

RAJMOHAN GANDHI speaks at the Westminster Theatre on Sunday, 11 April, at 10.30 a.m.

and

MAN TO MATCH THE HOUR a documentary film of Peter Howard's life will be shown for the first time in Britain

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# ASIANS WELCOME NEW TYPE OF MAN

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SERVICE

A MERICA AND RUSSIA may be able to do far more than Britain in terms of military and economic aid. But in laying foundations for a new structure of society, motivated by new aims, Britain can play a role second to none.

Three trends cause most concern to thoughtful leaders in South-East Asia:

- youth in revolt
- corruption on the increase
- politics in disrepute.

America is spending \$600 million a year in Viet-Nam alone. Has she won youth, cured corruption, made politicians straight?

Our own business firms are getting handsome returns from trade in South-East Asia. How many think of curing these evils? Yet if they are not cured, what are the continuing prospects for these firms' investments?

The answer to youth in revolt is revolutionary youth. The cure for corruption is a wave of honesty flooding the land. New respect for politics comes not from new parties or elections but from new motives in politicians.

### Britain's aid

These all boil down to problems of character. No form of aid is more needed in South-East Asia. Britain's aid in this commodity is only limited by the reserves of character in our own country.

Moscow is admittedly still looking for men with new motives, that 'new type of man' who thinks of 'we' not 'me' first. Even Mao Tse-tung is none too confident which way China's youth will go. By the year 2000, he thinks, Marx and Engels may be out of date.

Asians welcome the new type of man with character who cannot be bribed, browbeaten, softened up or seduced. Britain produced and exported such a man in Peter Howard. Asians recognised his value. Not all of our own rulers did.

He didn't bring money to Asia. He didn't arrive covered with honours. But he had the qualities of heart and mind able to wrestle with these three basic problems. He didn't tell Asians to behave better. He didn't preach anti-Communism. He lived for and proclaimed a great revolution for all men in the world.

Asia's response was seen last week in a memorial meeting for him in Tokyo. It drew together men in high posts in government, industry, education and a phalanx of Japanese youth who committed their lives to carry on his work.

### EASTER ACTION

LONDON—'Easter Action'—a programme to train youth to take leadership in the moral re-armament of their countries—will climax on Easter Sunday in a demonstration in East London. The Brazilian dockers' film *Men of Brazil* will be shown in Poplar Old Council Chambers at 4 p.m.

**RUHR**—French, Dutch and Scandinavians are expected at an Easter Conference called by German youth, entitled 'Goal for Germany'.

SWITZERLAND—A travelling assembly will take place over Easter in Central Swiss towns entitled 'National Days for the Moral Re-Armament of Switzerland.'

JAMAICA—Conrad Hunte, the West Indies opening batsman, has called a Conference for Tomorrow's Jamaica with 300 Jamaican youth from 9-12 April.

# Gandhi raises patriotic spirit in Brazil

CONTINUING his tour of 24 Brazilian universities and colleges, Rajmohan Gandhi addressed five hundred students of the country's leading agricultural college in Piracicaba.

'How can you preach to a starving man?' asked one student.

Gandhi replied, 'How many of us here are suffering from hunger? Personally I am grateful that the students of Brazil do get enough to eat.

'I myself believe my grandfather's conviction that before a starving man God himself must appear in the form of bread. But let us be honest. What is it that stops us from changing? Is it hunger or is it some other point? When we change, the hungry people of the world will get enough to eat.'

### Armed services

Officer training schools of all three armed services, Catholic colleges, educational institutes and technical schools have heard Gandhi in his 26-day tour.

Hundreds of students have asked to take part in Moral Re-Armament's programme. Meetings to plan this have been held in three cities. Students of two schools have begun to write plays.

'You have helped raise the patriotic spirit in all of us,' said the Commandant of an air force officer training school.

