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Gandhi sees way to 'win masses of China'

AN 'ASIAN PEOPLES' MASS MOVEMENT', led by men more revolutionary than Mao Tse-tung or Chou En-lai, will one day 'change the leaders and people of mainland China'.

Rajmohan Gandhi, 29-year-old grandson of the Mahatma, made this prediction at the Conference for Tomorrow's America. He had just visited Burma, Thailand, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Japan on his way to the United States.

Such a movement, he said, was already under way in India and Japan and would 'reach every village and hamlet of those countries'. Its aim is to 'unite the free peoples of Asia' and create a society that ends corruption, poverty and social injustice.

Gandhi saw Japan and India as the 'pillars' of this movement which would eventually win the masses of China.

Speaking of the gravity of the situation in Asia, he said, 'Going from Rangoon to Bangkok is like going from East Berlin to West Berlin.'

'On the day we landed in Rangoon, we saw an unmarked Soviet jet plane at the airport. We discovered that Chou En-lai and Chen Yi, the leaders of Red China, had arrived half an hour before us. They had not told the Burmese government they were coming. They treat Burma as a province of China.'

He commented on moves to solve the divisions between India and Pakistan, 'The political hazards for those in both nations who wish to bring about a solution are great. There is violent hatred in both lands. My belief is that unless India and Pakistan separately decide they shall fight to revolutionize the world and find a common purpose, there can never be a solution to the disputes between them.'

Last autumn Gandhi led a 4,500-mile march-on-wheels across India to dramatize the need for a new national aim. He has addressed rallies of up to 75,000 and spoken in 500 colleges and schools. Students have produced eight plays to support him. This summer he held three training camps for youth.

In the next months Gandhi plans to:

1. Start a non-party weekly paper, called *Himmat* (Courage), in Bombay. This will comment on national and world issues, attack corruption and 'point paths to progress'. It will be produced first in English, later in major Indian languages.

2. Create a permanent centre in India where leaders and revolutionaries can be trained.

3. Launch a 'March with Peasant India'. Teams of trained men will move through the villages of many States simultaneously with songs, plays and literature in the regional languages.

Northern Rhodesia police see 'Freedom'

POLICE in Northern Rhodesia, where hundreds have been killed in the Lumpa uprising, last week saw a riot quelled without bloodshed—on celluloid.

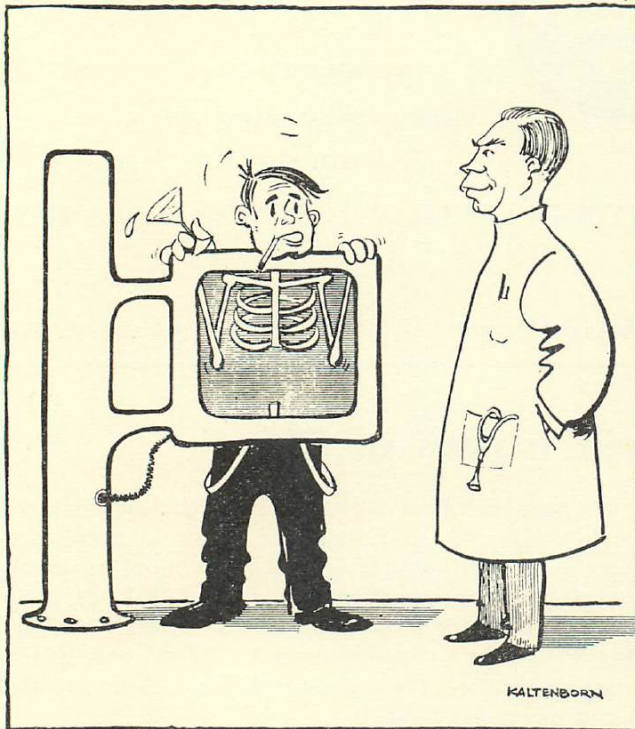
In Kitwe, heart of the Copperbelt, policemen and their families watched the all-African film *Freedom*. At the film's climax rival leaders unite and save their country from armed rebellion.

