

PRIME MINISTER

MAIN EVENTS

HM The Queen presents new Standard to Gentlemen At Arms,
St James's Palace

Prime Minister meets Commonwealth Secretary General; Premier Swan
of Bermuda; later lunches with 1922 Committee

NEDC meets

Denis Healey gives evidence to Foreign Affairs Select Committee on the
situation in South Africa, HoC

Lobby of Parliament on the subject of protection for the unborn child

Royal Tournament, Earls Court (to July 26)

National Children's Bureau annual conference, Hull (to July 10)

PUBLICATIONS

DEM: Employment Gazette (2100)

DHSS: Report of Study group into medical staffing in hospitals (1530)

HOC: 32nd Report Public Accounts Committee - Provision of Legal Aid in
England and Wales (Noon)

HSC: 3rd Report Health Service Commissioner Session 1985-86 - annual
report for 1985-86 (Noon)

PAY

DEM: Further education teachers in E&W; (80,400); claim is for 20% as
first step towards restoring salary levels in line with Houghton

PARLIAMENT

Commons

Questions: Foreign and Commonwealth; Trade and Industry

Business: 10 Minute Rule Bill: Energy Conservation (Mr M Bruce)

Finance Bill: Completion of Remaining Stages

Motion for the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order

Motion on the Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order

Adjournment Debate

The A140 road in Suffolk (Mr M Lloyd)

PARLIAMENT (CONT'D)

Select Committees: SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE CHANNEL TUNNEL BILL
 Subject: Petition of East Sussex and Kent local authorities

FOREIGN AFFAIRS
 Subject: the situation in South Africa
 Witness: The Rt Hon Denis Healey CB MBE MP

SCOTTISH AFFAIRS
 Subject: Hospital Provision
 Witnesses: John Laing Construction Ltd; AMI Health Care Ltd

TRADE AND INDUSTRY
 Subject: The Post Office: monitoring inquiry
 Witness: The Post Office

HOME AFFAIRS
 Subject: Rules of the Redistribution of Seats
 Witnesses: Boundary Commissions for England and Wales

SOCIAL SERVICES
 Subject: Primary Health Care
 Witness: Royal College of Nursing

COMMITTEE ON A PRIVATE BILL
 British Railways (Stansted) Bill

UNOPPOSED BILLS
 Milford Haven Port Authority; Bromborough Dock (Lords)
 Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Roads Ferry (Lords)

Lords

Gas Bill: Report (3rd Day)

Firearms (Variation of Fees) Order 1986: Prayer to annul

MINISTERS _ See Annex

PRESS DIGESTSOUTH AFRICA

- Telegraph combines, as most papers do, your criticism of the Church of England's approach to sanctions with your Canadian interviews and your remarks on morality of sanctions.

- D/Star: "Maggie blasts back at Church" (over sanctions) - Commons exchanges. You warn Canadians in interview sanctions would play into hands of Soviets.

- Sun: "Church blast" (by you); leader notes that Synod refuses to condemn violence in South Africa - black or white - "These Anglicans call themselves Christian!"

- Today says Foreign Secretary is to ask Moscow to free Sakharov in return for Pretoria releasing Mandela.

- Express: Now the blacks snub Howe - guerrillas (ANC) refuse to see him.

- Mail: Britain and America are planning a cash squeeze on South Africa to end apartheid.

- Telegraph: "Now Tambo, too, refuses to see Howe". You are using the mission as a delaying device.

- President Botha and Bishop Tutu will meet again this month.

- Times: 'Tutu and Botha to talk as disillusion sets in on world failure to act'.

- Guardian: The Engineering Union wants a meeting of all trade union trustees of pension funds to coordinate action for disinvestment from South Africa.

- Soviets deny a Sakharov-Mandela deal.

- 'Howe to get cool frontline welcome'.

- 'Tension rises in South African mines as Tutu talks agreed'.

- Telegraph Parliamentary sketch - Preacher Kinnock upended.

- Hugo Young has a short front page piece saying you have no intention of agreeing to economic sanctions against South Africa at the Commonwealth Conference. He takes two-thirds of a page to record what you said on South Africa. Tomorrow he will print what you said about politics, the election and the Labour Party.

- Jim Naughtie, in Guardian, says your remarks to Canadians that expulsion of South Africa from Commonwealth has slowed down the process of eliminating apartheid has imperilled Foreign Secretary's mission.

PRIVATISATION

- Criticism of the Government's stance in the EuroCourt verdict against companies who claimed divisory compensation from a Labour Government over nationalisation of aircraft and shipbuilding.
- Sir William Lithgow advises BT shareholders to sell immediately.
- Today says Attorney General who fought and won the case for the Government, when he should have pressed for a change in the law and paid aggrieved shareholders what was fair, should be sacked.
- Mail: The European court ruling is one of your biggest own goals. The Chancellor could lose billions destined for tax cuts off the potential price of state firms to be sold.
- Times: 'Court's compensation ruling clouds British Gas sale'.
- FT: Vickers has started talks with MoD to buy the Foyal Ordnance main battle tank factory at Leeds.
- Guardian says Nicholas Ridley is planning a big privatisation Bill in next Parliament to compel councils to put contracts out to open tender.

ECONOMY

- Record £5.5bn wiped off shares yesterday - reaction to Wall Street's record fall and fears interest rate cut may not materialise.
- Times: Edward Heath calls for Government to act more decisively to cut unemployment.
- Guardian leads with "Wall Street in grip of panic" because of deepening pessimism about US economic prospects.

