

Part of the new film offices at 12 Palace Street, London. On the right is a Vedette, equipment for checking the quality of films at speed or frame by frame. In the past year copies of 17 different films have been sent out from these offices to 28 countries. During this time three new documentaries have been produced, also the Portuguese versions of three films for Brazil.

Tirley Garth developed as industrial sessions continue

THE CHAIRMAN of a nationally known shipbuilding company sat side by side with a Boilermakers' Society branch secretary and talked about how to make their industry viable, and how to turn out quality ships at the right price and on delivery date.

Shop floor union officials from British Leyland, Vauxhalls and Rolls-Royce told their colleagues in other industries about their plans for a 'working dinner', gathering management and men from some of Britain's main car manufacturing plants to take part in a discussion on the theme of 'If the many problems facing the car manufacturer in the seventies are to be solved, the best thinking from all levels within the industry will be needed'.

A union branch official in the Society of Post Office Executives described his series of proposals made to the Post Office management for eliminating waste and inefficiency, for the utilising and recycling of surplus and recoverable stores, as a contribution towards meeting the estimated deficit of £600 million which the GPO expects next year.

His conviction was matched by a

senior executive from the City of London, with a lifetime of experience in the maritime industry, who said that management needed as fundamental a re-orientation of motive as any difficult extremist.

These were some of many useful exchanges at a conference last week at Tirley Garth, the MRA training and conference centre in Cheshire.

It was one of a series concerned with industry held at regular intervals. At each weekend conference, specific issues from different industries are discussed and plans made so that all can assist in solving each other's problems.

Training facilities

Tirley Garth is a beautiful home as well as a centre. It is set in thirty-nine acres. Wooden bungalows are tucked away among the trees of the estate, providing extra accommodation with a total of a hundred and twenty-five beds. The gardens are renowned and bring visitors in their thousands at peak periods. Alongside them are highly productive acres set aside for growing produce for the kitchen.

It is not only industrial men who come to this centre.

This week clergy of varying denominations converged on Tirley Garth from various counties to seek God's direction for the enlivening of their ministry. Next week, young people—students and apprentices—come in to plan for an Easter conference to be held in Edinburgh. The teachers are often in conference there. At other times, civic leaders gather to learn from each other and from those from industry about how local government can be made most

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NEW WORLD NEWS

FOR MORAL RE-ARMAMENT



'45' to be sold

THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT of Moral Re-Armament has decided to sell 45 Berkeley Square which has formed part of its London headquarters since 1938.

This was announced yesterday.

This decision is a step in a considered programme, carried out over a number of years, to provide the most effective premises to service MRA's Christian work in this country and abroad.

In recent years the freehold site at the Westminster Theatre in Palace Street, London, SW1, has been developed by extensive new building to provide a modern centre with theatre, cinema, conference rooms, restaurant and administrative facilities under one roof.

In the same period the literature department has been moved from leasehold offices in the West End to freehold property in Wandsworth.

This is in accordance with a general policy of moving into freehold premises out of leasehold properties which were originally inexpensive to buy and economical to run, but which, in the light of changing property values, are no longer appropriate to present-day needs.

During this same period the northern centre at Tirley Garth, Tarporley, in Cheshire has also been developed for conferences and training purposes.

The long lease of 45 Berkeley Square was originally acquired in 1938. The property was equipped and has been run

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Peace comes second

A FORTNIGHT AGO in Belfast and Dublin thousands stood in pouring rain to demonstrate their desire for a permanent cease-fire.

The hearts of millions in England and Ireland, in the mid-East and Vietnam hunger for peace. People want an end to the surfeit of suffering, to the inconveniences of conflict. They long to be able to walk the streets and shop without the need to have every handbag searched.

Through the centuries men have come to regard peace as one of the pinnacles of achievement—and have crowned its pursuers with high honours. But could it be that in pursuing peace we are pursuing the wrong thing? That we have our priorities mixed? And is this why peace is so hard to come by?

Christ did rate the peacemakers as children of God. But He also firmly declared that He came to bring not peace but a sword. In His life-time He grasped the double-edged blade of Truth and smote evil hip and thigh wherever it presented itself. That is why He was murdered. Peace to Him was an aim second to that of putting evil to rout.

