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'Our job is to rebuild the world. We will never, never, never, get Britain going with any pettier purpose.'

ROLAND WILSON, Secretary of Moral Re-Armament in Great Britain, with these words opened this week an international conference at Tirley Garth, Tarporley, Cheshire. He was addressing 350 representatives from 23 nations, including men from the British docks, shipbuilding, automobile and housing industries. His speech follows:

BRITAIN'S WORK IN THE WORLD HAS BARELY BEGUN

INTEND TODAY to start from the positive position that the whole world would welcome what a morally re-armed Britain could and would give.

Our homes, and our home life, would sparkle. Our industry would be steadily setting tomorrow's norms by breaking today's records. Our culture would furnish the bread of life and thought to hungry minds everywhere. Our youth would naturally venture the impossible and succeed. And our whole people would humbly and hopefully decide that our work in and for the world is barely begun.

After all, we in this country, and not least this North Country, pioneered the Industrial Revolution. We used to be known as the workshop of the world. The world has now become the workshop. And Britain's next task is to produce a pattern of the world that works.

Men of power

A few days ago I was talking with a man close to one of our men of power. He told me how he and his friend talked together and wrestled with the problems of the nation. Then he said to me, 'The men of power are mystified. It is obvious to them that the prosperity, even the economic survival of our country, hangs on a supreme productive effort by everyone. It is common sense. Yet

for some reason the people just do not respond. Why is it?'

I sat talking with a militant trade union man. By sheer energy and effort he had become the unofficial leader of his fellow workers in a key industry, and he was the architect of a costly and lengthy strike. In a short time tens of thousands of others in other industries had to stop work also.

Then an upheaval of motive took place in this man's life. His blinkers came off. He threw his whole weight into a constructive effort to get the wheels of industry turning again. He succeeded. As we sat and talked, I said to him, 'When you were at the heart of that stoppage, what went on in your mind about the 40,000 or 50,000 workers who became idle as an indirect result, and who were hard up, with their families, and maybe falling behind in their instalment payments?' I have never forgotten his reply. He said, 'It may surprise you to know this, but I never even thought about them.'

This man changed, and the country felt it. No one played down his passion. He put it to a new purpose.

I am here because I believe there is a gold mine of power, passion and purpose at the heart of this nation, and that its hidden wealth is worth infinitely more than our gold reserves. Gold, like most things, multiplies if

it is used, and the job of these weeks at Tirley together is to get this treasure into full circulation, for the benefit of Britain and for the sake of the whole earth.

We may need a wage freeze. But far more we need to unfreeze the generosity and humanity of British hearts, and raise it to white heat. We must stabilise the pound. But we must also decide to bring the secret of stability to a whole world which has lost it.

My view of Moral Re-Armament is that it is today's tool put in the hand of the ordinary fellow to enable him to salvage society and surprise the world. It suits the spirit of our people because, though the instructions for its use are simple, they leave unlimited initiative in the hands of the user. Every man has the chance to set his own target, and then to go beyond it. That is normal living and certainly the most interesting way to live. Nothing is more exhausting and unsatisfying than driving through life with the brakes on.

Toil, skill and sweat

I hope all of you got a good bed last night. I hope you will get good meals. How do you think these new buildings were put up, the water-pipes run, the electricity installed, the furniture found, the tents erected? Was every hour of work measured? Did men work to rule?

Why was it that people poured in their holidays, their weekends, their evenings? Why did some who came to help one weekend re-appear next weekend with several friends—who often-times only knew that there was a

worthwhile job to be done and wanted to have a part in it?

What you see around you here is a miracle of outpoured toil, skill, sweat, gifts of money and materials, most of it stemming from solid sacrifice. And much remains to be done. And it will be done. For we are launching on a task at Tirley that certain determined men and women have decided to complete, for the sake of Britain and the whole world.

To make all this possible someone seems to have touched a secret spring. If we could touch it in the nation the mystification and frustration in the minds of our men of power would be dispelled. So would the short-sightedness of our men of industry.

Last weekend a skilled worker from Sunderland came to Tirley. He is employed by a famous firm that makes giant cranes. He came here by bus, train and car after finishing work on the Friday evening. He arrived at 11 pm.