INDUSTRY

- British Steel makes first profit in 11 years.
- Railmen vote overwhelmingly against industrial action over workshop redundancies; Sun: Knapp goes off the rails again.
- TV-Am to be launched on the market - United Newspapers which own most of the 37.3% stake to be sold divesting itself to avoid conflict of interest.
- FT: Growth figures reported by many British firms are illusory. Most is due to acquisitions, selling-off or closing down loss-making operations, rather than the development of new business, says an international research body.
- Times: A decision is expected soon from Peter Walker on a £5bn Severn barrage.
- Price of petrol could fall to £1.50 next month.
- Government doubles to £40m assets of British Coal Enterprise.

UNIONS

- CPSA executive bar John Macreadie, Militant, from taking office pending investigation into alleged ballot rigging.
- Hopes that a formula has been found to end prison officers' dispute.
- Times: Women earn less than 75% of the average hourly pay for men.

POLITICS

- Derek Hatton removed by moderates as chairman of his ward Labour Party.
- Times: Geoffrey Smith says some of the more thoughtful Conservatives are worried that the Party may be losing the battle of ideas.
- Government to delay legislation on misuse of political power by local authorities, in follow up to Widdicombe, until after general election.

LAW AND ORDER

- Right of peremptory challenge of juries to be ended in Criminal Justice Bill because of abuse. Express says this, and right over-65s to sit on juries, "most welcome".
- Tory MPs concerned about "insultingly low" compensation for Brighton bombing victims.
- 132 diplomats have been let off drink driving charges since 1981 - 15 of them twice.
- Chief Constable of Greater Manchester says he is not and never has been a friend of Kevin Taylor, the man in Stalker case - and so is "cleared".
- Today: Kevin Taylor, businessman in the Stalker affair, calls for Manchester Chief Constable James Anderton to be investigated. Taylor says he has met him many times.
- Guardian: Greater Manchester Police Authority want Colin Sampson, Chief Constable of West Yorkshire removed as head of the RUC inquiry.

DRUGS

- 5, including pop star Marilyn, accused of drugs offences in connection with Boy George. Police appeal to Boy George to give himself up.
- Mirror congratulates the Met for acting swiftly over Boy George drug allegations.
- Mail: A "Miami-style" drugs war is feared in major British cities as West Indian gangs fight for control of the soaring cocaine market.

HOUSING

- FT: Home ownership is nearing saturation point and cannot grow much further than its present rate of 64%, says the Nationwide

HEALTH/WELFARE

- Twelve doctors have been barred from delivering babies at The London Hospital on the orders of the Head of Obstetrics because they don't have the right contracts with the hospital.

EDUCATION

- Today: Kenneth Baker wants retired generals to be recruited to teach in schools.
- Telegraph: ACAS talks on the future of teacher-appraisal have made significant progress.

NORTHERN IRELAND

- Guardian: There are fears of confrontation this weekend between police and marchers at Portadown.

MIDDLE EAST

- Times says Syria and Jordan are ganging up on Arafat.

NEW ZEALAND

- Lange under fire from Opposition for agreeing to free 2 jailed Greenpeace bombers.

BERNARD INGHAM

- MAFF: Mr Jopling attends British-American Parliamentary Group AGM; later addresses Home Grown Cereals Authority pre-harvest luncheon, London
- DES: Mr Baker meets John Pearman (AMA) re pay and conditions in further education
- HMT: Mr MacGregor addresses National Union Trade and Industry forum
- MAFF: Mr Gummer attends West Midlands Agricultural Council lunch, Cirencester
- MAFF: Mrs Fenner attends Retail Consortium reception, HoC
- MOD: Mr Lee visits HMS Intrepid, Portland
- DES: Mr Patten visits BBC Domesday Project
- DES: Mr Walden visits Brunel University
- DES: Mr Dunn visits Norfolk LEA
- DOE: Mr Patten addresses Water Companies Association luncheon
- DOE: Sir George Young opens housing scheme for the elderly, Twickenham; later speaks at Mia Pringle Memorial Lecture, Hull
- DOE: Mr Tracey visits coalfield area in South Yorkshire and North Derbyshire
- DHSS: Mr Major attends Society of Pension Consultants reception
- DHSS: Lady Trumpington speaks at Gloucester CHC/FPA Drug Dependency seminar
- HO: Lord Glenarthur visits Wandsworth Prison, London
- OAL: Mr Luce attends Council of Regional Arts Associations conference, Plymouth
- SO: Mr Stewart meets representatives of Carron Steelyne (Falkirk) Ltd, London
- DTI: Mr Pattie chairs the European Parliamentary Plenary on research and development; addresses Common Law Institute
- DTI: Mr Morrison addresses CBI Industrial Policy Committee, London
- DTP: Mr Bottomley visits Johnson Mathey Chemicals, Royston to discuss vehicle emissions
- DTP: Mr Spicer lunches with the Air Transport Users Committee, London
- WO: Mr Roberts presents 'Play it Safe' road safety quiz prizes, Cardiff

MINISTERS (OVERSEAS VISITS)

- SO: Lord Gray visits Canada and USA (to July 17)
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TV AND RADIO

"File on 4"; BBC Radio 4 (16.05): Repeat of Tuesday's programme

"Analysis"; BBC Radio 4 (20.15): Roland Dumas, former French Foreign Minister talks about issues of French policy

"Diverse Reports"; Channel 4 (20.30): after Chernobyl - have Soviet attitudes to nuclear power and nuclear weapons changed?

"The Africans"; BBC 1 (21.30): a Garden of Eden in decay
