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When Banks Are Closed—Holidays that Delay World's Business..



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Only 84 Days in 1918 in Which the World's Business Is Not Interrupted Somewhere by Holidays and Sundays.

CURIOUS HOLIDAY FACTS.

There is no national legal holiday in the United States.

Massachusetts does not observe New Year's Day as a legal holiday.

Five Christian countries do not observe Christmas as a legal holiday.

New Year's Day is the only holiday observed throughout the world.

Eleven different dates are observed as New Year's Day in different parts of the world.

International business will be interfered with by holidays or Sundays on 281 days in 1918, of these 261 days being holidays.

This leaves only 84 days in which universal banking business is possible.

November, with 26 holidays in different parts of the world, leads the months.

March, with 19, has the fewest holidays.

Brazil leads the nations of the world with 84 holidays.

The United States comes next with 54.

By GARRET SMITH.

WHILE man plays or prays the world's business will be interfered with on 281 days during 1918. In other words, there will be only 84 days in this coming year that are not Sundays or special holidays in one or more important commercial regions of the earth. Nor is this an unusual condition created by the war. We are accustomed to jump remarkable conditions into the category of war evils these days. On the contrary, some of the fighting nations have for the time being stripped their decks of minor and unusually superfluous holidays.

Ever since man was condemned to earn his bread by the sweat of his brow he has been putting in a lot of spare time trumping up methods of beating the game. Next to working into the boss's job the invention of the holiday has been one of his ablest little achievements in this line. Likewise ever since bosses and holidays evolved, along about history's sunrise, the former have been cursing the latter as troublesome breaks in the year's work. By the Middle Ages holidays had become so numerous that they seriously interfered with industrial pursuits. A valuable result of the Reformation not generally appreciated was the abolition of a large portion of these holidays.

But as time went on political and religious milestones accumulated again. Today, while the year's overload in any one country is by no means as serious as in the Middle Ages, the growth of international finance has made the world's aggregate of closed days a serious factor and an expensive one. Not until now, however, has any attempt been made to compile an exhaustive list of holidays for the guidance of bankers and merchants. This task has just been completed by the Guaranty Trust Company of New York city. The results have been published in a booklet that should be a valuable addition to the reference library of every bank in the country doing more than a purely local business.

Importance of Bank Holidays.

Suppose a bank has a commercial paper collectable in Peking or Athens or Cape Town on January 5. It is important to know whether the bank in that particular city will be open that day. Does any one around the place know whether January 5 is a bank holiday in Peking or Athens or Cape Town? Usually no one does. It's hard enough to keep tabs on the 54 holidays rampant in these United States. It therefore becomes necessary to send an expensive cablegram to get the information. This sort of thing happens not once, but many times, in every banking house with an extensive foreign business.

Among the holidays established by custom the occasion is generally the anniversary of an important political event or the birthday of a national hero. Such holidays are therefore local, while church holidays are for the most part general. The former class prevails in the newer and more democratic countries, while the older ones confine themselves largely to the church fasts and festivals.

Where Holidays Are Thickest.

Contrary to the popular notion, the new democracies of the west enjoy a greater number of holidays than their sister nations of the eastern hemisphere. Of the 97 nations or dependencies listed Brazil leads, with 84 holidays. The United States, with 54, is a close second, although she, unlike Brazil, practically ignores the church days. Another popular delusion is shattered when we find that France has only 18 formally observed days and Italy only 23. We had supposed the Latins always outdid us in this particular. Among the other belligerents Germany, it is presumed, will observe 20 days next year, Great Britain 16, Japan 15 and Russia 17. In most of these countries numerous local holidays ordinarily observed have been abandoned during the war.

The study of holidays is fascinating to the historian. Those of our own country offer a particularly rich field. If one knew the meaning of all the half a hundred days celebrated in the United States, with the collateral events connected with each, he would be well versed in the nation's history.

