Ocmulgee National Monument



Brigadier General Hugh Judson Kilpatrick

A Devastating Diversion

On his "March to the Sea," General W.T. Sherman was ordered to enforce devastation on anyone that resists from Atlanta to Savannah. In November 1864, Kilpatrick was sent to Macon to trick citizens into thinking Sherman was on his way there instead. Kilpatrick struck the Georgia Central Railroad, destroying critical Confederate supply lines near Macon.

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