

## Gandhi announces Asian 'invasion'

'I do not believe America is over-extended. Rather she is under-extended ideologically in the world,' said Rajmohan Gandhi, editor of the Indian weekly *Himmat* this week. 'Far beyond material aid you need to put greatness into Asian people—fearlessness and guts so they are not bullied or pressured by any force; incorruptibility so they can never be bought by fame, sex or money; and the secret of hard work.'

A Congressional delegation, including a member of the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee, heard the Mahatma's grandson say this at the 'Demonstration for Modernizing America' at Mackinac Island.

### Folly in Vietnam

Speaking of Vietnam he said, 'A solution can only come if there is a revolutionary change in the attitude of the State Department.'

He asked whether those in the State Department 'who acquiesced in Diem's murder' are still formulating policy on Vietnam. 'If they are, have they seen the folly of their actions? Until they do, no answer will come to Vietnam.'

The failure of United States policy in South East Asia was that she did not yet realize that an ideological war could not be won without an ideology.

'Diem realised this,' said Gandhi. 'For all his faults he did see the need for a revolutionary idea superior to Communism that could unite divergent groups, teach people to live straight, work hard, and build an incorruptible, stable leadership. This was why he invited MRA to saturate his nation. He saw it providing the revolutionary concept so badly needed in this situation.'

Gandhi believed South East Asian nations would respond today to the kind of saturation by MRA which Diem requested. Expressing the hope that President Johnson would give

such aid to Asia now, he said he had come to America 'to show the President and the American people that there are Asians who genuinely want to help answer the Vietnam situation.'

Gandhi said that an immediate and massive ideological invasion by MRA of Indonesia and other nations in South East Asia was the intelligent answer to China's bid for the world. 'An action of this sort' he said, 'would put China completely off balance.'

Asian delegates at Mackinac outlined to the Congressional delegation plans for this 'invasion'. Starting in September and October there would be national assemblies in Korea and Japan and an MRA force with plays, films and speakers would move through the nations of Asia.

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Americans at Mackinac to take part in this operation. He said, 'U Thant recently called for such a force of international youth to take responsibility to build world peace. MRA has been doing this for years. Now we must multiply the manpower and material.'

A delegation of youth from the Mackinac demonstration were summoned to Washington last week to outline their plans to State Department officials responsible for Vietnam. This followed a telegram from the youth to McGeorge Bundy, Special Assistant to President Johnson.

They stated, 'At this conference we are out to reverse the trend of pacifism, hopelessness and immature protests prevalent on the American campus. We are training a new, constructive, vocal leadership for our student generation.'

Mrs. Frances P. Bolton, member of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives, said she would urge other members of Congress to come to Mackinac and see the training given to American youth.

She told the Mackinac demonstration, 'You people in MRA are demanding a return to the fundamental values in government of faith and justice. You are going to do what no other people can do.'

## Korean Premier acts

The Prime Minister of Korea, Chung Il-Kwon, has asked for an MRA youth demonstration in Seoul, the Korean capital, this autumn.

This was announced at Mackinac by Masahide Shibusawa, who directs the work of Moral Re-Armament in Japan and was the first Japanese to be received by the Prime Minister following the signing of the treaty between Japan and Korea last month.

He said that the Korean Prime

Minister would send some of the students involved in the riots at the time of the signing of the treaty to Mackinac at the end of July. They would fly with Japanese youth.

'MRA is unquestionably capturing the imagination of Asian and especially Japanese youth,' Shibusawa said. 'In the last months the student leadership has initiated actions in the main universities of Japan. The best of these students will come to Mackinac.'



## Blueprint for Tomorrow's Communities

'God does not build cities. He leaves that to members of local authorities,' says Alderman Sir Nicholas Garrow.

The Alderman has carried out this commission with a drive that has kept him Chairman of the Northumberland County Council for thirteen years.

Last week he was host to a London conference on 'Tomorrow's Communities'.

Pantries without bread, people without a bed, prejudice on a par with the worst in South Africa—that is how the Socialist Alderman saw the problem still confronting local authorities in parts of Britain. Something had to be done about it quickly. 'So long as members of local authorities spend more time in factions and seeking to destroy an opponent's case instead of trying to build up their own and get on with the job, local authority work will be slow and ponderous,' he said.

### Efficient

In Northumberland, the hundredth school built since the war would be opened this week. The county suffered considerably from recession in the coal industry. In one area where there were ten pits working ten years ago, today there were none. 'Local Government stepped in,' he said, 'and we are providing two new towns in the county without Government help.' One would have 60,000 inhabitants, the other slightly less.

'That is what can be done by local authorities,' Garrow told civic representatives meeting in the Westminster Theatre. 'But their work can be improved and made much more efficient and effective when the principles of Moral Re-Armament are accepted.'

To speed this acceptance 5,200 copies of Peter Howard's book, *Britain and the Beast* (Heinemann) were being sent by Local Government officers to their colleagues throughout the country. Nearly 200 Mayors and Chairmen of Councils who were in London for the Queen's Civic Garden parties attended *Mr. Wilberforce, MP* at the Westminster Theatre.

