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SOUTH AFRICANS AT MORAL RE-ARMAMENT CONFERENCE

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CAUX - SUR - MONTREUX (Switzerland), Saturday.—At the world assembly for moral rearmament, Mrs. Edith Benson, of Durban, said that moral rearmament was a sound, workable, economic policy which provided the new way of life based on moral standards, for which thousands were looking to-day.

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Mrs. Benson referred to the "strong racial feelings" among Afrikaans people, the British and the Coloured races. "It makes us fear for the future of South Africa," she said. "After what I have seen at Caux, I am convinced that a new spirit of understanding toward each other can be born as people accept moral rearmament as the new ideology of life."

Speaking with the experience of 20 years' social work, Mrs. Benson said that she was distressed over the deterioration of family life and, saddest of all, the increase in juvenile crime. "Magistrates are gravely alarmed for the future generation and are anxiously searching for an answer. Here at Caux I have found the answer in the word 'change' which must begin with ourselves."

CRICKETERS' VIEWS

The two opening batsmen for Oxford University spoke to the delegates. Mr. Murray Hofmeyr, double blue and Rhodes Scholar from Pretoria, stated: "What I want to see is that the principles of moral rearmament become the authority in our whole national life in South Africa."

Mr. Brian Boobbyer, of London, said: "It is our job on the cricket field to open the innings, give a good start, and lay the foundation for later players to build on. That is just what every one of us must do wherever we are."

A youth from the Eastern Zone of Germany, who had spent two years in a Russian prison camp, declared: "Only a change in our life in the West can raise up an ideology which is superior to Communism of the East. Anti-Comminism or the atom bomb cannot answer it. The secret of how to change is the great answer Caux gives."