

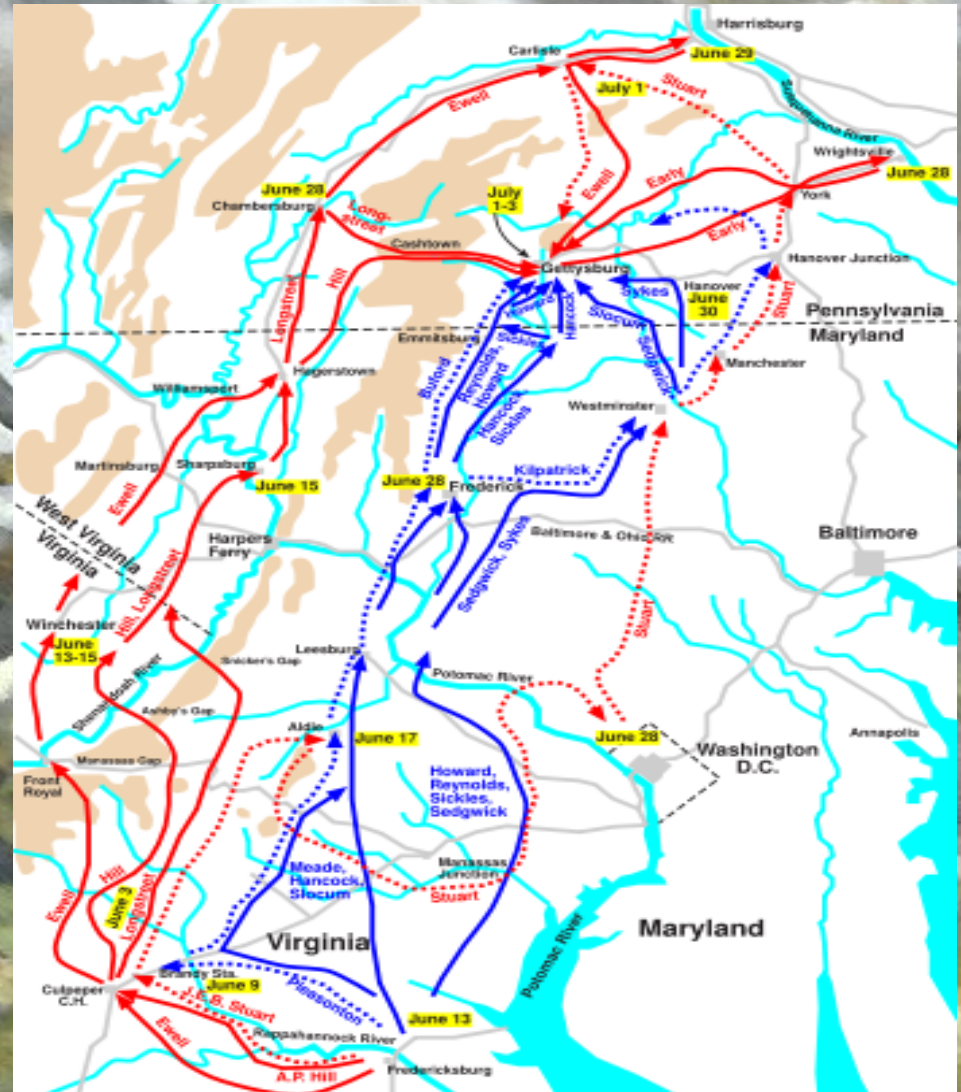


# The Battle of Gettysburg

The Turning Point of the War

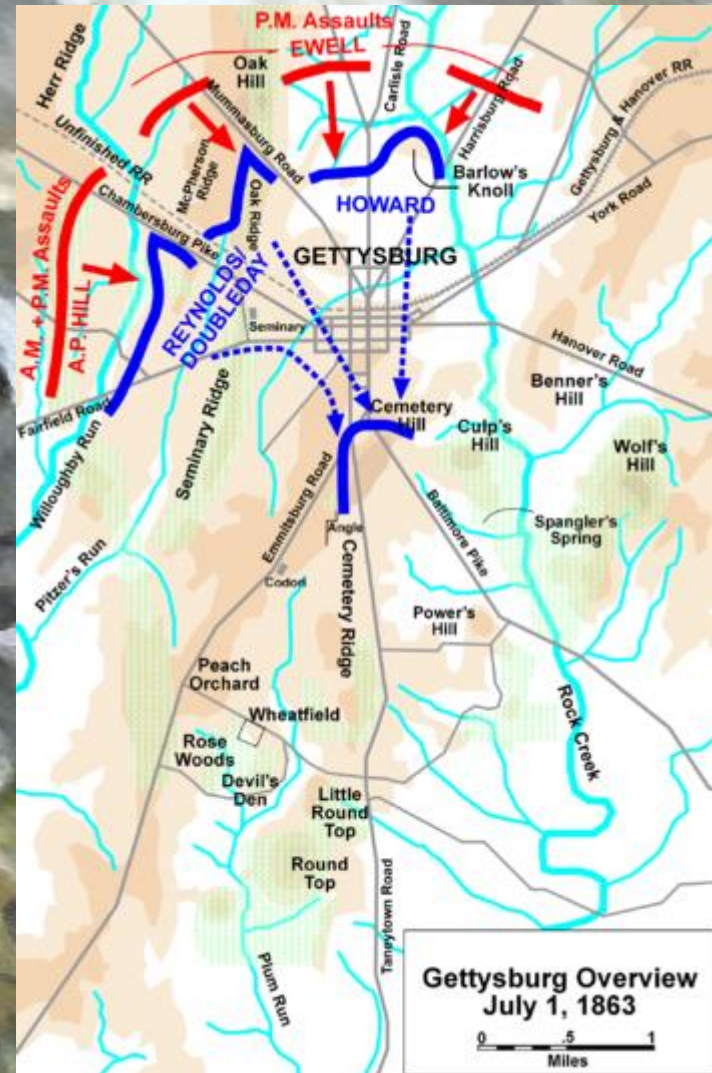
# Lee Invades the North

- June, 1863
  - General Lee and the Army of Northern Virginia made their way north into Pennsylvania
  - General Meade and Army of Potomac followed and protected Washington D.C.



# Day 1 – July 1st

- Battle starts as a small skirmish on outskirts of town of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania
- Battle grows as both sides send more troops



