

MONSIEUR JEAN REY, 'Foreign Minister' of the Common Market, said this week that Europe's future would be decided on the basis not of selfish interests but on common ideas.

'The older I get and the more experience I have, the more I am convinced that it is ideas and not interests that lead the world.'

Jean Rey, who is a member of the Executive Commission of the Common Market, responsible for external affairs, reviewed the successful development of a European community since the war. He said that they had always found that with a common aim there was no obstacle that could not be overcome.

The Belgian political leader was addressing more than 600 delegates from 40 countries at the Moral Rearmament Assembly at Caux, Switzerland. His audience included Prince Richard of Hesse; Oswald Morand, official representative of the Swiss Foreign Office; Jean de Precigout, President of the French Textile Industry, who was head of the Economic

European leader stresses continent's world role

and Social Council of the Common Market; Ambassador Raoul Migone, European Representative of the Organisation of American States; diplomats, members of parliament, as well as men from the coal, steel, shipbuilding, min-

ing and docks industries and student leaders from 21 universities.

He said that Europe's responsibility in the world was important for three basic reasons. First, a strong economic Europe could negotiate as an equal with other continents. 'The independence of Europe and an Atlantic partnership are not contradictory. We have no complex. We negotiate as equals.' Europe was the largest business concern in both value and volume of trade, and was the principal importer of raw materials from the developing countries.

Secondly, it was in Europe that the ideas of democracy and social justice were born which gave Europeans a responsibility to work energetically for these great ideals in the world.

Thirdly, he said, nations were now organising, not individually but on a continental basis. 'Our generation has had the chance of living through this extraordinary period of history. We have had to face the fact that the shocks of nationalism in Europe have created two world wars and put the whole world in flames.' Determined not to feel the force of these nationalisms again, new currents of thought were developed. Men like Adenauer, Schuman, de Gasperi, Churchill and Spaak rose up to protest and say 'Now is the time to unite.'

'In June, 1946, Frank Buchman first asked the question here at Caux, "Where are the Germans?" Two months later Winston Churchill in Zurich made a sensational speech calling for European union. This unity had to begin with reconciliation between France and Germany. These words were said by Buchman and Churchill, those prophetic men, at a time when Germany was occupied—there was no government in Bonn, no Chancellor, no Federal Government. The moment had come to turn a page away from civil war.'

Rey predicted that a united Europe could contribute to a relaxation of tension between East and West.



Congolese officers have been attending the Caux conference

Photo: Strong

Nigeria — MRA or bloodshed and chaos

DURING CHRISTMAS *Harambee Nigeria*, an MRA musical acted by Eastern Region Nigerian students, was seen by the Chief Justice of the Federation of Nigeria, the Military Governor in Lagos, the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Judges of the Supreme Court, Police Chiefs, and the Chairman of the Nigerian Ports Authority.

Speaking after each performance on behalf of the cast, Sebastian Iwuchukwu of the Advanced Teachers' Training College of Owerri said, 'The choice for Nigeria is either Moral Re-Armament or further bloodshed and chaos.'

The Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Survey, M O Elebesunu, charged his staff who had seen the musical to accept its challenge. 'It is the truth of what is going on in our country.'

Rhodesians and Zambians arrive at Nairobi Assembly

RHODESIAN AND ZAMBIAN delegates were welcomed when they arrived last weekend in Nairobi for a 'Harambee Africa' (Pull Together Africa) MRA Action Assembly. To get to Kenya they raised their travel expenses by showing MRA films.

Students who trained with the *Harambee Africa* musical during 1966 on its tour of East Africa, the Sudan and Ethiopia planned and are conducting the assembly. They come from Uganda, Tanzania, Burundi, the Congolese Republic and Lesotho (formerly Basutoland), as well as Kenya. Their aim is to raise up the men and resources to answer Africa's pressing needs.

Two of these needs, said Musetsi Mohapeloa, a young civil servant from Lesotho, were 'to create the right leadership in our countries and to reach everyone on this continent with the ideas of *Harambee Africa*.'

The students are preparing a new production of *Harambee Africa*.

Gandhi praises West Indies cricketers after Calcutta riots

'You've done something for democracy'

'ANANDA BAZAR PATRIKA', the largest Indian language daily in North and East India, on 2 January paid a front-page tribute to West Indian Test cricketer Conrad Hunte, at the time of the riots at the Calcutta Test match.

The report said: 'The improvised awning spread over the stands at Calcutta's Eden Gardens caught fire and was ablaze. To escape from it spectators were running helter-skelter.'

'At this hour Conrad Hunte, Vice-Captain of the West Indies Cricket Team came out of the pavilion. His eyes were fixed on the national flags of India and the West Indies flying gaily at the top of the pavilion.'

'Hunte, who is a member of Moral Re-Armament, ran towards the flag-staff. He declared, "The nations' flags are of more value than my life."

'It is needless to say that the flags were brought down in time.'

Two days after the violence and arson that disrupted the test match, eight West Indian and two Indian test cricketers were given a special performance of *India Arise*, the MRA musical.

