O a Smith here

30 MONDAY [30—336]

12.30 J.A. Drexel : as to rates recently : gave memo to Paget as to his firms future

1. Rudolph Brandt : Losses reported which he entirely denies : I gave memo to Paget as to position

3. Meyerly. Duncan Smith. Read + Paget. All papers &c for new Auth Co ready for signature : Name to be agreed between the 2 firms & Co to be formed.

4 Lunch. payment to Lloyds under Guarantees as from Jan 1. ie. if paid later, with int from that date : Bank see Read

5 O A S. Strakosch Em H. see cable to Blackett

6.30 Ch at Treasury

31 TUESDAY [31—335]

The Insurance herein contained is not valid until your name has been registered.

11. Tetrole + H.A.S. as to Dutch position & prospects : Vissering better but seems permanently doubtful : Rate will wait

4 Memorial Service Sir M D Chalmers. Temple Church

FEB. 1 WEDNESDAY [32—334]

Pheasant and Partridge shooting end

12 Committee of Treasury

10 PM at No 10

Lunch Oatsmith.

Lunch 14.55 Sir Granville Ryrie (Australia)

3 Collins Do. financial Adviser + Ellis, who has Note about their Borrowing needs - between here + N.Y.

4 Needham - Glyns have told him today that "Time not opportune" for amalgamation : all figures satisfactory. He attributes this answer to psychology arising these weeks from public attitude towards Lancs Cotton : He feels more + more "isolation" of District Bank.

4.30 Oliver Hoare. Goldfields - Can London require settlement of Labour questions bet Mozambique + Pretoria before granting any Loan to Portugal - Issue No. League Loan.

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2 THURSDAY [33—333]
Candlemas (Scotch Quarter Day). Purification of B. V. M.

11·30 Court of Directors

1·30 Quarterly Meeting of London Clearing Banks.

12 ~~Wed~~ QRP+R. Eastern Tel Co + Marconi + Pacific Cable Bd - ac
3 RHM. After a month or two to shake down to 10c absorb another Midl Bk
3 15 Wyser - their 3 m. buying rate to be held c 4 7/8 - 3/16

4 Strakosch. see todays cable from to Mcneyer re N.Y.

Forbankes Boxing - Holborn tilk 11.15 pm

3 FRIDAY [34—332]

12 Sir Thos Heath - wants a Directorship. Bkrs Insurance Co.
1245 QR Peacock, same as yesterday, - but he has told C. Stewart + will tell Pender + Plender that Barings cannot conspire with members of Cable Conference to bring about general amalgam" of the 3 interests - the most desirable

Lunch 130 Dewey. from Warsaw - only casual meeting - he was hurried Sir R Hopkins for T. Bills but had long talks with Ch Secp.
245 Do + CL. an hour on amalgam". Excluding silver which is held over for later consideration.
4. Rosenkranz + Green of Danish N. Bk - generally on C Banking & close cooper": particularly as to selling for Bonds of new Landmandsbank - without Govt guarantee: (Sent to see Hambros)
5 Sarvarzy. see his letter of 2nd - & 2 memos attached to it

4 SATURDAY [35—331]
S.R. 7.36; S.S. 4.53.

10. Mooney. P.J.G. re QRP. 3rd - inst

11 Colegate. see my letter to QRP. as to Rob Heath. &c

Lunch Van Zeeland - (Siep has dealt with him)

4 W Patch at Lodge

5 Sunday [36—330]
Septuagesima. ○ *Full Moon, 8.11 p.m.*

12 30 - 6 O Aldis at Lodge

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6 MONDAY [37—329]

10. W.E., Treasury: Ironmongers & enquiry into Gregory's transactions = they, tho' give information willingly.? am to see them & invite them to do so

12 Sir M Hankey & P.J.G. at Treasury. Telly on Pacific Cable - Marconi - East.n Cables - &c as related to Conference under Sir J Gilmour & future. Former will act.

