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Youth putting 'guts, God, manhood' into U.S.

'NO ORGANISATION HAS DONE MORE TO EASE RACE TENSION'—NEGRO JUDGE

HERE IS apparently a growing trend among the nation's teenagers to put guts, God and manhood back into this country,' states a front page article in the *Atlanta Daily World*, America's oldest Negro daily. 'This has been launched by the youth of Moral Re-Armament.'

Students of Atlanta University, largest centre of Negro education in America, were leading the move, the article said. It quoted Judge Austen T. Walden (first Negro municipal judge in the South since Reconstruction) as saying of Moral Re-Armament: 'In my opinion there is no organisation in the world that has done more to ease racial tension.'

Olympic Gold Medal winners John Sayre and Richard ('Rusty') Wailes are riding both wings of the American eagle.

John Sayre is winging his way through the West—California, Colorado, Oklahoma, Wyoming, Nebraska, Kansas and the South West. Wailes is soaring through the South—Florida, North Carolina, Virginia. He will speak at twenty-four Southern and Eastern universities.

They are addressing thousands of students and professors—Negro and white—in college auditoriums, showing films, speaking over radio and T.V.

With them are panels of youth who have been speaking to high

schools, college seminars, T.V. audiences in California, Arizona, New Mexico, Idaho, Montana, the Dakotas, Michigan and New York.

Their theme: Changes needed to solve economic and social ills in the world will not come through bloodshed and demonstrations of hatred but through moral revolution.

The Governor of North Carolina received Wailes last week and at a press conference promised his support to raise 1,000 students from his State to a Demonstration for 'Modernizing America' on Mackinac Island this summer.

At Clemson College the student body president arranged showings of the film *Tomorrow will be too late* for all fraternities on the campus.

At the Negro college in Tallahassee, a thousand students paid to see *The Crowning Experience* film.

Wailes spoke in seven colleges last week. Sayre's engagements this week included Wichita State University, Kansas and the University of North Dakota. He has been asked to address the U.S. Air Force Academy at Boulder, Colorado.

Amazon to Rio

IN LATIN AMERICA Gandhi and the Marquis of Graham, with men and women of Brazil, are carrying out President Branco's special request to

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PLAY FOR PROGRESSIVES

MR. WILBERFORCE, M.P.' draws continued comment from varied quarters. 'A sharp reminder of the moral question of race relations today,' wrote *Magnet*, weekly paper for immigrants. *Socialist Leader* wrote, 'a play which should be seen by all progressively-minded people with a sense of human values.'

London comments included: 'The struggle for the emancipation of the slaves is dramatically revealed,'—*East London Advertiser*; 'We could do with more plays like this,'—*West London Observer*; 'Witty and interesting,'—*Dagenham Post*; 'Fine historical play . . . splendid settings,'—*Holborn Guardian*; 'Interesting and well-acted,'—*London Weekly Diary*.

From the provinces, the *Yorkshire Post* wrote: 'For those visitors to London in search of good dramatic entertainment, Mr. Wilberforce, M.P. at the Westminster Theatre should prove ideal.' *Liverpool Daily Post* said Alan Thornhill's dialogue 'has a good natural flow and is shot throughout with flashes of unforced wit'; and *Yorkshire Evening Post*, 'Every line of the play rings true . . . The story is gripping, from the rolling slave ship at the start to the key debate in Parliament years later.'

New Africa world will listen to

THE CHIEF JUSTICE of Nigeria, Sir Adetokunbo Ademola, K.B.E., spoke at a meeting in Lagos on 'Peter Howard's legacy to Africa'.

Sir Adetokunbo said: 'Peter Howard had a far-reaching vision for this Continent. He once said, "Africa is going to be the mother of tomorrow's world. The whole world is waiting with eager and humble mind to listen to the voice of the new Africa. Africa is going to have a revolution. Will it be a revolution of character for the world or a revolution of chaos? A revolution that will destroy a generation or a revolution by God-appointed destiny to unite the entire world on the level of character. This is Africa's hour. The Continent which we white men once called dark may lead all men into the sunshine of a new and greater civilization, where governments guided by God govern nations made up of men and women who love each other as sons and daughters of God".'