'You cannot read Peter Howard's book', said Sir Nicholas, 'or any other MRA literature, see MRA films or the plays at the Westminster Theatre without becoming a different sort of person. And it is different sort of persons that we want to man and woman the cities and towns of tomorrow.'

'We can have these worthwhile communities if we are prepared to change'.

Sir Nicholas Garrow described his community of tomorrow:

- Everyone will have a house to live in where they can make a home.
- Old people will be looked after and not allowed to rot in attics out of sight of those who do not want to see them.
- Sufficient hospitals will be built to reduce the unnecessary pain that many still suffer because of long waiting lists.
- Happy marriages will be the order of the day and less work will be done in the Divorce Courts.
- Families will be founded on love and affection, and neighbours will run to meet the need of neighbour.

'I believe it is possible,' said Sir Nicholas, 'and because I believe this I have determined to give what talent and opportunities I have to work to build towns and cities.'



### True Mods

Mr. Alan Thornhill, author of *Mr. Wilberforce, MP*, told Leeds Luncheon Club last week, 'Wilberforce was a truly modern man of his day. He grasped the truth that unless man could grow morally and spiritually as well as in technical knowledge and skill, he would destroy himself and the world.'

'The true moderns of today are not those who want a society of technological giants and moral dwarfs, nor the playwrights who want to live in

'With every inch of my six feet three, and every ounce of my sixteen stone, I am proud to be in the battle of Moral Re-Armament,' says Alderman Garrow. The 69-year-old civic leader has been a railwayman all his life. He is a lay preacher, an elder of his church in the mining village of Bedlington, and known to thousands in Northumberland as 'Nicol'. 'The most respected man in the North East', says a Labour MP.

### Ending poverty

Mr. John Boyd, member of the National Executive of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, said in London last weekend, 'MRA means that each



one of us must face up to a personal challenge that the world can only be changed to the extent that we accept change.'

He told an MRA Assembly that wealthy societies and people were morally obliged to end poverty by the unselfish stewardship of their wealth.

'The rights of humanity must always be paramount over the interests of private property,' he said.

dustbins. Wilberforce was a far better prototype of the modern man.'

There were still men who wanted to keep Britons in moral slavery, he said. They were men who were determined to control others by breaking down moral standards. They plied their trade in the BBC and a certain section of the theatre.

'If today we talked less about youth,' he said, 'and expected more from youth, we would have a different nation. Youth is sick of being coddled on the one side and condemned on the other.'

Sir Linton Andrews, former editor of the *Yorkshire Post*, presided.

## at a glance

### Sir Adetokunbo

The Chief Justice, Sir Adetokunbo Ademola KBE, is Chairman of Nigeria's Peter Howard Memorial Fund. Its purpose is to promote the plays and films of Moral Re-Armament in Africa and build 'a clean, united Nigeria'.



### Catching up

'London theatre is catching up with the times', reported Italian television in Milan, introducing a film about the translation equipment at the Westminster Theatre. The film was also shown last week on Norwegian TV. A Finnish translation was given in the theatre this week.

### By its right name

*Iskra*, the Yugoslav paper published in Munich, recommends the German edition of Peter Howard's speeches, *Tomorrow will be too late*. 'The book is valuable for those interested in their own fate and the fate of all in today's world. Howard speaks clearly, openly, courageously and calls everything by its right name,' writes Ratko Parezanin, pre-war director of the Balkan Institute in Belgrade.

### Now in Swedish

Peter Howard's speeches are now on sale in Swedish with the title *The Coming Revolution*. They are published by Ide och Kultur.

### Tax deductible

The Government of the State of Rio de Janeiro has announced that the newly formed association for the Moral Re-Armament of Brazil has been declared a public utility corporation. Contributions from all parts of Brazil are now deductible for income tax purposes.

### Persistence

*Radio Alpenland* in Austria has made 400 five-minute broadcasts on Moral Re-Armament—every second Saturday since 1949.

### On Ceylon radio

The 'Four Tunetellers', a new MRA folk-singing group from the US and Japan, sang and spoke last week to an estimated two million listeners in South East Asia from Radio Ceylon. Further shows on the radio's international service are scheduled as well as performances for schools.

### For combat troops

Peter Howard's play, *We are Tomorrow*, was given at Burnham Military Camp where New Zealand's Malaysian contingent is trained. The performance was arranged by the Chief of Staff of the New Zealand Army.

### Down under

*Man to Match the Hour*, the film about Peter Howard, was shown this week in Sydney over ATN Channel Seven, Australia's biggest television station.

### Food and freedom

Mr. Bremer Hofmeyr told the Rotary Club of Windhoek, South West Africa, that South Africa should use all her resources for the African continent as a whole. 'We should help develop it for the good of all men, to ensure that all men can enjoy the blessings of food, work, freedom and faith.'



