BS here

31 MONDAY [243—122]

11 M. Mlynarski = Vice Pres^{t}. Bank Polski
with Poklewski-Koziell: Com^{l}. Couns^{r}. Polish Legation:
2 hours with BS + self on their position & needs.
a nice theorist. full of good intentions + fervour

130 Niemeyer Lunch + then a couple of hours with Strong

815 Mlynarski Dinner:

SEPT. 1 TUESDAY [244—121]
Partridge Shooting begins.

BS all the morning.

1230 ER Peacock. Armstrongs: his Letter of yesterday:
He reads T/com minutes of 28th. & approves.
5 D^{o} Coal Com^{n}. do
3 Mlynarski & BS: both declined to give B Polski 1 or 2 yr open
credit (to maintain Exch) agst Polish Treas^{y}. Bills.
Advised him to seek only long Loans + to apply to
Dillon Read & Co for another Gov^{t}. issue in N.Y. or for
advance on unissued Bonds. (see memo by BS)
I confirmed Letter of May 28 to Karpinski as to advance.
Torpedoed Genoa as a present remedy.
An Earnest theoretical German-hating Enthusiast
630 Chancellor at Treas^{y}

2 WEDNESDAY [245—120]
○ *Full Moon, 7.53 p.m.*

12- Committee of Treasury
AGA. here today.
BS. also
315 Whitburn (see 24) there was a mistake in articles wh omitted
one clause by accident. This has been explained to
Le Fanu & will be inserted without delay.
I dissuade him from taking at once a "figurehead"
Chairman or Director - he agrees & will go
on pro tem as they are
4 Sir G Murray. Ld. Southborough Harrison. ERP & Stevenson
See note by latter re Armstrong + Nfdland

BS and Vissering here **3 THURSDAY** [246—119] ~~Also SPGilbert~~ 4th

11-30 Court of Directors

BS. all morning

Lunch. 1. Norris. Gov. Phila FRBk till 330

ERP. Canadian Corresp. for Reichsbank: see cable to Schacht

3 Vissering + BS till 630

815 Vissering to dinner

4 FRIDAY [247—118]

11 30 Micklem (of Cazenove & A) as to issue of £300m: Cellulose Deb Stk: I say Dawnay must have free hand & I shd. urge Henriques to follow Dawnay's wishes, if asked.

Lunch 1— Treasury Bills Leith Ross

Do. 1030 Vissering - with BS all morning + till 5pm

Do 1.30 SPGilbert.

4 McKenna - enquiries on behalf of a Client as to Argentine Loan here I say impossible - either by public issue or Syndicate: I admit a private Investor is in principle free to do what he will but to lend £2 mil thus would be against the Spirit + I beg him to discourage. (Sounds like Prudential?)

(Gilberts to dinner)

5 SATURDAY [248—117]

S. R. 5.18; S. S. 6.39.

1030 Dr. Nathan interminable peroration on Debts & special position of Italy: Even if Debts settled forthwith no devaluation likely in Italy for 18 m or 2 years.

Ben Strong

1130 BS. to Westerham to spend day with Chancellor

Lunch 1. Gilbert till 345

Gilberts to dinner

6 Sunday [249—116]

13th after Trinity.

BS here

7 MONDAY [250—115]

Lunch 1030 H.Schacht & BS. all day

Lunch 1.30 SPGilbert with above till 330.

330 EFWise (see 24 Aug) I answer his earlier enquiry on basis of Peacocks Letter. of Aug 25. supported by WK Whigham OEH, Chancellor & Min of G Treasury, of 26th. He says Law of Repudiation cannot be revoked - now or ever: Public announcement of old debt-recognition also impossible. Can a formula be found wh w^d satisfy both sides & lead to a meeting to settle such claims as may be mutually established?

O.Hoare has seen Frascella: I say I cannot actively help him to join in Thurs.

