

# TOMORROW'S WORLD





The delegates to the Conference for the Australasia and Asia of Tomorrow sent a message to the Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies, together with a copy of Peter Howard's book, *Design for Dedication*.

In this message we said:

"We want to train our generation in mind, body and character to be the leaders of tomorrow, able to make Australia an effective voice in world affairs.

"Why should we not create in Australia a society that is so dynamic that the rest of Asia will say 'This is what we want'?"

"We are convinced that Australia's role in South East Asia is to go on the offensive with an ideology far more challenging and effective than that of Red China."

ABOVE: Some of the delegates signing the message.

WE who have produced this book represent the rising generation in Australia and New Zealand. We come from every background. Some of us are in jobs, some in high schools and universities. We met at the Conference for the Australasia and Asia of Tomorrow at Ballarat, Victoria, last January.

This was one of 23 such conferences held by Moral Re-Armament in December and January around the world including India, Japan, and countries of Africa, Europe and North America.

We have taken on a fight—for the Australia and New Zealand of tomorrow. Youth on every continent are taking up the same battle. The future is ours.

This booklet tells what happened at the Ballarat conference, our plans for the next months and the part you can play.

COVER: The Ballarat conference delegates were afterwards received at Parliament House, Melbourne, by Mr. L. Reid, M.L.A., on behalf of the Victorian Government. Here Michael Brown of Adelaide presents Mr. Reid with a copy of the new youth magazine **Dare**.

While in Melbourne the delegates were also received by Lieutenant-General Sir Edmund Herring at the Shrine of Remembrance and at Trades Hall by Mr. K. Stone, Secretary of the Trades Hall Council.

**W** E ARE OUT to create an Australia and New Zealand that will be a dynamic, uniting and healing force in Asia and the world.

**OVER HALF** the world's population is under 21. It is a young man's world. Because of the strides that science has taken we live in an age of undreamt of opportunity — and colossal danger.

**THE TRUTH IS** that with all the modern discoveries we have become a world of technological giants but remained moral and spiritual dwarfs.

**IN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND** in our generation we have a unique opportunity. We can, if we choose, create a society that is so united, so satisfying, so dynamic that all Asia will say, "This is the way we want to live."

**WE REFUSE** to be the lost generation. We are not satisfied with more money, more comfort, more sex.

**WE WANT** to be known as the generation who found the answer to hate, fear and lust; the generation who made it possible to feed, to house, to clothe and educate every person on earth, and to give everyone, everywhere the freedom and dignity a human being should have.

**TO THIS TASK** we are committed. We are not saints. We may make many mistakes. But we have begun with ourselves as the logical place to begin cleaning up the nation, and we will go on changing where needed to do the job.

**WE ARE** on the march.

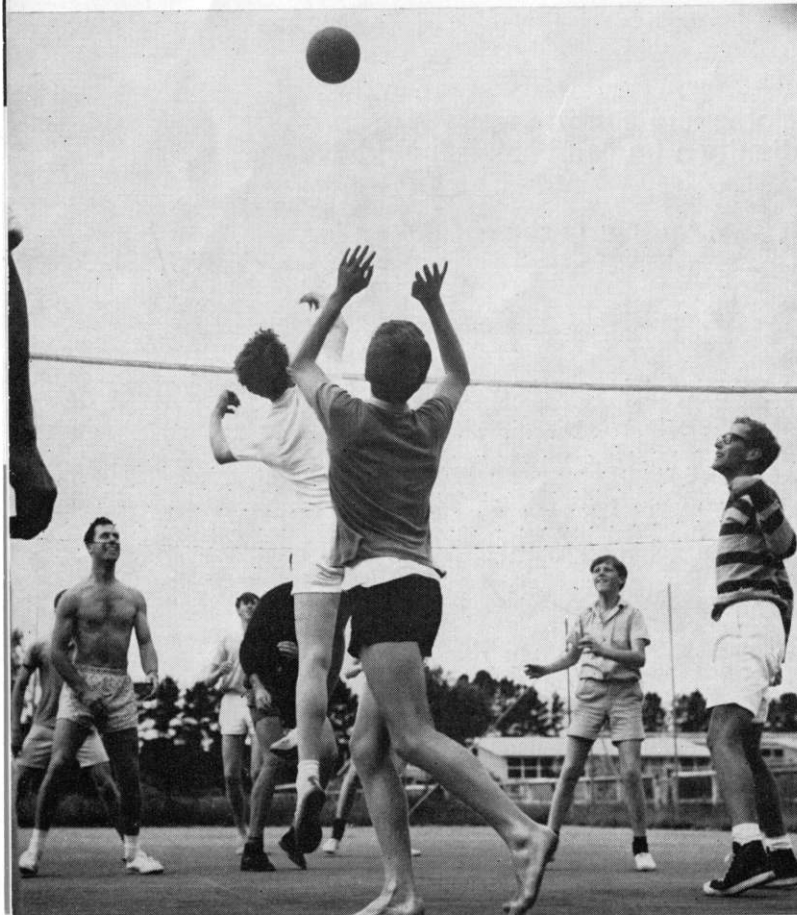
**WE HAVE** produced Peter Howard's play "We Are Tomorrow" and are taking it through Australia and New Zealand. It is available to be shown in cities and towns, in schools and universities.