After the performance the District Commander said that he would arrange showings to enable every man in his command to see the film which, he said, was 'exactly what the country needs at this time'. This

showing was one of a series in the Copperbelt.

Secondary school students in Kitwe, Ndola and Lusaka also saw *Freedom*. Students of Munali Secondary School in Lusaka, where many of the present national leaders were educated, gave it an ovation.

At a showing in the hall of Lusaka's Catholic Cathedral, the audience eagerly responded to the singing of 'Nkosi Sikelele' (God Bless Africa) in the film. The tune has been chosen as the National Anthem of Zambia (as N. Rhodesia will become on independence next October).



'My friend, there seems to be something missing!'

Cartoons like this enliven 'Tomorrow's American', daily paper of the Conference at Mackinac.

Youth on march in four continents

JAPAN A hundred students began a ten-day march through Hokkaido putting on their plays, *Teenage Explosion* and *Light from the North*, in towns and villages.

INDIA The Mayor of Poona rushed from a council meeting where an official had been charged with corruption, to a showing of *You Can't Buy Us*, written and acted by students of the city. The play attacks corruption and rising prices.

ITALY In Palermo, Sicily, young men organized a 'Moral Re-Armament Week'. In Naples, university students and a civic drama group are producing Peter Howard's play *The Ladder*. A national assembly for youth takes place this month.

Conferences to prepare future leadership began this week in **NIGERIA** and **KENYA**. Ninety students from twenty-five leading secondary schools attended the Kenya conference.

BRITAIN Seventy young Britons flew to the Conference for Tomorrow's America. Others are holding training conferences in London during the summer.

UNITED STATES Over two thousand have taken part in the Conference for Tomorrow's America.

Three weeks to revolution

Tim Woodward of Tacoma, Washington, describes what he learnt at the Conference for Tomorrow's America in Mackinac. From an article in 'Tomorrow's American'.

EVERY SCHOOL I have attended has had something to offer to me. But these three weeks at Mackinac have given me an education that none of these schools could offer.

I have learned many concrete things. In journalism I have learned how to write news articles. During sports I learned how to play soccer. On work shifts I have learned the proper way to set a table. And in seminars I have learned the definite ideas this country should have in the next 30 years. I have found that every country has its problems, and I have found that Moral Re-Armament has the answer to these problems.

My education here at Mackinac has also touched upon my inner being. I have learned that no matter what skin colour, creed, country or position a man has, the only thing that really counts is his character. In fact, I have learned an ideology.

These three weeks have been a turning point in my life. To those who have just arrived I can say that you will have the same experience. You will suddenly wake up to the fact that the world needs you and needs your ideas, the world needs to be changed by young men and women.

I am a revolutionary who is going to fight to put right everything that is wrong in this world. I challenge you to join me.

Said at Mackinac . . .

LT.-GEN. LEWIS B. HERSHEY, Director of Selective Service:

I would risk not having enough technicians, trained engineers and lawyers rather than risk not having enough citizens with faith and a capacity to believe in family and community.

MRS. GEORGE ROMNEY, wife of the Governor of the State of Michigan:

In the world struggle today unless we have a belief in something greater than ourselves, as individuals and as a nation we will break down. The only thing that will keep America great is if she lives out her true moral principles.

RAY SMITH, Mayor of Mackinac Island:

We have been impressed with the quality of the youth attending this Conference, and the calibre of men who have come to address it. This is a happy contrast to the reports of teenage disturbances occurring in so many summer resorts.

DR. PAUL CAMPBELL, M.D.:

The more exercise you have, the less sleep you need.

WHICH WAY AMERICA?

