A DEMONSTRATION OF CONDITIONAL TEXT HANDLING *** Bob Carella, P.O. Box 58309, Houston, TX 77258 ***

Have you ever wanted to use the @IF to include a choice of text in your worksheet -- for example, to do something like looking at an investment, to put BUY, HOLD, or SELL in a recommendation column? If so, you found that neither the @IF, @CHOOSE, @VLOOKUP, nor @HLOOKUP would support text processing: they all work exclusively with numbers in 1-2-3 Version 1A.

This worksheet demonstrates a PARTIAL solution using macro capabilities. The condition examined still has to be numeric, but the resulting action can be anything you can represent in a macro -- including the insertion of a choice of text. When you run the demo (by pressing Alt-A), it will show you a column of dates, will insert the equivalent day-of-the-week for each one, and will let you tell it whether to repeat or quit. If you want, you can quit (Esc), CHANGE DATES, and press Alt-A to do it again.

- Press Alt-A to see the data and run the demo; later press Esc to quit.
- Press PgDn to get an advance look at the data before pressing Alt-A.
- Press PgDn twice from here, or once from the data, to see the macro. Here's the sample data. The \A macro will fill in the day-of-week column. and give you a choice of repeating or quitting. If you want to re-try it with other dates, take the quit option, change "DATE", and press Alt-A.

DATE to DAY-OF-WEEK CONVERSION MACRO, WITH OPTION FOR REPEAT \A

LOOP

SCHEDULED FOR

RANGE	====	=======
"DAY">		05/26/84
		05/27/84
		05/28/84
		05/29/84
		05/30/84
		05/31/84
		06/01/84
		06/02/84
		06/03/84
		06/04/84
		06/05/84
		06/06/84
		06/07/84

{GoTo}DATA~ {GoTo}DAY~ @MOD(DATE,7)~ /c~.{Right} {End}{Down}{Left}~

{GoTo}DAY~{Up}/wgrm {Down}/rndD~/rncD~~

/xiD=0~Sat~/xgLOOP~ /xiD=1~Sun~/xgLOOP~ /xiD=2~Mon~/xgLOOP~ /xiD=3~Tue~/xgLOOP~ /xiD=4~Wed~/xgLOOP~ /xiD=5~Thu~/xgLOOP~ /xiD=6~Fri~/xgLOOP~ /re~/wgra{Calc} /xlPress Enter to repeat, or Esc to quit.~~ {GoTo}DAY~/re{End}{Down}~ /xg\A~

 ${End}{Down}{Down}7{\sim}$

RANGE <--"DATE"

NAME RANGE/PURPOSE

D Starts at C27; tracks downward via macro.

DATA A21; Is just to show this screen of data.

DATE Top date as shown.

DAY Top DAY as shown.

LOOP The loop point in \A.

\A The DATE-to-DAY macro.

Display the screen of data
Go to the top entry
Set numeric day of week
Do same for other entries
§- in the DAY column
Place sentinel after last one
Prepare to loop thru list
Name next lower entry as "D"

If it's 0 set "Sat" and go to LOOP
If it's 1 set "Sun" and go to LOOP
Et cetera
Et cetera
Et cetera

Note that after the /xiD=n we could specify ANY logic enterable on the same line

Erase the sentinel & set recalc