

Message from Emperor of Ethiopia

HIS IMPERIAL MAJESTY HAILE SELASSIE, Emperor of Ethiopia, sent a message to the Moral Re-Armament conference at Caux, Switzerland, on the occasion of its twentieth anniversary.

It was read last weekend by Zaude Gabremadhin, Director General of Programmes and Planning in the Ethiopian Ministry of Education. He and Lakew Mulatt, Assistant Professor of Education and Dean of Students at Haile Selassie University, were sent to Caux by the Emperor and the Ethiopian Government. The message read:

'ON BEHALF OF OUR PEOPLE and ourselves, may we express sincere gratitude to the leaders and members of the conference on Moral Re-Armament for their unflinching service to humanity.

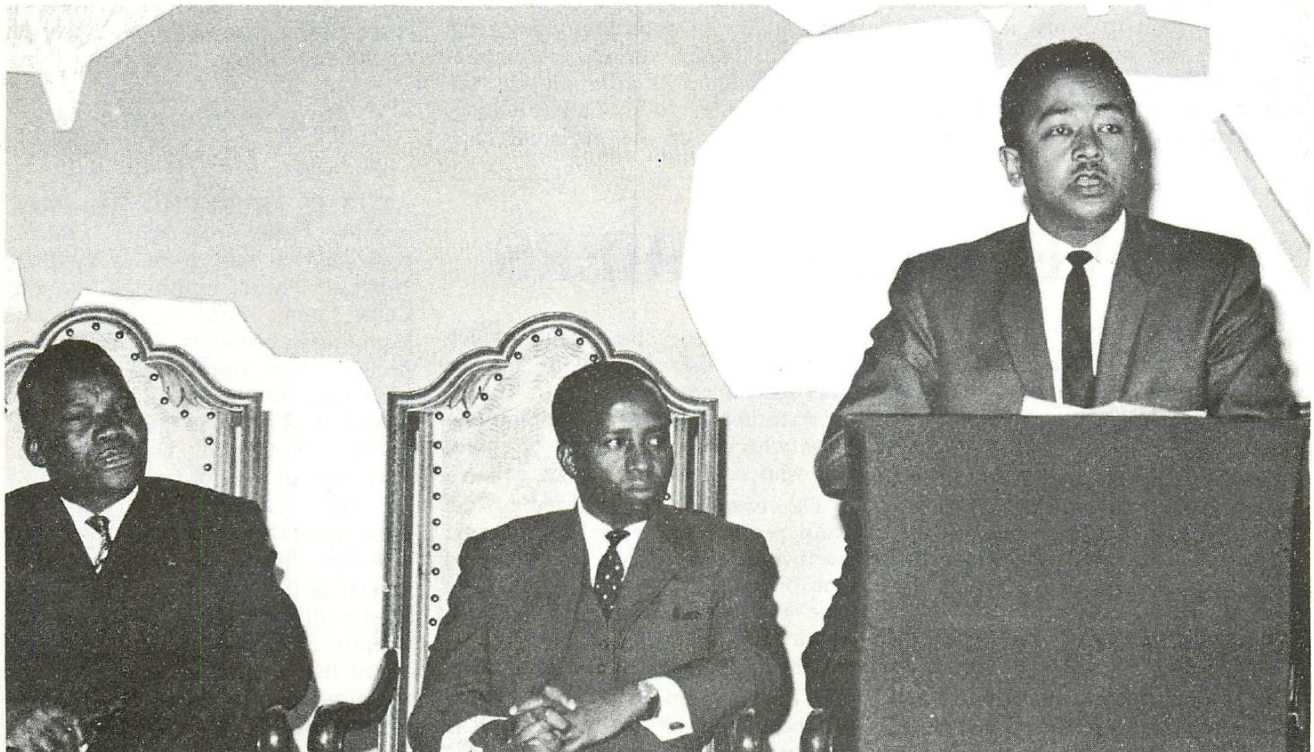
'With such Biblical tradition as "Ethiopia stretches her hand to God" and deep belief that, our affairs conducted

by the will of God and directed by His grace, we would be the very first nation to recognise the imperative need and urgency of having the "world governed by men who are governed by God."

'But these will never be assured if responsible citizens of the world fail to create human dignity and the life of true Christianity. Thus, in our determined search for peace and understanding among mankind, let us endeavour to show that "honesty, purity, unselfishness and love", guided by God will prevail among people regardless of their choice of association.

'As you are departing on a long crusade in defence of that very principle for which we have so long sought—the principle "love thy fellow man as thyself", we wish to congratulate your organisation on its twentieth year of efforts and great achievement. May Almighty God bless your conference.'