Theodore Roosevelt, one time President of the USA, was considered by some as the greatest teacher of the

essentials of popular self-government the world has ever known. Herman Hagedorn has written a book on Teddy Roosevelt called *The Free Citizen*. He quotes Roosevelt:

'Our chief usefulness to humanity rests on our combining power with high purpose. Power undirected by high purpose spells calamity; and high purpose by itself is utterly useless if the power to put it into effect is lacking. The greatest end in view is righteousness, justice as between man and man, nation and nation, the chance to lead our lives on a somewhat higher level, with a broader spirit of brotherly goodwill, one for another...'

'There are no men more ignoble or more foolish, no men whose actions are fraught with greater possibility of mischief to their country and to mankind than those who exalt unrighteous peace as better than righteousness. Every peace body, whether religious or humanitarian, philosophic or political; and all advocates of peace whether in public or private life, work nothing but mischief... unless they put righteousness first and peace next...'

'Peace is not the end. Righteousness is the end... and peace a means to the end... The question must not be merely, is there to be peace or war? The question must be, is the right to prevail? Are the great laws of righteousness once more to be fulfilled? And the answer from a strong and virile people must be "yes", whatever the cost... A just war is in the long run far better for a

nation's soul than the most prosperous peace obtained by acquiescence in wrong or injustice.

'The men who have really helped onward the movement for peace have been those who followed, even though afar off, in the footsteps of Washington, Lincoln, and stood for righteousness as the supreme end of national life. I put peace very high as an agent for bringing about righteousness. But if I must choose between righteousness and peace I choose righteousness.'

No substitute

Cease-fires are to be accepted with thankfulness—provided they do not make us believe that the troubles are over. A cease-fire is no substitute for the fundamental honesty, the compassionate hard work of admitting the wrongs and putting them right; the wrongs which brought on the hostilities in the first place.

In this, the highest of all pursuits, everyone has an immediate part—whatever his station, or on whatever side the barricades he finds himself. That is—everyone who grasps the Sword of Truth and allows it to illumine his own spirit and society and wields it fearlessly.

'Peace,' said Frank Buchman, 'is not just an idea, it is people becoming different.' This is a truth the people of England, Ireland and the Mid-East never more needed to apply than now.

PAUL CAMPBELL

In the wake of the cyclone

Inspired by the courage and spirit of the people of Darwin: An expression of hope and purpose for Australia's future from those attending an MRA conference in Queensland.

THE PEOPLE OF DARWIN have shown Australia and the world the unbeatable qualities in the human spirit.

The selfish and the callous have been rebuffed.

Throughout Australia the wave of compassion, care and willing service has nailed the lie that materialism has a death-grip upon us that cannot be broken.

Many who were being lured into a mood of despair because of fear and greed in our industrial, economic and social life, have enlisted in constructive care for Darwin's people.

A hurricane of hope has come in the wake of the cyclone.

Democracy—the genuine article, is be-

ing reborn when people out of compassion and a desire to help, take voluntary action, immediate and wholehearted.

Who asks: 'What am I getting out of it?' Such selfish reaction is unthinkable and traitorous in a tragic human situation as Darwin.

Yet with our whole society threatened by cyclones of selfishness we seem to ignore the warning signals.

Sir Robert Menzies, going deeper than politics, called for a great mood of unselfishness throughout Australia.

Dr Cairns, Mr Crean and other national figures of all parties state that the answer to inflation and unemployment can be won only with the total cooperation and participation of every Australian.

Does the spirit of all-out national effort for Darwin hold the will and the way to solve Australia's problems?

Will this present mood of unselfishness have the momentum to carry into every corner of our lives and land to make a new Australia?

Why not? 'Love one another' has been shown as a practical policy mobilising an entire nation to help a people in need.

It is not just a pious phrase but a militant command from a man whose family's only shelter was a stable the night he was born. He knew from his family's experience that housing the

homeless and feeding the hungry could not be done without a burning compassion in the human heart.

This is the challenge of Darwin to every Australian. The comradeship and care shown by the whole nation can become the normal for everyday life.