One of the first surprises in store for such a student is to learn that the United States has no national holiday. The reader will at once think of Fourth of July and of the President's Thanksgiving proclamation. But not even these are national. Acts of Congress and Presidents' pronouncements in this respect apply only to the District of Columbia and the territories. The states usually follow suit, but as a matter of custom only and not of law. Here is a chance to win some bets from your friends.

America's Red Letter Days.

American local holidays are rich in historical significance. Of such are the commemorations of Bunker Hill and Bennington and New Orleans and San Jacinto; the all but forgotten Fast Day of New England, still surviving in New Hampshire; Patriots' Day in Maine and Old Defender's Day in Baltimore, Pioneer Day in Idaho and the various Admission Days popular with other Western states. Confederate Memorial Day in the South, together with the birthdays of Lee and other heroes of the Confederacy.

Two states have independence Days of their own. Texas observes her separation from Mexico on March 2. North Carolina commemorates the Halifax independence resolutions on April 12 and the Mecklenburg declaration on May 20.

It remains for Frederick county, Md., to celebrate all alone the repudiation of the stamp act, one of the most local celebrations of an important national event on record.

Among the favorite months for holidays the world over November leads, with 26 out of its possible 30 days. May comes next, with 25 and an additional Sunday not otherwise celebrated, thus actually tying November in the number of days closed to business. March, on the other hand, is the longest all around business month, having only 19 holidays. This at least two-thirds of every month interferes with the free play of international business.

Even such generally observed festivals as Christmas and New Year's Day can't be depended upon by the banker without consulting the international calendar.

New Year's Day is the only holiday universally observed. But, alas, it falls on 11 different dates in different parts of the globe, and some countries observe more than one of them. An exhaustive study of these New Year celebrations would give one a pretty fair knowledge of the ancient history of the world. Curiously enough, one of our own states, Massachusetts, does not make this a legal holiday, though her citizens generally observe it.

Where Chistmas Is Not Observed.

Christmas Day, due to its religious significance, is not so generally observed as New Year's Day. It has, moreover, only three different dates. It was not generally observed on December 25 until the fourth century. The early church, lacking any authentic knowledge as to the date of Christ's birth, celebrated it without uniformity in May, April and January. The Armenian Church still observes January 6. Why the December date was finally selected is uncertain. Some see in it a displacement of the Roman Saturnalia; others declare it a survival of the Feast of the Winter Solstice, and still others point to its coincidence with the old German Yuletide Feast. Countries where the old style calendar prevails still celebrate January 7.

In the Puritan days Scotch Presbyterians and English Non-Conformists rejected Christmas Day altogether as "savoring of papistry," and in New England Thanksgiving Day was devised to replace it. It seems a curious thing that there are today Christian countries where it is not observed legally. Such are Norway, Panama, Peru, Portugal and the South African Union.

The last named, however, still observes the old English institution of Boxing Day on December 26. This was the day when the English gentry, having had their own Christmas celebration the day before, turned their attention to the poor by presenting them with Christmas boxes. The day later became the day for general giving of Christmas gifts.

Portugal Drops Traditions.

The only country on earth a study of whose holidays reveals little of its political, racial or religious origin is Portugal. The first attempt to establish a republic in Portugal was made on January 31, 1891. This is reflected in its calendar of holidays, which runs: "January 1, dedicated to universal brotherhood; January 31, dedicated to the memory of all those who fought and died to establish the republic in Portugal; May 3, in memory of the discovery of Brazil by the Portuguese; June 19, municipal holiday at Lisbon; June 24, municipal holiday at Oporto; October 5, the date of the establishment of the Portuguese republic; December 1, Flag Day, to commemorate the independence of the country; December 25, Family Day."

These brief notations on holidays touch only their distribution and dates. Back of these lies a wide field filled with quaint and curious information relating to the manner of celebrating them.

If the German spies are put through our regular law courts it is confidently predicted that they will get 30 days in the House of Correction for blowing up munition plants, and that sentence will be promptly rendered by the year 1925.

These people who kick on the good make, should try eating tinned bully beef while dodging shells in the trenches.