**NEXT WE PLAN** a major national conference next summer where we can train together to build a new future.

**WE INVITE EVERYONE** of every age, colour or background who wants to see a new Australasia, and is prepared to pay the price of starting with himself, to take on this battle with us.



You have to be fit to fight. A run every morning was part of the day. There was plenty of sport and everyone had the chance to join in sports they had not played before. Team competition was keen.



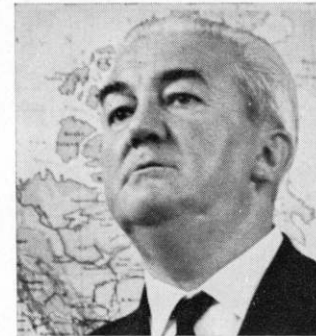
# We have trained

... in world affairs, in skills like journalism, music and drama, in sport.

We came to the Ballarat conference from every part of Australia and New Zealand, Papua, several Asian countries, in fact, from 17 nations in all. We represented the different races and backgrounds of Australasia.

Our aim was to become physically fit, mentally alert and morally incorruptible. We had vigorous competition in sport and athletics.

We had lectures by specialists in many subjects. We learnt about business and industry from a panel including directors of the Victorian Employers' Federation, Labor, from Mr. J. Beggs, a job delegate on the Melbourne waterfront, from a former Vice-president of the Tramways Union and from Mr. K. E. Beazley, M.H.R., member of the A.L.P. Federal Parliamentary Executive. Brigadier R. T. Eason and Wing Commander E. G. Roberts spoke on defence; Sir Raphael Cilento, noted author, commentator and former director of UNRRA, about Australia's position in Asia; Mr. Robin Millhouse, M.H.A., South Australia, spoke on 'Youth and Politics'. Amongst others who addressed us were



Brigadier R. T. Eason



Mr. K. E. Beazley, M.H.R.

Sir Raphael Cilento



Mr. J. Beggs



Mr. E. McL. Holmes, Senior Lecturer in Accountancy, University of Melbourne; Mr. M. A. Cameron, formerly chief administrative officer of the British Transport Commission; Mr. Ray F. Purdy, Executive Director of Moral Re-Armament in the U.S.A. whose lifetime of experience brought him into intimate contact with the leadership of three continents.

But above all we learned how to live relevantly to the needs of the age. We recognised that self-indulgence in sex, hate or dishonesty makes it impossible to see the world clearly, let alone hope to steer it aright. We saw the truth of what the great American statesman, William Penn, said, that 'Men must choose to be governed by God or they condemn themselves to be ruled by tyrants'. And we also experienced the possibility of change. We came to see that any of us, however far we have been from the things we know we ought to do, could put right where we had been wrong and start again. We came to know that when man listens, God speaks; when man obeys, God acts; when men change, and only then, nations change.

And we saw the relevance of such actions to the future of our nations. We began to understand the vast ideological struggle in which nations are involved and to see what the future will be if we continue to live selfishly as we are, and what it could be if we accept standards of absolute honesty, purity, unselfishness and love as the guide and keystone of our personal and national life.

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The *Geelong Advertiser* review of "We Are Tomorrow" on 13th February 1965, said:

English author Peter Howard's play, "We Are Tomorrow," was staged with verve, high spirits and a good deal of polish.

