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The Kenya Solicitor-General stressed the importance of the ideological factor in the present disorder when he spoke to the Kenya Legislature on 26 November. He drew a parallel with the position in Malaya where it had been stated that it was 25 per cent a shooting war and 75 per cent a battle for the hearts and minds of the people. In Kenya, he said, he would put the percentage at 5 and 95. It was essential that the battle for the people's hearts and minds should be won.

The Moral Re-Armament force that left Europe the previous day comes to Africa at a critical moment. On his visit to Southern Rhodesia last year the Prime

Minister, Sir Godfrey Huggins, who is now in London attending the Commonwealth Economic Conference, said: "Moral Re-Armament has been acclaimed by all sections of the community as pointing the way to true unity in Africa."

What lies behind the response of Africa's leadership, black and white, to Moral Re-Armament? In the issues which lie at the heart of Africa's unrest—in Kenya, Central Africa, West Africa and the Sudan—MRA has demonstrated the effectiveness of a new approach. It has drawn a moral battleline on which men of character have been able to unite.

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In Kenya, for example, the first move among the Africans themselves to counter the Mau Mau came from the Chief Waruhiu. A leading settler sends a report to his son David Waruhiu who flew to Kenya from the United Kingdom when he received the news of his father's death. He writes that he radiates confidence and has made a great impression by his fearless handling of the situation. Repeated offers of help have come from

The Bantu Mirror featured on its main editorial page an open letter from Lewanika to African leaders in which he stated: "We in Central Africa have a critical issue to discuss—the question of Federation. We cannot do it without God's guidance if we are to tackle the problem without creating ill-feeling and bitterness between Africans and Europeans. When I examined my actions in the light of Moral Re-Armament I recognised

The Editor of an African newspaper recently described how men in MRA have tackled the issues of corruption and racialism in West Africa. Two years ago the District Officer in one area had angered the African leaders by his cold, superior attitude. He was, however, greatly struck by the different attitude of his African clerk who introduced him to a neighbouring district officer in MRA. He decided to make the creation of better relations a priority and apologised to a nationalist leader whose authority he had tried to undermine. Since that time a great change has come over the whole district.

When a rumour was heard that he was to be transferred to another district the people petitioned that he remain and refused to accept a substitute. If the government wished to promote him, they said, they would bear the extra cost of his senior rank on condition that he was allowed to stay.

In another neighbouring district a result of the emphasis of absolute moral standards has been a wave of honesty in public life. African officials have declared war on bribery. There had been much wrangling, for instance, over the allocation of trading facilities which

were greatly in demand. Now public officials decide the question justly, with no bribery.

The Sudan dispute and British relations with Egypt provide an illuminating example of our frequent failure to understand the ideological issues involved. There has been progress recently over the Sudan. Both Sayed Saleh Mohammed Shangiti, the Speaker of the Sudan Parliament, and Sir Sayed Rahman El Mahdi, the leader of the Sudan Independence Party have come to an agreement with the Egyptian premier. All the principal parties have been in touch with Moral Re-Armament and invited Dr. Buchman to bring task forces to their countries.

In a recent speech, General Neguib took a remarkably conciliatory line towards Britain on the question, which many people feel has not received the consideration it has deserved. At the end he stressed certain general conditions for the settlement of the dispute which were obviously meant for Egyptian public opinion. These few sentences were highlighted in reports and received a negative response from official quarters. A wiser understanding of the issues and personalities at stake, however, would have helped us to see that change on our part as well would bring a new factor into this situation.

INDIA WELCOMES DR. BUCHMAN

It was sunset as the S.S. Strathnaver drew into Bombay harbour with Dr. Buchman and an MRA task force. At the quayside beneath a great welcoming notice stood the Mayor of Bombay, who had been waiting two hours to welcome Dr. Buchman with the traditional Indian garland of flowers. The Sheriff of Bombay, representatives of the Government, executives of Tata Industries, and Scindia Shipping Lines, and other distinguished citizens were at the quay to greet them. A political historian from Asia commented: "This voyage is as significant for the world as the voyage of the Mayflower was for America."

Next day, after a press conference, came the first official ceremony—a reception by the Mayor of Bombay in the magnificent Pheroze Shah Mehta hanging gardens on Malabar Hill. The principal ministers in the Cabinet, and 600 leading citizens of Bombay, heard the Mayor describe MRA as "the spearhead of human aspirations for a new world."

Later, the guests moved down to the Excelsior Theatre for the crowded première of *Jotham Valley*, which opened a two-week run of the MRA plays.

Mr. Moraji Desai, Chief Minister of Bombay State, which has a population of 36 million, addressed the audience after the play on the opening night. "We are grateful," he said, "not only for the entertainment and pleasure but for the lessons to apply to ourselves.

MRA preaches Gandhi's way of life and I will live it. It gives us hope and strength to fulfil his life. I must reform myself; then we can give the world the result of our efforts."

Special six-page supplements on Moral Re-Armament were carried by both the *Bombay Chronicle* and the *Free Press Journal*, which has the second largest national circulation in India. A leading article in the *Bombay Chronicle* says: "The visit is a breath of fresh air, the story of the earnest endeavours of a devoted and inspired minority to remake the world. From the board-room of Tatas to the Dhobis' laundry workers' union, from the drawing-room of Government House to Kamgar Maidan, the heart of industrial Bombay and scene of historic riots and revolution, from the ballroom of the Taj Mahal Hotel to the factory sheds—that's exactly the distance covered by the Moral Re-Armament team since their arrival a fortnight ago. The journey is not long in miles but covers an immense amount of ground."

