

GERMANS "WORKING TO CREATE NEW MORAL FAITH"

Germany, although still a poor and confused country, was rapidly assuming a new dignity and purpose through the ideal of moral rearmament and a determination to strive for civil instead of martial goals, said Dr. Otto Koch, Director of Religion, Education and Culture in the biggest German State, North-Rhine-Westphalia, at a Rotary Club luncheon meeting yesterday.

Dr. Koch said that he had been invited to South Africa by parliamentarians of both parties as an informal German ambassador.

"Both Western Germany parties—the Social Democratic Party and the Christian Democratic Union Party—are working together in an ideological manner to create a new moral faith. The German people are welcoming moral rearmament as the solution of their problems," Dr. Koch said.

"We Germans are only longing to work together in everlasting peace. Religion is again taking its rightful place in our lives."

The youth of Germany was fast losing its feelings of despair and disillusionment which followed the collapse of Germany. The young people were being taught to become civilians and not merely soldiers, and to base their lives on a spiritual foundation.

The Rev. E. R. Silberbauer, of Cape Town, who said that he had just returned from Germany where he had worked for the past three years, stressed the ideological nature of developments in Germany.