

up 9.10 + JL

30 MONDAY [334-31]
St. Andrew

- 10.30 CF Campbell agenda 4 for CE Bhera on Thurs. their attitude towards IUC + BOG; unwilling to meet ^{directly or} indirectly
- 11.15 Ch Ex No 11. Depart. Thurs last. IUC + BOG: wish to go beyond Kennet Report. will see CFC + EF.
- 2.30 Babel Smith ① will say later his position on acc Uses Com as he is Director of N.P. [CFC objects to his continuing Chairman] ② Shell wish to increase holding in R. Dutch from 40 to 51%. Will bring fodder to explain. wishes me to urge HMq. who in private say I am willing to do. very secret.
- 3.15 CF Campbell + BGC. we go to Ch Ex tomorrow 10.30 + Efisher to discuss CE Bhera attitude towards claims of IUC for BOG. in connection with Kennet Report
- 4.30 Rennell. Advise him to go back to work in Africa or wherever War office wish.
- 5.30 ES + BGC

not to moon about hereDonald Somerville + BGC
Sleep in Pk.

1 DEC TUESDAY [335-30]

- 10.10 CF Campbell + Efisher go with me to Ch Ex as Treas^r. who gives 1/2 hours lecture + warning in favour of consultⁿ with BOG + their Staff as^m. He says alternative is an order: no sympathy for them in Cabinet or H. of C.
- 12 Rich^d Summers, Rollason + ES. Production; N area. ES has note
- 2.30 RB Pearson + BGC. we advise RBP to approach Belisha indirectly, asking him to intervene with Carreras to put an end to quarrelling among Directors. Carreras have to come officially to Sla Com

4 Bk Com + JL

12th Month

DECEMBER 1942

NOV 30 to DEC 3

2 WEDNESDAY [336-29]

9. up + H and R

Committee of Treasury

1030 Crawford + E.S. If he wants help & advice (Wigan C + Don) as to liquidation or any other matter, were at his service

130 Sir Bertram Hornsley. Lunch

3 Treas^y Eady. ① Transport Invest^t ② WkCC - Macdonald & other new business

415 Ld. Weir. Park St. We need an Employers Organ: as in J.U.C. : Coal no longer a cheap Export; not shipable : We need a new charter for Management: new attitude of Labour.

Sup with Ekm
Sleep in Bank

3 THURSDAY [337-28]

Court of Directors

10 Eady telephones that Helyar tried to raise B.O.G. at 1922 (GWS: not allowed)

12 ERP. (+WKEW) ① Exec Dir. to CJ ② Sanderson for F.C.J. in April

1230 J.H. Hambro + C.F.C. WkCC. Eastern Bk: Ottoman Bk: IRAQ: all serene so far as he is concerned

230 Ellen Oliver M-S and A.C.B.

3 Bicester ① leaves suggestion for reduction of Cap to £1500. now under consideration by JPMB. Note given to A.C.B.

② Complaints about Francis, restless: hopes he will go to Court and be full time post-war: suddenly some friction: has F. been sacked by W.O.? ③ tells at length story of Cunningham + P.M.

4 Bk Car down + Thomson

4 FRIDAY [338-27]

9. AK Car up + 2L

1030 Michael Impey: his mother important: entitled to repayment of India 3½. How to sign? note with M.H.P

12 Ch Ex. No 11. Campbell's letter 3°. I telephone him A or B at his letter to Berin Dalton (2) Blanderson vice J.C.J. no objection (3) UKCC. I object to Masdianis wishing my OK before he becomes a Director. I say Ch should not have invited him - He will consider

130 Jendew Sir W Eady. then with B.G.C (1) U.K.C. (2) UKCC.

315 F.A. Bates. 1/2 hour only. General: I give him copy of suggestions for Board of Nov 1942

345 C.F. Campbell & E. Fisher: we discuss ^{at length} their letter of today, of wh I say 3° para is ill judged. Met to Ch who agrees to hold over question till Monday & then to see C.F.C. They agree carefully my letter to Ch Ex

