

# VISITING PLAY DRAWS HUNDREDS

Theatre history will be made in Durban next week when parties from all parts of Natal, and a group from as far afield as Ermelo, come to the city to see the moral rearmament play "The Forgotten Factor."

This will be the biggest influx of theatre-goers Durban has ever seen. And not one of them will pay for a seat, for "The Forgotten Factor" is a play where admission is by invitation only.

The play is scheduled to run five performances, commencing next Monday, although already officials, dealing in city offices with hundreds of applications, are having to consider a matinee performance to cope with requests.

Inquiries have been received from all corners of the Province, and it is known that many visitors will come to Durban from all parts of Zululand, from the North Coast, the South Coast and many of the inland centres.

The Natal Chamber of Industries has sent out invitations to all its members, and hundreds of invitations have been issued by the Sugar Association, coal groups, factories and various industrial groups. The South African Police in Durban have asked for a block of 80 seats for each of the performances.

## FOR NON-EUROPEANS

Hundreds of non-Europeans in other Provinces have seen the play, and the company has agreed to give a special performance at Adams College this Friday when a number of non-European leaders will attend.

Councillor Clarke has invited the City Council to see the opening performance in the city, so that Monday's show will be a civic night.

The Moral Rearmament Group seeks, through "The Forgotten Factor" — an industrial drama dealing with the relations between management and labour — to foster national teamwork, and the Christian ideal in domestic, industrial and international life.

## SEVEN NATIONALITIES

In the company are players from seven countries, all of whom have had experience of the work in their own lands, and who have given up their professions to take part in it. Among them is an executive of a big textile firm in Glasgow, the manager of an oil company in Mexico, a former army officer, and a journalist.

Younger members of the cast, Mr. Henry McNicol, one of the principals, told "The Natal Mercury" yesterday, are students of the College of the Good Road, an incorporated university with recognised headquarters in Britain, Switzerland and America.

A party of six South African delegates, representatives of management and labour, left the Union by air yesterday morning to attend the World Assembly in Europe for moral rearmament. The congress opens in Caux, Switzerland, this month with an industrial conference.