

9 March.

Ted at River Mill Court.

Lunch BBC. Discussion Dworkin 3 Rad Equality. He took characteristically American radical view of the function of judiciary. They none of them seem to realise that Parliament, assisted by enquiries and Commission is both more efficient and sophisticated as an instrument of change than anything they have got and that if equality be desirable we are miles in advance of them — precisely because of this.

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House. E-Jones introduced as L.C. Owen has stuck to my 2 cloth suits & wig on some imagined scuple!!! Elwyn has of course ordered new. Mentioned the matter to Dobson who found it odd. Mallard song verse by Tyson Sat:

In former times our celibates
Must live within the college gates;
Now gardening affords some grounds
To keep the fellows within bounds.

This reflects strange discussion at SGM on Housing Loans.

Odd statement attributed to Smith MP for Rochdale. The Libs will turn the Lab: Gov^t out as soon as possible by voting against the Queen's Speech & Spon. Very wrong. Our first duty is to enable some sort of a Budget to get on the Statute Bill in the form of a Finance Act. Obviously if the Budget when produced proves that the Lab: Gov^t are misusing their position we must not be afraid to vote against it, and the same may well be true of other controversial Government. But the Queen's Government must be carried on, and it ill becomes the Liberals, having refused the only combination which could do it now seek to dictate the form which this Government should take. That is not

merely to act irresponsibly but, in a real sense, to usurp the Royal
Prerogative.

Strange meeting of Shadow Cab: . Hawks (Maurice MacM
? inspired by Harold) doves (Keith Joseph). (Oh dear), presentation-
alists (Peter Walker) &c.