6. Liverpool SE down alone

5 SATURDAY [339-26]

6 SUNDAY [340-25]
2 in Advent

at 910 train up alone

7 MONDAY [341-24]

11. Claude Serocold

1230 CFC (Campbell) after an hour with Ch. & out of which a compromise emerges
 "marked to Mr. Proctor" - wh. CFC refers to some Bankers.
 They refuse to accept it except as defined in note
 fr CFC to Ch. by telephone

3. Bertram Abel Smith + Godbet (see Nov 30) We discuss increase of shell
 holding in Group: then consider further 10% essential for Imperial
 reasons: wh. to be presented to Mr. Ordean wh. I say is unwise
 at present. Agree to take advice of R.H. as to when + how

5. ES-BQC.

Sup with Edith: sleep here

8 TUESDAY [342-23]

11. E.C. Brown. Firm's position: I say lack of Cap: He says def^t liabilities are
 in effect Cap: we differ: He is angry & hurt & inclined
 to threaten. I discuss his figures & attitude fully with actg

1. Lloyd to Lunch with Pullbrook + the Com^{tee} + to hear of his recent
 mission to Wash^g + how he achieved some success - due
 he says to cable 6573 Oct 28, sent at my request
 thro' FO. to Embassy [see File am business of Lloyd]

3. H.A.L. to complain about treatment of O.B. by Eastern Bk in Wash: he
 reads copy of my letter to Joseph Sept 23 + my spec. note
 to CFC of Dec 1. He is "entirely satisfied"

4. Joyce Cox + H.

9 WEDNESDAY [343-22]

abg. up + H.

Committee of Treasury

1030 C.F. Campbell ① Discussions with Ch + Cl about B.O.G.
 ② UKCC? arguing to be Director. I say not
 advisable for him - not fair. But I don't
 intervene

2445 Treas: Eady ① Take by stealth ⁴ drafts of letters to be written by Ch to
 to CFC. Council or Staffs. BOG + Citrine - to be
 shown secretly to CFC ② UKCC. He says I am
 "fastidious" about Directors. I say that's what I
 ought to be

33 " Sir RH. I present for advice as to when & how the request
 of Abel Smith & Godber on 7th. He will consider
 & let me know

445 CF Campbell. He reads drafts (above) + will try to get agreement:
except that he requires Atkins Report on Abis? Com

540 tel^o to Eady

H. with FR. Mayfair 1 pm
 sleeps with Elizabeth

Sleep in Bk: sup with O.E.T.

10 THURSDAY [344-21]

Court of Directors

1230 WKN. B.G. + E.S. Wigan C & L Co: Crawford: LSC Shares price etc

330 T.L.

4 Bk Carr down + H + R

12th Month

DECEMBER 1942

DEC 9 to 13

11 FRIDAY [345-20]
Accession of King George VI (1936)

9 at alone up.

10 H. Park Hotel to see RHM: ill for 6 months: and Nell

1130 A C Macdiarmid - I advise him (with knowledge of L Fraser) not to join Board of H KCC. Tell him in secret that I recommend E H Jewer: We discuss Midland Group wh he says is in fact Regionalisation, as recommended by me in 1926. He will come again + discuss, as so far I only admit having heard of Summer.

120 Jensen in W Lady's then with BQC.

315 G Nickers an hour's general jaw

6. Pool St down done

12 SATURDAY [346-19]

13 SUNDAY [347-18]
3 in Advent. Ember Week

ab 910 train + JR

14 MONDAY [348-17]
King George VI born, 1895

1030 Tel. Lever at Clavidges, asking him to accept Directorship of
UKCC if offered by Ch Ex: agreed with Frank.

12 Sir W Goschen: wants a new Director to be Chairman of Union Dis. Co
I demur to Kenneth - age 63 - old to begin: Ref. to a.c.b.
for another name or trust to chance as they are.

1 Catto, lunch: cancelled: in bed.

230 J. James + E.S. Midland Group

340 C.F. Campbell. Fin News of 11th. Observer of 13th. As he is anti Reduction in
BR + pro. present method of computing EPJ for
BRs, he wd. induce Hely Hutchinson to speak in debate
in H of C on Wed. He agrees to do so tomorrow.