On Saturday he worked on the building site from seven in the morning till seven in the evening. On Sunday morning he was up at five o'clock, worked till lunch, and left for the North East about 2.30, getting home at 7.30 that evening. Next morning he was back on his job.

He has asked to come back here for part of his annual leave. He is a man of about sixty, but he wants to work on the building site here. "The spirit there is marvellous,' he says. Someone asked him about the economic crisis. 'Economic crisis?' he replied. 'There wouldn't be any economic crisis if we had that spirit in the country.'

Bigger than the wage packet

HOPE we shall have here a miner, a young man whom I know from the Rhondda Valley. He had left the pits where his father, his grandfather and his great-grandfather worked before him. He had also left his wife and his little boy, since his home was deeply divided. By what seemed a miracle of chance, he found his way into a Moral Re-Armament play at the Westminster Theatre. It gave him a new purpose in his life. It healed his bitterness.

His home was remade, and he went back to the pits 'because', he said, 'that is where my country needs me.' He now produces the spirit we need as well as the coal. He says, 'You have got to give men something to live for bigger than wages and security. Moral Re-Armament is it.'

I have a certain amount of Welsh blood in my veins, and if that spirit represents Welsh nationalism I am a hundred per cent for it. I believe our friends from Holland, who have given so much to this country during this last week and have just been in Wales, will agree with me.

Evidence not theories

I asked a man who used to build ships on Clydeside what he thought this secret is which we need so much. He replied with evidence, not theories.

He told me of a worker, who is also a leader in his union, in one of the most important factories on Clydeside. This man was on the night shift. The foreman asked him to do seven sections of a certain job. He went

to work and after several hours he had done twenty-one sections. The foreman came along and said, 'How did you do this? The man before you only did seven sections all night long.' The other man answered, 'I came here to work and when I saw that twenty-one sections were needed, I did twenty-one.'

This man also meets his squad at a certain place so that they can go to work together. If one of them is late or missing they go to his house and get him out to come to work with them.

Commenting on this, my friend from Clydeside said, 'When the leaders of the country put the country before their careers, they will then have the key to getting the men and the management of industry putting production before any sectional or personal interest.'

He went on to tell me about a Clydeside shipyard plater, who is also a Branch Secretary of the Boiler-makers' Union. He gave me this man's own account of what has recently happened. This is what he says: 'I understood the connection between the way I worked and the way the country went, but I did not care. I couldn't care less. I was looking after No 1. I was out to get as much money for as little work as possible. Multiply this and you have Britain's crisis.

'MRA changed my whole way of thinking. Now I am yard-minded, concerned about shipbuilding. To get the industry and the country right we need to get rid of selfish attitudes that block teamwork and production.

'In our shipyard we introduced job inter-changeability, which saves time and increases productivity. It is a big advance. Before this, I used to stand around for two



'We can show the world Britain is not in the grip of extremists,' said J C Worthington, national executive member of the National Union of Seamen from Liverpool. 'It's impressive to see all these industrial men.' Here he listens to Bill Stone, Bristol docker

or three days sometimes, waiting on the burners and tack-welders to do their work on my job, so that I could then get on with it. Now I can do it myself and work a full day with no wasted time.

'But inter-changeability is union policy on paper. It takes people with the right spirit and changed attitudes to make it work. Some workers actually obstruct it for personal reasons and try to do their fellow workers out of a job.

'This is where MRA comes in. I used to remain silent at union meetings but now I am speaking out against what is wrong for the country and fighting for what is right for it.

'I believe this is the spirit Harold Wilson and Britain need now. If we can spread it nationally Britain's crisis would become Britain's answer to the world.'

My Scots friend talked to me about the automobile factories in Scotland and the new spirit that is growing there. In one factory a leading shop steward said recently at a public meeting, 'The trouble with our factory is the great god, I. "I'm all right Jack." But what happens when Jack is not all right? MRA has given us what we need at our factory—a purpose big enough to embrace workers, foremen, shop stewards and management. We are out to save Scotland's economy.'

Another assembly-line worker in the same factory described this new motive that he had found. 'I was doing,' he said, 'a monotonous job producing parts for tractors in India. But a will to work was born when I saw that without these parts the tractors won't go, and without the tractors rice won't grow. It was no longer just a job but it was playing my part in helping to feed the starving millions of Asia.'

