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New state markers honor "neglected" Civil War participants

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Markers are being erected throughout Georgia to recognize the Civil War contributions of long-ignored groups, including women, blacks and Southerners loyal to the Union, reports The Associated Press.

On Thursday, a marker will be dedicated in Dalton, Ga., to recognize where Confederate Maj. Gen. Patrick Cleburne proposed freeing black slaves who were willing to fight in badly outnumbered Southern ranks, the news service reports. The suggestion was quickly dismissed by top Southern leaders, according to AP.

The new markers are being added as part of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War.

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