

Dangerous M.R.A. practices

From "Reader," Grahamstown:

MR ROLAND KINGWILL is quite right in thinking that there is a "world-wide assault on moral standards—and sound character." But he fails to notice that it all comes from the Left, and especially from a very influential pressure group that has always been closely associated with communism. He disapproves of racial integration, he says, as much as racial separation, but again fails to realise that the former, when it involves extreme differences of race and culture, has always resulted in a general deterioration of moral standards. This is evident in the Americas, Britain and in South Africa before our eyes.

To encourage multiracism in practice, e.g. with house parties and plays, with the aim of bridging "division," directly serves the long-range purpose of those who seek to rule, not by dividing, but by the fusion and dilution of other peoples, thereby destroying their social integrity. In the result the moral rearmament group is actually working for moral disarmament.

Kith and kin

Its stress on character alone of individual attributes obscures the underlying fact of family and racial ties, which no one can escape without social injury. A person of "sound character" is indeed the least likely to shake off his kith and kin, even where their way of life is very inferior to his own; and it is the latter which vitiates social integration. That is the fallacy of insistence on character or merit as against race or colour, and the danger of the open door activity of the M.R.A. group, which while opposing multiracism in theory, as Mr Kingwill claims, encourages it in fact.

"Dead Centre," in comparing communism with fascism as a subject of study, would see, if he read the history of the 1920s, that but for communist revolution there would have been no fascism or nazism. There were the natural political reactions to the threat of communist revolution in each of those countries, which, but for them, would have succeeded in subverting democracy as it had done to Kerensky's short government in Russia. It is therefore well to investigate the machinations of the Left before resisting those of the Right. The former may explain the latter. Thus if the danger of communist or African national subversion were removed in South Africa, there would be no need for drastic safeguards as the 90-day detention clause.