUTH.

Staff Officers

COL HENRY BICKER

LTC HENRY MILLER

LTC JOHN MURRAY

MAJ WILLIAM WILLIAMS

Company Commanders

CAPT JACOB ASHMEAD

CAPT JOHN BANKSON

CAPT SAMUEL TOLBERT

CAPT GEORGE JENKINS

CAPT JOHN PATTERSON

CAPT JOSEPH HOWELL

CAPT CHRISTIAN STADDEL

CAPT PETER GOSNER

CAPT JOHN STAYNER

Regimental Staff

CHAPLAIN

QM

ADJ JOHN IRWIN

PAYMASTER JAMES JOHNSTON

SURGEON BENJAMIN PERRY

SURGEON MATE ROBERT HARRE

QM SGT JOHN DOLLIS

SGT MAJ JONATHAN GUY / JOSEPH WEIDMEN

DRUM MAJ WILLIAM HERRING

FIFE MAJ

2ND PA Continued

Notes: JAN and FEB figures are by brigade only. See 1ST PA BRIGADE.

APR and JUN alteration figures not available, See 1ST PA BRIGADE.

MONTHLY STRENGTH REPORTS

Month	Fit For Duty	Assigned	ALTERATIONS			
			Died	Desert	Disch	Enlist
DEC	105	148	1	1	0	0
JAN	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEB	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAR	65	134	1	2	0	5
APR	112	151	0	0	0	0
MAY	114	156	0	5	1	6
JUN	118	148	0	0	0	0
Totals:	514	737	2	8	1	11

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GENERALS

&

STAFF

The following is a listing of biographical data on General George Washington and his Generals and Aides:

William Alexander (Lord Stirling)

John Armstrong

Thomas Conway

Louis Lebeque de Presle Duportail

John Glover

Nathanael Greene

Alexander Hamilton

Jedediah Huntington

Johann de Kalb

Henry Knox

Marie Joseph Paul Yves Roch Gilbert du Motier (Marquis de Lafayette)

Ebenezer Learned

Charles Lee

William Maxwell

Lachlan McIntosh

Thomas Mifflin

John Peter Gabriel Muhlenberg

John Patterson

Enoch Poor

Casimir Pulaski

Charles Scott

William Smallwood

Friedrich Wilhelm Augustus von Steuben

John Sullivan

James Varnum

Anthony Wayne

George Weedon

William Woodford

George Washington

WILLIAM ALEXANDER (LORD STIRLING) 1726-1783

Born in New York, Alexander's title was never recognized in England. His father held the title until losing it and all the associated lands during the Jacobite rebellion of 1715. In the 1760's Alexander was living in New Jersey, a prominent and wealthy man, married to the Governor's sister. He was a member of the New Jersey provincial assembly and participated in the French and Indian War as an aide to Governor Shirley of Massachusetts. On November 7, 1775 he was commissioned a Colonel of the 1st New Jersey Regiment. On March 1, 1776 he was promoted to Brigadier General and on the 7th of March he succeeded General Lee as commander of the New York City garrison. Captured at the Battle of Long Island, he was exchanged the following Month. He participated in the Battle of Trenton and on February 19, 1777 he was promoted to Major General. He served in the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown, and Monmouth. Later he was appointed to command the Northern Department. He died of gout while in that command on January 15, 1783.

JOHN ARMSTRONG 1717-1795

Born in Ireland, Armstrong served in the militia during the French and Indian War. On March 1, 1776 he was appointed Brigadier General in the Continental Army, in spite of his advanced age and rheumatism. He was sent south and participated in the successful defense of Charleston, S.C. in 1776. He resigned his commission on April 4, 1777 out of dissatisfaction with the Continental Army, but on the 5th of April he was appointed Brigadier General of the Pennsylvania Militia. He participated in the Battles of Brandywine and Germantown. On January 9, 1778 he was promoted to Major General of the Pennsylvania Militia and held that command for the remainder of the war. Armstrong also served in the Congress in 1778-1780 and in 1787-1788.

