

PRIME MINISTER

MAIN EVENTS

HM The Queen visits Imperial Cancer Research Fund laboratories, London

EC Budget Council

Commons Liaison Committee meets to discuss response to Government's ruling on civil servants evidence to select committee

IMF Article 4 and consultations (to November 28)

Institution of Occupational Health and Safety annual conference, Harrogate (to November 21)

STATISTICS

BOE: Provisional estimates of monetary aggregates (October) (11.30)

CLSB: London and Scottish banks' monthly statement

CSO: Cyclical indicators for the UK economy (Oct)

PUBLICATIONS

HOC: Report of Public Accounts Committee - control of Local Authorities (Capital Expenditure) (12.00)

Agriculture and Food Research Council annual report

HOC: Channel Tunnel Committee Channel Tunnel Deal Volume One (12.00)

HOC: Channel Tunnel Committee Channel Tunnel Deal Volume Two (11.00)

NAO: Industrial Organisation and Development Accounts for 1985/86 (11.00)

HO: Criminal Statistics, England and Wales 1985 (03.30)

PARLIAMENT

Commons Debate on the Report of the Committee on financing the BBC chaired by Professor Alan Peacock (CMND 9824) on a motion for the Adjournment)

Questions: Home Office; Northern Ireland; Prime Minister

Business: Adjournment Debate
Now problems in Western-Super-Mare and Banwell (Mr J Wiggin)

Select Committees:

Lords Debate on the Report of the ECC on Nuclear Power in Europe (18th Report, HL 227)

PRESS DIGEST

CRIME once again dominates "pops" with:

- Lord Longford saying anyone who says Myra Hindley is evil should be certified and have psychiatric treatment and earning the title from the Star of:
 NUTS - a foolish and meddlesome man who seems entirely unaware of the distress and anger he causes by his intervention in this case.
Sun: If Longford knows so much about Hindley why doesn't he join the search for the bodies?
- Preparations for the search of Pennine moorland for the remains of two children missing for 20 years and two elderly people.
- Express says police are seeking to interview Brady - will he now confess? Mail says Longford can't get it into his head that Hindley was jailed not that she SHOULD learn remorse but that she should be punished.
- Mail leads with Hindley's "shameful, cynical and cruel" offer to police; she would help find missing bodies if she were given immunity from prosecution, which was rejected. Leader insists on life imprisonment for Hindley.
- Telegraph says Hindley and Brady may face new trial if bodies are found.
- Shooting in the USA of the parents of a Dallas soap opera star.

LAW AND ORDER

- Bigger fines for car tax dodgers who cost revenue £100m a year, according to Star.
- David Owen wants Privy Council committee to supervise or monitor security services.
- Mirror leads with report that police have been ordered to hand back £2m worth of pornography by Newham, East London, court which 5 months ago confiscated identical material in a similar raid; leader on the "law of the gutter" says the duty of magistrates is to help protect youngsters not join the pornographers.
- Mail says Mary Whitehouse intends to raise this court decision with you.
- Detective claims judges rules imposing restrictions in interviewing juvenile suspects are hampering the fight against crime (Express).
- Times: The Government is ready to consider private jails.

SPORT

- Today leader says football is still suffering from its reputation for violence and that means clubs have a lot to do if they are to restore the game's name and attendances. A Today poll shows widespread support for membership cards which authorities reject.
- Express feature says yesterday showed how far apart the Government and the soccer bosses are and the sooner the Government forces membership cards on the game the better.

YOUR BROADCAST

- Most coverage for your attack on Left wing councils; some lead on AIDS remarks.
- Star: P8: Maggie speaks out on war on AIDS.
- Sun P2: Two stories: your attack on Labour councils; and your AIDS plea - Government can do nothing to stop people catching disease; leader on your hopes of dishing Socialism as an alternative says the choice might then be between your good sense and Owen's good sense.
- Mirror links briefly your references to AIDS with rejection in Lords for calls for compulsory testing for AIDS.
- Today P2: Your dream of eliminating Socialism took a knock with the new Gallup poll.
- Express P2 combines its report with a rattled Kinnock turning on hard line councils. Another story on the same page is headed: "Maggie's AIDS war".
- Mail P9: We'll win next two elections, says in-no-hurry Maggie.
- Telegraph back page - Image of Labour councils an election issue - combining Kinnock's action with your remarks and those of Nicholas Ridley
- Guardian P1 account headed "PM focuses full attack on 'East European' councils.
- Independent: Government maintains campaign against Left wing councils.
- Anthony Bevin, in Independent, says that in trying to kill off Socialism you didn't say what would happen to Labour Party and Alliance - a rather silly piece.
- The Times combines Kinnock's blast on zealots in town halls with your interview and says you are closely involved in the "loony Left" assault strategy.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- Nicholas Ridley accuses Tony Banks MP of stealing GLC silver worth £50,000.
- Ombudsman again criticises Hackney Council for taking little action to halt a noise nuisance by neighbours which condemned a woman to "sheer hell" for several years before she died.
- Times: A radical plan to allow the break-up of large local authorities into smaller, self-sufficient councils is being considered by the Government.