If you have seen hunger doing its work in India, the need to multiply the miracle in that Scots worker burns in you. The lives of men, women and children hang on it.

Fuss over down payments

This week I was in touch with the managing director of a manufacturing firm. This man constantly proclaims the truth that what we need is a national aim—an aim more magnetic than balancing our budget or merely paying our debts. For being in debt is the normal way most men and women now reckon to live. Witness the fuss when the amount of the first down payments goes up. People have come to assume they have a right to own and use what they have not yet paid for.

My manufacturing friend said this to me; 'We have had two examples recently in the firm which showed very clearly how people respond to a definite need or emergency. Recently we were called upon suddenly to furnish a very large order to a government department. Normally, it would take us six months to produce the quantity. But because of the way the departmental managers thought out the organisation and the production, and the willingness of many people to interrupt their habits and their personal convenience, the bulk of the order was delivered in six weeks.

'Again, last week, we sent out to a factory in Yorkshire a product which late in the afternoon was found to be faulty. Four departmental managers immediately set out to produce a new supply that very evening, and it was delivered the next morning.'

The figures for this firm are significant. In the last recorded year, in spite of increased costs and competition, as well as difficulties of organisation, production rose 29 per cent, exports went up 46 per cent. The products of the firm go to forty countries.

I read the story of these revolutionary developments in the business journal, Voice of Yorkshire and Humberside Industry. The Editor, in his editorial note, says of the managing director whose work they describe: 'He is a leading advocate of MRA in Yorkshire. This is doubtless the mainspring of his company's attitude. He has two- and three-year contracts of service for all his staff. He permits employees to borrow money at one per cent for housing needs. Moral Re-Armament may often be under fire from its critics. However, how can one criticise a company which regards modernisation of men and attitudes as the key to Britain's battle for recovery and growth?'

Directors take 10% salary cut

Here is news from another managing director, which came in this week. Three months ago, he said, the directors of his company met to consider the nation's economic crisis. They wanted to work out the part industry could play in answering it. They decided that for the year ahead, as working directors, they would change their own method of remuneration, which had been salary plus bonus. Instead, they accepted salaries that averaged 10 per cent



From right to left: London docker George Speller, Bristol dockers Fred Wren and Bill Stone, Bristol director Geoffrey Sanders and Clydeside shipyard worker John Mackenzie Photos: Strong

less than the total remuneration they had been receiving. They saw this as one way of demonstrating the kind of leadership that was needed.

Through this whole period the wages they pay their workers have remained steady. But in the last three months production has gone up 10 per cent, and this has enabled them to absorb increased costs and reduce their prices.

Four years ago they set out to give their employees permanent work. The firm is a construction firm and the directors felt that no man need be unemployed or underemployed in an industry that is meant to meet the housing needs of our own country and the world.

The director adds, 'As we set out to do first-class work, and keep our promises for completion, as well as putting things right when they go wrong, our turnover has increased every year, productivity and wages have gone up, and recently we acquired another business which had begun to lose money and was going downhill. Since we acquired it, the productivity of this business has risen and the wages paid in it have been increased.

'When', he goes on, 'one of our competitors was short of work, and we were exceptionally busy, rather than break our promises for completion on time, we arranged for our competitors to do the work so that they could be fully productive.

'Such productivity', he says, 'is the natural by-product of the decision our men and women have taken to answer the needs of industry, to love their country, and to help her play her part in answering the needs of the whole world.'

Less corruption in port

While you are here, I hope you will meet the dockers and their families from Bristol. They are pace-setters. One of them says this: 'I have been classed by the national Press as a rebel, a wrecker, and a man who has called many strikes on the docks. During the month-long strike in the Port of Bristol last autumn I was a leading member of the Port Liaison Committee.

'I used to hate the employers, right or wrong. I used to fight the unions too. I thought they were hand in hand with the employers. I even hated my own work-mates.'

With things in this state Jack saw in his home the film Men of Brazil, which shows how the Rio dockers cleaned up the port and made democracy work there. Then Jack and two of his colleagues went to an industrial conference called by Moral Re-Armament in London.

The next day Jack went to his union meeting and said to the union official he hated, 'The time has come

to bury the hatchet. We must work together.' They shook hands. He managed to get an appointment with the leading employer in the docks, and told him of his change of attitude towards employers since meeting MRA.

