ARMS PACT SURE, JAPANESE PREDICT

Kato and Prince Tokugawa Tell Journalists Limitation Now Is Certainty

AMERICA DISPELS DOUBTS

Washington, Nov. 14. -Admira m Kato and Prince Tokugawa, Japanese Conference delelast night gave public assur-their conviction that the busi-t brought them to Washington uccessfully concluded. The neluding Baron Shidehara. Ambasendor to the United re-hosts at a reception in the in to the 300 newspaper writers reporting the Conference. dmiral Kato, speaking in Japanese, ared that any doubts as to the sucf the Conference which may have entertained when the Japanse left home "were now The chief of the Japanese Department and the leading Nip-elegate here said that Japan, like est of the world, realized that the den of armament was becoming un-

"Civilization must end armament." declared. "or armament will end declared. Admiral Kato asserted that the prosal of Secretary Hughes would be ven immediate and close scrutiny by

e Japanese delegates. Similar sentiments were expressed by rince Tokugawa, who praised Presi-ent Harding and Secretary Hughes for high-minded and clear lead they given the Conference and asserted e erents of the opening day usion would be reached aid Japan offered America ing but friendship and wanted only n return. Roy Martin, general man-

Associated Press, spoke of PLAN "DEFINITE AND GRAND" important duties devolving upon the recording Conference events and red the Japanese delegates that, us ar as American writers were concerned, heir efforts would be bent in the dion of reporting exactly what hap-

Kato Voices Japan's Co-operation Admiral Kato said :

"It is a great privilege that I have evening to meet so many distinshed men of so powerful a profesit seems only proper for me lon, and it seems only proper for me of the this occasion to say that Japan first inferiority. Hence it is not difficult to understand that one of the most important points in the American policy is the suppure of the Anglo-Japanese The Lording interest in the "The costs of armament have now

so heavy that they are a Conference will lie in thit. The Journal Des Debats says the arden, hempering productive activies throughout the world, and Japan,
ke other countries, rejoices at the
respect of relief that is now offered,
derstand the Americans' stubbornness ospect of the transfer of the world, or else "but we beg of them to reflect that the mament will put an end to civiliza- official rupture of this pact would

to the present Japan has had satisfaction. There is no need of a hich have caused her to continue formal alliance to bind two countries liding, but her navy has always been with regard to certain possibilities. The lessive. It has never been her pol- only real guarantee is regulation of the intention to attempt to rival the two greatest navies of the

s on both sides obliterated, , so far as Japan and the are concerned, cannot fail It is with this view that the ized outside the League of Nations, to It is with this view that the delegation will proceed to a which the United States does not be-examination of the American long. Finally, new methods of destruc-

Tokugawa spok, as follows: s is my first appearance before Baron Shidebara has called the world, and naturally I am But, although humble, I am red. The thought of the of carnest people whom you increases my desire to accom-

Two great needs confront a troubled which it is largely your to supply. These are light and pon you more heavily, perhaps, lug knowledge and inspiring con-With your co-operation the Thomas Jefferson, foresaw Thomas Jefferson, foresaw companied his guests as far as the boat's famous inaugural address dock. The Sylph was turned back just hefore reaching the former home of Committee of twenty washington.

Tells of Functions of Press

erick Roy Martin said : itous as are the declarations made, the chief function of as throughout the Con s to report them, not to criti-ize or interpret them. is a powerful factor in this

e to tell the waiting world tely, comprehensively and imas possible what you do here s, who falters and the result the optimists prevail, who that hope will point the right or if history fails, or whether the economic chaos confronts us, for the press is clearly desective of the outcome not stress possible disagree

It must not question men's mo-Im armament preparedness in of one country and relitarism use of another, but as best it be truth, the whole truth and at the truth.

not be out of place to recall trol is democracy, where most of cal leaders, whatever their estion, remain not long in office, there is a continuing estate of men who take their one seriously. From time to storians, essayists and philosoay volunteer in our profession s the regulars—to adopt a millen who measure their serv

dorm nine-tenths of all the what is done here. I pledge you their best efforts to the highest possible level of and fairness that the world may your deliberations. Theirs not why, theirs but to strive with knowledge of human liability to