'Peter Howard was aware of Africa's shortcomings,' the Chief Justice continued. 'Once he told a young African, "I feel that in Africa there are too many people with a limited, compromised, racial and nationalistic approach to problems that essentially demand a change of heart. The truth is that the African problem will never be solved in Africa alone. It is a world-wide problem. It is an organized revolt on a world scale against the sovereign rule of God. It takes place in every heart and every Cabinet. Africa still remains a pawn in the eyes of some men of power. Africans free from hate, greed and second-rate loyalties can show white, yellow, red, brown, everyone, the road to sanity and peace".'

The Chief Justice concluded: 'We also can take on the challenge that both Howard and Dr. Frank Buchman have left us—that of healing the hates, hurts and prejudices that divide man from man, nation from nation, and mankind from willing obedience to God.'

If the fifty-five million people of Nigeria and all our friends in this country from abroad were to decide in our hearts to love home, homeland and humanity enough, and to live to change what is wrong, think of what Nigeria could give to Africa and to the world.'

The Lagos *Morning Post* headlined its report of the occasion, 'Africa can show way to sanity'.

Kenya Ministers cable

Following a message sent by President Kenyatta, eight Kenya Cabinet Ministers cabled Mrs. Howard:

KENYA has known the fearless statesmanship of Peter Howard since he first came here during the sad times of our emergency.

The philosophy and practice of Moral Re-Armament applied on a national scale have contributed decisively to our stability and progress.

His courageous fight will be continued in Africa by those of us who love freedom enough to sacrifice for it.

J. S. GICHURU Finance
T. J. MBOYA Economic Planning and Development
Dr. N. MUNGAI Internal Security and Defence
L. G. SAGINI Local Government
D. T. MOR Home Affairs
R. A. ONEKO Information, Broadcasting and Tourism
J. H. ANGAINE Land and Settlement
S. O. AYODO Natural Resources and Wild Life

Other signatories included: Mr. C. NJONJO, Attorney General; Senator CHOKWE, Speaker of the Senate; Senator LUBEMBE, Secretary General, Kenya Federation of Labour; Miss MARGARET KENYATTA, President, National Council of Women.

YOUTH—Continued

intensify MRA's work with students.

They are on a speaking tour of twenty-four Brazilian universities and colleges. On their visits to the States of Amazonas in the north, Para and Rio Grande do Norte in northeast and Rio Grande do Sul in the extreme south, they have had the backing of the Governors, Presidents of the Student Unions and Church leaders.

The Governor of Amazonas told them: 'The extraordinary changes brought about in the ports of Rio

and Recife have amazed me. My government is completely at the disposal of Moral Re-Armament.'

'Young men putting sacrifices and discipline, especially of purity, into their lives would be able to change the social and economic structure of the poverty-ridden northeast,' said the President of the Natal Students.

Gandhi's challenge to the students: 'Brazil will easily lick the Chinese at football. But will her students be more revolutionary in ideology?'

Queues in Kerala

IN KERALA, hot spot of Communist versus Congress clashes in recent elections, a joint Indian-Japanese force of youth is at work. In two days they addressed 3,000 students in Catholic, Protestant, Syrian Christian and Hindu Nair colleges.

Students queue for talks with the visitors in every place they visit and sign applications to attend training camps for youth. These will be held in Panchgani near Bombay, 28 April-14 May and in Kerala 18-28 May.

EASTER ACTION IN BRITAIN

A PROGRAMME of 'Easter Action' is being organised. It will be carried out in London 9-19 April.

The daily schedule will include, says the invitation, 'speakers and discussions on current international affairs, campaigning in London's industrial areas and training in practical aspects of running a revolution.'

The aim of 'Easter Action' is to train young men and women to take leadership in the Moral Re-Armament of their nations.