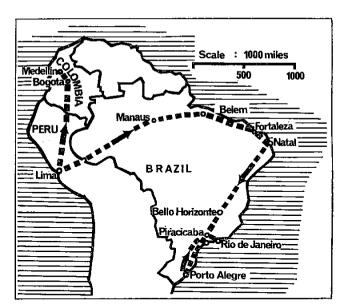
'Moral Re-Armament will take Brazil out of her present vague position and give the country purpose and direction,' said the student president of the agricultural college in Piracicaba. 'Every Brazilian college must hear what we have heard tonight.' Students of Curitiba sent a cheque for 130,000 cruzeiros to finance this work.

### ASIA WELCOMES—from front page

Mr. Kishi, former Prime Minister and brother of Mr. Sato, present Prime Minister, told the gathering: 'In the display of convictions of these young people we witnessed the highest tribute to Howard's leadership.'

The Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minister of Trade and Industry, forty-five M.P.'s and Senators and Admiral Sugie, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, heard Mr. Kishi tell the audience: 'Old and young should learn now from Howard the dedication, devotion and single-hearted commitment for the greatest cause.'

Admiral Sugie said he 'took note of MRA first through the outstanding result of the extensive training in Moral Re-Armament we have had for our armed forces'. He added, 'We must saturate the whole world with MRA. That would be the highest tribute to this great leader, the late Mr. Peter Howard.'



Gandhi's 6,500 mile speaking tour of universities and colleges in Brazil, and Peruvian students' visit to Colombia.

### 'To save Colombia!'

A MORAL RE-ARMAMENT force, led by San Marcos University students from Peru, arrived last week in Colombia. It came in response to an invitation by the Minister of Education, Dr. Pedro Valderrama, to Peter Howard. The students, at Howard's death in Peru, pledged themselves to carry forward his work.

Their arrival coincided with outbreaks of violence, including guerrilla warfare and the kidnapping of a former cabinet minister.

'How timely is the coming of MRA to Colombia in the present emergency,' declared *El Tiempo. El Espectador*, largest national paper, said that at a time when there was a talk of arming even the women and training them to use revolvers, Moral Re-Armament, with its idea of a just revolution, was much more important.

At six hours' notice Colombia's national T.V. station cancelled all commercial programmes for a 90-minute presentation of Moral Re-Armament. In Bogota, the capital, the visitors addressed priests, industrialists and students.

On one student's invitation, the MRA force visited Medellin, Colombia's industrial centre. This student provided air transport and hospitality, organized interviews with the Archbishop, industrialists, press and radio, and arranged a showing of the film *El Condor*.

La Republica said in an editorial: 'Let's have Moral Re-Armament if we want to save Colombia!'

# Sold shares to fly play to Mount Isa

UNTIL A STRIKE began in August last year Mount Isa produced 70-80 per cent of Australia's copper.

Mount Isa mines are rich also in silver, lead and zinc. Mineral wealth of the region includes 2,000 million tons of coal and enough bauxite to supply the whole world with aluminium for fifty years.

But hatred as hot as any smelter stopped progress for eight months and caused police reinforcements to fly in twice to keep order. The Government declared a State of Emergency.

Lifelong friends stopped speaking. Left-wing trade unions all over Australia underwrote pay for the strikers. The mining company lost a million pounds a week. The workers lost one and a quarter million pounds in wages. Ten thousand found jobs elsewhere. The stoppage pushed up the world price of copper.

A young New Zealander, shareholder in the mines, sold his shares. He started a fund to bring a play by Peter Howard, *We Are Tomorrow*, to Mount Isa. The Shire Councillors invited a force of thirty-six. Some were students who set aside Commonwealth scholarships for a year to take the play to Australia and New Zealand. With them was a shop steward from the Melbourne Waterside Workers' Union and a vice-president of the Victoria Employers' Federation.

### Manager and militants

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Looking over the audience at the first performance a veteran citizen saw the General Manager of the Copper Mines, the District Secretary of the Australian Workers' Union and strike militants. 'There are people here tonight,' he said, 'whom I never thought I'd see together again.'