TEACHERS

- Kenneth Baker asks teaching unions to think again about ACAS deal.

EDUCATION

- Maureen McGoldrick could face new disciplinary action after appeal court rules Brent have right to hold their own inquiry. Sun leader headed "Malice wins" says that the Master of the Rolls, in saying that while Brent can discipline her he can't believe they will, sadly underestimates the malice of the Brent fanatics.
- Express leader says it is now clear Brent's campaign against Miss McGoldrick is as obsessive as it is nasty.
- Telegraph: Brent pursues race charge against Miss McGoldrick.

HEALTH/WELFARE

- Star says you have put Government in overdrive on the problems of child abuse with a working group reporting to the Home Secretary; leader says it is a small but important step - three cheers will follow when you appoint a Cabinet Minister for Children.
- Case of surgeon who 'phoned hospital 10 minutes after heart patient was opened up to say he would not be coming in because his shift had finished 5 minutes ago.
- Mail: Surgeon stayed at home as patient bled.
- Times : A Peterborough hospital has set up Britain's first trade-in centre for drug users to obtain new syringes and needles to avoid the risk of catching AIDS.
- Times: The Royal College of Nursing says reforms in nursing education must go ahead whatever the cost to avoid a crisis in nursing recruitment.

HEALTH/WELFARE (CONT'D)

- Guardian says Government has cut £4m from Public Health Laboratory Service which monitors AIDS, according to an internal document.

AIDS

- Today prints two pages of advice.

EC

- Teddy Taylor MP to lead deputation to see you to try to stop cheap food surplus sales to Russia.
- 400 sheep farmers disrupt traffic in Paris complaining about unfair competition from British sheep.
- Telegraph leader says CAP crisis will dominate the EuroCouncil.
- Times: International exasperation is growing at the indecision of EEC farm ministers and their failure to tackle the food mountains.

ISRAEL

- Government says it has no more to tell on Vanunu. Times: Conservative MPs are to urge FCO to demand an explanation on Vanunu, after criticism of Israel by David Waddington.

RUSSIA

- Official approval given for private enterprise and small family business. FT describes more free enterprise as a minor revolution.

SOUTH AFRICA

- Kodak pulling out.

IRAN

- Express says Reagan faces fresh embarrassment over his dealings with Iran with revelation that he began currying favour with Iran 3 years ago by shopping 200 KGB agents who were subsequently executed.
- Telegraph says British Intelligence was involved in the KGB agents' exposure.
- Times: After a private meeting between President Reagan and Mr Shultz, the White House and State Department denied that Shultz had said he would resign.

AUSTRALIA/MI5

- Mail says we are in disarray over the MI5 case.
- Times: Government lawyers are expected to try to narrow the Crown's case and limit the number of documents demanded; Sir Michael Havers played the most important role in the policy decision to take Wright to court. He told ministers the case was valid and there was a good chance of success; supportive leader says if Mr. Wright had not been pursued with all possible vigour an important principle would have been lost for ever.

EAST/WEST

- White House denies Shultz is going.
- Telegraph says that in a dinner speech in Washington Reagan signalled he is having second thoughts about a proposal to eliminate all ballistic missiles by 1996 - he never mentioned the idea of getting rid of them in 10 years; in another story it reports that nuclear disarmament will dominate the French bilateral.
- Times: Following your visit, President Reagan appears to have modified significantly the position he took at Reykjavik on eliminating all ballistic missiles, according to a Washington correspondent.

INDUSTRY

- Graham Day warns Rover car salesmen to get rid of their Arthur Daley (Minder) image; too many complaints are being made by customers. He says fall in sterling has helped car revival.
- Policy Studies Institute says unemployment has tilted the balance of power from unions to employers who are a new breed of macho managers. Strong but not arbitrary management is needed to beat international competition.
- Express leader says £100m of taxpayers' money in underwriting the B/Gas flotation need not and should not be spent since the float promises to be as free of risks as it is possible for one to be.
- Times: Transmanche Link, the tunnel construction arm of Eurotunnel has received 13,000 applications for 500 vacancies.
- Allegations that Midland Bank plans to misuse YTS trainees by making them work at nights and weekends handling new share issues.