Will each one of us face what it takes? It will come, not by chance, but by change. It is a revolution of the heart and mind that Christ makes possible. We can decide to either sacrifice our selfishness for our nation, or to sacrifice our nation to our selfishness.

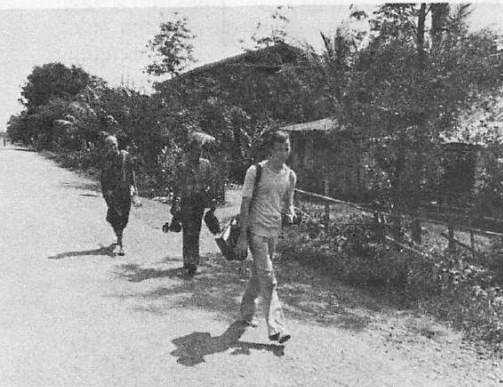
Could we each consider where in our individual lives we need to deal with selfishness, in our homes, family life, at work, in business, industry and government—and then go all out together to build a new Australia—Fair for all.

We can make a new Australia where our gratitude for its God-given resources allows their use for the benefit of all Australians and for mankind. A land where there is work, food, sound homes and a satisfying purpose for every man, woman and child.

It will hold out a personal and national destiny for each individual, that includes everyone and excludes no one.

It will be an Australia that will maintain the Spirit of God arising out of Darwin as a symbol of hope and a passionate motive of action for the whole world.

'The Smile of the Apsara' released



Filming 'The Smile of the Apsara': Sound recordist Ian Corcoran and cameraman Ajit Patel accompanied by Buddhist monk Pra Nyenadharo walk through the town of Sayabouri in Western Laos.

MRA PRODUCTIONS announce the release of a new documentary film *The Smile of the Apsara*.

In 1974 after over 20 years of war a fragile peace came to the landlocked Kingdom of Laos in South East Asia. For the third time opposing leaders formed last year a coalition government.

Against this background the film describes the visit to Laos of 50 young Asians with their musical production *Song of Asia*. They come from countries as diverse as Papua New Guinea, Australia, India, the Philippines, Turkey and Japan.

They raise the question: 'How to break the chain of hate' and 'Is forgiveness more powerful than revenge?' and speak convincingly of their hopes for the future.

Rajmohan Gandhi calls on the people of Laos to find unity, honesty and justice for the sake of the whole of Asia.

NEW 16mm FILMS

THE SMILE OF THE APSARA
30 minutes £90

CROSS ROAD
The growth and outreach of MRA
70 minutes £250

BELFAST REPORT
35 minutes £100

WHAT ARE YOU LIVING FOR?
Tomorrow's generation discover a purpose for the run up to the year 2000
20 minutes £75

These films can be bought or hired from MRA Productions

at a glance

● AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE of Moral Re-Armament for students and young working people will be held in Edinburgh from 31 March to 4 April.

The Scottish organisers are issuing an invitation 'to all who feel the necessity for radical change, to find out how to:

- Face up to the present situation in our society and make it our responsibility.

- Change our own motives, and the way we live, to answer the problems in our countries.

- Equip those who care to become life-changers.

- Find the commitment, the sacrifice and the unselfishness needed to turn theory into practice.

- Build a team who will consider the needs and destiny of countries and continents such as Asia, South Africa and North America.'

Conference Secretary is Dr Valerie Gross, 106 Spottiswoode Street, Edinburgh EH9 1BY.

● 12,150 CHILDREN from 186 schools in the Greater London and Home Counties area booked for the 'Day of London Theatre' educational programme at the Westminster Theatre during the run of *Give a Dog a Bone* which ends tomorrow.

Some parties left home at 6.30 am. Some children were up at 5.30 for what one described as 'the day of our lives'. 'We have no official school motto,' writes the mistress in charge of one party from one school which also sent a group last year, 'but "I care" certainly seems to be the unofficial one now. Last term the children raised over £200 for the

National Children's Homes and their Christmas concert raised £40 for mentally handicapped children.'

