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HIGHLIGHTS

The Weekend

The row over the "New Statesman" story will dominate the weekend media. Sunday Lobby were keen to pursue why the Government did not act sooner and whether the magazine will now be prosecuted. They were also interested in the British Telecom strike, Guinness, teacher's pay and the US diplomat's husband.

On Saturday there is a march and rally to mark the first anniversary of the Wapping dispute. Mr Spicer appears on "Any Questions?" (Radio 4, 13.10).

On Sunday there is a demonstration in Cheltenham to mark the third anniversary of the union ban at GCHQ. There is a "bloody Sunday" commemoration. West Germany goes to the polls in its Federal election. Mr Howard is interviewed on "Weekend World" (ITV 12.00). Mr Channon is interviewed on "The World This Weekend" (Radio 4, 13.00).

Next Week

On Monday the Sizewell Report is published. The Law Lords hear the case against 47 disqualified Liverpool councillors. The TUC Finance and General Purpose Committee meets. The Foreign Affairs Council meets in Brussels. There is an Islamic Summit in Kuwait. The Commons complete the remaining Stages of the Local Government Finance Bill. "Panorama" (BBC 1, 21.30) hopes to interview Mr Fowler about AIDS.

On Tuesday BA share prices are announced. There is a debate on Commons viewing of the banned BBC film. There is also an Opposition debate on "The failure of the City to serve the nation". The agriculture White Paper is published. Mr Jopling addresses the Council of Europe in Strasbourg.

On Wednesday you have a half-day regional tour in East London. Your recording for "Take Nobody's Word for It" is broadcast (BBC 2, 19.35). The TUC General Council meets. Construction figures for November and trade figures for December are published.

On Thursday you attend Lord Young's 'Action for Jobs' breakfast presentation at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre. There are the Cabinet and Whips' photographs. In the evening you attend the launch party for

Super Channel. Student grants for 1987/88 are announced. Mr Howard addresses the Oxford Union on a motion on the City of London. Lord Young is one of the guests on "Question Time" (BBC 1, 22.10).

On Friday you are interviewed by the Press Association. BA publishes its prospectus. The House debates Private Members' Bills on crossbows, licensing and Community Health Councils. Peter Snape MP appears on "Any Questions?" (Radio 4, 20.20).



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