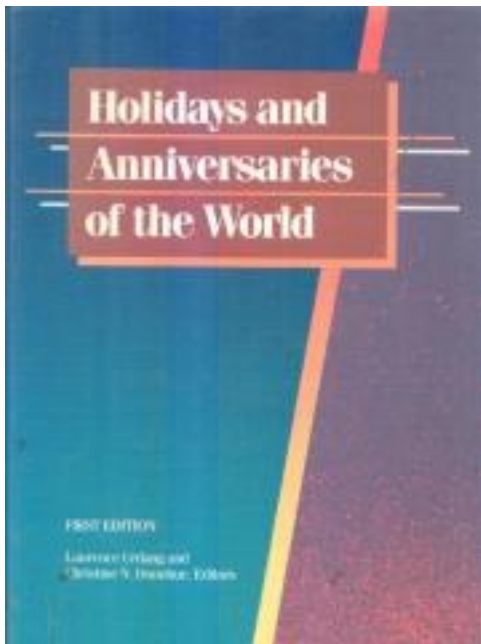


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,and events of all periods, ancient and modern, with the approach and structure provided by the familiar (to most) and widely utilized Gregorian calendar system. All manner of significant and curious people, events, and dates are herein recorded in order from January through December.

For each of the 366 days of the Gregorian year are listed regional, national, and international holidays and anniversaries: both civil and religious, fixed and movable; biographies of well-known individuals: political and religious leaders, artists, inventors, entrepreneurs, celebrities~ etc., who have influenced history or culture; and finally historical events of significance or interest. In addition, every month is treated individually, with a brief note on its history, name~ and associations, as well as a list of special holidays, commemorations, and events celebrated, observed, or sponsored during that month in places around the world. Whether for serious research or casual browsing, there is quick and convenient reference to pertinent information on each and every day and month of the year. This vast array of material is also conveniently accessible through the detailed index that follows the text.

To supplement the text and enhance the overall usefulness of Holidays & Anniversaries, several additional features have been included in this Introdu-

1. A historical presentation of the development of our modern calendar, wherein are discussed the Babylonian, Egyptian, and Hebrew calendars, as well as the civil Roman, Julian, and, finally, Gregorian systems.
2. A projection of major movable holidays for the years 1985 through 1990.
3. An easy-to-use perpetual calendar covering the years 1753 through 2100.
4. A glossary of time words, compiled by Ethel Olicker, including tables that present and explain common abbreviations and references to time that are the subject of frequent questions.

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