1.30 Eric & Olaf Hambro 1. think they, tho'. not have issued recent League Loan for Greece - with Enlargers. - (they agree bnt had old contract) 2 they, tho'. keep Londmanobank as much as possible (see Rosenkrantz on 3d.)

3 Galenco (see Letter of Jan 26 from M Bonham (grter) & Scip - who has role

3.30 of Bromley Martin. & Ironmonger & Co. good % bnt dead lies: will wait

4.30 a 7 dead week. at request of GBM. see my note for Sir W.J. & above. Perfectly open & straight & glad to oblige

7 TUESDAY [38—328]

10.30 Sir J Gilmour (Ch'man of Cable Comtee) & Hankey, both of whom had spoken with P.M. at Privy Council Office (See Hankey yesterday) Telly as to whole position: chance perhaps for Cable Comtee & brief about general amalgam.n of all Cable & Wireless interests here & in Dominions. & leave every thing to Gilmour & wash my hands (as agreed with R.o.E.R.P.)

2.45 Wigglesworth - general

3. John H Richardson. see his letter of Dec 20 - London Repres.n of Grace Nat Bk. - friendly call: quiet & hopeful

4 P Barker - as to replacing S Smith on various Boards in E Europe: Tsay a question mainly for anglo Int Bk but will consider Landesbank (Paris) & Cr. Anstalt Vienna

8 WEDNESDAY [39—327]

Half Quarter Day.

12 Committee of Treasury

3 John Hughes Smith. he will talk to Skakovsch further about Nelth Bk of S.A. - but only vaguely because he goes to N.Y. in mch for 2 months

3.45 Sir R Hopkins & C.S. - 2 hours on Note - amalgamations

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29 Days. **FEBRUARY, 1928.** FEB. 6 to 12.

9 THURSDAY [40—326]

11·30 Court of Directors

1215 Wtnly. he will go agst guarantee for Land Mge Bonds + will loyally push + accept Co. with Trustee Bonds + subsidy of £500 - as proposed in Hopkins memo.

Lunch 1 talker. much talk.

3 15 Wyse generals

4. Sir G May — tomorrow —

[H A S goes to Poland]

10 FRIDAY [41—325]

1215 Sir George May - ? to go + speak at Prudential Agents Dinner? I say - NO - thank you + he seems to understand

1 Wtnly: has agreed with Ch = no guar^tee : subsidy £750^m : Govt to underwrite first £5.000^m Bonds - He thinks 5 Banks sh^d + would take each £100^m Cap. in Land Mort^e Banks

130 Sir R Hopkins

245 Hugh Dennant. I explain. Land Mge Bk as above + he agrees provisionally to take £100^m Cap (B/E taking £200^m). Going away till Mch 20 - (see Beckett or Rae)

7 Civil Service Dinner

11 SATURDAY [42—324]

S.R. 7.24; S.S. 5.5.

10 Treasury - W.F. evidence for Ironmonger "Treasury Enquiry"

8. Barnes dramatic Soc

12 Sunday [43—323]

Sexagesima.

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13 MONDAY [44—322]
(Last Quarter, 7.5 p.m.

1130 Read 1. privately as to Cables & Marconi + Pacific Cable which were explained to Gilmour & nothing more to be done now. But? follow Peruvian Oil Co, or have a voting Trust?
2. Colegates letter of 9th & my note thereon

1230 Austin Harris - as to Evidence before Warren Fishers Com on Civil Service & Speculation. I give him memo of 14 points as to line of evidence & he is willing . also generally as to Russia

330 Sir Lawrence 1. Reasons for failure of Glyns + Dist to amalgamate - with were not disclosed to Needham (see Feb 1st) 2 Anglo. Int Bk: Le wishes OFN as Director of Landesbank Paris & Creditanstalt Vienna : also perhaps Anglo. Int London..

