

GETTYSBURG, BATTLE of, 1863

5-Cent

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## "CIVIL WAR CENTENNIAL"

### COMMEMORATIVE POSTAGE STAMP



AVAILABLE AT YOUR LOCAL POST OFFICE

## JULY 2, 1963

The 5-cent Battle of Gettysburg commemorative stamp, the third in the series of five stamps marking the Civil War Centennial, will be first placed on sale at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on July 1, 1963.

This stamp was designed by Roy Gjertson, San Pedro, California, who submitted the winning entry in a nationwide competition among professional artists. This horizontal stamp, measuring 0.84 by 1.44 inches, will be printed on the Giori presses and issued in panes of 50, with an initial printing of 120 million. To the left of the design is a Confederate soldier against a gray background; to the right a Union soldier against a blue background. All lettering is white.

Collectors desiring first day cancellations may send addressed envelopes, together with remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed, to the Postmaster, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. A close-fitting enclosure of postal card thickness should be placed in each envelope and the flap either turned in or sealed. The envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed "First-day Covers 5¢ Gettysburg Stamp." Orders for covers must not include requests for uncanceled stamps. Cover requests must be postmarked not later than July 1, 1963.

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