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## MORAL RE-ARMAMENT INFLUENCES SOUTH AFRICA

(From Our Correspondent)

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**M**R. E. R. VAN RENSBURG of Johannesburg, Organising Secretary of the South African Mineworkers' Union said today, Moral Re-Armament has provided the common ground for people of all parties and points of view in South Africa." He was speaking to 1400 delegates at the Moral Re-Armament World Assembly here along with trades union leaders from the docks of Britain and the mines of the Ruhr.

"This is the age of the worker and the common man," said Mr. van Rensburg. "Unless we are united and march forward together, we are doomed to destruction. Formerly I had the attitude that the manager was invariably wrong. Moral Re-Armament showed me how to fight, not for 'Who is right' but for 'What is right.'"

In illustration he told of the new relationship between management and labour created by the application of Moral Re-Armament on the Reef and of the settlement of a recent dispute through both sides becoming willing to admit their faults. "It also meant change for myself," said van Rensburg.

"In addition to the normal problems between workers and management," he continued, "we face the colour question. I will make it my work to see that the colour question is solved above party politics through the guidance of God. It is the only solution I can see."

Mr. H. J. Klopper (H.N.P., Vredefort), speaking here on September 20 said that South Africa and the western nations had to accept responsibility for having created conditions in which Communism flourished.

Speaking at the World Assembly for Moral Re-Armament before his departure for a tour of Western Germany and Holland in order to study the work of Moral Re-Armament, he said, "Russia came to the world with an ideology when we had nothing. She claimed the allegiance of millions that we should have had. But we were asleep, content with our luxuries and glories." In a world of ideologies, he continued, there was no neutrality. You had to choose to fight and stand or fall by it. "We still have a great opportunity of offering something better than materialism, but if we want to offer it we have to

get a move on," he said. "In South Africa we have not been faultless and have made many mistakes. I shall do my utmost to help my nation follow the ideology of Caux. The best security I can give my family and nation is to fight alongside those who aim to bring this ideology to mankind." Klopper pledged himself to give three months service to Moral Re-

Armament on his return, and said he intended to improve the housing conditions of his employees.

Mr. J. S. Labuschagne (A.P. Klip River), who is touring Western Germany and Holland with Mr. Klopper, said, "The whole world can take a new course on the basis of the moral standards we find here. Moral Re-Armament is the force that can show the way to a new way between nations. I am going to apply it to my own life with my family, and with the people who work with me and in my nation."