IN JAPAN'S COUNCIL

A MORAL RE-ARMAMENT representative, Mrs. Yukika Sohma, has joined Japan's sixty-member National Advisory Board. The Board meets Prime Minister Sato monthly to discuss the nation's social and moral welfare. Sato has emphasized the need 'to develop moral fibre and character along with the development of the economy'.

THROUGH GERMAN CITIES

PETER HOWARD was 'a true friend' of Germany, states the Government Bulletin published in Bonn. Not least, it says, 'his plays and musicals achieved great success in Germany.' On 15 March, Howard's play *Through the Garden Wall* completed, in Frankfurt, its tour of 106 towns in German-speaking Europe. Next day, *Decision at Midnight*, film based on the play by Howard and Thornhill, had its German première in Ulm. It is scheduled for seventeen German cities this month. In the autumn, Howard's play *Mr. Brown Comes Down the Hill* will begin its German tour.

IN WELSH VALLEYS

THE MAYOR and Mayoress of Swansea; the Mayors of Newport, Port Talbot and Merthyr Tydfil; the Chairman of Pontypridd Urban District Council; fifteen Aldermen and Councillors of Cardiff,

Port Talbot and other Welsh towns and counties said in a message to Mrs. Peter Howard:

'Your husband's plays at the Westminster Theatre have given delight and new hope to thousands in the valleys of Wales.

'He was a friend of statesmen who loved ordinary people and understood their longing for a better world. We shall carry on his fight for that new world.'

MATCHING THE HOUR

NEW YORKERS were first to see *A Man to Match the Hour*, twenty-seven minute documentary of Peter Howard's life with commentary by actor Robert Young. WOR-TV, New York, broadcast the film on 19 March. 102 other U.S. and Canadian Stations have booked showings. Stations in fourteen major cities carried the film last weekend.

This week the film was shown at the National Association of Broadcasters' Conference in Washington D.C. It was screened every hour on the hour, so all delegates could see it.

Other films of Howard speaking have been broadcast by T.V. Stations in thirty North American towns.

Three hundred and thirty-one American newspapers in thirty-nine States have carried stories on Howard's life and work. In the *Sunday Star* of Washington D.C., the Chaplain of the U.S. Senate described him as 'dynamic prophet, herald of an idea whose time has come.' Ross Valentine in the *Richmond Times Dispatch* compared Howard to Tom Paine, whose pamphlets sparked the American Revolution.

George Todt in the Los Angeles *Herald Examiner* said Howard boldly challenged the democracies to make Moral Re-Armament their aim and ideology. The *Hollywood Citizen-News* in a drama page article said, 'The theatre will miss him for his dynamic plays. The world will mourn his ideologist passion.' The *Navajo Times*, largest Indian paper, stated, 'He was the first man to unite the Indian people across



THE BLACK MAN (Mark Heath) takes the hand of Christ who has returned to modern life. A scene from 'Mr. Brown Comes Down the Hill' which is being filmed in London now. Eric Flynn plays the part of 'Mr. Brown'.

Miss Phyllis Konstam has appealed for contributions and cheques towards the cost of filming. They should be sent, payable to Moral Re-Armament, to her at the Westminster Theatre, Palace Street, London, S.W.1.

America with a great purpose.'

The Chairman of the Board of Sheraton Hotels, Ernest Henderson, is placing copies of *Design for Dedication*, Peter Howard's American speeches, in each of the 30,000 rooms in his chain of hotels.

PROFILE '64

PROFILE '64, a thirty-minute film produced by an American T.V. station is a question and answer session with Peter Howard.

The interviewer takes off like a sprinter with question after question, but Howard matches him step by step. At the end the viewer is out of breath but considerably enlightened.

Profile '64 can be hired for 25s. from Ron Harris Cinema Services Ltd., Glenbuck Studios, Surbiton, Surrey. (Tel. ELM 6527)

WOMEN: Galvanizers not tranquillizers

ON 31 MARCH last year a million Brazilian housewives marched in protest through Sao Paulo. The corrupt government of Goulart fell in a popular uprising.