Jack says, 'I have brought MRA into my family. I started there first because only then can I take it to the outside world. There is nothing more determined in my life today than to see that this works, not only in my home but also in my industry.' His colleague, Bill, says, 'Since we have known MRA we have direct dealings with the employers and the unions, less corruption, and now the employers want to meet the men.'

Speaking this month to the Docks' Committee meeting, the Port of Bristol General Manager has paid tribute on BBC Television and in the Press to the way the dockers and union officials are now working together in the port.

Bystander is a betrayer

Another man I hope you may meet is a trade union official in the steel industry. Through the films, the plays and the full pages of Moral Re-Armament, a new fire has been lit in this man's life. As a result he has come to the firm conviction that teamwork in industry between management and men is the way for this country, and that he must needs fight for that teamwork day in, day out. He says that a fair day's work for a fair day's wage, and a fair day's wage for a fair day's work, has become his normal aim, an idea he got from an MRA full page in the Daily Express.

Recently a strike was expected in his industry. It could have proved extremely costly in production, jobs, in wages and equipment. This man has discovered the secret of leadership, which is to take and do what needs to be done, without arguing whose job it is or waiting for the other fellow. If you love your nation, to be a bystander is to be a betrayer.

He took charge of the dangerous situation, which could have exploded at any time. He saw to it that the men were all given full and accurate information on what was involved. He did battle with those whose irresponsible action would have caused great damage to the industry and the country. The men, of course, understood the issues and fought responsibly with him. Over 95 per cent of them came out against strike action.

These instances could be multiplied almost without limit. New ones from the length and breadth of the land and from many industries come in day by day. They represent a quality of new statesmanship and new leadership in industry which is becoming normal living for a growing number of men and women who love their country.

End coma of self-concern

HERE USED TO BE in London, when I was a boy, a marvellous Christmas show of magic put on by Messrs Maskelyne and Devant. All kinds of things happened. People climbed up ropes and disappeared into thin air. We simply gaped with wonder.

But there was one trick I always remember. It came right at the beginning. The conjuror in perfect evening clothes stood alone on the stage. On either side of him were two enormous, heavy-looking balls. The conjuror said, 'We are to have an evening of miracles. I am now going off the stage, out of sight. There is no connection

between me and these balls. But by an act of will I shall make them miraculously disappear from your sight.' He disappeared in the wings. We were bursting with expectation. Then two large uniformed officials marched on to the stage, lifted both the balls up and carried them out.

Our politicians who urge miracles of production upon industry are a little like that conjuror. Only they may lack the two stalwart men. When I read the speeches of exhortation, I think of the Negro boy who said to his boss, 'It's a great idea—if they all does it.'

Our job now is together, and at any cost to ourselves,



International welcome at MRA operations centre to thirty-six Dutch delegates

to kindle the country. The whole world will be grateful to us if we do. Moral Re-Armament is like the kiss of life. It gets the lungs of an asphyxiated nation open and breathing deeply again. It puts to work the real spirit of a people—enlisting the greatness of its past, and spelling out the glory of its future. It is the light in the electric sign. It is the current in the wire. And for Britain it is designed for this hour to bring us out of our coma of self-concern.

Everyone put to work

The weapons of Moral Re-Armament, its plays, films, musical demonstrations, its books, its magazines, massively multiply round the world. But MRA is not just a weapon. Weapons are most important, and I hope a crop of new weapons will emerge from this conference. You need them to win a war. But they are not the war. Nor are they why you fight the war.

Weapons belong to the realm of tactics. MRA is a strategy—it is the strategy of God's Holy Spirit for this age. Its goal is to establish what God wants—and what, as a matter of fact, the heart of man wants too. It is a strategy which puts everyone to work.

MRA's validity for this age is not proved or disproved by acclamation or by the absence of acclamation, by the support of governments or the absence of that support. It is God's gift. It is the eternal answer of God for humanity, because it shows men how to win, not sidestep, the eternal battle between good and evil, right and wrong.

Nor is MRA dependent on one or another of the power blocs—for two reasons. Power blocs shift. We have witnessed gigantic changes in the last two or three years. MRA is permanent. Secondly, power blocs represent human might and its various alignments and combinations. MRA gets its power from God. It is a power channel. It belongs to God. God's Power uses men who are obedient, and enables them to offer change and fulfilment

to the whole family of mankind. The Holy Spirit is still the most powerful force in the world—more powerful than money, military might, nuclear devices or mancentred ideologies whether of right or left.

