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Nat. newspaper attacks Moral Rearmament address by D.R.C. man

IN A LEADING ARTICLE TODAY the "Transvaler" criticizes Moral Rearmament and an address by the Rev. F. E. O'B. Geldenhuys, Moderator of the Northern District Synod of the Dutch Reformed Church of the Transvaal at an M.R.A. world conference at Caux, Switzerland, recently.

The "Transvaler" says Dr. Geldenhuys seemed to consider, from new insights won at Caux, that the non-acceptance of the Union's racial policy by a section of the non-Europeans was sufficient ground for regarding the policy as a "desire for the impossible" and thus a failure.

Dr. Geldenhuys had apparently come to the conclusion that the Afrikaans religion, as applied in the Union, was inadequate and especially too cold and too non-militant.

"From this we must assume that liberalism now also comes in a religious guise to sow doubts about our faith as hitherto practised and to suggest that our religion falls short of the needs of the time, the continent and our country.

"We reject Moral Re-armament claims that they have the power to reform man's nature and to solve world problems purely by the application of moral principles.

"NOT A RELIGION"

"M.R.A. is not a religion and particularly not a Christian religion. At Caux, the name of Christ is heard less and less frequently. Thus other religions are being placed on an equal footing with Christianity and the dividing lines between religions and between nations are being wiped out.

"Liberalism is cunning in all its guises but in its quasi-religious guise it may well be at its most dangerous, because it there causes people to doubt proved truths. For the Afrikaner and the White man generally in South Africa it may well mean nothing but suicide in the long run.

"That is why it is our duty to warn our people against these second conversions at Caux."