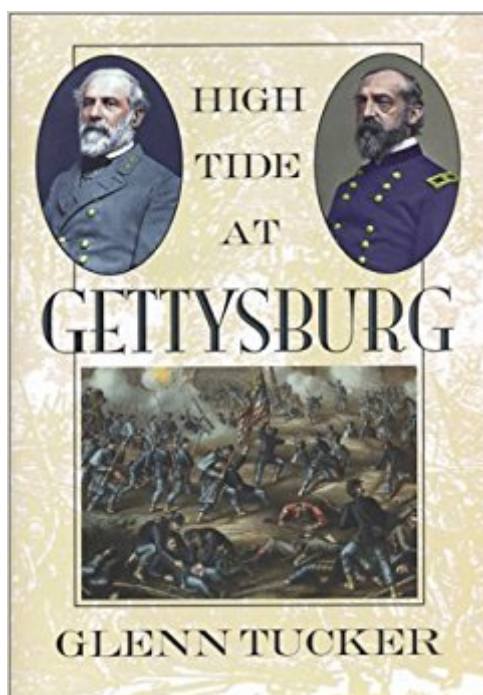


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High Tide At Gettysburg: The Campaign In Pennsylvania



Synopsis

High Tide at Gettysburg tells the story of the Army of Virginia. How near the South came to victory is clearly set forth in these pages. The author vividly conveys the background of the crucial battle of the Civil War so that the reader can fully appreciate its unfolding.

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"The Confederate side of a climactic Civil War battle is viewed in a narrative characterized by telling portraits of generals and numerous vignettes of individual men in the ranks..."- Booklist --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

"Gettysburg had everything," Henry Steele Commager recently wrote. "It was the greatest battle ever fought on our continent; it boasts more heroic chapters than any other one battle. It was the high tide of the Confederacy." This is the way Glenn Tucker has always seen it and this is the way he reports it in High Tide at Gettysburg. The story of Gettysburg has never been told better, perhaps never so well as in this volume. Glenn Tucker has the immediacy of a war correspondent on the spot along with the insights that come from painstaking research. The armies live again in his pages. In his big, generous book Glenn Tucker has room to follow Lee's army up from Chancellorsville across Maryland into Pennsylvania. With Jackson recently killed, Lee had revamped his top command. Mr. Tucker watches it in operation. In Pennsylvania he reports how the Southern troops got along with the Pennsylvania civilians and how they ate high on the hog in the hot, lush farm country. When Meade's men caught up with the Confederates and the two armies

were probing to locate each other's concentrations, Mr. Tucker's account becomes sharper, more dramatic. His rapidly moving, vivid narrative of the three-day battle is filled with fascinating episodes and fresh, stimulating appraisals. Glenn Tucker is akin to Ernie Pyle in his interest in people. With him you meet Harry King Burgwyn, "boy colonel" of the 26th North Carolina, just turned twenty-one, who slugged it out with Col. Henry A. Morrow of the 24th Michigan until few survived on either side. You feel the patriotic surge of white-haired William Barksdale, who led his Mississippians on the "grandest charge of the war" and died as he broke the Federal line. You sense the magnetism of Hancock the Superb, and feel the driving power of rugged Uncle John Sedgwick as he hurried his big VI Corps to the battlefield. With Old Man Greene you struggle in the darkness to save the Culp's Hill trenches. And much more. Mr. Tucker weaves in many sharp thumbnail biographical sketches without slowing the action. Many North Carolinians, previously slighted, here receive their due. Some historians, believing Lee "ought to have won," write of the battle looking for a villain -- Longstreet, Ewell, Stuart -- who spoiled Lee's effort. Like Lee, Mr. Tucker seeks no scapegoat. He believes that, although the Confederates made some mistakes in timing and failed to make the best use of their artillery, the decisive factors were in small part luck and in large part individual character, often of subordinate commanders. Full, dramatic, immediate, here is Gettysburg. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Very detailed historic representation of the Battle at Gettysburg. Enjoyed comparing this to Shaara's Killer Angels, an historical fiction.

Wonderful historical book, great read, thank you very much for a smooth transaction.

An easy read. I enjoyed it because it was full of personal stories about major and minor characters in the battle at Gettysburg. It was a nice complement to The Gettysburg Campaign by Edwin Coddington.

Glenn Tucker was one of the first historians to challenge the tired old lies of the "Lost Cause" and their attempts to blame General James Longstreet with the loss of the Battle of Gettysburg. This is an excellent, well researched, and well written account of the battle and the people involved. Excellent historical work!

Excellent book

Recommended by an excellent tour guide at Gettysburg.

Although this book is a reprint, it is in excellent condition - I cannot recall if it were advertised as new, but it looks like it. A classic civil war tome, my club will like this book.

Everything went fine.

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