14 TUESDAY [45—321]
S. Valentine.

1045 G Bromley Martin - agrees to give evidence before Warren Fishers Com on Civil Service &c (See yesterday, Austin Harris)

12 AT Gaupold & EW H. as to Limit for Accumulative Dividends & privately as to future 1 memo 2 Com to Bk 3 Dennis Rogers

1245 Lde Rothschild - needs £3500m. good for Brazil. Mahon will try to arrange with Clegg - failing wh - London

3 Dewhurst 1. Manchester Bks = amalgam: plans remodeled 2. Cotton (Am Section) scheme mooted to consolidate mills on basis below 20/. per spindle + to give Bks securities in new Concern in place of advances (making Bks investors) Quite vague at present 3. Question raised as to his firms a/c here, wh Calterns will examine & settle

15 WEDNESDAY [46—320]
12 Committee of Treasury

3 Yamanouchi - affable but hopeless

330 E R Peacock - 1. Marconi Cables &c 2 Colegate &c

430 W.T.A.G. & E.W.H. Land mge Bks - Draft of method of procedure

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16 THURSDAY [47—319]

10. 11.30 Court of Directors
PM at 10 Downing St
1230 Arch^d Jamieson - future of H.S Lefevre & Co? + his future?

315 Wyse general + I agree with him warning given to those of disc mkt whose cont liab^s are excessive - according to Pagets List

345 Sermepons. N.Z maturing Bonds o/s £29 mil. 1 Nov 1929. To provide for his conversion + cash he will suggest, apl 28. to Conv. ?6 Cash
with wh I concur { Note Sen } Winter " 10 " —
Electron in 1929 probable) { Spring 29 10 - ?6

6. Cabinet Com^e on Cables Marconi - 2 Whitehall Gardens (then to Bed)

17 FRIDAY [48—318]
Candlemas Fire Insurance ceases.

Bed

18 SATURDAY [49—317]
S.R. 7.11; S.S. 5.18.

Bed

19 Sunday [50—316]
Quinquagesima.

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30 Days—Mar. 24.
60 Days—April 23.
90 Days—May 23.

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20 MONDAY [51—315]

Bed

21 TUESDAY [52—314]

Shrove Tuesday. ● *New Moon, 9.41 a.m.*

Bed

22 WEDNESDAY [53—313]

Ash Wednesday. Ramadân begins.

12 Committee of Treasury

Bed

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29 Days. **FEBRUARY, 1928.** FEB. 20 to 26.

23 THURSDAY [54—312]

11.30 Court of Directors

330 N.H.Q. E.M.H. Lond. Mge Bonds

24 FRIDAY [55—311]
S. Matthias.

1. Treas.y Bills Sir R Hopkins

4 J.W.B. Lease (just home from India) general

530. M.-10 & on to Chequers

25 SATURDAY [56—310]
S.R. 6.57. S.S. 5.31.

26 Sunday [57—309]
1st in Lent. Ember Week.

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up from Cheapers - **27** MONDAY [58—308]

12 ER Peacock / - ? AJ T. Taylor as Chman of Armstrongs & other things such as Colezate

3 AH Campbell (see 14th) 1. Future of 3 Issuing Brokers - Consider when RR has gone: impossible to do anything now. 2. Future of MMTC. Elly plus perhaps Priestley of Wedd Jefferson or Twining of Panmure GTC: both able & straight & reliable 3. Rates of Com to be charged to B/E by MMTC. apply to Com for leave for MMTC to charge any Com^{n}. on Govt. Stocks &c. Leave w^{d} be granted probably & as a confid^{al} arrang^{t} wh not raise question elsewhere

4 30 Colezate. Laurence thro his Letters of 9th & 25th: he sh^{d} go slow with idea of a new finance corp^{n}.

28 TUESDAY [59—307]
☽ *First Quarter, 3.21 a.m.*

Bed

29 WEDNESDAY [60—306]
Ember Day
12 Committee of Treasury