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The Chairman of the Supreme Council of the Sudan, Sayed Ismail Azhari (in white suit) leaves the theatre after seeing 'Harambee Africa'. On the right is the Minister of Education, Sayed Hassan Awadalla

Photo: Sudan Govt

# 'THE SPIRIT WE NEED' -SUDAN PM

THE ALL-AFRICA MUSICAL Harambee Africa this week visited the Sudan, invited and financed by the Sudan Government.

Sayed Sadik el Mahdi, the thirty-year-old Prime Minister, entertained the cast during a two hour cruise on the Nile. The cast presented excerpts from their musical to sixty guests, including present and former cabinet ministers and MPs, as the sun was going down behind minarets and the dome of the Mahdi's tomb at Omdurman.

Addressing the cast the Prime Minister said, 'I hope you will carry "Harambee" throughout the continent. It is the spirit we need today for this generation and for the generations to come. You will always be welcome to return to the Sudan.'



Supreme Council Chairman receives members of the musical's cast. Here he welcomes Josphat Mwathia Muigai of Kenyatta

College, Nairobi, a nephew of President Kenyatta

Photos: Kobler

Two thousand students of Khartoum University see 'Harambee Africa'



# CAUX TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY

'What happened at Caux during those years in which bridges were built across the Rhine needs now to happen across the Elbe and along the Danube'—Philippe Mottu

PHILIPPE MOTTU, Swiss author and a founder of the MRA conference centre at Caux, said last week that the visit of thousands of Germans and French to Caux had helped transform centuries-long antagonism into lasting friendship.

'The first step today may well be to build new relationships with the Yugoslavs, the Poles, the Czechs, the Hungarians, the Rumanians and the Bulgarians. We already have a constant stream of visitors to Caux from those countries. They say Caux has a unique part to play in the current discussions in the Communist countries on the nature of man and his destiny.'

Speaking at the Tirley conference he announced that seventy-two Swiss MPs had issued a statement underlining Caux's contribution to peace and progress. This was to mark the Twentieth Anniversary this weekend of Caux as an MRA centre.

In the last twenty years Caux had not only helped to heal hatred between France and Germany and to bring a new spirit in the mines, textile and other European industries. It was also formulating new objectives for Europe. 'Europe will never be at peace within itself,' he said, 'until we have found a common objective for our continent. It may well lie outside our own borders.'

Men from Tunisia and Morocco, who had been to Caux, had been instrumental in bringing independence to their countries without bloodshed, said Mottu. President Leopold Senghor of Senegal had emphasised to him in Dakar the part Caux could have in bridging the gap between the

industrial and developing nations.

In June this year delegates to the ILO at Geneva had come to Caux. One was the General Secretary of the trade unions of an African country. He saw the African film Freedom and could not sleep the whole night. The next morning he said that the film had made him reconsider his strategy for his country. Instead of the bloody revolution that he had planned he had decided to apply thoroughly, beginning with himself, the principles of MRA.

'During the last twenty years Caux has been a place where people have come to shape new policies for their nations, to prepare the blueprint which can mould society anew,' said Mottu.

'One function of Caux will be to train men and women who have decided to give themselves for the world revolution of MRA. They will be able to study there the gold-mine of experiences from all over the world accumulated in the last forty or fifty years by those committed to this battle.'

### **Dockers double port income**

SOUTH AMERICAN portworkers flew to Europe this month to attend an international maritime conference, called by British dockers, at Caux.

Antonio Falcao, docker from Recife, Brazil, reported: 'Our port should serve the interest of the nation. Our superintendent has said on the radio that dockers in MRA "are changing the atmosphere and situation not only in the port, but in the city and in the state."

'In Rio de Janeiro, thanks to MRA, the income of the port in these last two years has doubled. This is because dockers have accepted responsibility not only for the port, but for the country.' He read a message from the President of the National Federation of Brazilian Portworkers.

In the South American delegation are the President and Secretary of the Crane Drivers' Union in the port of Montevideo.

The conference was attended by 250 delegates from 21 nations.



