

30 Days—Mar. 6
60 Days—April 5
90 Days—May 5

FEBRUARY, 1937**2nd Month**

1 MONDAY (32—333)
Pheasant and Partridge Shooting end

11. am to Modge from S. Clare

2 TUESDAY (33—332)
*Purification of B.V.M. Candlemas
(Scottish Quarter Day)*

230 F.C.P. to give a lecture in Berlin May 8. Inform me for F.O. beforehand

3 WEDNESDAY (34—331)
(Last Quarter, 12.4 p.m.)

Committee of Treasury

b. Colville at H of C.

4 THURSDAY (35—330)

Court of Directors. Bankers' lunch

1. Cl. Bankers meeting + Lunch
2. Sir A. Worley, in answer to my letter Dec 23 + numerous later messages: this being first time he has since been in London - As to future of German Bd holders loan + its ownership, he promises to write within 5 or 6 days - I say, I wish to meet him directly after Basle [He is ill, difficult vacillating, & seems unfit for ^{business} thought or consecutive thought]
4. Goldsmith, Tritton + a.c.b.
5. GMB

6. Ch. Ex. at H. of C.

5 FRIDAY (36—329)

12. Wardington - arto for Mrs. Staudtill

4.30 Victoria for Basle + CFC

6 SATURDAY (37—328)

s.r. 7.31, s.s. 4.58

7 Sunday (38—327)

Quinquagesima

30 Days—Mar. 13
60 Days—April 12
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8 MONDAY (39—326)

Half-Quarter Day

Basle
Board meeting 10 am

Dined with Weisers

11 pm at Basle + CFC

9 TUESDAY (40—325)

Shrove Tuesday

4 pm arr Victoria

~~Goodfields Dinner at Savoy~~

10 WEDNESDAY (41—324)

Ash Wednesday

Committee of Treasury

230 Treas^y

315 Ch Ex at Treas^y

} as to 1. statement on Defence Borrowings tomorrow
2. Protest to Blum from F.O. as to exch + gold
control - thereby cancelling tripartite agreement

5 Addis - with cable to Grayburn, agreed by L-R + F.O. - on file

11 THURSDAY (42—323)

● New Moon, 7.34 a.m.

Court of Directors

- 230 L. Peppiat: as arranged in C.T. y day we discuss future of Freshfields. he will submit a draft letter, ref^d to Lees's letter of Dec^r 1929.
- 315 Essendon. R. Mail Lines. Nov. scheme for disposal of shares won't work. All shares to be freely marketed. see note of today.
- 4 Aubathnot. + Bull. See A. Latham's Bal Sheet of 31.12.36. ACB has note - pay no Div^d? Reserve 100% agst Hungarian + 50% agst German Standard, at least + be prepared to take some of latter + all of former up in cash.

630 Ch. Ex. al. N. 11 + R. H. + F. P. as to message to Blum about French dangers

12 FRIDAY (43—322)

- 12 Walter Nash - of N.Z. - & Jackson: an hour or more on his proposals to sell, inter alia, all his dairy products here year by year: they have been turned down by Runciman, Morrison + Macdonald.
- 130 Jenders Sir J. Phillips - then as to sale of Tithe stock, + quote as to receiving Exch^r + Govt. in answer to letter to R. H. of Dec 28: he takes a copy.
- 3 Soeling + Cripps - as to future policy: exp. Woodrow.
- 345 Vivian Smith + Hill Wood + a. c. k. 2 proposals for acc credits directly or indirectly on^g of Germany. - [They also show me a ridiculous letter fr J. W. to his son as to ridiculous talk + presumptions of Sir Geo Paish in N.Y.]
- 430 Catto - Q. na Realisation Co my note of Essendon's scheme is satisfactory. See Note of 12th for disposal of R. M. Lines shares.

13 SATURDAY (44—321)

s.r. 7.19, s.s. 5.10

1030 Walter Nash (see 12th) + Jackson till 12 or later

14 Sunday (45—320)

1st in Lent. Ember Week. S. Valentine

Vernon Malcolmson. 3 pm. Proleg

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15 MONDAY (46—319)

- 1030 L. Peppin & EMB. as to future arrange^{ts} with Nashfields (See 11th)
- 1115 Intro Rowe-Dutton (from Paris) + Sir F Phillips + H.A.S. full discussion re
Explanⁿ of dangers in Paris to Blum & Exch Gold flight
- 1215 Thomas Gament (junior) son of J.W.L. general talk
1. Henry Marks. Explaining S's still discussions in Berlin: reason for return here of
Brand & Liddbury: message today from H.S. re
- 245 F. Taylor, W.K.W. & R.B. (Fraser's letter 11th to E.S.) E.S. has note also for Treas^r + C/T
- 4 R.P. Pearson + R.G.C. see Jan 4. I show him minute of Cl. Bkers of 4th + our analysis
of prospectuses - rather reassuring, 2 we discuss Woodrow as
successor to Edg. He approves from hearsay: little personal
acquaintance. Will he rise to the occasion in a crisis?
- 445 Nashfields. Still stand: is hopeful Cl. Bkers will accept proposal in Schacht's
Tel. message today - & is sure of Acc. Houses

16 TUESDAY (47—318)

- 10 Miss S.
- 315 Goring, Cripps + Gendryne: how finance defence needs are? Choices discussed
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| { 2 1/2 5-6 years | c99 | 2.3.7 |
| { 2 1/2 7-8 " | q8 | 2.15.7 |

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17 WEDNESDAY (48—317)

Ember Day. Candlemas Fire Insurance ceases

Committee of Treasury

- 130 Besboroughs Lunch - generally as to successor to Reid re
- 315 E.H. Lever (till 4.45) as to German Com. Says he has virtually been Ch'man + certainly
the dynamic force. Therefore is willing to be Ch'man + knows
Worley wishes him as successor: So wishes to be Chairman unless
someone else will replace him + do all the work - provided
he has goodwill of Com. I promise my goodwill, if, when,
I will probably see members + he promises to work with
+ thro' me
- 5 L. Peppin. warn him to act for C.F.B. on Roumanian
- 530 R.H. Brande. Handbill in Germany after 10 days meeting of both Academies

18 THURSDAY (49—316)

D First Quarter, 3.50 a.m.

