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Dear Editor

There are far too many honours, awards, knighthoods and dameships in this country. Half the total number, once a year on Australia Day would be enough and get rid of the knighthoods altogether. Otherwise we run risk of forever looking backwards. Rearranging public holidays will be straightforward. Replace the anachronistic Queen's birthday holiday with Reconciliation Day (no awards) and make Wattle Day, commemorating our national floral emblem and deeply historic, the holiday for the Republic.

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