8 TUESDAY [251—114]

1030 BS & Schacht all day.

630 Schacht away via Hook

9 WEDNESDAY [252—113]

12– Committee of Treasury BS sails p Olympic (855 am)

3 D.Ward: my Letter Aug 18. he gives cases of 6 or 8 foreign Bonds &c which have lately been placed here by Bankers (none by members of S Ex) without quotation or advertisement. I say I can only intervene or protest when names are given: therefore I do nothing, he agrees. Useless Meissner to come knowing this attitude of B/E vs R. Overseas Bk!

345 HTF Jones. formerly Can B of Commerce now Walker Bros. N.Y. Friendly call

430 Buckleton of Bk of N. Zealand & F Lubbock: Courtesy call. I suggest either B of NZ sh^d be Central Bk or Commonwealth sh^d open branches in NZ & be head of both countries in one economic unit. He says NZ now enjoy the best of both worlds & he makes more money - hopeless!

10 THURSDAY [253—112]
(Last Quarter, 0.12 a.m.

11-30 Court of Directors

12 till 315 Nelson Perkins - general & especially as to changes in Rep Co - viz No Asst Delegates: Improved Secretariat. & Cooke to be Sec. General: Armitage Smith to go .. ? where - perhaps Berlin vice MacFadyean. Cooke of Buffalo to change places with N. Perkins. & many such ideas - wh shd be worked out in next 2 months

315 Wade - ? Japhet he will enquire before S. Peel goes to China

345 A J Waley. with a scheme to convert 5% War Loan into 4% Funding c112½% i.e a 4½ basis. free of tax to foreigners

11 FRIDAY [254—111]

530 Sir G May. I repeat what I said to McKenna on the 4th. Prudential is "the private investor", but I explain whole position as to Overseas Loans Com in Confidence & May will do nothing

1— Treasury Bills. Phillips

3. Foa. General. - Then I remind him of our talk some months ago as to Anglo-Egyptn Bk & as amalgamn. with 2 other Banks under control of Barclays is now a fact I suggest the time has come to close his Bks %. He agrees (as he did before) to this course & will arrange to close before name actually changes - (He doesn't quite like it!)

345 Ly Roussin Greece: getting worse & worse financially owing to inflation urged & practised by Diomedes - alone or above all others. Position serious - may follow Germany. Fiscally doing well. Int Fin Com flouted: New Loan shd require limit of Note issue. He says Publicity might help: see Mill to whom Roussin will privately give facts.

12 SATURDAY [255—110]
S. R. 5.29 ; S. S. 6.23.

645 To Hoppetts

13 Sunday [256—109]
14th after Trinity. Ember Week.

14 MONDAY [257—108]

Lunch 10.30 Popovics – > delightful: discussed every sort of
till 3.30 $ question

345 AH Campbell. German valorisation Law: the relative Bonds
are likely to be taken out of Official List: Beyond
this, he sees no objection to our making Exchange in
London

5 C Frothingham – Cable 25/2273 from N.Y. as to selling
Czech tranche of Austrian Loan in N.Y.
Answer tomorrow.

15 TUESDAY [258—107]

10 Dr Field

1145 Dixon (of Trade Corp^{n}.) as to Advance here to pay off Blairs
Loan of $3 mill^{n} to Jugoslavs. See Peacocks
Letter of 9th. – I say that this is contrary to spirit of
understanding about Foreign loans: So – NO –

1230 E R Peacock. has telegram from Reid in Newfoundland
to Leese as to combining interests of Reid &
Armstrong: I agree his answer

Lunch 1.15 Popovics: exchange supplement to Secret agreement
& I give him – by his own wish – personal letter
on same subject
till 5 pm

16 WEDNESDAY [259—106]
Ember Day.

12 – Committee of Treasury

Lunch 1 B Hornsby. leaving for Cairo: 1. I give him copy of my letter to Norcot
Warren of 24/8 re Lloyds Bks Branches & ask his help in 1926
for disposal of Branches in Egypt 2. I tell him that on 11th
I asked Fox to arrange to close a/c of Anglo Egypt^{n} Bk
3. He expects that Report of Com^{tee} to be appointed this winter
will recommend Gold Standard for Egypt – meaning gradual
Exchange of T. Bills held here as sec for Gold.