4 BK Car down + JR

15 TUESDAY [349-16]

ab 9 BK Car up + JR

10. Plodge: army hair cut

12. E.H. Lever He agrees to join Bd of UKCC - subject to Joseph + Hamilton's
Welcome - on my promise of some time free from
Thomas as he is "conscripted" by Ch Ex

3 Gordon Memorial College. Sunday offices: Cromer in Chair.

515 E.B. & C

730 Ret House
Sleep in Bath

16 WEDNESDAY [350-15]

Committee of Treasury

- 11 Vivian - Bicester - ① Debenham £2 ex/2750: 4th 101½. 7/8 ② Suggestion to reduce Cap + partly repay JPMTC (to please FRB) accepted ③ Offered thro 3rd party, to amalgamate with Cullth plus marks! I say too hot ④ We discuss FR + agree he's a Guthrie danger!
- 120 Sir John Keane of B of Ireland. Lunch + movement no business
- 3 H. A. See my letter (dated 15th) to J. C. I as to sale of 1500 O B shares held by Bruno's estate

4 BK Car + H & R

ab 8.45 with Joyce: H

17 THURSDAY [351-14]

Court of Directors

1215 Kindersley. Future of War Savings: bad cult: now: North Cortive: due to End of war sentiment

1. P. A. C. Central mining serious & threatening: also Leased, but no proving: wants 3 Directors [a.g. H. G. Jarvis] but first Examⁿ by Ch. Acts for Savings.

- 4 By agreement with Edy I ask Cornwall to tell C.F.C that he is free to go away tomorrow for a week or so.

[10 H has interview with Man of Labour woman in Westminster]

H sleeps at Lodge

Sleeps in BK
745 Sup with G. L. & H. C.

18 FRIDAY [352-13]

To 10.15 Euston to Synnery

930 A.R.D. B.C. & E.S. till 1045. Midland Group: definite advice

11 J.L. C.F.C. to go away & stay over Xmas: ignoring claims of J.W.C.
v Cl. Bkers: for the present (he is seedy) See gth

12 W.K.W. & E.S. Crawford & P.H. Shares.

1230 Oliver Hoare. see green Note as to his Employment

1. Catto ① H.J.W. ② Rufus. Cl. Bks. say No ③ M.H.G. Pref. say 4 not
4½%130 Keynes China Fund. Disatisfied as Head. I say Luke sh. succeed him.
Eady ① Reciprocal Aid: I protest at his Letter: he will examine & report
② Harmer to go elsewhere: I protest3 Sir Ch. Bullock & G.L.B. about \$4000 for Mining Engineers in N.Y.
held up on % of Ent. permit. G.L.B. will enquire & I
will write to C.B. next week, yes or no.

6. Liverpool St down alone

19 SATURDAY [353-12]

20 SUNDAY [354-11]
4 in Advent

at 840 Borebone

21 MONDAY [355-10]
St. Thomas
Michaelmas Law Sittings end

at Dyneley

1130 AC MacDiarmid & EB. till 1pm on (or agst) proposals by Summers for Sewel?

to air the James. MacD & B-Jones = EB has note.

130 Sir Arch Clark there (via OER) Amb^{er} to Moscow - Lunch

- 3 No 11 Chbx (1) Elfrigg: private appeal, no publicity (see Oct 6) (2) Succ^r to Oliver Stanley on Savings Com (Miss Conquest's m^r Hamilton) (3) CE Bks + J.U.S. Letters sent to CFC re: can wait till after Xmas (4) UK CC. Lever & Angus (Campbell seem enough new blood

530 Bq CES

Sup with Rube
Sleep in BK

945 D.F. 10 minutes

22 TUESDAY [356-9]

- 12 Tel to Cutting, Sec of CFC Campbell, that Letter of 19th fr Chbx as to implementing Kennel Report, c^d be held over till Tues 29. when CFC is due back at N.P. Bks

- 1 R.H. Brand, temp^r from Washⁿ. Lunch & amb^{er}

3. Jarvis & ACB. proposals to Ryder Parker & Co. He goes to get Ellen's reaction & advice

4 Bk for brown + R

ab q. Ba Car up + R

23 WEDNESDAY [357-8]

Flat Synelley

Committee of Treasury

1030 Sir Wilfred Eady - by telephone ^① - Gold to Egypt. He agrees to take no early decision: to hear Casey again & to await news after his arrival back in Cairo. I am to soft pedal CFC ^② W^m Hamilton for Rull as luc' to Stanley. ^③ Scotsman on Monday to see me about Scots B.O.G. - his letter 22^d.

