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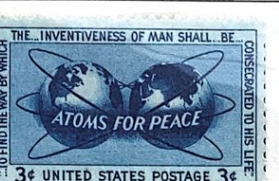
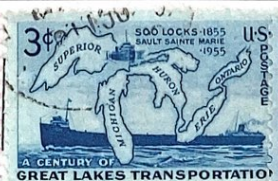
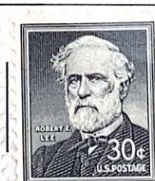
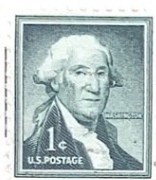
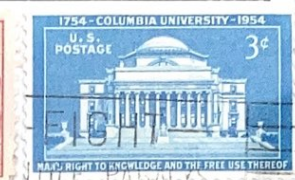
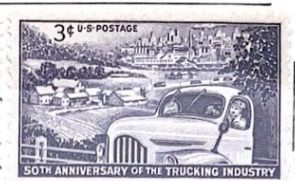
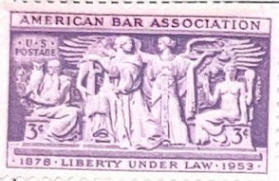


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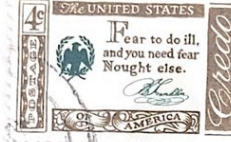
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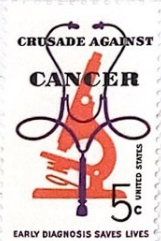
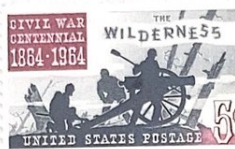
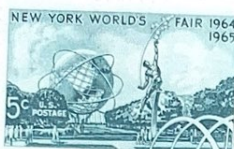
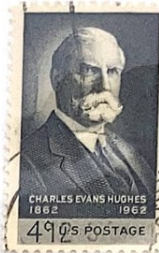


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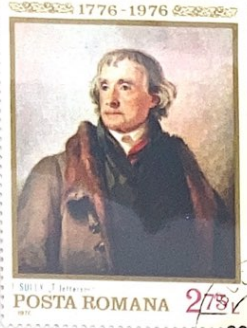
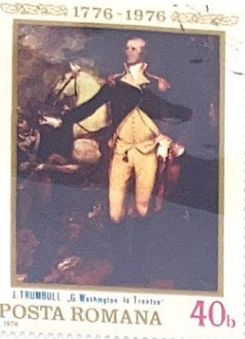


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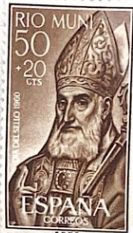


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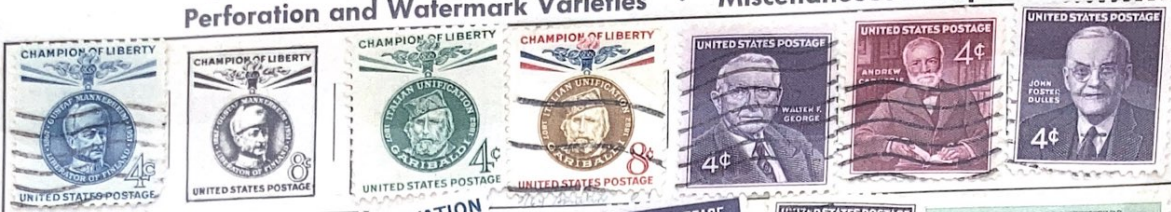
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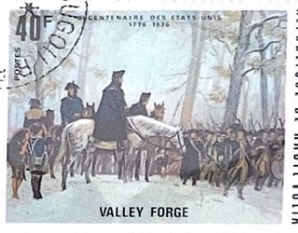
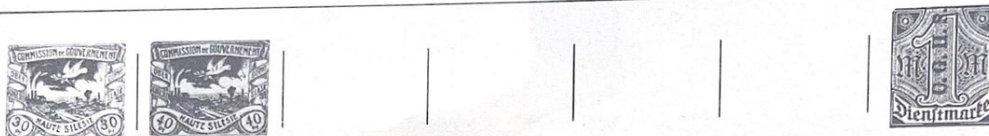
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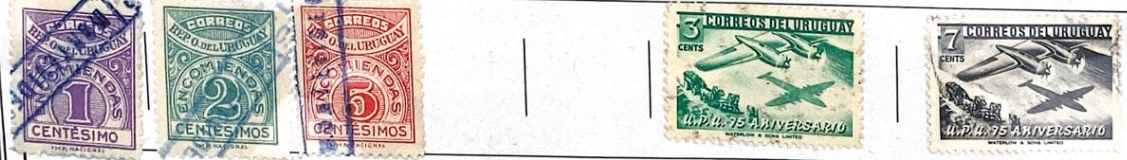
Smallest, most densely populated South America nation is URUGUAY (72,152 sq. mi.; pop. 2,800,000), whose 86% white population includes many foreign-born Spanish and Italian settlers. The great General Artigas, pictured on many stamps, first declared Uruguay's independence in 1814. After 100 years of bloody revolutions and counter-revolutions, Uruguay settled down and became a democratic, prosperous country. Social legislation is far advanced in Uruguay ("Oh Govt. from whom all blessings flow") — so much so that one-third of the people are now on the public payroll! Another third follow agriculture and stock-raising; the rest are industrial workers. Uruguay's capital Montevideo is a handsome modern city; and Uruguay's famous beaches are a favorite resort for vacationing Argentinos.

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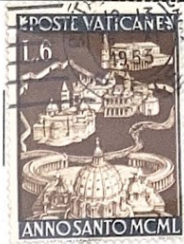
THE STATE OF VATICAN CITY, world's smallest country (109 acres; pop. 1,000) located in the heart of Rome, has its own flag, coinage, postage stamps, laws, courts, newspaper, radio and T-V system, and diplomatic representatives abroad! It is the capital and seat of government of the vast spiritual empire of the Roman Catholic Church. The Vatican Palaces house administrative offices, the residence of the Pope, ceremonial rooms, museums, and the famous Sistine Chapel. Supreme ruler is the Pope, who needs a country of his own in order properly to exercise his spiritual power. He must be free, and *known* to be free, from the influence of any particular nation. The Italian government, having annexed the Pope's previous country — the Papal States — in 1870, finally yielded on this point and in 1929 established Vatican City.

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