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“OUR ILLOGICAL CALENDAR”

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THE World Calendar Association, always glad to point out the inadequacy of our present calendar, has referred scornfully to the situation we faced last week. Banks were closed two extra days in most States, for Election Day on Tuesday and Veteran’s Day on Friday ^{(1)*}—leaving only three days in the week on which the banks were open. “Business was thereby seriously restricted in its activities, and the smooth flow of production was interrupted,” said the Association.

If we lived in a logical world the calendar would, of course, have been renovated once again long before this. It is illogical, whimsical, and often produces results like those pointed out by the Association. Unfortunately, there are a lot of people in the world who are addicted to illogic, who hate to see anything changed. There is also a group that might be described as the anti-progress group, which fight change just for the sake of it.

Actually, our present calendar is a continuing monument to the lethargy of the human race, which persists in depriving itself of regular long week-ends, with holidays falling on appropriately convenient days. ^{(2)**} And in this battle between the orderly and logical on the one side, and the sentimentalists, and the *status quo* boys on the other, the latter seem to have far the better of it.

Consider how long it took to establish the principle of Daylight Saving Time. It is rather irritating to think that some unelected official in the State Department put the knife in the plan to get The World Calendar reform through the United Nations. More serious even than the calendar is the fact that party or parties unknown can summarily dismiss such a movement, affecting all of us, from consideration.

^{(1)*} See also November in 2008 and 2010. –Ed.

^{(2)**} The United States has since legislated that most holidays shall fall on Monday. Their dates continue to shift within the month and non-Monday holidays, “as usual”, float within the week. Gregorian calendar confusion, thus camouflaged in convenience, only becomes less obvious. –Ed.

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