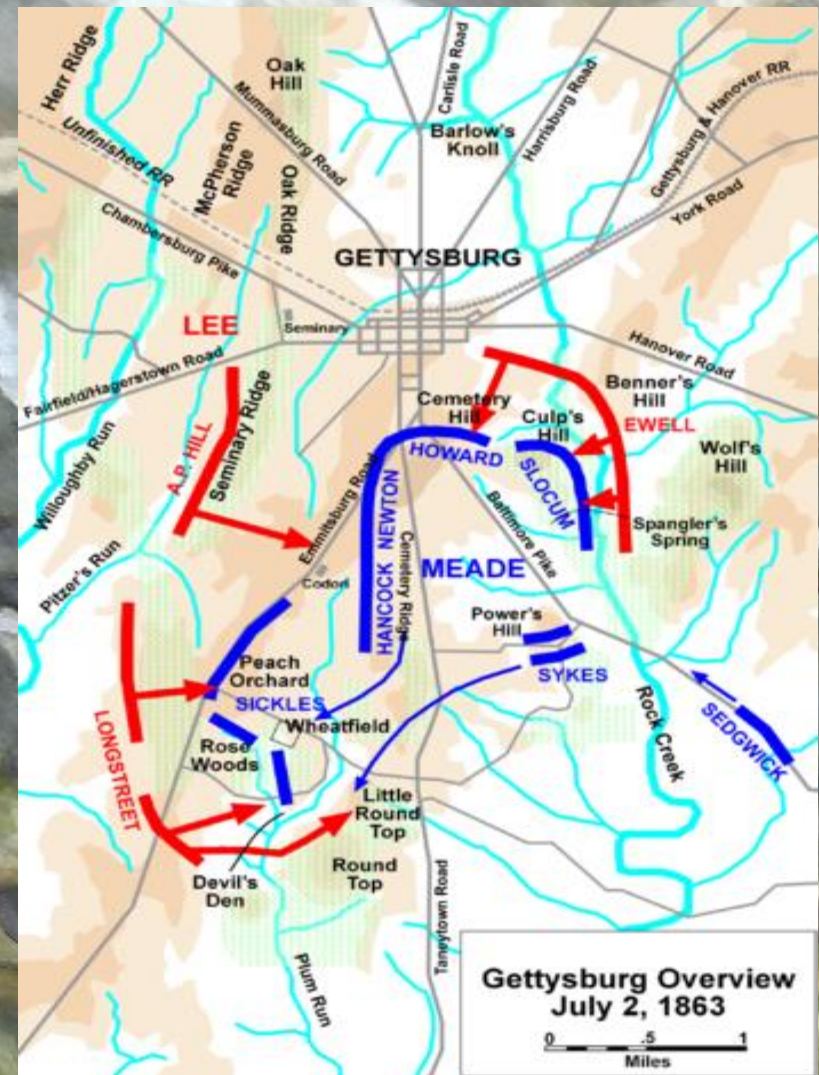
# Result of Day 1

- Confederate soldiers force Union troops to retreat
- Union soldiers take up defensive position and bring up more soldiers for further engagements



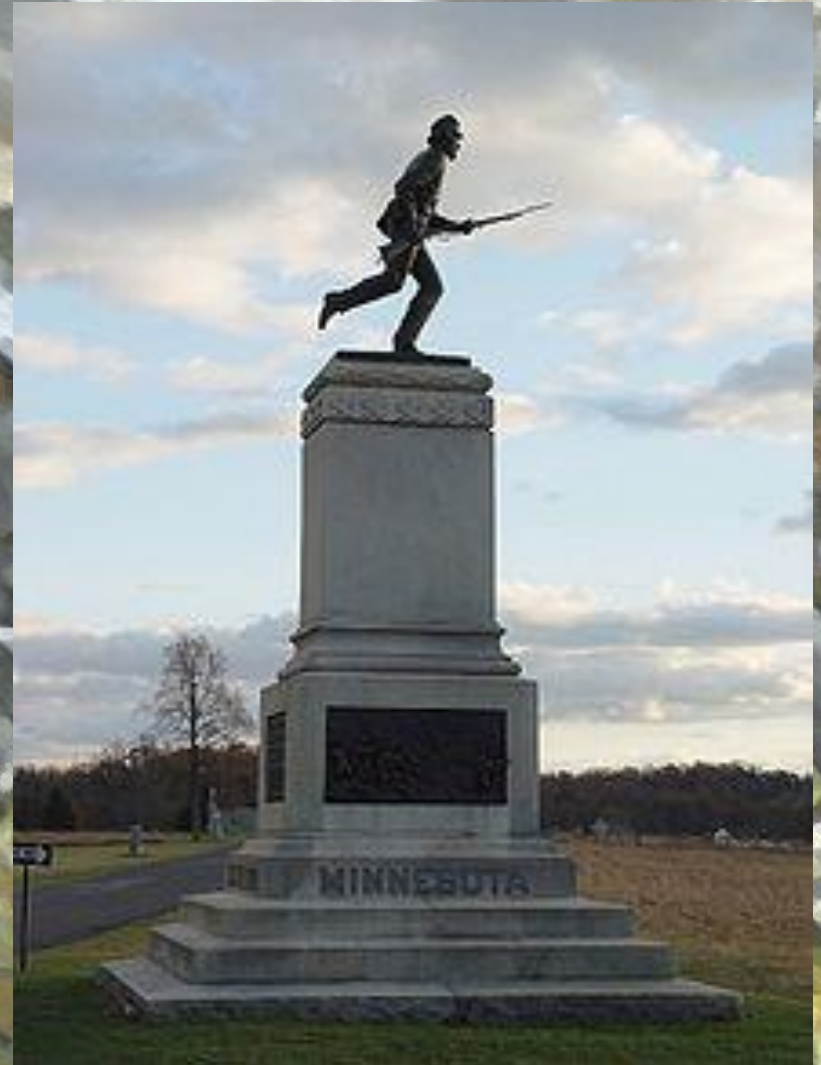
# Order of Battle for Day 2 – July 2nd

- Lee planned on an assault on the Union's left flank by General Longstreet
- Heavy fighting around the Wheatfield and Little Round Top