### Contract signed

A contract has been signed with the Theatre des Arts of Paris for the production of Peter Howard's play, *Through the Garden Wall*, in French. The play will open on 8 September and run for six weeks. Mr. Marc Cassot will direct.

### Profits shared

Representatives of the five major Japanese steel companies visited Australia last month. They came to buy iron ore, bauxite and copper for Japanese industry. The head of the group, Mr. Soji Fujii, told the Press in Canberra

that a percentage of the profits would go to finance MRA in Japan.

### Dare to be different

The *New York Journal American* magazine supplement of 11 July carried a three page illustrated article about youth's action with Moral Re-Armament around the world. It is headed, 'They dare to be different', and written by youth.

### 9,000 schools

At the invitation of the Florida State Superintendent of Schools, 'Rusty' Wailes, US Olympic oarsman and a director of the Mackinac conference, addressed the State convention of high school principals. An autumn programme of Moral Re-Armament is being prepared with the Schools Superintendent for 9,000 high schools.

### 80,000 books

The student body of Munich University is sponsoring showings of the film *Decision at Midnight* this week. 80,000 students in Munich, Goettingen, Heidelberg, Cologne and Stuttgart are receiving from a group of students *Tomorrow will be too late*. Each is informed of the conference entitled 'An aim for Germany' which is to be held in Castrop-Rauxel in the Ruhr from 28 July to 8 August.

### More for Mackinac

Black and white university students from South Africa are already at Mackinac. Representatives of other African countries go shortly. The Governor of Rhodesia and the Mayor of Salisbury have contributed to the fares of the Rhodesian delegation.

A 144-seat charter plane leaves London 23 July with a European contingent that includes thirty-five Italian students.

The French delegates were received in their National Assembly and Senate. Madame Cardot, Vice-President of the Senate, invited them to report to the Senators on their return from Mackinac. 'I should like my colleagues to hear you,' she said. 'That would give them much hope and encouragement.'



Photo: Fleming

The Colwell Brothers, singing stars from Hollywood, lead a hundred-voice chorus in a series of hour-long variety shows being recorded at Mackinac. These have already been requested by sixty-nine television stations. The brothers have also been singing and speaking on a 'Showboat for Modernizing America' which is cruising the Great Lakes. The 'New York Journal American' in an editorial about the Mackinac Demonstration, writes, 'It is a noble goal, this determination of members of Moral Re-Armament, and they deserve earnest attention as they carry their message throughout the summer to Harlem, Appalachia, the Southwest and Latin America.'

## Women ask

German women want their political leaders to answer four questions publicly before they decide how to cast their votes in the autumn elections. An open letter, signed by 4,288 women from all walks of life, has gone to Chancellor Erhard and the heads of the four political parties in parliament.

They ask each party:

What will you do to answer moral subversion through mass media?

Will you strengthen or weaken the laws on blasphemy, homosexuality, abortion and sterilisation?

What aim will you give young people, so they will love, serve and defend their country?

What do you think is Germany's task in the world?

In their letter, the women write, 'Absolute standards of honesty, purity, unselfishness and love must be the basis of our common life.'

'All children,' they conclude, 'should be able to live in freedom, without fear. To achieve this aim, we pledge ourselves to the Moral Re-Armament of our country and the world.'

The Defence Minister, Kai-Uwe von Hassell, receiving a deputation of twelve women in Parliament, said, 'A nation can only be defended from without if her moral foundations are secure. I am moved by your concern for the nation and that you are doing something about it.'

## Brazil—21st century

The Brazilian Air Minister and Air-force Chief of Staff lent their personal planes to help youth get to an assembly that opened this week near Rio de Janeiro.

Five hundred from twelve Latin American countries are meeting at the Agricultural University at an MRA Assembly, 'Brazil—21st century'.

Portworkers announced five results which they said had been achieved in Brazilian ports by MRA in answering subversion, corruption, and demagoguery: a 50% rise in turn-over in Rio in the last twelve months when general trade was greatly reduced; sharply lowered working costs despite current inflation; coffee ships loaded in one day in Rio; an increase in portworker productivity in Recife that has led to

bonuses which augmented wages by half; coastal traffic increasing as goods arrive without loss (meat sent by ship from Porto Alegre to Recife now costs 45,000 cruzeiros per ton instead of 120,000 by lorry).

A year ago the Minister of Transport said the ports were 'in total breakdown' costing the government one and a half billion cruzeiros a day.

The Director of Traffic in the Port of Rio, Otton Barbosa, said, 'The battle is being won for the country by revolutionary patriotism. This answer must penetrate the whole economy of Brazil.'

A new play, staged at the assembly by the Rio portworkers, was invited by Montevideo portworkers to come as soon as possible to Uruguay.

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## Competition

MRA Information Service has a new look and a new printer. It is seeking a new name.

The news we want to print can no longer be contained in four pages. Its urgency cannot wait a fortnight. So, as many of you have suggested, we will soon appear weekly.

We want a name for a weekly that is forward-looking, intriguing and original, yet down to earth. You may have it.

We will award £5 to the person who sends us in writing before 31 July the name chosen.

The Editor