Last January Peter Howard told these women's leaders: 'Revolution has moved into the homes. What Brazil needs is not a tranquillizer to keep discontented men quiet. She needs a galvanizer and transformer to make decent people effective.'

'Why not have the million women who marched to save Brazil now keeping a million men to the job of remaking the nation?'

In many countries women are on the job already.

In Norway 129,000 women signed last year an Address to Parliament upholding the sanctity of marriage, Christian teaching in schools. Dutch and Swedish women have since launched similar petitions.

American women have started a fund to airlift 10,000 youth from all areas of the U.S.A., Latin America, Asia and Europe to the Mackinac conference this summer. 'This is the beginning of a national demonstration of American women,' say the co-ordinating committee.

Their target is \$450,000.

Indian women organized to fight high food prices, beginning with economy in their own homes and a boycott of the black market.

'The Power of Women in the National Economy' was the theme of a luncheon in Paris this month held by 'Presence des Femmes', the eighth in a series started by French women committed to Moral Re-Armament.

Swiss and British women also hold luncheons as a platform for speakers on relevant issues.

In England and Scotland, 'Women of the Hour' say they owe their first inspiration to the Westminster Theatre's plays. Their purpose of association is 'in private and in public to reject what is wrong, to speak out for what is right, and to act always in the highest interests of this and every country'.

'I work in the most important workshop of the atomic age,' says Mrs. Guri Ulfrstad, organizer of the Norwegian women's petition. 'I am a housewife and the mother of three children. The women are not going to be stopped!'

Will Woolwich be a Wilberforce?

THE BISHOP OF WOOLWICH has packaged God—shaped, boxed, wrapped and packaged Him for contemporary man to buy,' reported the *Methodist Recorder* of 18 March, in an account of a speech by Dr. Morris Martin at an MRA assembly. 'Man is hungry for God and he buys the Bishop's books, but has he bought a God and a faith that will confront with a Guide and Master the atomic threat, hunger, homelessness and hopelessness of this contemporary world?'

Dr. Martin, an Oxford Doctor of Philosophy, who was twenty-five years secretary to Dr. Frank Buchman, asked: 'Can contemporary man say to the aseptic, intellectualised, bloodless and, it appears, powerless and pointless God he is offered, "Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven"?''

'The packagers of God,' he said, 'are more dangerous than the murderers of God.'

One of the leading churchmen of Britain had told him, 'The real danger to Britain and to the Christian faith today are the humanists. The men who make God in their own image and then demand that all shall worship their idol. They are so plausible, so insidious and so powerful.'

Confront hunger

'Will this God confront hunger, homelessness, human selfishness with a fundamental answer carried by men who will go on and on and on and on until there is victory?' Dr. Martin asked.

The Milner Holland Report on Housing presented Britain with a shocking picture of national neglect of a nation's needs. It was far above party. What would rouse the conscience of the nation to face it as a 'housing Dunkirk', and to act accordingly?

'Will Woolwich be a Wilberforce to tackle the housing of Britain?'

'Intellect alone will not do it. It is a knife quickly blunted.'

'Party politics alone will not do it. When a few votes can shift governments, few politicians will be selfless enough to propose what statesmanship demands,' Dr. Martin said.

Above-party crusade

Laws alone would not do it. There were laws against putting snakes in baths, or disturbing neighbours at four in the morning. What was needed was a 'passionate, national, above-party crusade to end the scandal of bad houses, and to give a mighty motive for living to the people who will live in the new ones.'

The best answer to the Bishop would be an explosion of faith expressed in what happens in us, through us, in our families, our jobs, in the Westminster Theatre and in the impact of Moral Re-Armament on Britain at this hour.

'God is determined not to be buried or packaged, but to win and govern His world. We too must be determined that He shall,' Dr. Martin said.