BY PETER HOWARD

From an address to the Conference for Tomorrow's America on 24 July, 1964. On the night Harlem exploded Mr. Howard spoke for an hour on the radio in New York. He declined an invitation from the 'New York Times' radio station to broadcast coast-to-coast in order to make this address in Mackinac.

LAST NIGHT we rejoiced in the fun and magic of youth. It was an evening to remember. But with all the force at my command I tell you it will take more than music and laughter to carry us through the crisis that confronts America.

You are faced here with a task more adventurous, formidable and urgent than faced the Founding Fathers when they began to carve a nation out of a wilderness. You have to save a corrupt society from self-destruction, and to bring sanity back to a civilization that is becoming a moral and spiritual nut house. And time is running out.

Krushchev has just been surveying America from Poland. He called Senator Goldwater a Fascist. The Deputy Mayor of New York and the F.B.I. say Communism is helping to organize the riots in Harlem and elsewhere. Dr. Martin Luther King retorts that there are as many Communists in Harlem as there are Eskimos in Florida.

Political means not enough

I am not one who believes that every Fascist is white or every Communist is black. I do believe that lunatic fringes can be found in the camps of all those who try to cure moral ills by political means alone.

One hundred and thirty-two youths were arrested in Brooklyn and New York two nights ago. Many of them were carrying television sets, cameras and clothing from looted stores. What has that got to do with civil rights? Or with the death of a poor child of fifteen carrying a knife and shot with policemen's bullets?

If Communists are using the hates and fears of race to gain power, if sincere men begin to say, 'The end justifies the means', and persist in keeping America centred on racial war while Krushchev and Mao Tse-tung take over the world, what answer do we here offer?

What answer do we have for people who give in without a fight or thought in the face of Communist temptation, if we give in without a fight or thought to sex temptations, liquor temptations, hate temptations, or me-first temptations?

Images of America

We need to ask ourselves what image of America are we going to give mankind?

Is it the Hollywood image—sex and violence?

Is it the Pentagon image—reliance on hardware and bombs alone? Don't misunderstand me, I thank God for the strength of this country.

Is it to be the Madison Avenue image—you can tell a slick American anywhere but you cannot tell him much?

The C.I.A. image—pulling secret strings in other countries and sometimes the wrong strings?

The Wall Street image—trust in the mighty dollar?

The Mississippi image—violence, intolerance and hate? I'm telling you the images the world sees today.

Or shall it be the image of Abraham Lincoln? A figure of justice, charity and honour lived out personally and nationally against a global background.

Let in 'Lincoln spirit'

We all of us have something of Abe Lincoln within us. Something, perhaps, of Bobby Baker, too.* Why not begin to pattern a great and united society by taking time at the start of each day to throw Bobby out and let in the eternal spirit of Abe which can yet give perspective and corrective to a perplexed generation.

We need and can have an uprising of youth that will reshape history. It is a young man's America and a young man's world. We need to face the truth that it is not the old or the young, the black or the white, the Communist, Fascist or phoney idealist that is to blame. We are all to blame for the state of our society. That is why all of us have a part in putting it right.

Without cattle or country

If the philosophy prevails that God is dead and that you should never put off till tomorrow the fun you can have today—make no mistake, they are the same philosophy—then freedom will perish in your generation. If we present the view that our country is a great mother cow that all can milk more and more and feed less and less, then we shall soon be without cattle and without a country.

America's choice will be made, not by the next President in the White House, whether he be good or not so good. It will be made by ordinary Americans in their millions. If we are to have a new age we need new home life, new economic life, new governmental life.

America can pattern the right revolution where men learn to love home, homeland and humanity and grow to that moral greatness which alone will secure lasting liberty.

*The former Senate aide found guilty by a Senate Committee of using his office to further his own business.

COMPUTER CONVERSION

BY MORRIS MARTIN

Not long ago a computer cast doubts whether all the Pauline Epistles were written by St. Paul. A Doctor of Philosophy from Oxford ponders the effect of St. Paul on the computer.

