


**Who was Baron von Steuben?**  
 Baron Friedrich Wilhelm von Steuben was a Prussian army officer who came to assist Gen. George Washington in training the American troops. His drill manual explained how to form a company, the duty of every man in the regiment, how to march and stand at parade, how to use the muskets, how to recognize the drum signals, the necessity of cleanliness, the need for keeping records, and all the day-to-day activities needed for maintaining an army. He never visited the Fort but his manual was used here.




**DO YOU KNOW?**

**THE NORTHWEST ORDINANCE** is one of the three greatest documents in American history. The other two are the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.

One of the most important effects of the ordinance was that each new state would enter the nation and be equal to the original states. Never had this been done before! The Northwest Ordinance stated some important ideas and rights such as:

- Ownership of land would pass on to the owner's descendents
- Governors and legislatures would be elected to govern the territory
- A Secretary of State would keep track of all legal records
- Judges would be appointed to settle disputes
- Everyone would have the right to trial by jury
- Civil and religious freedoms would be protected
- Education would be available to all citizens
- Slavery would be prohibited