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PRIME MINISTER

1. In the context of John Peyton and Peter Thomas, we have discussed the factors involved in having a By-Election shortly after a General Election.
2. There are the following precedents:-
  - (a) Freddie Erroll, John Morrison and Evelyn Emmett, all on 1st December 1964.
  - (b) Rab Butler, 31st January 1965.
  - (c) Aubrey Jones, 17th March 1965 (Prices and Incomes Board!)
  - (d) Quintin Hailsham and Elwyn Jones (20th June 1970 and 5th March 1974, respectively).
  - (e) Robert Carr, 18th December 1975.
  - (f) Harold Lever, June 1979.

29th June, 1979

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