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Left to right: Jack Manning, London; J C Wiegmans, Chairman Works Council, Verolme shipyard, Rotterdam; M Okkerse, assistant chairman; Antonio Falcao, Recife, Brazil; V Gonzales, President, Crane Drivers' Union, Montevideo; S Maldonado, Secretary

ERNST REINECKE, in charge of MRA in Germany, addressed the conference at Tirley Garth on 16 August.

AS A GERMAN I am delighted and honoured to be invited to Britain. You paid a high price to stop a Godless totalitarian regime from spreading around the world. But each generation has to gain freedom anew. I will always be grateful for the men and women of Britain, America and other nations, trained in Moral Re-Armament, who made this truth live for us in our darkest hour after the war.

In 1946 Frank Buchman arrived in Switzerland at Caux. He asked the representatives of those of Europe who were there, 'Where are the Germans?' He took action to get permission from the High Commissioners who ruled at that time in our country, and for the first time a German delegation was allowed to leave the country and take part in an international conference as equal partners.

In the following years 10,000 German leaders took part in MRA international conferences. Among them were today's President, Dr Heinrich Luebke; former Chancellor Konrad Adenauer; and the first President of the German trade unions, Dr Hans Böckler.

Besides these conferences in Caux MRA task forces with plays and musicals were presented to tens of thousands in our country. They gave an answer to the class struggle. One play was called *The Forgotten Factor*. The Forgotten Factor was God. How true for our country.

Often people have used the word 'miracle' in relation to Germany's reconstruction and reconciliation with her neighbours, especially with France after the war. There is no doubt that Moral Re-Armament, as Chancellor Adenauer said, 'has played an unseen but effective part' in this development.

At the end of the war twelve million refugees came from Eastern Germany and Europe into Western Germany. The Federal Minister of Refugees, Dr Hans Lukaschek, was one of the first men who came to Caux. He came

DR KONRAD ADENAUER and his family were at Caux in 1948. He sits with the President and Chancellor of Switzerland

### GERMANY AND WORLD FREEDOM

weighed down by the tremendous problem of how to clothe and feed twelve million people. In Caux he found a new faith and outlook. He decided to welcome the refugees to the nation. He said, 'They are not a problem to our destroyed nation. They are an asset.' Because of this spirit they became part of the backbone of our reconstruction.

The Minister of Housing caught the same spirit. A law was passed obliging everybody who owned property, a house and land which was not destroyed, to pay a certain amount every year for the benefit of those who had lost part or the whole of their property. The process is still going on. This money is used for building. 9½ million houses have been built since the war and there is practically no housing problem in Germany today. The law could only work with the new spirit which has been created.

In the Ruhr class war was replaced by a new spirit of co-operation in industry. An agreement was hammered out between management and labour and passed into law by Parliament that in the entire coal and steel industry representatives of the workers have a seat on the board of directors of every company. Communist representation in the Works Council of the coal industry dropped from 73% to



8% in four years. We have experienced no major strike in the Ruhr in the last twenty years.

Peter Howard, your great countryman, was often in Germany. He was never, never, never sentimental in his relationship to Germany. He had a passion that Germany should never again allow herself to be blackmailed by the past. I can say that Germany has now accepted this challenge.

A year ago today there was a national public opinion poll taken by the Allenbach Institute throughout Germany. They found that 900,000 Germans want to take an active part in bringing Moral Re-Armament to their country. The question we had to face was how to activate this vast army of men and women to answer the climate of moral and spiritual pacifism prevalent in the country.

At this time Prince Richard of Hesse returned from America. He recounted how a climate of pacifism and anti-patriotic, anti-God spirit was being answered by a crowd of young Americans. They had created a *Sing-Out*, a demonstration of love of country, hard work, great living and a practical faith in God. This was exactly what was needed to mobilise the positive elements in Germany.

On 29 March at Chancellor Erhard's





After attending the Tirley conference with her fellow Swiss delegates, nineteen-year-old Marianne von Orelli (right) said, 'We from a small but rich country have got to be practical about spreading the spirit of MRA across the world. I have decided to accept Rajmohan Gandhi's invitation to join his force for the moral re-armament of India' Photo: O'Brennan

## Swiss sacrifice for the future

MRS DORLI HAHNLOSER, speaking at the Tirley Garth conference said:

I WOULD LIKE to let you know what made three Swiss couples, aged 30 to 35, decide in 1946 to buy the big old Palace Hotel in very poor condition and create a world centre for Moral Re-Armament.

