



HOUSE OF LORDS,
S.W.1.

Monday 28th June

10.00 Swear in Judge Hinchliffe
10.30 Solicitor-General (I.R. Bill)
& officials.
2.30 HOUSE
I.R. - Report

Simonds died today. About 90. Appointed by my father 1937 - A great Chancery judge. A strong and discerning Lord Chancellor - Strong and decisive mind. His political opinions surprisingly definite and clear cut in one who had risen to the Woolsack from the Judiciary and not through Parliament. His legal mind clear cut - Conservative in cast - Leaves a widow - Probably qualified for tributes in the House - must prepare these, as they sh^d: perhaps be delivered by me rather than Jellicoe. Wykehamist, Warden of Winchester - leaves widow

→ Agreed to accept Gardiner's "knowingly" adm'ts.
Not really good law, but in the end immaterial and may reduce debating time on report.

→ Loss of his two sons borne with fortitude & dignity (one killed in action)

Letter from EBS Stamp in reply to mine of condolence. Can he go to Rhodesia. Regrettably no - Consulted F.O.