THOMAS CONWAY 1733-1800

Born in Ireland and raised in France, Conway entered the French Army as a Lieutenant in 1747. In 1776, then a Major, he received permission to go to America. He arrived in 1777 and was appointed Brigadier General on May 13th at Washington's suggestion. He served in Sullivan's Division at Brandywine and Germantown. During the winter of 1777-1778, Conway was involved in a plot to replace Washington as Commander-in-Chief of the American Army with General Horatio Gates. On December 13, 1777 Conway was promoted to Major-General, but his involvement in the "Conway Cabal" led Congress not to assign him to active command. His threat of resignation was a bluff to force Congress to assign him an active command, but Congress called his bluff by accepting his resignation on April 28, 1778, much to Conway's surprise. He returned to France and rejoined the French Army. He was able to advance in the French Army and became Governor General of all French Forces at the Cape of Good Hope. In 1793, he was replaced because of his loyalty to the crown. He died in exile about 1800.

LOUIS LEBEQUE de PRESLE DUPORTAIL 1743-1802

The son of a French nobleman, Duportail began his military career as an engineer in 1762, rising to Lieutenant Colonel by 1777. He was one of four military engineers sent to America in response to a request from Benjamin Franklin. He joined the army on February 13, 1777 and by July 1777 was appointed Colonel of engineers. By November 17, 1777 he had risen to Brigadier Colonel. He worked on the Delaware River defenses and fortified military encampments at Valley Forge and Hudson Highlands. He was sent to Charleston, S.C. in 1780 where he was captured by the British. He was exchanged later that year, participated in the siege at Yorktown and was promoted to Major General on November 16, 1781. He resigned his commission on October 18, 1783 and returned to France where he continued to serve the King. The French Revolution forced him to flee. He returned to America in 1794 and remained here until he was given permission to return to France in 1802. He died on shipboard during the voyage to France.

JOHN GLOVER 1732-1797

Glover was born in Salem, Massachusetts, and moved to Marblehead as a boy. Glover worked his way up from shoemaker to become a wealthy ship owner and fisherman. He served as a militia officer from 1759-73. As a member of the Marblehead Committee of Correspondence, he became a colonel of the 21st Massachusetts Regiment in 1775, in charge of 1,000 fishermen who manned armed ships on Massachusetts Bay. His regiment's designation changed to the 14th Continental Regiment, and as such participated in the defense of New York City in the summer of 1776. During this action, the men in Glover's command helped the Continental Army slip out from under a British siege by ferrying the troops across the East River. Glover's Marbleheaders also made possible Washington's famous crossing of the Delaware River in December of 1776.

When their enlistment ended and the regiment disbanded, Glover returned home to care for his sick wife. After initially rejecting an appointment to Brigadier General in February 1777, a personal letter from General Washington persuaded him to serve. He then served with General Gates during the Saratoga campaign, and General Lafayette in the attack against Newport, Rhode Island. In the spring of 1779, he succeeded General Sullivan as Commander of Providence, Rhode Island, and remained in the Hudson Highlands during the Yorktown campaign. Suffering from poor health, Glover retired on half-pay on July 22, 1782. He was breveted a Major General on September 30, 1783.

NATHANAEL GREENE 1742-1786

Born in Rhode Island he went into his family's business, first at Batowmut, then at Coventry. In 1770-1772 and 1775 he was a deputy in the Rhode Island Assembly. In May 1775, while serving as a private he was appointed Brigadier General in the Rhode Island militia. On June 22, 1775 he was given the same rank in the Continental Army. His talent for organization and supply management surfaced during the siege of Boston. He commanded