Through Dr Frank Buchman we had understood that the war of ideas was more dangerous than the war of arms which had just ended. We saw that it would create even more hatred, bitterness, misery and division throughout the world.

Frank Buchman believed that God's plan was to bring unity to the world through the ideology of Moral Re-Armament. Our growing conviction was that Switzerland, which had been spared from the war, was meant to provide the platform from which the ideology of Moral Re-Armament could be given to the world. Nations needed a centre where people from all continents, races and classes could meet and plan how to unite a divided world.

A plan and a conviction is one

thing. To put it into action needs a decision. God spoke straight and clear to our friends, to my husband and myself. It was up to us to decide even though we knew we could not do it without the help of many others.

Would we give our time, strength, hearts, minds, talents, possessions and securities? We decided. Soon afterwards many of our Swiss friends took similar decisions.

The first was a young girl who gave her savings and her wages as a cook. One family gave 10,000 Swiss francs which they had saved to buy a ski-hut. Life insurances were sold, jewellery and other treasures. Big and small sums of money were given. We got promises of furniture, linen, food and hands to help.

The buying of the Palace Hotel, now known to the world as Mountain House, was possible through obedience to God, through faith, decisions and sacrifice.

Caux is a weapon and a platform for statesmen, industrialists, workers, young and all ages to speak to the world. This conception has been decisive for 20 years. It will be for the future. The fight for the world was and must always be our first commitment. 150,000 people have come to Caux from 120 nations. They have taken back to the five continents the ideology of Moral Re-Armament and the spirit of Caux.

The celebration of 20 years fills my heart with gratitude for the miracles which have happened through Caux. My deep wish is that we Swiss can fulfil God's plan. Caux is one of His most effective instruments. It will continue to be as thousands are ready to decide and to sacrifice today and in the future.

#### GERMANY continued

request I delivered an official invitation from the German Government to Mr Belk, US Director of MRA. On 1 May after an official welcome by Chancellor Erhard together with Foreign Minister Schroeder and other members of the Cabinet, Sing-Out '66 began a tour of Germany. In six weeks it covered 21 cities and was seen live by over 100,000 people and by millions more on TV.

Chancellor Erhard, the day before Sing-Out '66 left Germany, received Mr Belk and myself. He said, 'You have not only strengthened the relations between our two countries. You have awakened the conscience of our people that freedom isn't free.'

In 16 cities of Germany from Munich to Hamburg to Berlin Sing-Outs have sprung up spontaneously.

I have come here from the Meisenhof, the launching pad of Sing-Out Deutschland. This centre belongs to the Klöckner Coal and Steel Company. It is made available to MRA.

The German Army has moved in there with a mobile kitchen and Army cooks. The Defence Minister has decided that what MRA is doing there is needed in our country and they decided to give every assistance.

On Saturday night I saw a performance with 120 on stage with new costumes given by the textile industry and new musical instruments, which are also given. This show Sing-Out Deutschland has now thirty songs, written to liberate the nation from the past and put the aim of Moral Re-Armament before the whole of Europe and the whole country.

Invitations for Sing-Out Deutschland have already come in from the universities, different cities, and from the Army. For the young people Sing-Out is a demonstration of the character and cause of a new generation.

Sing-Out Deutschland will break the isolation of our country, correct the wrong picture of Germany and show our true aim.

As a German and a European I want to see that my nation together with your nation and the whole of Europe is engaged in building together with America a free Asia, a free Africa, a free Latin America and eventually a free united world where God's will will rule.

#### United States

THE EDITORS of *Pace* magazine, published by MRA. presented the first copies of their latest issue at the White House this week. Copies were given to the President, to the 25 aides to the President, and to 35 of the White House foreign correspondents. This issue contains a feature story on the 45 young White House Fellows appointed by the President to serve for a year with each of the members of the Cabinet.

