

- 1754: French and Indian War begins
- George Washington: first battle—Fort Necessity –British lose
- **Albany Plan of Union:** create one gov't for all 13 colonies---none of the colonial assemblies approve it
- 1755: British defeat at Fort Duquesne (Pittsburgh)

- Many British defeats
- French capture Fort Oswego and Fort William Henry
- 1757: new Prime Minister William Pitt helps turn the war in favor of the British
 - Victories at Louisbourg & Ft. Duquesne
- *1758—Battle of Carillon!
 - Gen. Montcalm and the French keep a large British army from taking over the fort