



'Leave-Us-Alone Week' Promises Welcome Breather

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WASHINGTON, Mar. 31—I can hardly wait until Friday. It's April Fool's day. Bird, Flower and Tree Day in Tennessee. Also the start of National Laugh Week and—best of all—National Leave-Us-Alone Week.

Everybody knows about pulling a chair out from under grandma on Apr. 1 and saying "April Fool, Granny!" Also the birds and flowers and trees. The laugh business is something to watch, since radio comedians will be prowling the airplanes trying, as they say, to "put a smile on the map of America."

But the Leave-Us-Alone-Week is a new one in my book. According to the Commerce Department which got up a little 27-page booklet called "Special Days, Weeks and Months," the sponsor is one F. Lander Moorman of Douglas, Ga.

How It Started

According to my agents down the street at the Commerce Department, this man Moorman used to be a big time newspaperman himself. He got all worked up over folks pounding his door at all hours and asking him to kick in cash money for this and that.

Mr. Moorman had paid off his Uncle Sam on the income business and given what he could to charities. Then he sat down at his typewriter and did a little piece for his weekly paper suggesting a breather. Maybe he was psychic and saw the pyramid clubs coming.

Anyhow, F. Lander Moorman even got the White House interested. Gen. Harry M. Vaughan, military aide to Mr. Truman, dropped F. L. M. a little note saying in effect, that the idea sounded like a good one and let's "extend it."

It is now extended. There are so many days, weeks and months on the official "special calendar" these days that it's getting so a man can't call even his day off his own.

He's liable to look at the February calendar and have to tell the boys at the office that he's overlooked "Linen Month," or Feb. 8—the beginning of National Egg Week.

March carries its perils, too, for the careless. There is National Table Tennis Week, Save-Your-Vision Week, and the week during

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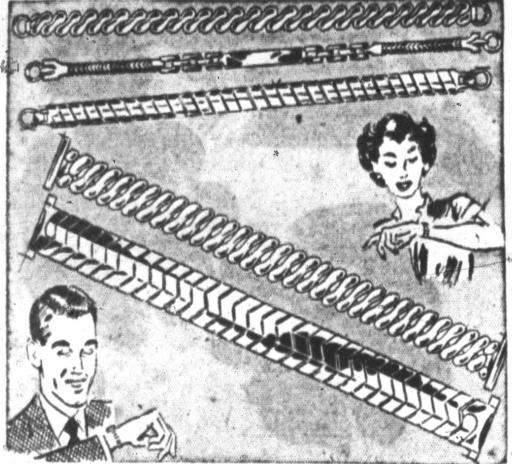
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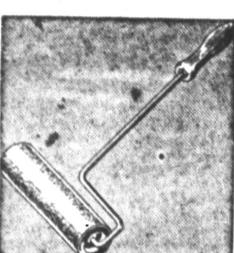
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