330 Dufour see my letter to him of today: EMH & I think he sh^{d}
publish no Notices about deposit of Bonds for valorisation
until we have rec^{d} & agreed instructions from Schacht

430 Layton see my letter to him of today: I explain further &
in confidence

17 THURSDAY [260—105]

11-30 Court of Directors | K Goschen has asked CFW to close a/c of Colonial
12 General Court | Bk at convenience & to arrange with Sun Ins re NBSA
1215 Popovics. leaving tomorrow: seems well pleased with his visit: very friendly & "cooperative".
230 C F Whigham. I say the "Embargo" on Foreign Issues still persists - so they cannot issue Argentine Loan with JPM & Co. I explain Govt position
315 Wade general; grumbles at weak rates but agrees they are largely due to Bankers Dep Rate being 2%. (not 1½) below BR. Reports that Steel considers Japhet well & carefully managed, with very good credit
4 Wagg. as to combining Acc. business with trading & issuing Industrial Secs. I discourage it.

5 ter Meulen. general

18 FRIDAY [261—104]

Ember Day. ● *New Moon, 4.12 a.m.*

1 — Treasury Bills OEN
230 OEN & Whigham - see his letter of 16th - full discussion on Leagues proposals for Austria: CFW will keep JPM & Co informed & OEN thinks release of control & new arrangts need goodwill of Issuing Bks & Trustees
4 Maurice & Aristide Blank, - per JGN. courtesy visit
5 Allen. in Thurn likely to become a Ld Co - cap £800/1000 & to absorb Chalmers Guthrie & Co with Buchanan, Falk, Gifford & Hanselle as Directors. Warren wd contribute £500m. - I say it is a reasonable solution of his difficulties

19 SATURDAY [262—103]

Ember Day. Jewish Year 5686 begins.
S. R. 5.40; S. S. 6.7.

1. Niemeyer 1. Letter to him about General Mance
2. Letter from Perkins - & enclosure sent to Blanesburgh - as to Aust. Delegates to Repns & changes in Paris to be brought about by Treasury.

4.30 To Hoppetts.

20 Sunday [263—102]

15th after Trinity.

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up from Hoppetts

21 MONDAY [264—101]

S. Matthew.

12 Erlanger - No he must not issue a Loan for Wagon Lits Co.
. He shd. wait a few months & see how long
the Embargo continues - &c
He is a Bull on French position - they are richer
than we are - & simply humbugs
3 B Schroder - Goodbye. he goes to N.Y. on Wed.
4 Eugene J Kahn - of Morgan Livermore Co. N.Y. - see Letter
to Niemeyer as to Loans for Austrian Provinces

22 TUESDAY [265—100]

10.30 Smith of Commonwealth Bk. 1. as to site in Moorgate St
2 as to Board or Com in London: I told him what
past. incl offer of Bradbury: If law altered I
would act as in case of Imp Bk of India: Lord
Forster wd. be good too 3. Bank rates here & elsewhere
4. I could take up money through him
11.30 Stanley - as to site in Moorgate St. EMH has note
12 Gordon Abbott. Letter fr Owen D Young: gossip
1. W Leaf & Schuster. Brokers complain that 3½ for Banks
money is too high: I say question does not affect me
but if Bkers dep rate were 1½ below BR, - then 3½
right: As it is I urge no ~~peak~~ other change than
Bankers Dep Rate (Also re Barclays Overseas Bk)
3 Imp Bk of India Comte. Hogg & Sitwell
5 Overseas Loan Com

23 WEDNESDAY [266—99]

630 - Ch/Ex -

Autumnal Equinox.