Among them were Conrad Hunte, Wesley Hall, L R Gibbs and Clive Lloyd.

Speaking to them at the end of the performance Rajmohan Gandhi said, 'I want to thank the West Indies cricketers for their decision to resume this match. I honour and salute you. By doing this you have not only permitted tens of thousands of ordinary people to enjoy a great game; you have not only done something for the game of cricket, you have done something for democracy in India. You have played a notable and noble part in the battle between good and evil and have shown bravery and statesmanship.'

Gandhi went on to say, 'Every single country—and only God knows which is better and which is worse—waits for the new type of man who knows how to bring an answer in the home, factory, office, Parliament and on the playing fields. Why shouldn't the West Indies take a pioneering lead in this new type of man?'

'You have shown us convincingly that you can do it. In the coming days please teach us in our country how

modern man is meant to live. We have lost our way and you can teach us how to live as brothers and sisters and help us end hate in our land and become a nation that can give something to the world.'

Clive Lloyd, outstanding new player on the tour, said, 'I shall never forget this evening for all my life.' Wesley Hall commented, 'You should have this show put on the screen.'

Among other guests at the occasion was the Metropolitan of the Church of India, Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon.

New film corrects false image of American Indian

FOR THE FIRST TIME in their history American Indians have made a film showing their aims as a people and how humanity as a whole can progress.

Sixty Indian leaders from thirty tribes made the fifty-one minute documentary *The American Indian Speaks*, filmed mainly in New Mexico and produced by *Pace* magazine.

The film had its world première last weekend in the Greer Garson Theatre in Santa Fe, capital of New Mexico State.

The film's director, Bill Pensoneau, 21-year-old Ponca Indian writer, said it gives 'our interpretation of our lives and what we stand for'. The première opened an MRA Indian Leadership Conference at which Santa Fe Indian and Spanish leaders were present along with guests from all parts of the US.

Introducing the film Pensoneau said: 'The widespread image of the American Indian put forth by movies and the world press has for a long time needed correction and re-interpretation. Through MRA many American Indian leaders have been inspired to re-define and re-bolster our ancient values, make our lives relevant to modern times.'

'It is our definition of human progress and what it takes to bring it about.'

UN fails because it leaves out God

says Catholic Archbishop

MOST REVEREND Vincent Albert D'Souza, Catholic Archbishop of Calcutta, speaking at a Christmas and New Year conference for Moral Re-Armament in Calcutta on 29 December, said, 'Attempts are being made by the United Nations to secure peace for the world. A lot of work and sweat is being put in. Up to now they have not succeeded—and why? Because they have left God out. They want to get justice and peace, but justice and peace without God will never be had in this world. That is the difference between you and all other agencies striving for peace.'

'Thank you for inviting me to this function. I shall never forget this couple of hours I have spent with you. I don't recollect having seen a group of this type up to this day. It is obvious that you have come together, worked together and live together because you have put God in His proper place. You want to bring God into your daily labours, and you want to give God to man. It is going to be a slow process. You are fighting against terrible odds, but you are bound to succeed because you have God with you.'

'Although Moral Re-Armament has been active throughout the world for many years, I only just came across Mr Gandhi and this team of his that has been organising and planning work through the length and breadth of India. I wish I had met you all

sooner. I wish you every success in your endeavour to bring peace between management and labour, peace between man and God, and peace between man and man, which is most essential but which is lacking.

'Will you be able to give peace to Calcutta city? I beg of you, I entreat you, please listen to this desperate appeal on behalf of Calcutta which is now in the grip of indiscipline, strikes and unrest.'

'It is a terribly hard job you can be sure. But there is plenty of goodwill left in Calcutta. There are plenty of generous, God-loving people who will hearken to your call, who will be in-

fluenced by your actions and who will be motivated by the example you put before them. Make an attempt. It may take years, but you will succeed. Calcutta will welcome you with open arms.'

'You have made the sacrifice of giving up the careers awaiting you to join this group to change the face of this earth. You are making tremendous sacrifices—young people, men and women, boys and girls—for the good of India. I congratulate you and wish that your sacrifice bears fruit. I'll try my best to help you in whatever way I can. I pray that God will bless your endeavours.'



Unbroken commitment

Letter from Janaki Varadhan to
'Himmat', Indian weekly magazine
on 30 December:

I WANT THE USE of your columns to clear certain points.

I find that the Madras Police Commissioner informed the Court of the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Madras, on 5 September that I told the Madras police on 2 September that I joined Moral Re-Armament 'being misled and deceived by certain representations' made to me. This is not true. Throughout the at least six hours of police questioning I kept insisting that I was 21 years of age, and that I had been working with MRA for the last two years voluntarily, and that I had postponed the completion of my medical course because of my own convictions to travel with *India Arise*.

My faith in and commitment to MRA is unbroken. I am convinced that only MRA can make freedom real for this country. I am back in the battle to find the invincible force of men and women who will learn from their mistakes and will never say die.