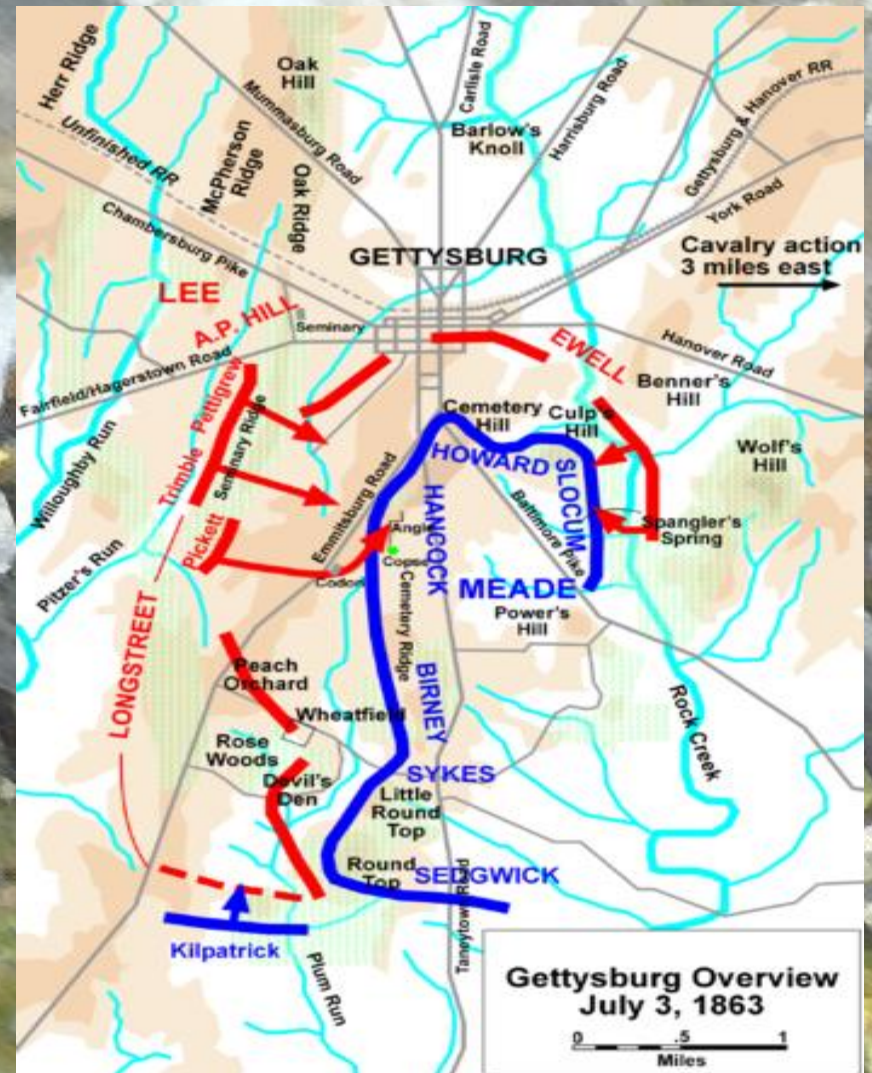
# Charge of the 1<sup>st</sup> Minnesota

- During the Battle the Union army was in danger of being split in half
- First Minnesota Infantry Regiment ordered to Charge (with 330 men) and hold off a confederate brigade (roughly 4000 men)
- Only 47 Minnesotans returned (82% Casualties)



# Day 3 – July 3rd

- Lee planned an all out attack on Union center
- General Pickett led 12,500 Confederate soldiers in
  - Started with 150 cannon bombardment
  - Only half would come out



# Impact of Gettysburg

- Lee forced to turn back to Virginia
- About 51,000 Casualties (about 8,000 killed)
  - Led to first national cemetery
- Beginning of end for Confederates

