

Friday
1 October 1976

... Conversation Margaret 19 Flood St. Has been approached by Brian Walden purporting to speak for 12. If we would put down motion of censure he might vote with us. But how about those who join *[him]*? ?HL (but PM might not approve list) ... © fvs
[?favours] ?Conservative seats at General Election. We both agreed no bargain though this sort of thing is just what we want. Obviously if such a revolt was successful we should be dealing with extremely important person.

We both agreed we need to broaden our base. Said she must from now on appear not as Opposition Leader but as alternative PM. Discussed lines of her speech next week. ...

10 Oct 76 Service Westminster Abbey. L.C.'s breakfast. Des: Ackner
sugg^d: order for susp: sentence cd be provide f: a short
prelim^y: period say 1 month in prison. Based this on conoⁿ:
w: prisoner in? W's worth? of wh: he told me.

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Race Relations 3d. Wd no support Joan Vickers
or Lady Seear. No division

Yesterday: Charles' Christening. Jezine little
service. Francie & Tig: provided Tport.

Re convn: w M.P. 12 rn ny. Scot Nats &
? UU mayb bought w dij.