Teachers' reactions to the educational content of the morning introduction to the techniques of stage production has been enthusiastic. 'Stimulating and informative,' wrote a London school. The headmistress of a Sevenoaks school wrote, 'A very worthwhile day. One member of staff said it was "money well spent". Time was sensibly organised and the material presented very interesting. We hope to send other children in the future.'

'Thank you for a wonderful day at your theatre,' wrote a Romford schoolboy, aged 9. 'I thought *Give a Dog a Bone* was very funny. (IT WAS BETTER THAN DOING LESSONS!!)'

● BRITAIN 2000, the multi-racial show, was given readings last week in Birmingham and Coventry. The cast, which is made up of West Indian, African, Asian and English families, stayed in Birmingham homes. The *Coventry Evening Telegraph* says that *Britain 2000* 'suggests what the country will be like if the right attitude is adopted in race relations'. On 14 February the play will be given in Gravesend in the presence of the Mayor.

● STAGE AND TELEVISION TODAY praises this year's production of *Give a Dog a Bone*. The paper's review starts: 'Sugar we know is scarce; the Stock Exchange, we hear, has hit an all-time low, but *Give a Dog a Bone* is back again at the Westminster, and so things can't be quite so bad after all.'

● SHE (circulation 321,000) in its February issue devotes a page to the chapter on money from Garth Lean's book *Good God, It Works!* (Blandford Press).

The *Leicester Mercury* writes of the book, 'It is witty, profound, moving, but it doesn't pretend to be just a success story. Nevertheless, the account of a

tough Fleet Street columnist on his knees in prayer, and an East End gang leader organising a party to attend a moral re-armament meeting are particularly impressive.'

● CROSS ROAD, the multi-media show built around the life of Frank Buchman, has just been given in England's Lake District. One performance was in Keswick, a stone's throw from the chapel where Frank Buchman shed his bitterness in 1908.

Addressing the audience Nick Bevan, son of the vicar of Grasmere, said, 'I was singing in a pop group in London. Then my father moved to the Lake District and I was glad to come here because I had been wasting and squandering my life away. My father has been a real father to me, but I had to find God in my own way, to take the self out of life and live for Him.

'Six weeks ago I saw *Cross Road* for the first time. My horizons have been broadened as I have tried to live the standards of honesty, purity, unselfishness, and love. They have given me a purpose in my life. I want to try now and help others find a purpose in life.'

These performances are part of a campaign with the show throughout the British Isles which in the next two months will continue on the south coast in Chichester, Worthing and Brighton.

● THE CHAIRMAN and most of the members of the Port (Union) Committee were among those who saw *Men of Brazil* at the Dockers' Club in Barry, South Wales. The showing of the film, written and acted by Brazilian dockers, followed the visit of two Brazilians to South Wales last November. During the film comments relating the different episodes to events and personalities in the Barry Docks were sharpened by the presence of one of the supervisors with whom the Port Committee deals each day.

ever since by thousands of gifts in cash and kind.

The funds realised from its sale will be devoted to the expanding field activities of Moral Re-Armament in this country and overseas. This may involve buying further accommodation as it is needed, adapting existing centres, and providing for their future maintenance.

Forty-five Berkeley Square was built in 1745 and was bought by Clive of India in 1756. It remained in his family until 1937. It is entered as a Grade 2 star property on the Department of Environment list of buildings of architectural and historic importance. It is noted for its fine ceilings, attributed to Sir William Chambers, and its Kent and Adam fireplaces.

Since 1938 it has been in constant use by Moral Re-Armament as a headquarters, administrative centre and place for receptions and meetings.

Miners, dockers, cabinet ministers, housewives, students and many others have joined in the numerous conferences concerned with the Christian approach to national and world issues that have been held there. Many have attended receptions linked with the plays at the Westminster Theatre. Thousands of overseas visitors have come there in connection with the work of MRA over the last thirty-five years.

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effective. The Irish from North and South, Catholic and Protestant, have had productive sessions at Tirley Garth.

Plays are written, staged and launched from this centre, to other parts of Britain and beyond. In addition to the conferences, there are year round facilities for training in leadership and character development for young men and women from Africa, Asia and Australasia.

While the conferences and training continue throughout 1975, a major extension is in progress. It will cost £100,000. When this is complete there will be catering, dining and storage facilities so that up to three hundred people can gather without difficulty at weekends. There is now a well equipped cinema-library.

