

*PM Speeches*  
*Jue*

MR MOUNT

ccs Mr Coles  
Mr Scholar  
Mr Ingham  
Mr Flesher  
Miss Stephens

SPEECHES

Some of us discussed last week the speeches to which we could fit the themes approved by the Prime Minister in Mr Mount's minute of 1 February.

The Prime Minister thought that industrial and commercial strategy was too heavy a subject for the CBI dinner and that this should be tackled in the speech to the Institute of Directors. She also felt that she had dealt with the subject of nuclear weapons and defence in her speech to the Young Conservatives on Saturday.

So the themes and occasions now planned are as follows (I have put next to them the person whom we agreed should take the lead in commissioning material on the theme for each occasion):-

Wednesday 23 February

Institute of Directors : Economic Industrial and Commercial Strategy : Mr Scholar

Saturday 26 March

Central Council : Freedom and Order : Mr Mount

Saturday 21 May

Women's Conference : Social Provision : Mr Mount

Friday 27 May

Winston Churchill Address : Foreign Affairs and a Strategy for Britain : Mr Coles

Saturday 18 June

Welsh Conference : The Ownership Society : Mr Mount

These need not be regarded as absolutely fixed: for

instance, it would now be possible to bring forward the theme of the ownership society to the Scottish Conference if that were thought advantageous. Similarly, it may be necessary for the Prime Minister to enter the debate on nuclear weapons and defence again at some stage: that can be judged as the debate develops.

F.R.B.

14 February 1983

cc Mr. Mount  
Mr. Coles  
Mr. Scholar  
Mr. Ingham

PRIME MINISTER

SPEECHES

*See comments  
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Since you agreed Mr. Mount's minute of 1 February (attached), I have discussed with Mr. Mount, Mr. Coles and Mr. Ingham how we might fit the themes you have approved with the speeches scheduled between now and June. We took it as a premise that you would prefer not to add to what is already a heavy programme of speeches.

Subject to your views we thought that the best occasions to take each theme might be as follows:-

		<u>Theme</u>
[Wednesday 23 February	: Institute of Directors]	<i>Ec. and S. Study.</i>
Saturday 26 March	: Central Council	: Freedom and Order
[Friday 15 April	: Candidates Conference]	
Tuesday 19 April	: CBI Dinner	<i>Too heavy for the dinner</i> : Industrial and Commercial Strategy
[Thursday 28 April	: Cutlers Feast]	
Friday 13 May	: Scottish Conference	<i>No = done</i> : Nuclear Weapons and Defence
Saturday 21 May	: Women's Conference	: Social Provision
Friday 27 May	: Speech in Washington	: Foreign Affairs and a Strategy for Britain
Saturday 18 June	: Welsh Conference	: The Ownership Society
[Thursday 23 June	: 1900 Club]	
[Friday 24 June	: EDU Conference ?]	

This plan does not, of course, preclude also covering other subjects on these occasions: for some of them it would clearly be necessary to do so.

Agree that we should plan on this basis and commission material accordingly?

*P.F.R.B.*

11 February 1983

FERR

MR COLES (separate copies)  
MR SCHOLAR  
MR INGHAM  
MR MOUNT

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- ① Which occasion
- ② are these the people  
~~to~~ (set up & consult  
PM again)
- ③ set up occasion to  
get them in (careful to  
set up, consulting PM  
again)

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... The Prime Minister has agreed the proposal  
in Mr Mount's minute of 1 February attached that  
her speeches over the next few months should con-  
centrate on four or five major themes.

... The next step is to try to fit themes to  
occasions. I attach a list of the speeches so far  
fixed for the remainder of 1983, and suggest that  
we meet on Thursday (10 February) at 4.00 pm to  
discuss whether we can earmark a subject to some  
or all of these occasions.

P.P. FERR

8 February 1983

PRIME MINISTER

SPEECHES 1983

We discussed yesterday your speech programme for the next 6 months or so. You thought that you would like to identify and concentrate on four or five major themes, each of which could dominate a single speech and would require careful preparation.

To provide depth, ideas and background, it would be helpful to consult outside academics and specialists. You said you might like to hold one or two lunches or dinners to discuss some of the topics.

We tentatively identified the following themes and names:

1. Foreign Affairs and a Strategy for Britain. This speech would be designed to have a Churchillian sweep and to deal with long-run historical trends rather than short-term diplomatic tactics. It would include sections on the Third World, the Middle East and Europe - although the EDU speech provisionally arranged for 24 June could also deal with the topic of How to Build an Outward-Looking Europe.

EDU  
Winston  
Churchill

To consult: Tony Parsons, along with Hugh Trevor-Roper, Michael Howard, Hugh Thomas etc.