Three casts of the MRA musical Up With People are now on tour on the Eastern seaboard, in Pennsylvania and Eastern Canada. Mrs Jacqueline Kennedy with her children saw a performance on Cape Cod. A Boston Herald columnist commented that Mrs Kennedy 'heard things that would have made her husband very proud.'

The cast touring Pennsylvania were invited by the Allentown District head of the International Association of Machinists to address a meeting of district heads. The cast were also guests of the United Auto Workers' Union and sang to 10,000 of the membership.

The National Broadcasting Company (NBC) announced this week a coast-to-coast presentation of *Up With People*, scheduled for 30 August.

Six hundred youth are now working on a full-time basis with the MRA programme in North America. Last week fifty of them told a national planning conference on Long Island the purpose they had found, their decision to give their lives to God and

their life commitment to MRA's battle in the world. Fourteen million youth in America come from broken homes but these young people spoke of miracles in new attitudes and relationships in their own families. Some introduced their parents who had come specially to Long Island because of what their children had found.

J Blanton Belk, Director of MRA in the US, told them, 'Hatred, bitterness and impurity are the great dividers and are the root of violence and racial strife in America. You are answering that by the decisions you have made.'

#### Korea

THREE HUNDRED Korean youth from 107 universities and high schools in 16 cities participated this month in a six-day MRA assembly in Seoul.

President Park of Korea personally gave £140 towards its expenses.

The Minister of Education, speaking at the assembly, called for the creation of a new type of Korean who would be responsible for Asia and the world.

The Governor of the Bank of Korea spoke on the modernisation of Korea and the world through the modernisation of men.

The musical Sing-Out Korea will visit twenty-three of the divisions of the army at the request of the Prime Minister.

A student who had received a presidential award for starting the 'Student Life Clean-up Movement', which has recently swept Korea, said that he

#### at a glance

had found a clean-up of student life began with his own ambition and pride. The freedom he had discovered at the MRA assembly could give a new direction to the students of Korea.

The Korean Broadcasting System carried daily news of the assembly, including recordings from speeches given at the assembly.

#### Japan

AN ESTIMATED six million saw the 150 young men and women of the cast of *Let's Go '66* on the Golden Hour TV Show last week. Its theme was 'War and Peace', commemorating the end of the war twenty-one years ago.

Mike Maki, top pop singer, hosted the hour-long programme. The Let's Go '66 chorus sang, 'What Colour is God's Skin?', 'How Do Wars Begin?' and a grand finale number called 'The World Is Our Friend'. Through the dialogue and their songs they conveyed an idea more positive and realistic than anti-war pacifism.

Let's Go '66 has been playing in Tokyo and will shortly go to Korea for an All-Asia MRA Assembly.

#### Royal interest

THE GRAND MASTER of Ceremonies wrote to the *Information Service* saying that King Hussein of Jordan had asked him to thank you for your kindness in sending him the article by Mr Harry Almond on the occasion of the State visit, which His Majesty has read with interest.'

A Clydeside trade unionist wrote that recent editions said exactly what British industry needed to hear.

A Fleet Street journalist said last week, 'It is clear that MRA is the thing Britain needs.'

The demand for recent issues of the *Information Service* has made reprinting necessary. Issue Nos 46-49 are now available on ordinary or air mail paper at a special rate of any 24 copies for 15s 6d post free. Name the editions you want and send your money or cheque to MRA, 4 Hays Mews, London W1.

The Editors

#### MILLIONAIRE IN FRIENDS

THE MRA CONFERENCE at Tirley Garth, attended by 900 people from 39 countries, last Sunday honoured a great American patriot, Gilbert Harris, Assistant Treasurer of MRA in the US. He died 20 August in New York.

The composer George Fraser, who visited him in hospital three weeks ago, quoted words Gilbert Harris spoke to him on that occasion. 'Pain with God is better than pleasure without Him.' Gilbert Harris, pointing to a pile of letters by his bed, added, 'I am a millionaire in friends.'

Dr Paul Campbell described him as 'a Wall Street banker who became a world revolutionary, an American who captured something of Lincoln's faith, a patriot who committed himself with Buchman to reshaping the life of nations.'