The heart of MRA is a change of heart. Even the strongest man in the world cannot swing the will of the smallest man in the world, unless the little man chooses. But the Holy Spirit can, and often does. And He will, eagerly, more and more if we ask Him. He will swing the will of whole peoples.

I sometimes picture God working like a super-skilled Designer at His drawing-board, carving the minds of men to work with Him in the fulfilment of His advance programme for the whole human family. We need to stop the brain drain away from God. Our country needs our best brains. I feel pain whenever I read of these brilliant men, who have given so much to Britain, leaving us for other lands, out of cynicism, sadness or hope of greater gain. But if God and the best brains of humanity can stick together for the next few years, with all the marvels of modernity at their disposal, we shall see the finest fabric, the biggest building programme of human history arise, with space and place within it for big people and little people, young people and old people, to live a life that satisfies.

Is age an obstacle?

Moral Re-Armament is for all men everywhere—including youth. It is not a youth movement. Yet youth in five continents want it. It is commonsense that they should. Thank God for the hundreds of youth who are here, and the hundreds more who are expected. MRA has a two-fold lure. It gives a man the best possible of all reasons for living. And it more than matches the problems and the possibilities of our age. It is tailored for tomorrow.

And here I want to say something to the older people. There is youth in the heart of age. And the strange thing is that the bugle that blows to rouse youth rouses age also—if it is authentic. If the summons is such that only youth respond, then something is lacking. The heart of humanity is not conditioned by a man's years. And MRA captures the heart.

Do we older people today expect as much, or more, from age as from youth? Adulation of what the youth are doing can be accompanied by abdication from what I, the older person, am called to do.

As far as I know, there is only one healthy form of competition between age and youth—the race to give more, all the time, for longer. When that condition is accepted, it is hard to find where youth ends and age begins.

Nor does the fact that some of us veterans may have been poor examples of MRA mean that our calling is lessened or our work done. God seems to be expert at making men's later years their finest hour.

All that is needed is the courage to press forward with our appointed task, in the clear belief that God honours decision more than aspiration, and meets men on the battlefield, not before they get there.

Put up the price

How, then, do we combine a mighty expansion with becoming more effective, for age and youth alike? I will tell you. By a decision to put the price of MRA up—for myself first. We are in the super-quality goods class, not the bargain basement business. Our trade—an ancient one—is in pearls of great price.

If you want to make this practical, take a new look at absolute honesty, purity, unselfishness and love, in your own application of them. These standards are targets, not achievements. But the American runner who took two seconds off the one mile record last week knew very well what his goal was. The price was high.

A girl I know who has had some touch with MRA but never understood it told a friend she thought to win that the four standards, in her view, need not be as demanding as some people made them out to be. She was surprised when her friend turned her down. Another girl standing by said afterwards, 'I don't want to live like that girl, and I don't want to go and do what she is doing.'

Thirty-five years ago Dr Frank Buchman put the issues straight to me—a fairly successful student in philosophy and history at Oxford. He said, 'You tackle the absolute standards as your daily target. You let God speak to you every morning. If you work with me you will work eighteen hours a day, anywhere in the world, seven days a week, without pay, and with the comradeship of people who are out to remake the world together as your only reward.'

Multiply faster

No one had ever offered me a job like that before. I said yes to it. I have never regretted it. Year by year it has got richer, better, bigger, more adventurous and more exacting.

The girl I spoke of failed her friend in a few minutes. Buchman won an ordinary fellow for life. Who multiplies faster? The most modern method in the world is the method of demanding everything from the other fellow and vouching for your demand by giving everything yourself. Of course, those who offer people reduced standards are often trying out their own prescription themselves.

Be clear what Moral Re-Armament's aims are. We once had an Archbishop at a conference like this. He was in his seventies. He had the grace to learn, from God and man. The secret he uncovered at the conference was the secret of changing men, of linking men up, one by one, with a Power that made them unrecognisable, so that they in their turn began at once to pass on what they had found.