2. Freedom and Order. This would analyse the "other half" of our picture of a free society: the preservation of order within a framework of fairly-administered laws. We would need to discuss the police, legal and penal reform and the role of Parliament. We mentioned as possible consultants: Quintin Hailsham, Paul Johnson, Tony Quinton, Patricia Morgan, and perhaps Michael Rutter.

~~Scottish Conference~~  
~~Women's Conference~~  
~~World Conference~~  
Central Council

3. Social Provision. Each generation has to redefine the borderline between the Welfare State and the private domain of family and self-help. We have to re-explain the intellectual and moral case for leaving more scope for self-reliance while continuing to maintain the safety net to a high standard. This speech would cover health, education and social security and housing.

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Conference

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*Institute of  
Director*  
4. Industrial and Commercial Strategy. This would include substantial sections on energy, small business, the nationalised industries, privatisation and trade.

*CBI*  
We did not discuss names, but Walter Goldsmith, John MacGregor and Nigel Lawson might be helpful. *Robin Butler*

*Scottish  
Conference*  
5. Nuclear Weapons and Defence. Apart from the section on the unilateralists' case in your YC speech, you thought there was a case for doing a full-scale speech on Defence - in which the nuclear question would play no more than its appropriate part.

*John Cole*

*Welsh  
Conference*  
6. The Ownership Society. We want to develop the theme: from a property-owning democracy (Eden) to a capital-owning democracy (Macleod) - and on towards a society in which individual families have control over most of the important parts of their lives, including education and health no less than the choice of a house or a car. *Ferdie*

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*fm*  
FERDINAND MOUNT

cc Mr Butler  
Mr Scholar  
Miss Stevens  
Mr Vereker  
Sir Anthony Parsons  
Mr Jackling

*W Gow*

SPEECHES

<del>Saturday 12 February</del>	<del>:</del>	<del>YC Conference, Bournemouth</del>
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Friday 24 June	:	EDU Conference ? European Democratic Union Co-ordination in Common Market
<del>October</del>	<del>:</del>	<del>Party Conference</del>
<del>November</del>	<del>:</del>	<del>Lord Mayor's Banquet</del>

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PRIME MINISTER

Weekend Box

1984 SPEECHES

I am not accepting any invitations at all for you for 1984. But Central Office have asked me to "pencil in" the major speaking dates. This I have done but have told them all that the acceptances are provisional.

You ought therefore to be aware that the diary looks as follows:

Saturday 10 March	:	Local Government Conference
Saturday 24 March	:	Central Council
Saturday 7 April	:	Federation of Conservative Students Conference
9/10 June	:	Economic Summit

CAROLINE STEPHENS

1 February 1983

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Policy Unit

PRIME MINISTER

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FERDINAND MOUNT

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PRIME MINISTER

1983 POLITICAL SPEECHES

Ian Gow has suggested the following speech writers. Could you please tick the ones you are happy with.

	<u>Writer</u>
<u>Saturday, 15 January - CTU Conference</u>	Michael Dobbs
<u>Saturday, 12 February - YC Conference, Bournemouth</u>	William Waldegrave
<u>Saturday, 26 March - Central Council</u>	John Gummer
<u>Friday, 15 April - Candidates Conference</u>	You will do this one
<u>Friday, 13 May - Scottish Conference</u>	Jock Bruce Gardyne
<u>Saturday, 21 May - Women's Conference</u>	Elizabeth Cotterel
<u>Saturday, 18 June - Welsh Conference</u>	Chris Patten
<u>Friday, 24 June - EDU Conference</u>	FCO to start with.

CAROLINE STEPHENS

30 November, 1982

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PRIME MINISTER

cc: Mr. Butler  
Mr. Coles  
Mr. Gow   
Mr. Scholar

1983 SPEECHES

I think that you should be aware of the speeches you are already committed to next year. The ones marked with an asterisk are political, and we should shortly be thinking of whom to contact as speech writers.

*MICHAEL DOBBS* \* Saturday 15 January : CTU Conference  
Friday 28 January : Glasgow Chamber of Commerce  
*WILLIAM W ALFORD* \* Saturday 12 February : YC Conference, Bournemouth  
Wednesday 23 February : Institute of Directors  
*JOHN GUMMIA* Saturday 26 March : Central Council  
*P.M. DO DO* \* Friday 15 April : Candidates Conference *YOU WILL DO THIS ONE.*  
*HRASELF - ALMOST OFFICIALLY - 10 HAND OUT*  
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*JOCK B-G* \* Friday 13 May : Scottish Conference  
*ELIZABETH COSTAGEL* \* Saturday 21 May : Women's Conference  
*COTTEREL*  
Tuesday 31 May : Speech in Washington  
*CHRIS PATEN \** Saturday 18 June : Welsh Conference  
~~*of some kind*~~  
~~*given into the*~~  
*FOREIGN* \* Friday 24 June : EDU Conference ?  
*OFFICE TO STAFF WITH*

CAROLINE STEPHENS

26 November 1982