the American Army on Long Island, but was relieved before the battle due to illness. In August of 1776, he was promoted to Major General and took command of the troops in New Jersey. He served at the Battle of Trenton. During the winter of 1776-1777 Washington sent him to Congress to defend the performance of the army. He participated in the Battle of Brandywine and led the main attack at the Battle of Germantown. He commanded the forts on the Delaware River, but was unable to hold them. At Valley Forge on February 15, 1778, he was appointed Quartermaster General of the Army while retaining his combat command. He served at the Battle of Monmouth and at Newport. He improved the performance of the Quartermaster Department to a considerable degree, however his methods of operation were sharply criticized by Congress. Greene asked for a vote of confidence, but was refused. Instead, Congress adopted a plan drafted by the former Quartermaster, General Thomas Mifflin, on July 15, 1780. On August 3, 1780 Greene resigned as Quartermaster General. Following Benedict Arnold's defection, Greene was given command of the Hudson Highlands Department in the hope that he could restore order to the Southern Army following the defeat at Camden, South Carolina. His campaigns in the South form the basis for his reputation as one of the few real military men in the American Army. Greene retired in 1783 but money problems forced him to leave Rhode Island in 1785 and move to an estate near Savannah, Georgia. The estate was partial payment for his services during the war. He died the following year.

ALEXANDER HAMILTON 1757-1804

Born on the island of St. Christopher, Hamilton attended college in the colony of New York. He became interested in politics and raised a volunteer company of artillery in 1775. Hamilton and his men served at the Battles of Long Island, White Plains, Trenton, and Princeton. On March 1, 1777 he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and appointed an aide to Washington. He served as an aide until July 1781 when he was given command of a regiment of Light Infantry which he led at Yorktown. He was breveted a Colonel on September 30, 1783 and retired in December 1783. He was heavily involved in the finances of the new Nation, serving as Secretary of the Treasury, among other government positions. For various personal and political reasons, he was challenged to a duel by Aaron Burr and died from the resulting wound in July 1804.

JEDEDIAH HUNTINGTON 1743-1818

Born in Connecticut to an extremely wealthy family, Huntington graduated from Harvard in 1763 and entered his family's business as a merchant. He joined the Connecticut Militia and served at the Siege of Boston as Colonel of the Connecticut troops. Oddly enough, this was to his only participation in any of the actions fought during the war. He served mainly in administrative positions. He commanded a brigade during the encampment at Valley Forge, joining his command just before the encampment started and transferring north just before they left camp. He was breveted a Major General September 30, 1783 and retired a short time later. He resumed his business affairs and was later appointed customs collector for the port of New London during President Washington's administration. He held this post for 26 years.

JOHANN de KALB 1721-1780

Born in Bavaria, he entered the French Army in September 1743 and served with great distinction rising to the rank of Brigadier General. He requested and received permission to go to America in 1777 in order to further his military career. He sailed with the Marquis de Lafayette, and after an initial disagreement with Congress over rank he was promoted to Major General in September of 1777. He wintered at Valley Forge with the army, but was not given a command equal to his rank and talents for nearly two years. In 1780, he was sent south with Maryland and Delaware troops to relieve Charleston, but arrived after the city had been surrendered. General Gates then arrived and took command of the Southern Army using de Kalb's troops as a base to rebuild those forces. However, he ignored de Kalb's advice, an error which led to the American defeat at Camden on August 16, 1780. Wounded during the battle, de Kalb died three days later. Unfortunately, his talents were never fully utilized by the Americans.

HENRY KNOX 1750-1806

Born in Massachusetts, Knox joined the Militia at the age of 18 and taught himself the art of war by reading the books he sold in his bookstore. He served as a volunteer at Bunker Hill. Washington was impressed by Knox and his knowledge of artillery. On November 17, 1775 he appointed Knox Colonel of the small Continental Artillery Regiment. In this position, Knox moved a large group of artillery pieces from Fort Ticonderoga to Boston in mid-winter. Knox participated in the Battle of Long Island and at the Battles of Trenton and Princeton. He was promoted to Brigadier General in late December 1776. He served in the Battles of Brandywine and Germantown and was present for part of the Valley Forge encampment. By 1778, the Continental Artillery consisted of four

regiments. Knox served at Monmouth and at Yorktown and was promoted to Major General in the spring of 1782. In August 1782 he took command of West Point. From December 23, 1783 to June 20, 1784 Knox served as Commander-in-Chief succeeding Washington. He retired, but was called back to serve as Secretary of War, a post he held until 1794. Expensive tastes and poor investments brought him financial problems after the war.