The actors brought out well the depth of meaning behind Howard's sparkling dialogue. Howard's thesis is that modern man needs more than either Hope or Memory; that in the age of the H bomb he needs also the power to decide what is right and the courage to stand up for it.

The author gives his audience this meat to chew on without ever making it indigestible, because his characters are both human and humorous.

Taking us 25 years into the future, Howard faces the possibility of tragedy, but claims that it is in the power of modern man to choose aright.

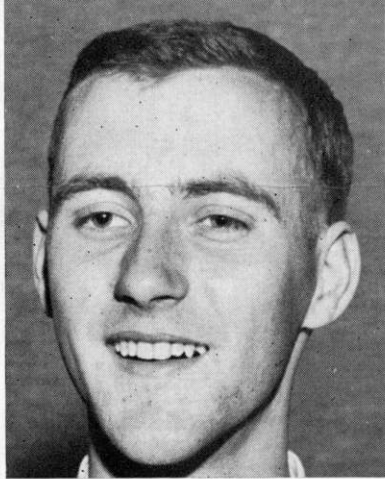
In many touches of vivacity, producer Katherine Matthies had obviously given the cast the benefit of her experience in European and American theatre.



Speakers were eagerly questioned in the training sessions.

A scene from "We Are Tomorrow", produced at the conference, now showing in Australia and New Zealand. Several of the cast and backstage personnel have postponed their university courses to make this possible.

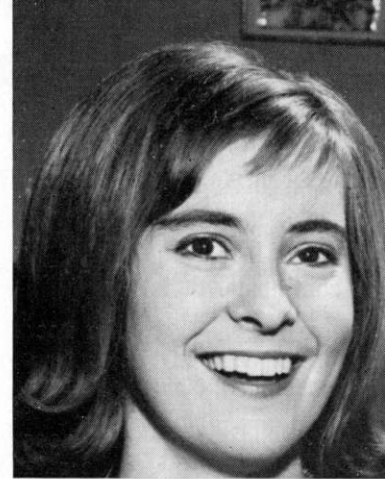




**MICHAEL BROWN**, Student, Adelaide: I love Australia and the tradition we have inherited from our pioneers. Youth today need to pioneer the kind of living which will make Australia a bulwark of sanity in the world.



**ELIZABETH MILLS**, Trainee Nurse, Melbourne: Many of our hospital beds are filled with people whose illnesses are caused through indulgence and selfish living. We must not only nurse their physical ills but give a positive purpose that will end the aimlessness which causes much illness. Then our nation will have a new level of fitness and health.



**MARY CAUGHEY**, student, New Zealand: Women set the standards for society. If we women live absolute purity we can set the highest possible standards. It frees us to answer apathy and selfishness.



**ILINOME FRANK**, Student, Papua: My country is on the edge of independence. Many forces and ideas are bidding for control. I commit myself to fight that my people go neither to the left nor to the right but straight.



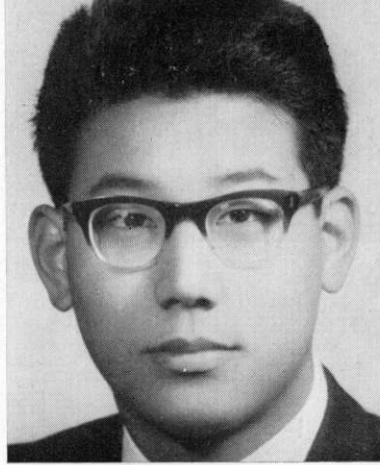
**LEFT:** Ballarat television did three interview and musical programmes and twice featured the conference on its news services. The radio broadcast 8 interviews and *The Courier* printed 59 articles during the two weeks of the conference. Here on TV the chorus sing the theme song of the conference, "Australia—Voice or Echo?"



**RIGHT:** Ballarat shoppers and townspeople stopped to watch and TV cameramen photographed this march of all the youth delegates through the main streets. This photo is from the front page of *The Courier*.



IRENA ZAPOTOCKYJ, Secretary, Tasmania, whose family came from the Ukraine: I have seen that to be physically fit, mentally alert and morally incorruptible is a necessity for our national survival and I will fight with the youth of Australia to make this idea the basis of our nation.



ANTHONY LEW, Son of the Free Chinese Ambassador in New Zealand: I have dedicated my life to be part of this force fighting for a revolution in character because this is the only idea adequate to answer a revolution based on hate.