Court of Directors till 12.45

- 1.30 Sir Patrick Duncan (Gov Gen Elect of SA) Lunch + courtesy conversation
 4.30 Read - as to Sir Basil Mayhew for BBC via W.F. he sends me pencil note of qualities
 3.45 E.W. Harvey - I approve his joining P.O. Board - if it does not clash with Union Castle.
 3.15 H.H. Haskell, his letter 16th - he shows me letter for Baghdad Branch of 'air' as to loan
 £1.2 or 3 mil: he has promise of cooperation from Barclays. Write
 out a note (wh. he agrees) suggesting that Barclays approach him
 to avoid competition - Passed on by Gurnston to E.R.P.
 4. A.R. Wagg. Balisek. And will he give me objective synopsis of Film Industry - He
 will see if he can. (for H.G.W.)
 5. Portal and Gurnston

19 FRIDAY (50—315)

Ember Day

- 1.30 Tenders Sir R. Hopkins
 3. Bessborough: Poland default? do nothing, today, 2. German Com.
 3.45 Brig Gen Speer. hand up wants job. note with Johns
 5. C. Fabell: Beartmore with E.B. 2. Samuel's domestic bills + my note of 31/-
 given to Beartmore with A.C.B. 3. Industrial issues 4. S. S. Kell
 5. French Credit

6.30 to S. Clare

20 SATURDAY (51—314)

Ember Day

s.r. 7.5, s.s. 5.23

21 Sunday (52—313)

2nd in Lent

945 Lady K. at Leicester Corner 22 MONDAY (53—312)

1130 Scott-Burnett and Gallop (senior partners in Freshfields) + B.C. as to Peppitt as successor to Leese and Sol^r to the Bk - with assistance fr other partners. All happy

1230 Rich Guinness (see Lever 17th) in principle objects to Lever as Ch'man German Com: favours Bessborough. But after full explain^g to me he will agree to any arrange^{ts}. I may make

245 Clifford Johnstone. Same sentiments as Guinness but thinks a compromise is essential + urgent and welcomes formula of today

430 E.H. Lever (see 17th) after discussion with Bessborough, Guinness + C. Johnstone I give him formula for containing German B'holders Com under his Ch'manship. He will write.

945 Lady K.

23 TUESDAY (54—311)

12 Sir Guy Grand leaves his Bal Sheet (to A.C.B.)

3 E.C. Brown + R. Leigh Wood. leaves Bal Sheet 31.12.36. (given to A.C.B.)

7 Apothecaries Guild Dinner. Gibbons is Pres M.O. & Master this year

24 WEDNESDAY (55—310)

S. Matthias

Committee of Treasury

1030 Eliot Butler questions for Bessborough privately about Wyatt.

1115 C. F. Wigham (Failing Vivian) Leith Ross of 16th as to Floods to Geneva

1.15 A.R.D. proposed plant at farrow to cost £2500.

3 Ralph Dundas (his letter 16th) explains need for letter & promise him to Sir Donald Banks, as already arranged with the latter

3.15 F.C. Woodrow. 3/4 hour talk as to his past: present & future. I agree to accept him as succ^r to Goring as Govt Broker with copies

4 A.R. Waffor & Gnanro. incl to my letter of 22. Gen discussion: avoid risk of publicity, or good guessing: make report as prelim^l on safe grounds & leave dangerous items over for considⁿ later (Films)

25 THURSDAY (56—309)

○ Full Moon, 7.43 a.m.

Court of Directors

230 E.L.H.

315 Tritton Bate & Co. general

345 Nigel Campbell. 2 pass to him - qua B.I.D. - the Examⁿ of Proposals at Larrow incl plant & finance to be provided: He sh^d consult with C.B.G. (to write today to A.R.D.)

5 Paul von Schurabach (junior) at request of his father on Jan 7: courtesy

26 FRIDAY (57—308)

1130 Elderton. as member of German Roudholkers Com agrees to formula for Levers Chmanship: indeed welcomes it

12 A.A. Jamieson as Ch'man of Vickers: good talk: promise cooperation: he assures me of a clean armament business:

1. R.B. Pearson at his request suggests S. & Co. sh^d have a Charter: Ch'man sh^d be a member but app^t for several years & if required paid a salary - with right to return to his firm later but no need to draw profits meanwhile

130 Tinders & I Phillips. Agree to approach Lewis of Com Union as witness re Coal Royalties

3 Lloyd. I agree to suggest to Shaw Esendon ERPne support for Sea Cadets - as Ch has me to attend meeting & support it

4 Portal. Larrow. I explain I have passed scheme for study to B.I.D. via N.C.C. & C.B.G. & have so informed A.R.D. - He wants HONOURS for F.Hodges.

8 B.K. Dramatic Society

S. Cripps onto Mullens & Co

27 SATURDAY (58—307)

s.r. 6.51, s.s. 5.36

10 Lady K

28 Sunday (59—306)

3rd in Lent