The *Chronicle* and *Free Press Journal* reported the highlights of the MRA visit: meetings in board-rooms, schools, universities, docks, business houses and homes, and conversations with the political parties and the staffs of the public utilities. There was a mass meeting of 7,000 industrial textile workers at Kamgar Maidan, where for the first time since Independence, the trade unions opposing the Congress and the Socialist Parties

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usher in a new age of peace and progress for all men."

On 30 November Dr. Buchman returned to the scene
of his early walks with Mahatma Gandhi at the Ahmeda-
bad Ashram where Gandhi launched his movement of
national liberation and regeneration. Dr. Buchman
told a thousand leaders of the textile Union which
Gandhi founded: "It is really a holy pilgrimage for me
to come here again in the spirit of Gandhi and to think
how one man alone with God became the leader of
millions. We are his grateful debtors. Mill-owners
and mill-workers of India, guided by God, will make
India the prophet nation in the world. This message
will go from the mills to the millions. I believe that
India will be the nation of the future."

After a short visit to Agra, the Moral Re-Armament
force arrived in New Delhi on 3 December.

VISIT FROM CHAIRMAN OF NATO

the Danish Foreign Minister,
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in America at the General
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s visit to the European centre
t Caux this summer, and said

that he had directed all the Danish embassies and con-
sulates to do all in their power to assist Dr. Frank Buch-
man and the task forces at present in Asia.

Senator Alexander Wiley of Wisconsin, a member of
the United States delegation to the United Nations was
present with Mrs. Wiley. Other guests included Frits
Philips, Vice-President of Philips Industries, and Dr.
Spencer Miller, President of International College,
Springfield, Massachusetts, and formerly Educational
Director of the American Federation of Labour.

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past and bring understanding on a basis of 'what is
right' instead of 'who is right.'

"It should be our motto that we must all change
ourselves before we can convince others. Our thought
and action, our dealings with our fellow men, must be
in accordance with the standards of absolute honesty,
purity, unselfishness and love. In this way we shall
create a basis of trust in our industries. Together we
shall overcome division, find unity and bring genuine
peace to our nation and to the world."

courageous *Call to the Nation*

Commenting on the reply of the employers, Paul
Dikus, chairman of shop stewards in the Gelsenkirchen

NEWS IN BRIEF

William Green—William Green, President of the American Federation of Labour, like his fellow-miner, Philip Murray of the CIO who died twelve days before him, was a Christian with a faith. He will be deeply missed in Washington, where a generation of legislators and diplomats knew and honoured him.

For many years, both William Green and Philip Murray were warm supporters of Moral Re-Armament. During the war, MRA patriotic plays were part of the official programme of the AF of L International Convention in Toronto, and of Philip Murray's United Steelworkers of America.

Later, William Green and Philip Murray served on the National Committee which launched *The Forgotten Factor* in the National Theatre, Washington.

In June, 1951, when the Chairman and members of the Foreign Affairs and Foreign Relations Committees of the United States Congress invited national leaders to the World Assembly for Moral Re-Armament at Mackinac Island, Michigan, William Green wrote to labour leaders across the world: "The American labour movement warmly supports this welcome and expresses the hope that you and others of our trade union brothers from Europe, Asia, Africa, Australasia and the Americas will attend this gathering and so contribute to the new world of liberty and justice we all desire."

Arab League Secretary—Dr. Abdel K. Hassouna, who is representing Egypt at the United Nations, addressed the weekend conference of seven American Airlines at a Moral Re-Armament Training Centre in New York this month.

Dr. Hassouna is Secretary-General of the Arab League, representing 42 million Arabs, and is a former Foreign Minister of Egypt. He was in Cairo at the time of Dr. Buchman's visit to General Neguib. "Nothing can give me greater satisfaction than to welcome as

many from Moral Re-Armament as possible in my country," Dr. Hassouna said.

French Press—The daily French newspaper *Le Progrès* of Lyon has published during the week 29 October to 4 November a series of six feature articles on MRA by Joseph Barraud, the Editor, who attended the Caux Assembly this year.

The series opened with an illustrated article, headlined on the front page "Moral Re-Armament is out to bring a revolution without hate." The following series dealt with the way MRA brings a solution to colonial and industrial problems, the question of relations between France and Germany, the running of Caux and a final article on the fundamental basis of MRA, entitled: "It must begin with peace in your own heart."

Denmark—525 citizens of Aarhus, Denmark's second largest town, have sent a petition to the editor of the provincial paper, *Aarhus Stiftstidende*, asking for regular news of the Asian conference through their daily newspaper. The editor has published a notice saying that a special service of news has been arranged.

During the first ten months of this year over 800 articles on MRA have appeared in Danish newspapers. **Moscow Radio**—Moscow Radio broadcast on Moral Re-Armament in the USSR Home Service on 21 November. "Moral Re-Armament," it stated, "has been working at the front of the ideological struggle for several decades. In addition to building bridgeheads on every continent and training cadres who would be capable of spreading its ideology among the masses, Moral Re-Armament has now started on its decisive task, its total expansion throughout the world." The broadcast deplored the response of the free world to "an ideology which would attract the masses by a positive plan, the absence of which is regarded by many as the reason for the failure of their propaganda."

Suggestions for Christmas

1. **THE NEW PICTURE QUARTERLY** (See folder) Annual Subscription 10/-
Four times a year, with 40 pages of brilliant pictures, your Christmas gift will take your friends to see a new world in the making.
2. **THE RICHES OF CHRISTMAS** Blandford Press, price 15/-, postage 4d.
This fine book includes illustrated excerpts from the Christmas broadcasts of the late King, four-colour Fra Angelica paintings, carols, poems and articles.
3. **THE TREASURY OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC** Blandford Press, price 10/6, postage 4d.
A 150-page bound volume edited by Will Reed, with a foreword by Sir Adrian Boult, containing a wealth of traditional and modern carols and music.

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