The changes which come in men and attitudes are exemplified by the comment of a Scottish shipyard worker. He describes himself as having been a 'couldn't care less' man. 'We have got to look further than our own wee corner,' he said at last week's session. 'We have got to think of other countries and for the whole future, and in that light I must ask myself, "Where can I change to help make it possible?" It is as simple as that.'

'CANADA AND THE USA partners in a world task' is to be the theme of a conference to be held in the heart of the Canadian Rockies at Banff, Alberta, 13-15 June, 1975.

The conference initiators state: 'Changing weather patterns are a major cause of reduced world food production. Unchanging human attitudes of selfishness and complacency are major reasons why our response has not been adequate to prevent starvation. Dr Frank Buchanan said, "Human wisdom has failed but God has a plan." Many in North America have found that solutions come when we stop finger pointing and begin to pay the price of change in our own lives. The aim of this conference is to apply this experience to the crisis we face in food, fuel, inflation and getting along with our neighbours.'

One who is expected at the conference is Henry E Kancs, Secretary-Treasurer of the Grainworkers' Union of Canada. The *Ottawa Citizen* in an editorial referring to him writes, 'It is not often that a union representative pleads for higher production and fewer man hours in his industry. Henry Kancs has done so. He deserves a hearing... He says the union is ready to sit down with management and work out solutions which would "dramatically increase output per man hour". Efficient production is one way to beat inflation. It is refreshing that the union is urging the introduction of more efficient methods rather than resisting them.'

Further information about the Banff meeting can be obtained from the Conference Secretary, 703 57th Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2V 0H5.

Ethiopian charter

The following 'Charter for youth going on the "Progress Through Cooperation" campaign' was written by seven Ethiopian students. They are among the 60,000 commissioned by the government to stop their studies for a year and go to the rural areas to help close the gap between urban and peasant communities. The charter was published a fortnight ago in Addis Zemen, the leading Ethiopian Amharic daily.

WE WANT TO SEE a new Ethiopia and a world

- Where everyone has enough food, work, and a decent home to live in;
- Where a man's character matters, not his colour or his tribe or his class;
- Where industry, agriculture and the labour of all is for the good of all and the development of the whole country

and the whole earth;

- Where schools and colleges and universities have freedom without chaos and discipline without dictatorship;
- Where no man, or woman, is exploited - or worshipped;
- Where Communist and non-Communist countries, rich and poor, face what has been wrong in the past, and take on together the shaping of a just society.

For these things to happen, change will be necessary. We want to be catalysts of change, wherever we go, and we are willing to pay the price of change by starting with ourselves.

Absolute honesty is the answer to corruption. Cheating in the school leads to cheating in business and government. Money stolen in the home, lies, cheating our comrades - all these things we have decided to put right, in order to help in cleaning up our country.

Absolute purity is the answer to prostitution, to broken homes and to moral disintegration. Character is formed by what we do in the dark. Our decision plus God's help can enable us to live absolute purity. This means deciding to stop using our time in day-dreaming, or reading dirty books, or trying to attract attention to oneself. It means deciding to help the people around us to live straight and to give their best to building the new Ethiopia.

Absolute unselfishness is the answer to poverty. There is *enough in the world* for every man's need, but not enough for every man's greed. If everyone cares enough and everyone shares enough, then everyone will have enough.

Absolute love is the answer to hate and violence, and the things that divide the nation. We have decided to love and care for the people of different tribes or backgrounds from ourselves. Also, we find that the person I am jealous of, or hate, needs my help and friendship most; and my honest apology to the person I am jealous of, or hate, can be the starting point of the nation's unity. Love is not dependent on the way other people treat me, but the way I treat them.

God has a plan for every single person in our country, every man and woman, boy and girl. We have decided to take time each day to find out what is His plan and how each of us can put it into action. In every heart two voices speak - a good one and a bad one. Each morning we will take time to kick out the bad one and to listen to the good one; and write down the thoughts we get, and obey them, on how we can change the nation, others and ourselves.

As we carry out our decisions in this charter, we will show what our country can do for the world.