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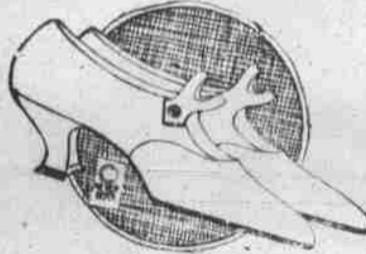
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SAYS DISARMAMENT PLAN IS POSSIBLE

Leading Japanese Newspaper Says Plan of Harding in Realm of Possibility

Tokio, March 12.—President Harding's idea of approximate disarmament is quite within the realm of possibility, said the *Asahi Shimbun*, a leading

conservative newspaper, in a new editorial discussion of the President's inaugural.

The newspaper continued: "There is something in the inauguration address which makes us reasonably expect the call of an international conference by the new Washington administration with a view to promoting the cause of armament reduction."

The growing popularity marking the proposed Triple Agreement on armament limitation in America lends security and enthusiasm to the peace proposal by the American authorities, and this, coupled with the universal sympathy with which the proposition in question is received, places the proposed scheme quite within the realm of possibility.

"Japan, which has hitherto made so much of her defense scheme, must now be prepared for the execution of a most rigorous armament restriction, which is no longer an empty theory of negotiators but has already assumed practical significance and importance."

The *Asahi* goes on to express regret that so much indifference towards the project has been shown by the Japanese association of the League of Nations which was recently organized in this country. It remarks: "Notwithstanding the necessity and importance of the proposed cause, the association has hitherto done practically nothing to aid it. The organization has deprived itself of its liaison before the finalization of peace and the institution of armament limitation, the immediate organization for which the League of Nations has been called into existence."

But it is not the Japanese association of the League of Nations alone that is to blame in this respect; Japanese scholars and critics reveal no more interest than the associations in upholding the proposed cause.

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The activity they showed on labor and suffrage questions renders their present inactivity concerning armament restriction all the more conspicuous, and only lays them open to criticism for their inconsistency. It is to be hoped that these scholars and critics, and the Japanese association of the League of Nations as a whole, will awaken to the serious significance of the proposed cause and rise to its support."

KENTUCKY BANK ROBBERS AND LOOT ARE CAPTURED

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