I thank Mr Rajmohan Gandhi, *Himmat* and all the others who tried to help me.

Janaki Varadhan

'Get sights on God's truth'

MOST REVEREND James Peter-eavis, Archbishop of Santa Fe, celebrated a special New Year's day mass for all attending the MRA demonstration in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He brought from Albuquerque a youth choir of one hundred as well as four priests and two monsignors to assist the celebration of mass.

In the course of his sermon the Archbishop spoke of the vocation of all Christians which he said, 'was to bring an experience of God in the lives around them' and deal with 'the modern world in modern terms.'

He said, 'We have got to harness and Christianize the raw forces of nature and bring them under the pro-

ductive yoke of Christianity.' In this connection he continued, 'Our friends in MRA are building on truth and there are some great truths in it. One of these which I appreciate is their conviction that today belongs to anyone who wants to live it all out, and he cannot live it aloof and by himself.'

'This is the strength of MRA—that we get our sights on the truth of God, on honesty and purity, and pursue them, not apart on our own, but with others. In this way we pursue a radical personal vocation. Christ said, "Be ye perfect as your Father in Heaven is perfect". Try it, and you will be surprised how much closer you can come to perfection.'

Can Industry be Britain's ace in 1967?

"Courage is the thing" in 1967

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The one quality, above all others, that Britain needs in 1967 is confidence

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BUT ON WHAT IS BRITAIN'S confidence and courage to be based?

Last weekend 800 people met at an MRA New Year Assembly in London to plan for a renaissance in Britain this year. The foundation stone of a renaissance could be provided by British industry, said Ron Howe, Deputy Convenor of Shop Stewards at the big Shell Chemical Company factory at Carrington near Manchester.

'This will enable Britain to give the leadership and care the world needs today,' he said. Howe was speaking for trade union leaders and shop stewards from the docks, mining, aircraft and telecommunications industries attending the conference.

Howe then said the productivity agreement at Shell Chemicals—a most radical and progressive agreement—came through changes in attitude and aim in both labour and management. It provided security of employment for life, 100% sick pay and the ending of demarcation. He termed it 'a God-given achievement through MRA.'

Neville Cooper, Industrial Relations Manager of the British Oxygen Company, detailed the steps taken in relationships between management and labour at his company to achieve the productivity agreement of 1966.

Trust was developed, he said, by management sitting down with trade union representatives and telling them everything—all that we hoped and feared, why we did not want to do certain things because we thought people might take advantage of us, what the advantages could be, what their members might have to give in order to obtain them.' The attitude of management needed to change. Courses were organised. Week after week management representatives studied together how to establish a new climate in the factories and to provide a more vigorous leadership.

Cooper said that some fundamentals of success were honesty between

management and labour; an intensive preoccupation with the needs of individual employees; and developing and building on the best in people. 'These are some of the principles which the force of MRA is fostering on a large scale and from which I personally draw much inspiration.'

A Russian Cabinet delegation had asked British Oxygen what sort of wage structure was best for high productivity. The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development had similarly asked for a paper on this subject. The reply Cooper gave



Douglas Cook, Scotland; Claudio Falcao, Brazilian docker and Jack Carroll leave for Australian Assembly opened this week by Prime Minister Harold Holt Photo: Strong

was that wage structures may have 10% to do with productivity, but 90% had to do with relationships, motives and attitudes.

Britain had often pioneered new ways, he said. 'We need to become good at their massive and thorough application.' If an entirely new, constructive and co-operative effort by management and labour—already successfully applied in many quarters—were now applied generally and rapidly throughout industry, 'we would be able as a nation to give the answer to the Russian Cabinet or anyone else.'

Britain's role in world affairs through MRA's action in industry was demonstrated at the Assembly. Tom Ham, acting President of the National Amalgamated Stevedores' and Dockers' Union, spoke, with men from both sides of the maritime industries, in supporting the participation of Bristol docker Jack Carroll in a forthcoming

MRA assembly in Australia. Eighteen months ago Carroll was, as he himself said, a man who 'could stop a job in Bristol anytime.' Through MRA he found a new way. Now, he said, 'we have achieved more in the Bristol docks in six months through a change of attitude in management and labour than in the previous six years.'

As well as meeting Australian and New Zealander dockers' leaders, Carroll plans to visit Asian ports on his return journey. Ham termed such moves as 'the work and task Jesus Christ calls us to do.'

Other speakers for industry included Jim Crooks, National Union of Mineworkers Branch Secretary at Linton Colliery, Northumberland, and Frank Ledwith, partner in a City of London insurance business.

Steps aiding a renaissance in the British economy were announced. The musical revue *It's our country, Jack!* will visit the industrial areas of Scotland, Northern Ireland and Merseyside during January and February.

Each weekend from now on a conference will take place at the Westminster Arts Centre. The following have been scheduled with emphasis on particular industries or professions:

- 11-12 February: National Assembly for MRA with special emphasis on youth and housing
- 18-19 February: Medicine and Education
- 25-26 February: Motor industry and Agriculture