This Archbishop had recently come by ship from the Far East. It was a long voyage and he had taken services in the ship's saloon, as any good Archbishop would. But, he said, there were no miracles. On the return voyage seventeen people, one by one, got on their knees with him on that ship and gave God their lives.

The Archbishop could be classed as old. But I heard him say once, 'There are in this life only the young, the rather young and the very young. Miracles in men are the secret of youth and the secret for youth.' And Bishops and Archbishops whose normal stock in trade became the making of miracles might well cause this whole country to be young again.

World's most fascinating job

ORAL RE-ARMAMENT means the power to change people. It transforms the way we think. If you expect a man to change, radically, you look at him quite differently. It is a refreshing departure from the old-fashioned method of appeasing men, or pointing the finger at them, or smearing them, or avoiding them, or even liquidating them.

To explore how men and women can change is the most fascinating job in the world. The man whose work, after the last war, did more than most to heal the hates of hundreds of years between France and Germany, described MRA as 'a vast transformation of human society which has already begun'. That was not a vague general statement by Robert Schuman, who was both Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of France. It was based on miracles in the lives of French and German people whom he had actually met, and whose passionate

hates had been liquidated and replaced by an even stronger passion to bind nations together.

One of the pressmen enquiring about this conference wanted to know what was meant by the word 'explorers'—who, according to the invitation, are needed here. The answer is simple. You explore God and you explore man. You also explore yourself. And you explore what makes the world tick.

Take, for example, these four absolute standards of Moral Re-Armament, honesty, purity, unselfishness and love. When I first heard them 37 years ago as a young student they hit me with a mighty crack. Honesty was the first. One man said to me, 'If you are honest you don't have to remember what you said.' I understood that.

Another said to me, 'It's a great relief to stop wearing masks'. That made sense to me. I wore one mask for my sporting friends, another for my more scholarly friends.



From Iran and Germany. Left to right:
Colonel Etemat Moghadam of the Iranian
Army, A Hazeghi, Iranian MP and Leopold
von Buch of the Gelsenkirchen Mining
Company Photo: Price

and another for my family. There was always the danger of what is now called a confrontation.

I decided to shed my masks and be natural. It was so much easier. The actual moment of new honesty, particularly with my father and mother, was like bathing in a fresh-water lake. You gasp, and then feel better when you are in and swimming. The fun of it was that my decision to be honest immediately multiplied the miracles. My parents became honest—beyond belief—with me, and our whole home changed and became a place where people walked in as they were and walked out different.

One simple piece of exploration I would suggest for all those here at this conference. Explore what absolute honesty would do for the industry and economic life of Britain, if we tried it—like this new wage freeze—for the next six months. Any suggestions?

Honesty, purity, unselfishness and love are neither an endurance test or an obstacle race. They are the finest quality power spirit for the human motor. With them in the tank, and filled up daily, the motor known as man jets its way up to new altitudes with more than Rolls-Royce smoothness. It eats up the miles, and takes unlimited numbers of friends along with it.

Electronic intervention

Dr Frank Buchman, who launched Moral Re-Armament, trained us to explore God's guidance. 'Even the best human mind,' he said, 'cannot solve the problems created by the human passions of hate, greed and fear. It needs an electronic intervention. To live without the guidance of God, and without change, is like flying an aircraft in stormy weather over uncharted territory without choosing to use radio, maps or compass. It is both unnecessary and criminal. It is recklessly selfish. It leads inevitably to disaster.'

He then quoted an Italian priest who said that writing down the thoughts which come from the Mind of God to the mind of man is advisable. The priest added, 'What you do not write down, you will forget. So you might as well never have thought of it.' Everyone who comes to this conference should try that experiment. You will be amazed at the results. They will take you into the mainstream of the life of your nation.

The fascination of guidance is that you are ahead of your time. Guidance does not help you to be 'with it'. It enables you to create the new ideas and ways that the world will want to be 'with'. The 'with it' fans are already behind the times.

Breeze from Britain

The idea that the time has come for this country of ours to withdraw inside its own borders is being skilfully put over by the enemies of God and man. I am glad that ninety British men and women, young and old, who have given their whole lives to the moral re-armament of the world are now at the heart of this work in seventeen overseas countries. I hope there will soon be many more.