12 Committee of Treasury
Whitburn - privately sundry Credit questions
3 Dickson - Trade Corp - Polish Credits &c See his Letter
of 22nd. & notes of my answers thereon
3.3 E R Peacock & Travers & Aga - Armstrongs. Travers has a
Note
4 F H Nixon - Export Credits - I describe attitude (in general terms
& with no names) of Creditors: Refer him to Hy Bell
for information as to Bankers & short Credits. But whole
subject must go to Cabinet. He will write or come
again before doing anything
5 D'Abo "Trade Facilities Loan for Greece needs £500m
outside, wh Hambros are asked to provide. I say
all quite vague: he shd. go slow

24 THURSDAY [267—98]

11-30 Court of Directors

12 W H Ashton. general

1230 Johnstone of Bessler Wächter & Co. & Paget. who has a Note of what passed

315 Wade: much upset by low Discount rate $3\frac{1}{16}$ low Bkers Dep Rate $2\frac{1}{2}$ & fixed (high) rate for Bankers loans to market - $3\frac{1}{2}$. Signs of money Trust

345 P J Hope ? £2000^{m} acc. Credit for Chilean Gov^{t} repayable within 2 years. I say impossible. He sh^{d} try N.Y. very talkative

430 Sir Mark Sheldon. suddenly going back to Australia till 1926

530 Overseas Loan Cm

25 FRIDAY [268—97]

☽ First Quarter, 11.51 a.m.

1— Treasury Bills O.N.

3 Binder. may be going to Lithuania for Foundation Co N.Y. £50 m

4 Rae. asp to push Hy Sherwood & Co for a Disc A/c also to scorn Barclays & other oversea Bk affiliations

5 E R Peacock & Travers. Letter fr West^{r} Bk to Glyn Mills as to advance of £1280^{m} to Partington & guarantee of Armstrongs. Peak will ask Ray to hold his hand.

6. To St. Clere

26 SATURDAY [269—96]

S. R. 5.51; S. S. 5.51.

27 Sunday [270—95]

16th after Trinity.

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28 MONDAY [271—94]

10.30 O A Smith + EMH. as to borrowing £2 mil a day for him Thur Fri Mon Tues. Wed: weekly with option either side to call

12 Gen Mance. as to Funds of German Ry Co see Bruins Letter of 24th + my Letter to Niemeyer of 19th. – He is very anxious to help & will raise question again in favour of transfer to Reichsbank

1. W H Leese: ? Receivership ? wise for Nfdland Paper Co.

3 Sir Glyn West + AGA. fully as to Armstrongs + Nfdland

5 Frater Taylor + AGA. Queries 1 Its Finances + its security 2. Receiver yes or no. 3. Personnel in Nfdland 4. Home position to be Examined 5 New directors 2 or 3.

29 TUESDAY [272—93]

S. Michael & All Angels.
Michaelmas Day (Quarter Day).

10 Dr. Field

1145 Sir F Schuster 1. B Rate prospects + Bkers Dep Rate (1½ below?)
2 Embargo on For Loans: I wish to make it free again
3. Bk amalgamations – he agrees have gone far enough

1230 E R Peacock + Leese + Travers. Latter has note on Armstrongs.

Lunch 1 Tenders for 3½ Conversion Loan. OEN. (see below)

245 J P Morgan.

3 W H Leese – from Niemeyer. Question of Receivership for N.fdland Paper Co to be taken up by Leese with Linklaters + by us with Sainsbury, – not Treasury direct

330 Sir Austen Harris. confirms Pease's statement that on terms Lloyds wish to dispose of Indian + Egyptn Branches: but bonus in L.S. Am Bk shares to Lloyds sh'holders = nearly 2 yrs ord divd? + is dangerous He wd sooner sell the shares outright.

30 WEDNESDAY [273—92]

12 Committee of Treasury

3 Dufour General – x Poland. Do we here wish to buy the capital of Bk Polski? I say No (see my Letter to Schacht) but it is clear to Dufour that idea springs fr Sir Wm Goode now in Warsaw – for propaganda – ? a ballon d'essai? But we do wish to stabilise Poland & help B Polski

4 Aoki going to Berlin : Kengo Mori coming here on some months: Gold Standard probable but not certain in 1926 in Japan