The Germans have been taught to believe the Americans are all windbags, but let us hope it is a dangerous kind of wind when our gas shells begin to drop.

The Germans aren't going to maintain any army in Russia to theaten its independence, but of course are merely going to let some soldiers enjoy their vacation there.

On account of a shortage in the gas supply, we were unable to run an 8-page paper this week. The gas is used in heating the metal in our Linotype.

Also the most logical theory of our ancient friend Mr. McGinty's distinguished exploits and career, is that he was a successful submarine commander.



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CHILDREN'S CORNER

THE NAMING OF THE FORGET-ME-NOT

(Continued)

Like a benediction that follows prayer, the incense hovered lovingly over the baby blue flower. The blue eyes opened, wide with destress, for the name given by the father she had forgotten. Would the violets, her best friends chide her for her carelessness? The daisies, proud of their noble birth, would they gather more closely about them their white gowns lest they touch the simple, unpretending flower, born of the Earth?

It could not be that she should ask assistance from them in recalling her name.

Always she had feared the midnight in the eyes of the Black-eyed Susans, and oft-times they had tossed their yellow tresses in an arrogant way at the humble flower at their feet. To them she dared not appeal. True it is, the lillies often waved their flags over her head, shielding her from the beams of the Sun, lest it wither her tiny petals, but in their fair, cold beauty they seemed so removed from her. She shrank within herself hopeless, but when the grey dawn touched the tree tops and the flowers awoke to the kiss of the sun, a determination was born in the heart of the tiniest of all, so

Standing at the Father's feet,
And gazing on his face,
She said in meek and timid voice,
And with a gentle grace:
Dear Lord the name Thou gav'st me,
Alas, I have forgot!
The Father kindly looked on her
And said, "Forget-me-not."

IN HIS LINE

The bored youth turned to his dinner partner with a yawn. "Who is that strange looking man over there who stares at me so much?" he drawled. "Oh that's Professor Jenkins," she replied, "the famous expert on insanity."

THE DRESS SUIT MAKES WAITERS OF US ALL

Dr. John E. Finley, New York State Commissioner of Education, arrived about nine o'clock recently at the Albany hotel where he was to be an after-dinner speaker. He asked how to find the banquet hall, and following directions found himself in a serving-room where forty waiters were busy. "What do you mean by showing up here two hours late for work?" shouted the head waiter. "You're cauned." "All right," Dr. Finley replied. "I'll get out." He found his way to the banquet hall and by telling reminiscences of the previous few minutes drew the biggest laugh of the evening.

MISPLACED SYMPATHY

A Jersey man of a benevolent turn of mind encountered a small boy in his neighborhood, who gave evidence of having emerged but lately from a severe battle. "I am sorry," said the man, "to see that you have a black eye, Sammy." Whereupon Sammy retorted: "You go home and be sorry for your own little boy—he's got two!"

THE WAY IT LOOKED TO CORDELIA

Little Cordelia's grandmother had an old-fashioned way of measuring a yard by holding one end of the goods to her nose and then stretching the piece at arm's length. One day Cordelia found a bit of ribbon. Carrying it to her grandmother, she very gravely requested: "Grandmother, smell this and see how long it is."

PRECEPT AGAINST EXAMPLE

"Look, mother," said Bobbie, exhibiting a handful of marbles. "I won all those from Willie Smith." "Why Bobbie," exclaimed him mother. "Don't you know it's wicked to play marbles for 'keeps!' Go right over to his house and give back every one." "Yes, mother," said the boy obediently, "and shall I take that vase you won at Mrs. Jones' whist party, and give it back to her?"

6 REGISTERING GERMANS

The week of February 4, has been set aside for the purpose of registering unnaturalized Germans. These people will get a great deal more courteous treatment than if they were Americans living in Germany.

In the latter case they would be hustled around on the theory that they were guilty of being spies until they proved themselves innocent. In this country the very tolerrant and good natured officials will be apt to accept their statement until ground for suspicion is suggested.