The conference stood as Dr Campbell read 2 Timothy 4, 6-8.

'Gilbert Harris introduced me to the new world of Moral Re-Armament and to the economics of unselfishness,' said Melville Carson, an Edinburgh accountant. Overseas delegates speak at the Tirley Garth conference, attended so far by 3,000 people from 45 nations.

**Spyros Sellinas**, foreign news analyst for *Vradyni* and two other Athens dailies, appealed for the creation of a new relationship between Greece and Turkey.

The Cyprus problem was threatening the peace of southern Europe, he said. A new relationship was urgently needed. 'Only in this way will our neighbouring countries be led to a settlement of the Cyprus issue which will secure justice for the Greek Cypriot majority and the Turkish Cypriot minority according to the principle of self-determination of the UN charter,' he said. 'Such a settlement would be to the advantage of both countries and the disappointment of the extremists and those who want to divide free nations in order to undermine world security and peace.

'Moral Re-Armament is the cornerstone for the building up of a new incorruptible community. All of us in Moral Re-Armament should concentrate on the goal of making a world where people are free from selfishness, hatred, injustice and greed.'

Dr William Nkomo, a founder of the African National Congress Youth League, said, 'We have begun to demonstrate that even in South Africa there is a new spirit which brings people together above race and colour.'

Nkomo said that until he met MRA he had believed the only way to bring about a change in South Africa was by way of bloody revolution. 'I made it my duty to mobilise the youth of my country and to fan in their hearts the flames of hatred,' he said.

MRA challenged him to live for more than nationalism. 'I learned that the way to change the world,' he said, 'was to begin by changing ourselves. This was far more revolutionary.

'I have found it possible to work with white South Africans in South Africa and the world, as we have both given up our bitterness and prejudice.'

Dr Nkomo appealed for Europeans not to abdicate their responsibility in Africa. 'Africa still needs white men on the continent, but on a new basis.'



British, Greek, African and Arab meet at Tirley. From left to right Frank Ledwith, a partner in a City of London insurance business; Spyros Sellinas, Greek newspaperman; Dr William Nkomo, South Africa, and Muhammed Ali Murshid, an official of the South Arabian Federation

Photo: Strong

Robert Carmichael, President of the French jute industry, said, 'The signing of the world jute agreement on the price stabilization of raw jute in September last year was a decisive step to building up a sound jute economy, most important for India and Pakistan.'

The practical outcome of the agreement was, he said, that 'Indian and Pakistani jute growers received three times as much for their jute as before.'

Moral Re-Armament had given him a concern for the starving people of India and Pakistan. He had founded the European Jute Industry Association in 1954 'to ensure a fair remuneration for the jute growers of India and Pakistan; the right share for those middlemen doing a useful job; a just return for the processing industries in Europe and Asia; and the provision of a product of quality to consumers at a competitive price.'

For many years he fought to change the attitudes of European jute industrialists to the situation in India and Pakistan. The world jute agreement, he said, had been possible because the attitudes of men in the industries had changed.

But Carmichael warned that this was only one forward step and that 'the chapter in world jute has not been finally written'. He hoped the forthcoming FAO conference in Rome on

jute would carry forward successfully what had been begun between the Indians, Pakistanis and Europeans.

#### Muhammad Ali Murshid,

an official of the South Arabian Federation in London, expressed deep regret for the loss of British lives in Aden and the South Arabian Federation. The Arab diplomat, speaking at the Tirley Garth conference, said it may have been necessary for men to fight for independence. But, he added, 'I believe that through this revolution of Moral Re-Armament it may become possible for people to settle issues without loss of life.'

Murshid said members of the cabinet of the South Arabian Federation, when in London recently, saw the MRA film *Freedom*. Its message of unity, reconciliation and common aim, he said, appealed to the Arab statesmen. 'They are now screening it in the Federation. I do hope it will have the right effect in South Arabia and bring together the various brothers who have been killing each other.'

The Defence Minister, on seeing the film in Arabic in London, said, 'Politicians need MRA if they are not to mislead their people. We pray to God to lead us to success in applying it in South Arabia, so that all the party leaders can solve our problems as they were solved in *Freedom*.'

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