

CHIEFS SEE MRA PLAY

Overflow Meeting Sees Films

The first performance of the Moral Re-Armament play "We Are To-morrow" on its tour through South Africa and other parts of the continent, took place in Umtata last night.

The Jubilee Hall was packed to its last seat, and 200 people were taken to an overflow meeting where they saw MRA films.

Among the audience were Paramount Chief Sabata of the Tembus and Paramount Chief Victor Poto of the Western Pondos.

Paramount Chief Sabata, who had earlier in the day met with and been introduced to the members of the MRA force, spoke before the play, and welcomed them to his territory. He spoke of the change in his own life. "To-day," he said, "I am a teetotaller. To-day when the people see me walking around they see that that person commands the dignity of a Chief, because I walk about not in the staggering way that I used to do but as a gentleman."

At the end of the performance, which was enthusiastically applauded, Paramount Chief Poto rose to speak. He said, "I am glad

to tell you that the Pondo Tribe have welcomed and accepted Moral Re-Armament." He identified himself with MRA and appealed to the audience to do the same, and to live the four absolute moral standards—honesty, purity, unselfishness and love. "Differences of opinion and clash between races and creeds of people have been answered through MRA," he concluded.

He was followed by his son and heir apparent, Chief Tutor Ndamase, whom, he said, had first brought MRA to the Transkei. "I found," he said, "that MRA meant the recognition of the absolute standards for each person, from an individual to his family, then to the neighbours, to the country where he lives, eventually to the whole world. If you think deeply you realise that the cause of all the trouble in the world is from each individual. We must live the right ideology." Referring to the play he said, "I wish to express my sincere thanks to the performers to-day. They have enlightened our minds about MRA—the message that is spreading to all the nations."

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