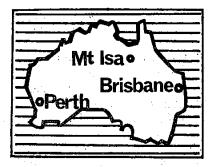
One of the most militant of the Left-wing stuck on his shop window a page from the *Mount Isa Mail* with Peter Howard's speech 'Labour can shift the Nation'. On the door of the Workers' Club, nerve centre of the angry miners, was a poster inviting people to the play. Management met with members of the cast.

Comments by both sides were overheard. 'All sides have made mistakes.... We need to begin putting right where we have been wrong.' The paper gave its front page story the headline 'Glimpse at a different world'.

Two days later 600 people gathered in the open air

#### WESTERN AUSTRALIA SEES 'MR. BROWN'

**P**ETER HOWARD'S play *Mr. Brown Comes Down the Hill* is being staged by the Perth Repertory Company from 5 to 17 April. The *West Australian* said: 'It is the first time that the Playhouse has put on a special Easter play. The idea originally came from the Anglican Archbishop of Perth'. centre of the town. They saw the Rio dockers' film *Men* of Brazil. Speakers said, 'Mount Isa can become a pattern for Asia and the world.'



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Men from management, Left and Right-wing labour groups—the strike split the Labour movement—sat on the grass with their families. Above them towered the 503-foot, red and white banded smelter chimney and floodlit mine shafthead. They laughed and applauded points in the film which so closely fitted their own experiences.

A keen supporter of the strike was flabbergasted with the show. He said, 'It almost makes you believe in God.'

Dozens of high school youth asked to attend the next MRA youth conference.

A hospital patient had himself discharged early to see the play. Like many others he contributed to advance Moral Re-Armament. 'This is where my money ought to go,' he said.

Said the president of a Mount Isa service club: 'You came to the right place at the right time with the right idea'.

We Are Tomorrow played next in Brisbane, Queensland State capital. The Speaker of Parliament received the cast on behalf of the State Prime Minister. He gave them a personal cheque from the Premier in appreciation for what had been done for his State.

# Film on 133 TV stations

MILLIONS OF AMERICANS viewed A Man to Match the Hour, documentary of Peter Howard's life, over 122 television stations across America last week.

Eleven Canadian TV stations from New Brunswick across to British Colombia will show the film on 17 and 18 April.

George Laine, in the Santa Monica, California, *Evening Outlook*, wrote, 'Men who stand for the things Peter Howard stood for have not been too popular of late. He asked the world for absolute morality and said that if he could do it—he vowed to try—anyone could.

'It has also become less than fashionable to admit allegiance to Christ. Persons who dare express devotion to the Master are regarded as real crackpots with Gantry-like zeal.

"I happen to be a Christian", Howard declared without apology, "who believes . . . the Cross of Christ will transform the world—if the men of God match the pace and persistence of the men of anti-God."

# Peter Howard

On MONDAY, 12 April, at noon, a memorial service for Peter Howard will be held in London at St. Martin-in-the-Fields.

In Teheran Tide of History, film of the world tour of a statesmen's mission in 1955-6 with Peter Howard's musical The Vanishing Island, was shown at a memorial for him. The mission was received by the Shah.

Requiem Mass for Howard was celebrated in the Church of St. Michael the Archangel in **Buenos Aires**.

Frank Moraes, Chief Editor of Indian Express, and Durga Das, Managing Editor of Indian News and Features Alliance, spoke at Howard's memorial in New Delhi.

In Rio de Janeiro the Legislative Assembly of Guanabara State, where fifteen million Brazilians live, dedicated a whole session to honouring Howard. They made him an honorary citizen of Rio de Janeiro.

Dwellers in a Rio favela (shanty town) are to cut an inscription in a 600 foot rock as tribute to Peter Howard. The rock stands in the favela with a Cross on top.

Announcing this, the President of the favela said Howard had called on them at a mass meeting to bring a revolution of character to Brazil. They promised him then: 'The inhabitants of the favela of Sao Joao will march shoulder to shoulder with Peter Howard for the revolution of character.' These words will be carved on the towering rock.

