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MORAL RE-ARMAMENT

"Would Help Solve S.A's Farming Problem"

(From Our Own Correspondent)

MIDDELBURG (Cape), Monday.

MMORAL Re-armament, by changing the farmer, would help to solve farming problems such as the care of the soil and those connected with farm labour, because farmers would tackle their problems in a new and better spirit.

This opinion was expressed by Mr. Roland Kingwill, when addressing the Midland Farmers' and Wool Growers' Association at its last meeting. The Society, now in its 50th year, broke entirely new ground when Mr. Kingwill, himself a farmer, was asked to address the meeting on Moral Re-armament. Mr. Kingwill has been associated with the movement for many years.

At the beginning of the meeting the Chairman asked members to stand as a tribute to the memory of King George VI. Mr. Kingwill said that M.R.A. was the most important thing happening in the world to-day. It was a new spirit creating a new democracy.

S.A.'s DESTINY

Applying M.R.A. to farmers, the speaker stressed the importance of farming to South Africa. It was fundamentally, he said a philosophy of life; and it was the key to South Africa's destiny. For this reason "all farming problems should be approached in the right spirit. No nation could long survive the destruction of its soil.

"There are," Mr. Kingwill said, "three forces contending for the loyalty of farmers. The Old World which regarded the land as the property of the individual owner and maintained that it was his with which to do as he liked. The Socialist World, which said that the land belonged to the nation. And the New World, now being created by the Moral Re-Arma-

ment movement, which believed that the land belonged to God and was held in trust by the farmers."

M.R.A. had introduced a new factor into life, the conviction that human nature can be changed. "You can make plans on paper," said Mr. Kingwill, "but you have to build them out of people."

GOOD FARMING

Good farming aimed at the highest and best production that could be achieved without impoverishing the soil. There were some farmers who deliberately cut down production to avoid paying super-tax or to reduce their income-tax. Others were ready to destroy the soil in order to make as much money as possible in the shortest time.

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The meeting, which was well-attended, listened with great interest to the address, and lots of questions were asked.