

INSTRUCTIONS OF THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS—OVERRUN COUNTRIES

Netherlands

Postmasters and employees of the Postal Service are advised that a 5-cent postage stamp honoring the Netherlands, the fifth stamp in the Overrun Countries Series, will be first placed on sale August 24, 1943, at Washington, D. C. Announcements concerning the remaining stamps in the series will appear later.

The central design of the Netherlands stamp is a reproduction of the flag of that country in colors, with the name "Netherlands" printed underneath. The stamp will be of the special-delivery size, 0.84 by 1.44 inches in dimensions, arranged horizontally and issued 50 stamps to a sheet.

Stamp collectors desiring first-day cancelations of the stamp for the Netherlands on August 24, 1943, may send a limited number of addressed envelopes, not in excess of 10, to the Postmaster, Washington 13, D. C., with cash or money-order remittance to cover cost of the stamps required for affixing. **Postage stamps and personal checks will not be accepted in payment for stamps and requests for uncanceled stamps must not be included with orders for first-day covers.** Envelopes used for covers should be of ordinary letter size, and each envelope properly addressed. An enclosure of medium weight should be inserted in each cover and the flap sealed or turned in. Each envelope should be pencil-marked in the upper right corner to show the number of stamps to be affixed and the name of the country. Covers for other stamps of the Overrun Countries Series should not be included with the order for the Netherlands first-day covers.

Stamps of this series desired for postage purposes should be purchased at the local post office. Stamps of selected quality for collection may be obtained on mail order sent to the Philatelic Agency, Post Office Department, Washington 25, D. C. Stamps are sold through this Agency at face value, plus return mailing charges. To insure prompt shipment, mail

orders to the Philatelic Agency for the Netherlands commemorative stamp should not include other stamp issues. **The Philatelic Agency does not service first-day covers.**

Postmasters at direct and central-accounting offices may submit separate requisitions, on Form 3201-A, to reach the Department not later than August 17, 1943, for a limited supply of the 5-cent Netherlands stamp, endorsed "Netherlands," shipment of which will be made as soon as the printed stock is available. Postmasters at district-accounting offices may obtain small quantities of this stamp by requisition on the central-accounting post office. **Postmasters are cautioned not to place this stamp on sale before August 25, 1943.**

Requisitions shall not be submitted for any of the remaining stamps in the Overrun Countries Series until further notification is received.

WRONG OFFICE NUMBER ON MONEY-ORDER FORMS

It is reported that the office number appearing on the money-order forms supplied for the use of the post office named below is incorrect, and some of the orders are supposed to have been issued and paid. Postmasters having in their files coupons of any such orders should be careful in certifying to applications for duplicates and warrants, or in answering inquiries regarding payment.

Los Angeles, Station D, Calif. Serial numbers 59801 to 60000, inclusive. Reported as issued from April 23 to April 24, 1943. Correct office number is 81120 and not 80120.

POST-OFFICE CHANGES

Discontinued—Fourth Class ARIZONA

Apache, Cochise County, route 108760. Effective Aug. 15, 1943. Mail to Rodeo, N. Mex.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Longtown, Fairfield County, rural route No. 1, Ridgeway. Effective July 31, 1943. Mail to Ridgeway.

POST-OFFICE CHANGES

Summer Post Office Closed for 1943 Season
Cedar Beach, Chittenden County, Vt. This office will remain closed for the 1943 season.

Summer Post Office To Close
Camp Alleghany, Greenbrier County, W. Va. Effective Aug. 25, 1943. Mail to Sweet Briar Va.

EVERYBODY—EVERY PAY DAY

*Figure It Out for Yourself
and
Do the Best You Can*

WAR SAVINGS BONDS