Yesterday was the New Moon, so these last few days were the proverbial "three days before the New Moon," or the devil days as per Medieval lore. Anyway, not the best time to start new things or compose a new outlook, but a good time to finish up stuff and end things – right before the New Moon. I was so wrapped up on sheer busyness that my wife Margaret had to point out it was New Moon Day.

And there is more. The planetary configurations in the heavens above conspire to slow things down even more than just the normal New Moon slog. And there is some difference between our inner feelings and our outer action.

On the outer side of things, we can accomplish stuff just now (get things done), but on the inner side we may just not feel like it or can't seem to get moving – that kind of thing. In other words there may be what I call a "lackawanna," to use the old phrase. Everything just wants to remain the same and we can't find the thread to start things and get them going.

This is a short blog because, as I wrote, I don't feel too much like doing anything just now, at least yesterday…. and, so it seems, today too!