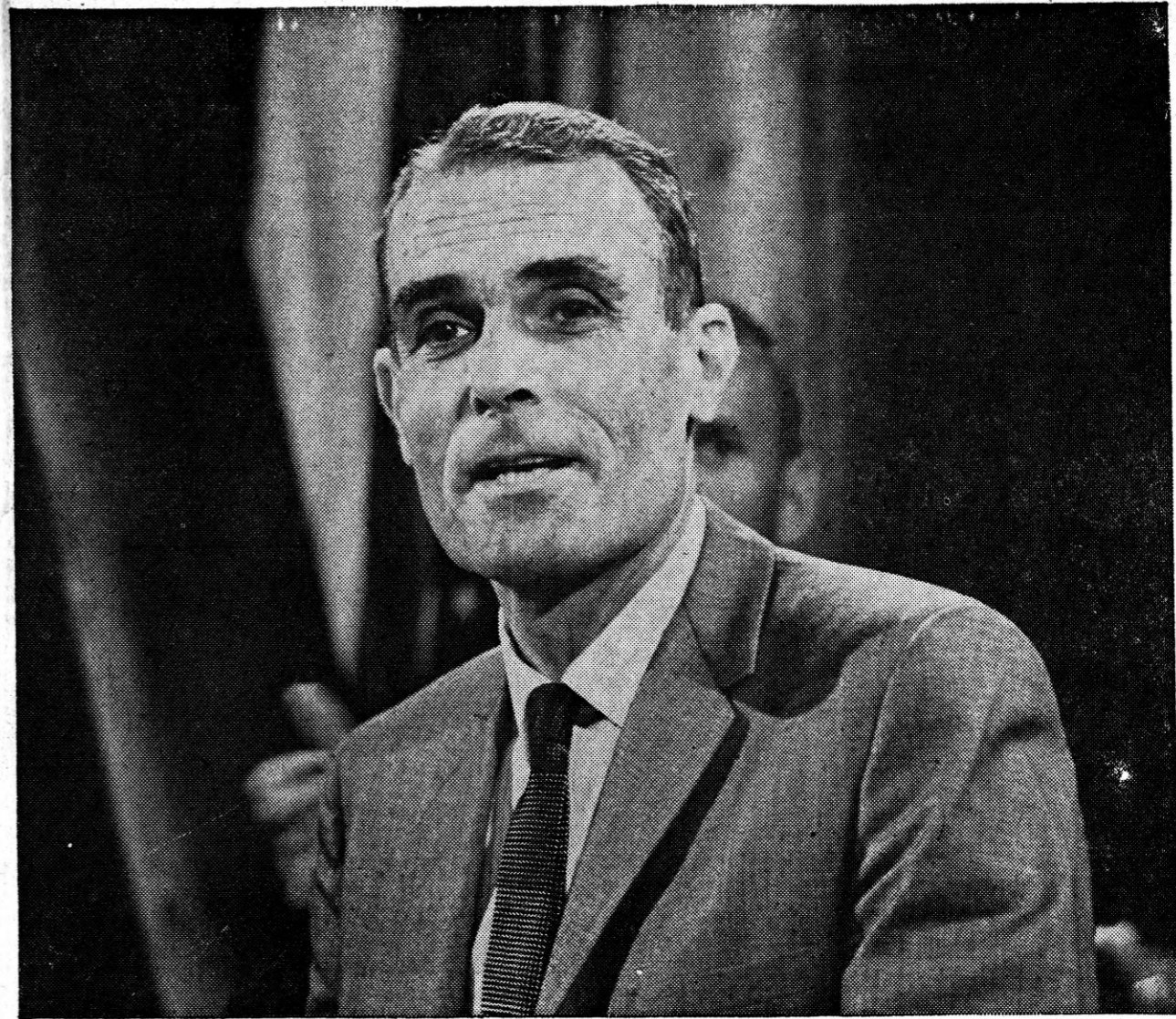


"Men and women now have got to arise with the guts to say; 'We will become part of a revolution where we give everything to bring the whole world under the control of a living God.' "
Peter Howard, head of the world program of Moral Re-Armament was a new type of revolutionary who grasped the ideological issues of the age.

"It's not the color of our skin, but the course of our lives that is important," Howard told Fisk University students.

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PETER HOWARD

CHALLENGES AMERICA

I cannot understand why for years now we have suffered these men in Peking and Moscow to plan every day for Mr. and Mrs. U.S.A. but failed to give Mr. and Mrs. U.S.A. an intelligent passion to plan to capture the millions of Moscow and Peking. Surely to heaven free men under God can create a revolutionary pattern of society that all men will recognize and join. I believe that 'Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven' is a concept far more revolutionary than anything Karl Marx or Hitler, heaven help him, thought of, if it is a commitment and not just a pious drone."

Peter Howard, world leader of Moral Re-Armament, British author, playwright and political columnist, died on February 25, 1965, in Lima, Peru. For 25 years he gave his life to an idea which has caught the imagination and spurred to action men of every age and rank in the task of remaking the world.

In a Congressional tribute to Howard, Speaker John W. McCormack said, "Few if any citizens of other lands have rendered the American people services comparable to those of Mr. Peter Howard."

Vice President Hubert Humphrey, Cardinal Bea, and former Chancellor Adenauer were among the hundreds who sent cables to Mrs. Howard.

His Eminence Richard Cardinal Cushing, in his foreword to Peter Howard's published speeches "Design for Dedication," says, "His words are a challenge for all. They bring an extraordinary clarity about America and the world that is most welcome."

ON RACE AND RIGHTS

Speaking in Atlanta, Georgia, on the topic "What Color Is God's Skin," Howard said, "I do not say, 'Be patient,' I say, 'Be passionate for something far bigger than color.'"

