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Moral Rearmament Defended

(From Our Own Correspondent).

CAUX (Switzerland), Wednesday.

MR. E. R. VAN RENSBURG, general secretary of the Mine-workers' Union of South Africa, said to-day: "I say without fear of contradiction that Moral Rearmament has done for my union what no other force could ever have achieved.

"Not one single accusation levelled against Moral Rearmament in the recent report of the I.C.F.T.U. Secretariat is true in our experience."

The South African trade union leader, who was addressing the World Assembly for Moral Rearmament, continued: "I was disappointed to see the attack on Moral Rearmament come from a trade union body. For Moral Rearmament has done the following things for my union:

(1) The leaders of my union were the first to apply the principles of Moral Rearmament in negotiations with the management, which has brought a complete change for the better in our relations.

(2) "Moral Rearmament has brought unity in our own ranks.

(3) "Our union was among the first to lend financial support to Moral Rearmament and is proud of it.

(4) "We have sent delegations to Caux. I wanted to reply to the I.C.F.T.U. attack in South Africa, but I decided to come to Caux to see for myself. As a result of my findings here I can go proudly and repudiate every inch of every attack on Moral Rearmament. On the application of these principles of Moral Rearmament by leaders, as well as the rank and file, hangs the destiny of the world."