



Revolution, American Style

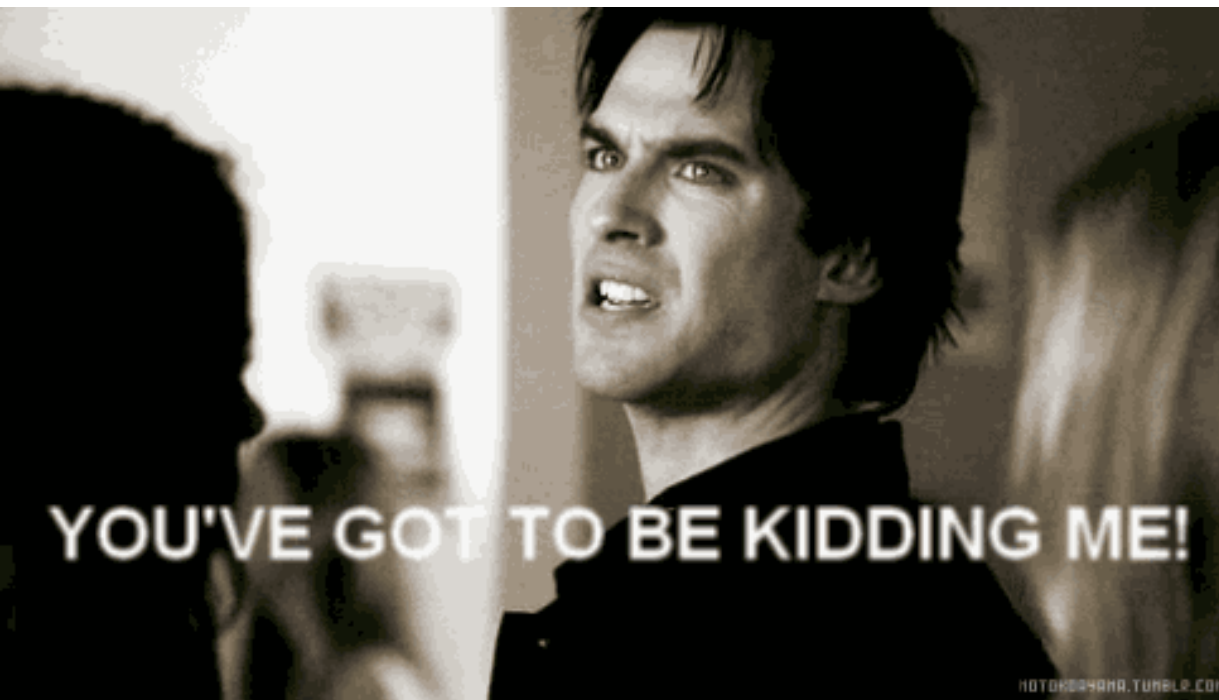
The Onset of the Revolutionary War

Brief Review

- **Committee of Correspondence** – Sam Adams
- **1st Continental Congress**
 - Philly, 1774
 - No GA
 - Next step?
 - **Declaration of Resolves** – We can stay together, but I'm keeping my old apartment
 - Trade boycott
 - GIII demands Gage put down rebellion...

British Preparation?!

- North – Tries to pacify colonists by letting them tax themselves and give an undetermined portion to GB
- **Gage** asks for 20K troops in preparation for rebellion, **GIII** gives him 3500