AN extraordinary thing has happened to XR7B. He's not been around this week. Brilliant fellow, does more calculations per split second than any of us. Did all the basic work on space flight. You couldn't hold him. He took on anything, the most complicated kinds of calculations.

'They put him on reading books. It started with counting the words. The idea was to find out who wrote them. Apparently he came up with some disturbing results. The author didn't write the books, or didn't write all of them, or something. People thought it was all very shattering. There were a lot of arguments. They put the tapes which they had programmed for XR7B through time after time. But facts are facts, and you can't get round them.

'Then the extraordinary thing happened. XR7B was being fed these tapes again for the nth time. There was a flash. Something seemed to go wrong and XR7B stopped dead. They thought it was mechanical failure. But XR7B was still in good order. He tapped out one message, "Can't read. Can't see. Leave me alone." They kept asking him questions, but got nothing more back.

'Then a couple of days later, he started up again. But there were a set of totally new responses. They put the tapes through again which dealt with those books. Same facts,

'WRECKERS'

'Mods and Rockers 1600 years ago' is the headline the *Pontypridd Observer* gave its review of *The Endless Adventure*. They were called 'wreckers' then, says the review. One of them, whose story is told in Roger Hicks' book, became a Saint.

but he came up with another answer, "Whoever wrote these books, they are true."

'Of course, that's a value judgment right out of his field of possibilities. He's had some kind of personality change. It's caused a terrific discussion. Quite unprecedented. Something new among the computers.

'You see, XR7B has begun to have opinions. We only deal with facts but a new fact has broken into our machinery. You can programme it like any other fact, but apparently it has been overlooked. Personally, I've been feeling our whole approach to the modern world has become too narrowly factual, too technical.

'People don't understand our language any more. We may have to do away with the word "computer" for a generation. People get the idea we are gods and leave it all to us to run the show. It limits their responsibility.

'Well, if XR7B is right we've all got to get "with it". I suppose basically he's come up with an answer that includes *all* the facts, not just the ones that can be programmed by the old methods. He's found out a *reason for being a computer*. We're not at the mercy of programmes.

'We become, let's face it, calculating machines conscious of our destiny and duty, able to choose honest politicians from among all the capable ones, preferring decency to dirt and patriots to perverts.

'There's talk of getting computers to run the national life. Mr. Wilson's keen on it. Sir Alec may come round to it. Personally, if they programme me on it, I'll come up with XR7B's answer and say, speaking as one intelligent machine to another, "The facts of life are one thing, what counts is—what you do with them."'

NEWS IN BRIEF

Gambia—The Prime Minister of the Gambia, the Hon. D. K. Jawara, saw *Mr. Brown Comes Down the Hill* at the Westminster Theatre.

London—*U.N.E.S.C.O.-Features* sent out a report on the simultaneous translation at the Westminster Theatre saying visitors to London could see an English play there while hearing the dialogue in their own tongue.

Teacher swings conference vote

ONE OF AMERICA'S biggest teachers' organizations has decided to back efforts to strengthen the moral foundations of education.

A resolution to this effect was carried at the National Educational Association Convention whose 7,000 delegates met in Seattle, Washington, last month. The N.E.A. has 713,000 members ranging from university professors to elementary school teachers.

The resolution was first turned down in committee.

Sara Ensor, reading consultant in Garden City, Michigan, despite opposition won the right to a hearing in the final hour of the last session.

Many delegates rushed to the microphones to express their views on the proposal. An attempt to delete a paragraph advocating the use of moral and patriotic films in schools was shouted down. The resolution in its entirety was passed by a strong voice vote.

The resolution read in part: 'The members of this association recognize that the future will demand of our citizens a moral fibre seldom required of any society.

'We take a strong stand to support parents, teachers and school administrators in their efforts to promote motion pictures, television and stage productions which improve and enhance the principles of morality, truth, justice and patriotism for our youth, to perpetuate and safeguard our American way of life.'