Zaude Gabremadhin, a Director General of the Ethiopian Ministry of Education, reads a message from the Emperor to the Caux conference. On the platform with him (left to right) are James Muigai, brother of President Kenyatta of Kenya, and George Githii, Editor-in-Chief of the largest newspaper chain in East Africa photo: Strong



Investment in men as important as in Industry says African editor

GEORGE GITHII, Editor-in-Chief of the largest chain of newspapers and magazines in East Africa, said last weekend at Caux, Switzerland: 'In Kenya people of different races are learning to live together in harmony as a human society. Those who in the past were blinded by fear, greed and suspicion, now realise they were wrong. While we ask the developed nations for capital, finance and manpower, we are also a proud people and are prepared to offer West and East the fascinating result of our human experiment.'

Over a thousand people attended the weekend conference and representatives from twelve African nations heard the Kenyan editor.

'Neither Europe nor America will gain by becoming more isolationist and cutting aid to Africa,' he said.

Massive assistance from these continents would play a major role in Africa in the next ten to fifteen years. But equal emphasis had to be placed on the human factor, he said. Particularly the training of men and women not as means to the designs of the state but as ends in themselves. 'It is important to invest in industry, give aid and money. It is equally important to invest in improving human resources. This investment in producing better men is as crucial as

investment in agriculture and heavy industry.

Out of the conflict of ideas and cultures must come a very big idea for the human race that can stop its petty squabbles. For an ideology to succeed, it has to have a moral code that was universally applicable.

'I have found in Caux a philosophy so simple anyone in any country can understand it, yet so powerful it can penetrate all barriers. It will enable humanity to face the future and its problems with common standards and a common approach.'

Others from different races in Kenya, the Sudan and South Africa expressed their gratitude for the contribution of Caux to Africa over the twenty years of its existence as an MRA conference centre.

Tough job of developing Africa

ANDREW PEPETTA, South African director of the musical *Harambee Africa*, said that the people of his country would find liberty of choice and equality of opportunity when the leaders of South Africa could meet with representatives from all over the African continent at Caux. Killing, locking men up or replacing one

leadership with another was not going to answer the continent's problems. Only the change in human nature which Moral Re-Armament was producing, answering corruption, laziness and incompetence, was relevant at this time. 'The task of developing Africa is going to be far harder than that of getting political independence,' he said.

Ethiopian praises Swiss role

ZAUDE GABREMADHIN, Director General of Programmes and Planning for the Ethiopian Ministry of Education, who read the message from Emperor Haile Selassie, recalled the Emperor's visit to Switzerland to plead the cause of his country before the League of Nations.

Switzerland, he said, had always stood among the nations for peace, tranquility and friendship in the whole world. It was natural and fitting that Switzerland should have furnished this conference centre for MRA with which the Emperor had been personally acquainted for a number of years, having known Frank Buchman during his exile in London.

New dimension in Theatre

AT THE WEEKEND the Westminster Theatre Company, London, concluded a run of plays by Peter Howard which constituted the first Caux Drama Festival. 'It has been a promising beginning, it has attracted people from unexpected places on both sides of the Iron Curtain,' said Professor Theophil Spoerri, former Rector of Zürich University and chairman of the organising committee. 'The Caux Festival can bring fresh inspiration and a new dimension into the theatre of today.'

Among the guests were Henry Cass, artistic director of the Westminster Theatre, and Marc Cassot who produced the French version of *Through the Garden Wall* which ran for four months at the Theatre des Arts in Paris last year.

ABOVE THE BARRIERS

ABDEL KHALEK HASSOUNA, Secretary General of the Arab League, sent the following message to the Caux conference:

'THE WORLD TODAY is in the grip of very grave upheavals which threaten man's way of life and his proper longing for universal peace. At this time the action of men of good will becomes more necessary than ever, serving as it does the ideal which all of us cherish.

'It is to this ideal that Moral Re-Armament corresponds. Its respect for human values is applied on a

world scale above the barriers which arbitrarily divide men along narrow and out-moded lines. It is a means of restoring a sense of humanity to those who occupy positions of power and who control the fate of nations.

'The twentieth anniversary of the Caux centre, that place of fraternal meeting between men of whatever race or religion, reminds us that we have reached a moment in history where each human being must recognise his responsibility for all others.

'I send my most heartfelt wishes for the success of this work which is so great a source of encouragement.'