ECONOMY

- FT: UK financial markets had a troubled day yesterday as they reacted nervously to your view that full membership of the EMS was not an option until after the election and to the continuing repercussions of the Boes insider trading case.
- Guardian P1: Heath leads attack against a tax cutting budget.

CITY

- A member of office staff of Commonwealth Shipping resigns in another insider dealing case.
- Times: The Stock Exchange says it has held discussions with a number of UK firms who have acted for Mr Boesky.
- Times says insider inquiry spills over into Europe.

MEDIA

- Mail says Jeremy Isaacs was being strongly tipped as new Director General of the BBC.
- Times: Mr Tebbit's row with the BBC is expected to dominate today's debate on broadcasting; Lord Thomson, Chairman of IBA, says radical changes proposed by Peacock could destroy the quality of television in Britain.
- Lord Denning examines the case of Tebbit v. BBC and finds in favour of BBC.
- FT: The circulation of The Independent is 300,000-400,000.
- Julian Haviland to ghost Michael Heseltine's book, expected next Easter.
- Guardian claims Hammond, EETPU, gave Murdoch his personal go-ahead to print at Wapping, according to confidential minutes it has obtained.
- Guardian says Lord Chalfont's Media Monitoring Unit, which has claimed Left wing bias in BBC and ITV, has intimate links with Tory Party.
- Mary Whitehouse steps up drive against bad language on TV - Independent.

MINISTERS (UK VISITS, SPEECHES ETC)

- DEM: Lord Young attends British Council of Shopping Centres annual dinner, London
- DES: Mr Baker visits Bristol
- DOE: Mr Ridley speaks at Municipal Journal 'Cities 2000 Conference', London
- DTI: Mr Channon announces Publication of Consumer Protection Bill
- DTP: Mr Moore addresses Institution of Civil Engineers on bus deregulation
- FCO: Sir Geoffrey Howe addresses Greater London Young Conservatives
- DEM: Mr Lee opens CBI/EOC Conference on parental leave
- DEM: Mr Trippier visits Oxford Polytechnic Centre for Tourism and Leisure Studies, later addresses 9th National Small Firms Policy and Research Conference, Scotland
- DEN: Mr Hunt opens South West Manchester Health Authority's Coal-fired boiler, Withington Hospital; later addresses British Institute of Management on energy efficiency, Liverpool
- DEN: Mr Goodlad visits Hinkley Point power station
- DES: Mr Walden visits Salford University
- DES: Mr Dunn addresses Hansard Society
- DES: Mr Walden addresses All Souls Seminar, Oxford
- DHSS: Mr Newton attends NW Thames Regional Health Authority Chairmen's meeting
- DTI: Mr Butcher attends launch of SIAO design business group
- DTI: Mr Howard addresses Consumers in the European Community Group; gives interview to BBC Radio 4's "Personal debt" programme
- DTP: Mr Bottomley chairs West Midlands Regional annual Consultative Committee meeting, Warwickshire
- DTP: Mr Moore addresses the Institution of Civil Engineers on bus deregulation, Great George Street, 3.40 pm
- DOE: Mr Patten visits Daventry and Kettering on housing matters
- DOE: Lord Skelmersdale opens Building Research Establishment's "Open Day", Garston
- DOE: Mr Tracey addresses CCPR annual conference, Bournemouth
- HMT: Mr MacGregor addresses Two Cities Dining Club
- MAFF: Mr Thompson attends British Frozen Food Federation luncheon
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MINISTERS (OVERSEAS VISITS)

FCO: Lady Young departs Miami for the Bahamas (to November 21)

DTP: Mr Mitchell attends European Council of Ministers of Transport Meeting, Paris (to November 21)

TV AND RADIO

"Advice Shop"; BBC 1 (09.45): More on DHSS

"Who Gets the Credit?"; BBC 2 (20.20): Questions and comment on the credit boom - is the bubble about to burst

"Brass Tacks"; ITV (21.15): Looks at the billion pound trap - the arrest of ten arms dealers in New York and Bermuda

"40 Minutes"; BBC 2 (21.30): The Englishwoman's Wardrobe: includes interviews with the Prime Minister

"Question Time"; BBC 1 (22.00): With Sir Robin Day are Ann Burdus, Alan Clark MP, Janice Lennon and Dennis Skinner MP

"An Arabian Journey"; ITV (23.30): The Prince and Princess of Wales in the Gulf