1115 Jamie TACB. brings strong & satisfactory letter approving Ryder plans for Ellen. We therefore commend his scheme

3 Gammon for L^d Mayor - appeal by Amery, John Anderson, & is for Bengal Cycloce Disaster - not Mansion House Fund but C^p L Mayor count on B's support if he cooperated in appeal. See my letter to CFC, dated 28th.

to Lpool St house

24 THURSDAY [358-7]

Court of Directors

Bed

all

day

25 FRIDAY [359-6]
Christmas Day. Quarter Day

Bed all day

26 SATURDAY [360-5]
Boxing Day. Bank Holiday
St. Stephen

27 SUNDAY [361-4]
1 after Christmas
St. John, Evang.

28 MONDAY [362-3]
Innocents' Day

840: Monogook to Brexorne

H from Dynaley and
430 from Lpool St

1030 J D Crawford. (Col Scotland) came at my request as Chairman S. Bk managers - I asked him to make arrangements to follow out Kenneth Regot - Lady's letter 22nd. I give him privately copies of Ch 19 to CFC and of Proctor 19th to BOC and Central Council. CFC + Lidlows are away. I arrange for him to see Cutting: To Edinburgh tonight [S. Council of Bk staff assⁿ is being formed]

3 Treas^r Sir RH (see qst) We discuss when + how Shell can attempt to obtain an Extra 10 or 15% participation in all Holdings of R Dutch Shell group (making 50 or 51%). He says moment is not opportune but see my Note of today

Sup with BGC
Sleep in Bank

29 TUESDAY [363-2]

1030 J & James Crawford & EBS: long discussion about Wigan C^{ty} Co its liquidation, + distribution: Eventually all 3 go off to see Ernest Roney, as I arrange by Phone

1230 E Fisher. My letter 23rd to C.F.C. He answers that Big 5 are good for £500 each + no more as not a mansion House Fund. (If a mansion H. appeal at least £1000)

130 Crawford James Lunch and then with EBS on "midlands area" till 3.20

4 ish Bk let down + R.

30 WEDNESDAY [364-1]

at 9. with Joyce + JL

Committee of Treasury

1030 Michael Impey: his Mother's Stocks reg'd here, as she is impotent.

See Green Note of today. promising NO help

230 Hugo Cunliffe Owen. Cripps raising Cain in Aircraft: ignoring management: relying on "Communists": considering putting a Czar into every factory:

Very threatening: what shall he do pro bono? B. Bracken?

I say not trustworthy. I suggest he takes advice of Oliver L.

He will do so as he knows him intimately.

345 R. B. Pearson. invited by Alexander of Baltic to meet B. Bracken: accepted:

Expects request to sign City manifesto drawn up by Bishop:

intends to refuse. I say Bishop coming here: ? relations

with Arch. Bish. I telephone C.F.C. + we agree to act

together. I send him copy of manifesto

Sup at Red House 730

Sleep in Bank: JL in Ldn

31 THURSDAY [365-0]

Court of Directors

1030 R. B. Pearson. Returns manifesto from last evening. He will invite
Pulbrook to join anti-Bishop party making 4

1. Catto

130 Leaders ~~in~~ Sir W. Lady ① Reciprocal Aid: no values: he agrees &
holds up his fingers: agreed note given to C.F.C. ② Gold
for Stg area. I complain of Wake's letter to C.F.C. +
to Ruckel. He will examine + stand firm3. Seccombe. He feels OK for war: Marshall adequate 1942 but likely to go
after war: Campaign a willing machine: I relies on his 2 Boys for future

330 Happy New Year to Ann with a telephonist

415 Bk Car + JL