Seamen's leader appeals for end to 'couldn't care less' attitude



Jim Worthington (centre) member of the National Executive of the National Union of Seamen, talks with employers who have accepted MRA's challenge to put the needs of men before profit. They are Robert Carmichael (left), President of the French Jute Industry, and Gottfried Anliker, director of a Swiss construction firm

Same answer needed for Communism or Capitalism

From a speech by William Jaeger at Caux

MORAL RE-ARMAMENT is for everybody in the world. It is not a youth movement, although it enlists youth all over the world. It is not an employers' movement, yet it is for all employers. It is not just a workers' movement. It is for every class, every race and for the whole of mankind. Anything less than that would not be MRA.

The plays and musicals of MRA are weapons through which ideas can be given to the world but weapons alone are not a strategy for re-shaping a nation. We need a strategy to deal with what is wrong in a nation and so to change men that they have evidence to show from their factories, shipyards, docks, parliaments that will convince people whether from the East or the West. We need millions of people to see these plays and musicals but we also need the evidence of what change in men actually has done in industry and government.

Moral Re-Armament is not anti-Communist. If today you are anti-Communist you are involved in

politics. In the eyes of Socialists in most parts of the world, Communism is a political party and if you are anti-Communist, it means you are getting involved in politics.

Moral Re-Armament is not political. It does not just analyse what is wrong but aims to put right what is wrong in the world. It deals with the causes of what is wrong. It is effective as men begin to listen and obey the deepest things they feel in their hearts. God is at the heart of Moral Re-Armament.

Through Moral Re-Armament millions of workers have begun to understand for the first time that God is the most relevant factor in modernizing man himself so he is capable of building the new world that everybody wants.

It has the same answer for Communism, capitalism, anti-Communism, anti-capitalism, America, Russia, Britain, China—for everybody, everywhere. As Peter Howard, the late world leader of MRA, said, 'Our aim is far larger. We aim in Moral Re-

JIM WORTHINGTON, member of the National Executive of the National Union of Seamen of Great Britain, warned that a seamen's strike could happen again unless the 'couldn't care less' attitude was ended in Britain.

It need never have happened at all, he added, if employers had not allowed things to go unchanged for years and union members taken everything for granted.

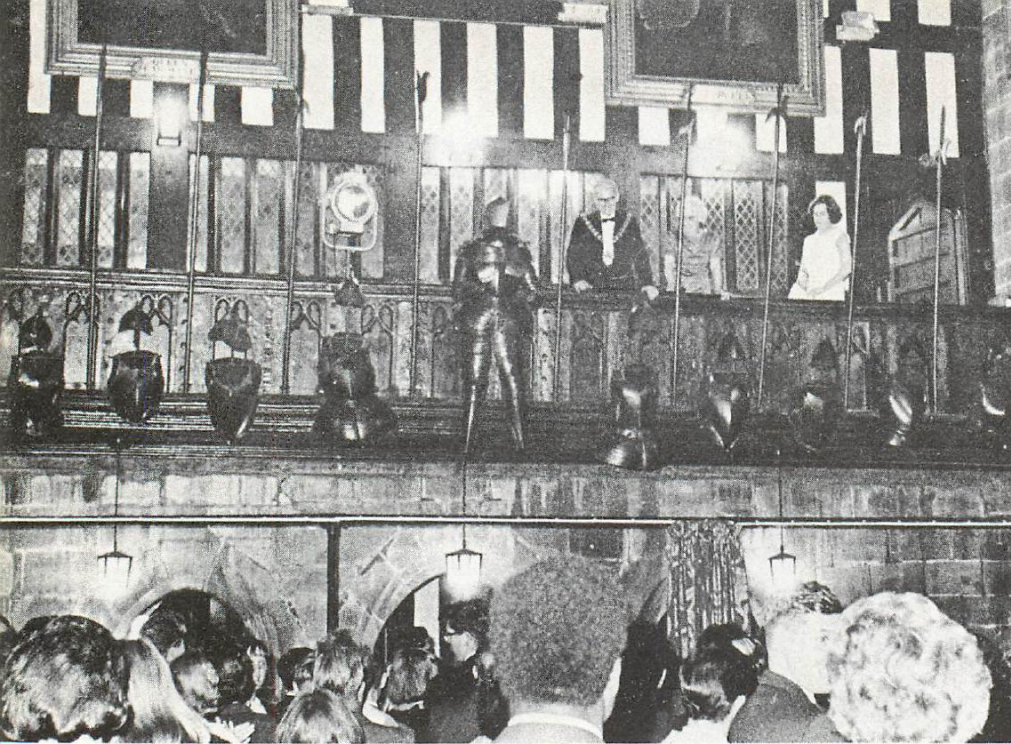
'If you have a strike, you have failed,' he said. 'In today's modern society, there should be no strikes.'

