

PRIME MINISTER

HIGHLIGHTS

This Weekend

The aftermath of the Libyan episode will dominate the media: there will be big pieces in the Sundays. Sir Geoffrey Howe will appear on "Weekend World" and Mr Younger on "The World This Weekend".

Mr Hurd will address the North East branch of the Magistrates Association on Saturday, and Mr Patten the Secondary Heads Association conference on Sunday.

On Saturday Channel 4, in "Witness to Apartheid", presents witnesses' accounts of repression in South Africa.

Main Events

On Monday you attend a service at Windsor, and later a gala performance at Covent Garden, to mark the Queen's 60th birthday. You also meet Mr Hawke, and give an interview to Granada TV. EC Foreign Ministers meet. The Queen's Awards for Export and Technology are published. The Energy Secretary begins a visit to Moscow. The Energy Committee visits Sellafield. The Scottish TUC annual conference begins. International Acid Rain Week begins.

On Tuesday you meet five young British scientists entering two international science and technology contests. You also attend the welcome of and banquet for the King and Queen of Spain, and look in at the National Council of Women's reception. Your interview for "The Queen and the Commonwealth" is screened on ITV. The Court of Appeal in Lagos hears the case of two Bristow engineers.

On Wednesday the King of Spain addresses Parliament, and then meets you in Downing Street before lunching here.

On Thursday you attend a reception in the House to commemorate the centenary of the Salvation Army, and later attend a state banquet at the Spanish Embassy.

On Friday you launch a ship in the North East and then go on to Bildeberg. The Princess of Wales visits a nurses training college in Reading. The National Association of Local Councils conference begins in Llandudno.

Parliament

Key business includes three Opposition Day debates - Monday's on education, and Wednesday's on housing and transport.

Other business includes Monday's debate on the remaining stages of the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Bill, Wednesday's Second Reading of the EC (Amendment) Bill; and Mr Churchill's Private Member's Bill on Obscene Publications on Friday.

In the Lords there are debates on EC agricultural policy on Monday, on crime on Wednesday and on the Gas Bill on Thursday.

Other Events

- Monday:
- Retail sales for March published
 - Mr Channon meets the Saudi Deputy Minister of Commerce
 - Mr Waldegrave visits three possible radioactive waste sites
 - Mr Stanley begins a visit to the US.
 - "Panorama" interview Mr Heyhoe on radiation hazards
- Tuesday:
- Lord Young delivers the Stockton lecture
 - BMA and GHC give evidence to the Ombudsman committee
- Wednesday:
- The Transport Committee of the European Parliament begins a visit to London
 - HMT Economic Progress Report published; it includes an article on privatisation overseas
 - The Department of Employment publish their labour force survey
 - The BBC TV series on the MoD looks at equipment procurement
 - Mr Steel appears on the Jimmy Young Show
- Thursday:
- Consumer spending figures for 1986 Q1 published
 - Mr Howe appears on "Question Time"
 - "Brass Tacks" and "Worldwide Reports" look at pollution
- Friday:
- Trade figures for March published
 - Mr James Prior and Mr Enoch Powell appear on "Any Questions?"

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