LESLEY GALBREATH, Teacher, New Zealand: As a teacher my time and energy go to see that education gives not only technical skills but the inner discipline and purpose we need for the next step in human history.



FRANK RICHARDSON, Agricultural Student, Western Australia: Australia's greatest wealth lies in her land and the people who farm it. We must take responsibility that the starving millions of the world are fed, not only with bread but also with the ideas that will satisfy and give every person a part in a new world.

## ***What You Can Do***

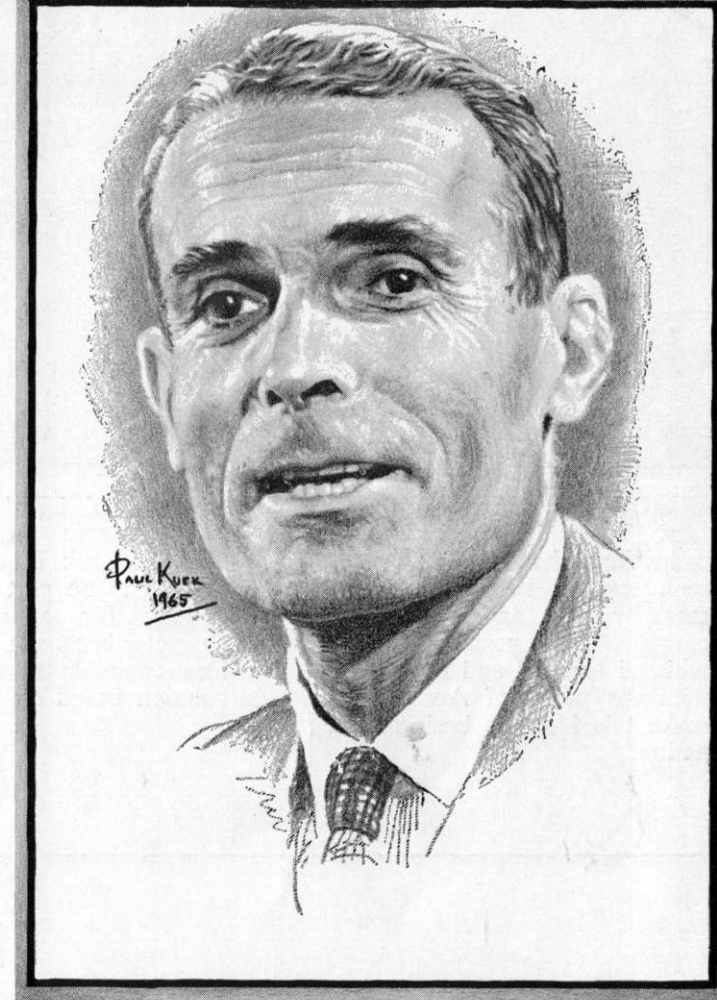
- Decide now to be part of the battle for Tomorrow's Australia and New Zealand. Everyone has a part to play.
- Arrange showings of the documentary and feature films produced by Moral Re-Armament which are available for hire for cinemas, schools, organizations and T.V.
- Subscribe to the new fortnightly paper of news and ideas to be produced by delegates to the Ballarat Conference.
- Read Peter Howard's book, "Design For Dedication".
- Plan to attend the major national conference to be held at the end of 1965.\* Write for details.

For more details on any of the above, write MRA, Box 1078J, G.P.O., Melbourne, or Box 1834, G.P.O., Wellington, or send the enclosed card.

\*Scholarships will be available towards travel/accommodation expenses for selected delegates.

**I** FIRMLY BELIEVE that Moral Re-Armament is the revolutionary issue of our time. It is the next step for the whole world. You can call it God's weapon for the hour and God's philosophy for the century. It is neither left nor right. It believes in sound homes, teamwork in industry, unity in the nation, and a rebuilt world as the normal commitment for every man, woman and child in a free society. It believes in love of home, love of homeland and love of humanity. A love strong enough to pay the price of seeing all those places become different.

*From one of the last speeches by Peter Howard, who has been in charge of the world programme of Moral Re-Armament. It was delivered to members of the Foreign Office in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, shortly before his death in Lima, Peru, on February 25, 1965. The portrait of Peter Howard is from the drawing by Paul Kuek of Sarawak.*



PETER HOWARD 1908 - 1965

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