Most sensible people would today agree that Britain needs Moral Re-Armament. But I can also tell you, after being in five continents in these past few months, that every country I have been in needs and wants Moral Re-Armament just as much as Britain. Around the world the forces of MRA are marching forward.

MRA was launched in this island, in the heart of East London. The Oxford Group was born here. God planned this and it leaves us pledged to pioneer an answer for all the world. Our problems certainly worry the world. Our answers can now free the world from hate, greed and fear, and cure crisis permanently.

We must have prophets, not just organisers. We must have men and women, young and old, who speak out wherever they are. Every local newspaper can be a platform. There are a hundred ways of doing it. These days here can be working days, when the fire is first set ablaze, and then we plan and train intelligently to carry the blaze to every heart and home in the land.

The breeze from Britain to the world will not be the chill wind of problems, but the warmth of God's answers.

Guyana TUC chief attacks intrigue

THE PRESIDENT of the Guyana Trades Union Congress, D R Persaud, called for an end to 'intrigue, cliquism and self-aggrandisement permeating the very heart and soul of this council.'

He appealed to the labour leaders attending an annual delegates' conference to make the Guyana TUC 'at all times united and formidable'. It was the beacon guiding the destiny of the working class people in Guyana.

'Re-arm yourself morally and spiritually. If whatever you do is based on the four standards of absolute honesty, absolute purity, absolute unselfishness and absolute love, regardless of race, colour and creed, then Guyana would be the haven we so much desire.'

Persaud had attended a weekend session of the Moral Re-Armament conference in Caux, Switzerland, this year when he was representing Guyana at the International Labour Organisation in Geneva.

'Great act of unselfishness'

DAME FLORA MACLEOD of Macleod, Chief of the Clan Macleod, hailed the creation of Caux by Switzerland as a 'great act of unselfishness'. The eighty-eight-year old clan chief was speaking at a garden party in Caux for her and Mrs Peter Howard. Swiss businessmen and others had travelled from Lausanne, Geneva and Neuchatel and other cities for the occasion. Also present was H E Ahmed Aberra, Ethiopian Ambassador in Geneva.

'Here, men and women of all colours from all parts of the world meet in friendship to compare their difficulties and combine their remedies,' Dame Flora said.

'The world is now in a very acute moment of its life. God is fighting evil more fiercely than ever before.' Later the Government of the Canton of Obwalden received Dame Flora and Mrs Howard at the Swiss national shrine, Flueli Ranft, where St Nicholas of Flue had lived.

The Canton President, Leo von Wyl, said, 'Peter Howard was an outstanding fighter for the good. He was a revolutionary in the best sense. His aim was to defeat the revolution of evil by the revolution of good. I believe I am not exaggerating when I say that there is a spiritual kinship between the two men, Brother Nicholas and Peter Howard.

'Through their lives both have changed the course of the wheels of the spiritual trends of their time, each in his own way. The life and work of both must be a challenge for us to fulfil the task which God has put before us.'

German steel leader sees new hope

A MEMBER of the National Economic Council of Germany's Christian Democratic Party said this week that the new musical *Sing Out Deutschland* had restored his faith in the future of Germany.

Bergrat Keyser, head of the Kloeckner steel and coal company, which employs 20,000, said this after seeing the show. He has made the company's Meisenhof recreation hall and facilities available for the summer as a training centre for a national MRA programme. After a performance of the musical a firm in Solingen, Germany's Sheffield, gave £1,000 worth of equipment for the centre.

100,000 see musical in ten days

IN A TEN DAY PERIOD 100,000 people in the United States and Canada saw the musical *Up with People*. Three casts made up of 500 American youth are touring the southern states and eastern seaboard of the United States and the western provinces of Canada.

At the request of the Chiefs of Staff one cast is performing in the major Army and Air Force bases in the South. General Paul Freeman, Commanding General of the US Continental Army Command received the cast and thanked them for what they were doing for the American troops.

En route for New York another cast visited the grave of Dr Frank Buchman and spent an hour in his home in Allentown, Pennsylvania. They were special guests at a lunch given by Venon Hanson, President of the Mack Truck Company and attended by the Mayor of Allentown and the publisher of the Allentown Call and the Allentown Chronicle.

Congressman Mrs Smith of New York State and the wife of the Uganda Ambassador drove from Washington to see a performance at one of the Pennsylvania military bases.

A speech thousands more should read

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