The Merseyside seamen's leader was addressing the conference at Caux last weekend.

'The "couldn't care less" attitude has got to stop,' he said. 'It can happen through people going out and living the ideas talked about at this conference. We can generate a force for Moral Re-Armament that will transform the world. This is our hope.'

Armament to save Western society from moral decadence and Communism from the contradictions inherent in its own dialectic. We want a revolution that works. We offer Communist and non-Communist the challenge to play their part in the greatest revolution of all time. We say that the true fascists and reactionaries of our time are those who in an atomic age insist on trying to rebuild society at the expense of another class, another race, another colour or another nation.'

At Caux we have had trade union men who represent over eighty million workers from seventy countries. They come from the free trade unions, the Communist trade unions, the Catholic trade unions. From scores of nations have come dock workers, shipyard workers, factory workers, metal workers, textile workers and white-collar workers. If in the next twenty years through Moral Re-Armament the world labour movement can deal as drastically with human nature as it has dealt with the economic and social issues of the last twenty years, then we can build together a completely new world for everyone. That is the point and meaning of Moral Re-Armament.



AFRICANS asked to speak in LONDON

MAN'S WISDOM HAS MISSED the mark in the world. It has proved impossible to compel or cajole people towards sanity and unity, and more and more now know it. Events this summer, at home and abroad, decisively call for master miracles.

In Britain and around the world there has been an onward march of God which has hope in it for humanity. Men are grasping that new aims and motives are possible, and that results are swift and powerful.

Tomorrow, Sunday 25 September, in the Royalty Theatre, Kingsway, London, at 11 am a meeting for the Moral Re-Armament of Britain and the world will be held.

James Muigai, brother of President Kenyatta of Kenya, Vere James from Nairobi, Nico Ferreira and Andrew Peppetta from South Africa have been asked to speak.

All those who believe Britain's rôle in the world has only begun, and that the most adventurous, satisfying and demanding days of her history lie ahead, are welcome.

'IMPRESSIVE AND UNIQUE'

IN THIS PHOTO the Lord Mayor of Coventry Alderman E M Rogers and the Lady Mayoress come on to the balcony of St Mary's Hall, part of the city's council chambers, to thank the cast of *It's our country, Jack!* Coventry citizens were meeting with the cast to plan the next stages of their campaign.

The *Coventry Standard* wrote about the musical's première:

'The audience gave a standing ovation at the end of the Moral Re-

Armament musical, *It's our country, Jack!* The cast were only able to leave the stage after half-an-hour of several encores.

'The message of the revue was that management and unions should work together—not against each other—to make Britain "great" once again.

'The performance was a very impressive and unique experience which proves that the modern theatre can still put a message across. Afterwards the Lord Mayor described the show as "one of the best performances I have ever seen in my life".'

HOLLAND

LATIN AMERICAN DOCKERS' leaders, currently in Europe with MRA, last week visited the ports of Rotterdam and Antwerp.

The South Americans told the Director of the Rotterdam Port Authority, Mr Hagenaar, what they had done in reducing corruption and improving working conditions through morally re-arming men. The port director, who had visited Brazilian ports as a UN expert, underlined the significance of what they told him. He said, 'I was supposed to deal with economic and technical problems. But I was confronted mostly with human problems. What is needed is a change of mentality.'

The portworkers were also received by P J J Mertens, Chairman of the

Catholic Trade Union Congress (425,000 members) and J Albers, Deputy Chairman.

CANADA

'UP WITH PEOPLE' was performed last week in the Royal Canadian Air Force bases of Greenwood, Nova Scotia and Chatham, New Brunswick.

Group Captain E. L. Baudoux, Commanding Officer of Greenwood, the largest RCAF station in Canada, introduced the first performance at his station. Reports were also given, before the curtain went up, on the growth of Sing-Outs in other parts of Canada. There are now 400 youth taking part in this development.

GERMANY

BILD ZEITUNG, the German four million circulation tabloid newspaper, reported 16 September on *Sing-Out Germany*. It said the show was giving 'a new content to freedom through songs and music.'

The musical last week was performed in Duisburg on the invitation of the Executive Board of the August Thyssenhütte, the biggest steelworks in Europe. The Chairman of the Works Council, Karl Judith, who saw the show said, 'You will always have me with you.'

This week's *Hör Zu*, Germany's largest magazine with a circulation of six million, devoted three quarters of its readers' column to letters about the national television broadcast of *Sing-Out '66* on 31 August.