The number of loyal German-Americans is larger than many people, particularly some politicians may think. You can see that by the way in which the pro-German politicians have altered their tone of late. They evidently thought they could make votes by opposing the American war policy. But when they got next to their constituents, they found that even the majority of those of German descent were against them. The positively disloyal element is not large numerically, though it is exceedingly active and terribly unscrupulous and dangerous.

This registration of enemy aliens is a thing that has started none too soon. It should have begun soon after the war started, when we set out to be neutral. At that time it was evident that many of our residents would not observe this neutrality. While the government was trying to treat all sides fairly, they were working day and night for Germany.

This registration should be absolutely thorough. No alien enemy should be permitted to slip through. The very many who are loyal and friendly to their new home will not be interfered with in any way. As to the others, we want their number.

MARINE CORPS NOTES

Paris Island, S. C., No Fraulein, or wheatever it is they call a pin-feathered broider Under den Linden, will ever sport a Marine Corps ornament at the end of her hat pin if the oath taken today, by a recruit company of U. S. Marines in training here, means anything. This company, (designation and destination deleted by censor), in formal conclave, swore to destroy their Corps devices and to lose their lives if need be rather than see their honored emblem fall into the hands of the enemy to be worn by his women as a token of victory.

THIS WAR OF SCIENCE—THE SPRUCE INDUSTRY

Some months ago the success of the American airplane program was jeojardized by striges in the spruce industry. German sympathizers rejoiced, and German spies were suspected of working to foment such strikes. In so far as they may have done so, their congratulations were short lived.

No satisfactory substitute has yet been found for spruce in building planes. It is light and has great strength, the two essential qualities. Spruce is not as plenty as it was before the days of its free use for paper making. But there is considerable left, particularly in Washington and Oregon, and the Canadian supplies must be fairly good.

When it appeared that there would be trouble in getting out the spruce, regiments were organized of men familiar with lumbering. The great difficulty occurred after the spruce was got out, on the problem of seasoning the wood. After it is just cut it is far too wet and sappy. Ordinarily seasoning takes 12 to 18 months. The scientists got up a process to would do it in four months. But army men said that was too Now a seasoning process by sa tion has been devised that does business in about 10 days.

It takes about 125 feet of spruce boards to build an airplane. This all has to be good smooth wood, without knots or other irregularities. As the wood is largely defective, it actually takes over 4000 feet as it runs for each plane. This of course makes a tremendous demand on our spruce resources.

So the technical men are studying the question of substitutes. Steel does not stand the high altitudes well, and most woods are too heavy. No doubt some substitute can be found if the available spruce supply should ever be exhausted.

BACKWARD CHILDREN

In most schools there are a few pupils who are dull at books and cannot keep up. They frequently are successful in later life. But they cannot grasp the printed page, they fall behind their class and get discouraged.

A good many schools have been trying out special classes or rooms for such children. In favor of segregating them it is argued that only in this way can they get personal attention. The large classes of the ordinary school are so big that a teacher can give but a few moments to each child.

But segregating backward children takes away their ambition. When placed with others of their own type, they are content to drag along. Usually what is needed is for the teacher to give such a child a little special help each day. Once the backward child finds that the lessons are not beyond his power, he takes new courage.

The stupidity at books of such children is irritating to a bright teacher, who may not realize that these children have gifts of a different kind that can be developed. But patience works wonders with them, and the teacher who does arouse them must feel triumphant. In the ordinary school the teacher is overworked by her large class and has little time to give these special explanations.

It would be a far sighted policy to have some teacher or teachers who would have a few spare hours in which to give special help to dull children, so that they could keep along with those of their own age instead of dropping back to dull classes or younger children. The pupils that go through the schools without getting the benefit that they should are a half developed resource. They are not getting what we paid money to have them get, and they should have more individual help.

The worst cases of conflicting instructions must be the Germans who under present conditions are allowed to have four or five wives.

Up to date however, the dogs of Westminster persistently refuse to observe a barkless night.

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