Conferring 'Citizen of Petropolis' titles on Peter Howard and also on Rajmohan Gandhi, the President of the **Petropolis** City Council said, 'We consider MRA a movement for the reconstruction of society under God based on justice, freedom and unselfishness. We are especially glad Petropolis has been chosen as site of the fourth world centre for training in this ideology.'

Replying Gandhi said, 'Peter Howard told your President, Castelo Branco, "I will sweat and strive and collapse if necessary for Latin America". This is what he did'.

In Enugu, Nigeria the Chairman of the Public Service Commission, Mr. Felix Ihenacho, said at a memorial in the Town Hall that Peter Howard had described MRA as a weapon forged by God to wage war on materialism. 'Any man can take up that fight,' said Mr. Ihenacho. He called on Nigerians to declare war relentlessly on corruption, nepotism and tribalism.

# Indians send Congressmen new 'Dare'

EVERY Senator, Congressman and State Governor in the United States will receive from the Pueblo Indians of New Mexico a copy of the March-April *Dare* (now available for 2s. 6d. from 4 Hays Mews, W.1).

In this 40-page magazine the American Indian speaks boldly but not bitterly to an America, and world, increasingly rent by racial divisions. 'We have watched the white man for 473 years,' they say.

But as this issue shows they have moved from watching to action. 'Am I the last of my race or the first of a new type of man?' asks a young Indian boy. The determination to be the new man springs out from the stirring pictures on each page—from the intrepid Mohawk ironworker, treading a girder hundreds of feet above the traffic of New York City, from the 94-year-old Chief Walking Buffalo of the Stoney Indians, from Miss Navajo of the Navajo Nation and from 'The Indians race to save humanity,' a double-page drawing specially done for *Dare* by young Indian artist Angelo John.

One thousand American Indians will come this summer to Mackinac.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

Cairo—Mrs. Gazbeya Sidky, wellknown Egyptian author, said on Cairo Radio's peak listening-hour programme 'Youth of Tomorrow': 'All over the world the bright spark of youth is being kindled by Moral Re-Armament.'

**Cardiff**—Fifteen hundred copies of a special reprint of the 13 March issue of *MRA Information Service* were sent out by Alderman T. Evans of Pontardawe and Cardiff and Rhondda citizens.

Lima—Peruvian students sent Peter Howard's book *Design for Dedication* to every senator and congressman.

Romanshorn, Switzerland — Schoolchildren formed a 'club for what is sound' and publicly burnt dirty literature. Commented the local paper: 'The club has a new audacious goal—to mobilise a hundred Swiss schools for the same aim by 1 August. Hurrah for such courage and spirit of enterprise!'

**Bonn**—Thirty thousand copies of *To*morrow will be too late, speeches by Peter Howard, were sent last week to German industrialists.

Musselburgh, Midlothian—Rev. W. D. Laird of St. Andrew's Church, Musselburgh, and a group of Scottish churchmen sent the 13 March issue of *MRA Information Service* on Peter Howard, to 2,500 of their fellow Church of Scotland ministers at home and abroad.

Hull—The Lord Mayor and Sheriff of Hull, birthplace of Wilberforce, saw *Mr. Wilberforce*, *M.P.* at the Westminster Theatre in London.

London—Turkish simultaneous translation of the current play at the Westminster was inaugurated with a visit by 13 Turkish Governors of Provinces and 26 Vice-Governors and Mayors.

Pwllheli, North Wales—An MRA mobile film-unit was booked out every day by youth clubs, schools and churches during a two-week inaugural tour here. The only Welsh-speaking town crier in Britain announced a showing in Pwllheli, sponsored by the Mayor.

Benin, Nigeria—M.P.s in Nigeria's Mid-West Region were invited to see the all-African film *Freedom* in front of Parliament, on the initiative of the President of the House of Chiefs.