Paul Revere's Ride

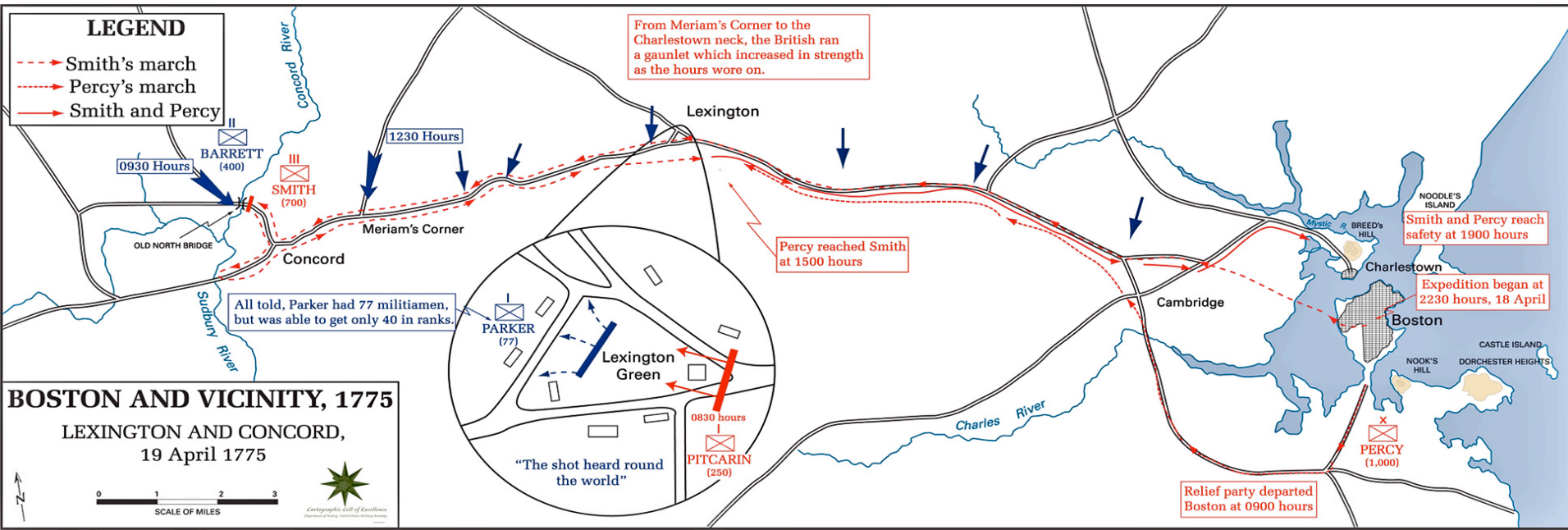
- 4/19/1775 – Gage wants to secretly seize munitions
- Revere hangs TWO lanterns on the Old North Church, indicating a British attack by SEA. →
- Revere, Dawes, and Dr. Prescott warn **minutemen**



Dawes

Shot Heard Round the World

- **Lexington** – British order colonists to leave, but someone fired the infamous “shot” →
 - 8 Colonists killed, 10 wounded
- **Concord** – Brits burn courthouse → as they retreat to Boston, colonists use guerilla tactics to kill 73, wound 174 (only 5 total KIA)



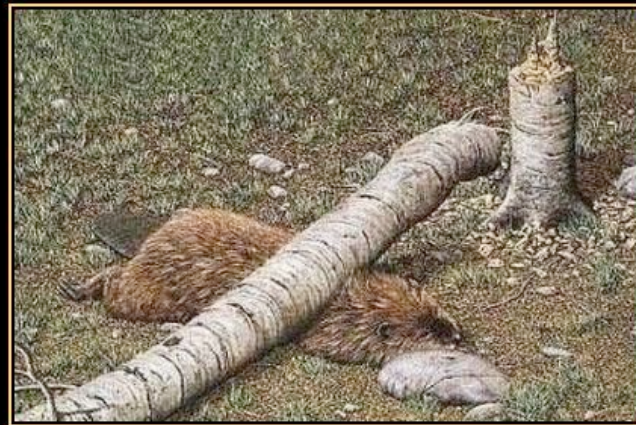
Second Continental Congress

- May 10, 1775
- Militia → Continental Congress
- Named **Gen. Washington** as commander-in-chief
- Issued paper money to support troops
- Committee to negotiate w/ foreign countries
- Chose resistance but did not want to separate from ENG
- Par. Responds by sending 25,000 more troops → totaling 40K in Col.



Bunker Hill (6/17/1775)

- **Gen. Howe** attacks Col. entrenched on hill (2200 Brits vs. 1200 Col.)
- Howe charged twice and was repulsed; then Col. low in ammo, succumb to Brits (**Pyrrhic victory**)
- → British Naval blockade of Col. harbors
- → 140 Am dead (450 cas), 226 Brits (1K+ cas)



PYRRHIC VICTORY

Sometimes, success can kill.

...And the Rest is History

- Olive Branch Petition (July, 1775) – Nope. Traitors
- Thomas Paine – “**Common Sense**” (Jan, 1776) – Declare independence NOW!
- Cols. first win in South @ **Moore’s Creek Bridge**
- Wash. beats Howe @ **Dorchester Hts** → Howe flees Boston to Nova Scotia