MARIE JOSEPH PAUL YVES ROCH GILBERT du MOTIER. MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE 1757-1834

Lafayette was left, through a series of deaths, the head of one of the richest and most powerful families in France at the age of fourteen. He served as an officer in the French Army, but had little actual military experience. He sailed for America in 1777, against the order of the King of France. Initially, he was not well received by Congress, until he offered to serve as a volunteer, paying his own expenses. He was appointed a Major General in July 1777. He was wounded in the leg at the Battle of Brandywine, and after nearly two months of recuperating, he rejoined the army just after the Battle of Germantown. He was involved in the planning of an expedition into Canada during the winter of 1777-1778, but when that was cancelled he rejoined the army at Valley Forge. He commanded troops at Barren Hill and at the Battle of Monmouth, and assisted at the siege of New Port, a combined French-American operation. In January 1779, he returned to France to secure additional French aid for the Americans. After succeeding at this task, he returned to America in 1780 and was sent to Virginia in time to participate in the siege at Yorktown.

JOHN LAURENS 1754-1782

Born in South Carolina and educated in London and Geneva, Laurens returned to the colonies in 1777 and served as a volunteer aide to Washington. He participated in the Battles of Brandywine and Germantown. He was stationed at Valley Forge during the encampment and fought in the Battle of Monmouth. Promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in 1779, he continued to serve as an aide until late 1779 when he returned to South Carolina. He served at Savannah and was captured at Charleston in 1780. He was exchanged in the spring of 1781 and sent to France by Congress to assist Benjamin Franklin. Returning to America in time to participate in Yorktown. He was killed the following year, 1782, in a skirmish in South Carolina.

EBENEZER LEARNED 1728-1801

Born in Oxford, Massachusetts, his pre-war career included serving as a captain in the militia and a delegate to the provincial Congress. On April 19, 1775 he was commissioned a Colonel and served at Lexington, Concord, and Bunker Hill and the siege of Boston. In April 1777, he was commissioned a Brigadier General and returned to active duty in the Northern Department. He served in the Battle of Saratoga, then joined the army at Valley Forge. In March 1778, he resigned because of physical disabilities. He returned to Massachusetts where he served in the legislature in 1783.

CHARLES LEE 1731-1782

Born in England, Lee began his military career in 1747. In 1773, he retired to Virginia on half pay in 1773, having served in both the British and Polish armies. He immediately became involved in the fight for independence and was appointed America's first Major General. He served at the siege of Boston, briefly commanded New York City, then was transferred South where he successfully defended Charleston, South Carolina from a major British attack in 1776. He then returned to New York where he served at the Battle of White Plains. Lee was in command of troops in New York and Northern New Jersey when he was captured, in December 1776. He was exchanged in April 1778 and after briefly joining the army at Valley Forge, he traveled to York, Pennsylvania to complain to Congress about his lack of promotion. He rejoined the army in time to serve at the Battle of Monmouth. His actions at Monmouth resulted in a court martial and three challenges to duels. The court martial resulted in a conviction and suspended for one year. Lee was wounded in the first duel and the subsequent duels were never fought. Lee waited out his suspension in Virginia, but at the end of the year, again offended Congress and was dismissed from the army. Lee spent his last years in Philadelphia.

WILLIAM MAXWELL 1733-1796

Born in Ireland, Maxwell served in both the local militia and in regular British regiments for twenty years, rising to the rank of Colonel before retiring to New Jersey. In 1775, he was elected to the New Jersey provincial Congress. In 1776, he was appointed Colonel of the Second New Jersey Regiment. He served on the ill-fated Canadian expedition and a short time later was promoted to Brigadier General. He served at the Battle of Brandywine and was court-martialed for being drunk at the Battle of Germantown; however, the case was never decided. He commanded the New Jersey Brigade at Valley Forge and served at the Battle of Monmouth and on