"The different races in America are her strength and glory. They can be her supersonic missile of revolution in the modern world. They are no handicap. They are an asset that no other country possesses. Supposing America, with her Negro and Latin American and Caucasian and Indian minorities, were able to proclaim in honesty to the listening earth: 'Come and see how all men everywhere are meant to live. We need you all in our bid to change world history which is the destiny of our age. In this dangerous, essential task, black men,

white men, all men are needed.'"

Speaking to the students of Tennessee State University in Nashville, Howard said, "After civil rights what? I believe the answer is a world revolution to establish what is right, not just for the Southern states, not just for the United States, but for the whole of God's longing, hoping, suffering, torn earth. I believe if that aim came out of the heart of the free nations and was real, people on both sides of the Iron and Bamboo Curtains would say, 'Thank God! We've always wanted to hear it and for the first time that voice has spoken from freedom.'"

ON VIETNAM

Speaking before the Commonwealth Club of San Francisco, Howard said, "At this moment, in paddy fields and swamps, jungle darkness, slime, stench and mud of fetid rivers, Americans, Vietnamese, villagers and soldiers are putting to the test with their blood and suffering whether freedom shall or shall not endure in Vietnam. Without expressing views about the policies or character of Diem or the Nhus, one thing is certain. The United States, for the first time in the history of the country, encouraged the overthrow in time of war of a duly elected government fighting loyally against the common Communist invader. The bill for that deed has yet to be presented. But be absolutely sure the bill is coming in.

"What can be done? An all-out-bid to win the war might mean an armed confrontation between the United States and Red China with the risk of a holocaust. I think that would be lunacy. Neutralization of Vietnam and the withdrawal of American forces; which many people now are strongly advocating, would mean in effect the rapid communization of that part of Southeast Asia, and damage to the prestige of the free world which will affect America's status in every part of Asia.

"There is another possibility. I cannot claim that it is an original idea. It was suggested to me by the late President Diem shortly before he was killed. It was, and I quote: "A massive saturation program of Vietnam by Moral Re-Armament." Diem wished to use films, literature and traveling teams of ideologically trained men for the purpose. He believed this program would answer division and corruption in the South and put the North ideologically on the defensive, instead of always being on the attack. He said the people in the North were hungry for a revolutionary concept coming out of the free world which would include them. If we could give them that, he said, they would desert Communism in the thousands. He may have been wrong. But he may have been right. We have not tried."

Vanderbilt University students give standing ovation to Peter Howard.



ON COMMUNISM

"Communism is the worship of materialism—the worship of rubles or dollars, the worship of human flesh and human brain, the worship of success or recognition, the worship of heroes whether they are dressed up as dictators or presidents. It is putting man first. Communism is the denial of God. It condones the immorality that springs, and springs only, from a disbelief in Him.

"I want to say about Communism—the only intelligent action for those who love liberty is to create a revolution bigger than Communism that needs everybody for its fulfillment. So you can say to the Communist, 'We want to revolutionize the world. We are revolutionizing the world. Come and help us do it in the right way.' That is the only synthesis that will get the Marxist out of his dilemma. And in the next month, and six months, you have got to match in America the revolutionary passion and relentlessness of men determined to take over Latin America, take over Asia, and not, repeat not, leave the United States and Canada to stew in their own juice."

ON MODERNIZING MAN

"The modernization of man is the great task of our time. Man has become a scientific and technological giant but remains a moral and spiritual pigmy. We can no longer live safe and free when we allow prehistoric emotions of hate, fear and greed to divide us. The world will be modernized and rebuilt by those willing to match this revolutionary age by a revolution in their own aims and living."

"Everybody wants to see the other person change. Every class, every nation, every color wants to see the other class, nation or color change. But everybody is waiting for the other to begin. We believe that if you want to see the world or your country or even your home or school different, the most practical place to start is with yourself and then give it to the other fellow. We think there is nobody more reactionary than the person who, by and large, is out to make his own way in the world and hopes that somebody else will look after the rest of the world.

"We believe in absolute moral standards—honesty, purity, unselfishness and love. I'm a very ordinary man. But I do have standards to which I trim my life. There is a thing called the North Star. It's been up in the sky for some time. Nobody has yet recorded any vessel or ship reaching that star, but for centuries captains of vessels have got a fix on that star, known from it where their vessel is in the ocean and where they have to steer setting a new course."

"My life is given to revolution," Howard tells American businessmen.



ON AMERICA

"America, despite her valor and generosity, is becoming a pacifist nation. Her passion to be uninvolved extends from her foreign policies to a permissive idiocy that allows students to gain control of campuses by rioting or for thugs to beat up people in the streets while bystanders watch and walk away. We must learn in 1965 that we cannot obtain victory without the desire for it, endure defeat without the disaster of it, secure peace without the price of it, or wage a war of ideology without the ideology to win.

"I give fair warning that the God of the Old Testament is abroad in the world again today. Those men and nations who heed His voice and obey His will will be blessed in their generation. But those who rationalize moral relativism, who declare that the end justifies the means, who refuse to stand for the right but attempt to come to terms with what they know is evil at home and overseas, will have to reckon with more than the fleeting favor or disfavor of humanity. They will have to reckon with the everlasting justice and wrath of the Almighty.

"America divided and confused may condemn humanity to the false alternative of a Red world or a dead world instead of offering the choice and challenge of a world rebuilt. America, once again a land which believes the proud boast of her dollar bill, 'In God We Trust,' can turn the century Godwards.

"I believe that Moral Re-Armament is the revolutionary issue of our time. It is the next step for America and the world."