Arms Delegate BRITISH PLEASED BY HUGHES' PLAN

Central News Photo

BARON KATO

doubts as to the success of the arms parley have been dispelled, and that

Japan will immediately study the Hughes proposals

Newspapers Are Delighted at

Dramatic Opening of

Arms Council

By the Associated Press

'If the hypothesis is admissible that the British forces will join the Japa-nese," says the writer, "the United States would be in a position of mani-

ten years, it says, is senseless unles

HUGHES CONSULTS BRIAND

Believed to Have Discussed Pro-

cedure for Today

INVENTOR BACKS HUGHES

Simon Lake Approves Plan to Limit

Submarine Tonnage

and long considered as authority on naval affairs, last night expressed ap-

proval of that portion of the Hughes proposal which would limit the sub-

Arms Conference Boosts Cotton

New York, Nov. 11 .- (iiy A. P.)-

ofter feeling inspired by arm Arma

nent Conference in Washington caused

the cotton market to jump about \$1 a bale today. January contract advanced

to 16.92c and Murch to 16.95c. There was heavy speculative buying and a big

emand from spot houses, which were

partly supplied by Southern selling.

Armenians Ask Harding's Aid

Bridgeport, Conn., Nov. 14.—(By A. ...)—Simon Lake, submarine inventor

Japanese admiral says all

Favorable Comment in Official Circles on Naval Proposals

SEE DRASTIC ARMS CUT

By the Associated Press

London, Nov. 14.-The American proposals for drastic limitation of naval armament have been received with expressions of much favor in British of-ficial circles. While the Cabinet will not officially discuss the proposals un-til the British experts have reported after examining them, it is stated that the individual members of the Cabinet whole-heartedly support the broad principles contained in the address of Secretary of State Hughes at the opening of the Conference at Washington aturday.

The opinion is generally expressed that such a plain statement of policy made at the outset of the Conference, will materially assist, in the achievenent of a definite, all-round reduction n armaments. It is recognized that many points in the proposals must oc-casion discussion and the British navai xperts are already examing the propo-

The Cabinet will consider the subject as soon as the experts make their report. Ratification of any decision reached will be asked of the Parlia-ment which was prorogued last week until January 30, subject to an earlier ummoning if political exigencies should

U. S. and Japan Hit Hardest

The American plan for a ten-year na-al holiday and the scrapping of all but a limited number of warships, calls for much lest sacrifice on the part of Great Britain than by the United States and Japan, in the view of the naval correendent of the Daily Mail.

The proposed sacrifice, he rays, would be a heavy one for Japan and the United States, but comparatively triffing for Great Britain, as the latter tions, will not be stopped by the Navy has not yet incurred any great outlay Department unless a definite interna-Paris, Nov. 14.—Jacques Bainville. has not yet incurred any great butter. Control of the four new ships just ordered. tional agreement is reached er except on the four new ships just ordered. direction of Congress, it was stated to the four of the four new ships just ordered. The direction of Congress, it was stated to the four of the four new ships just ordered. editor of La Liberte, says the tonnages | proposed by Secretary Hughes indicate that the United States means to retain the advance and superiority it has over Japan.

The American Scheme Involves that the United States means to retain the advance and superiority it has over Japan.

John Grim, a wealthy retired farmer, the superdreadnought West Virginia third in post-war ships and occun-go-will be annothed Saturday at Newport was said at the control of the superdreadnought was said at the superdreadnought was ing submarines, the two factors which will probably count for the most in future naval warfare, a to The real uestion is whether Japan will be content to accept conditions which place her navy in a position of permanent inriority.

Say Britain Already Leads in Cut

Other correspondents point out that Great Britain has already taken the lead in the reduction of naval arma- would be but "a drop in the bucket" of ments, her progressive scrapping of naval construction funds saved in the amounted up to last April to more than perts sav. 500 vessels, of which 300 were destroyers. Statistics are printed to show that as gone very far in this direction. Most of the naval writers are obvi-

only real guarantee is regulation of the questions which autagonize their peo- far little expert opinion as distinct ther of the two greatest navies of the cords. And I am now happy to be averthat whatever fears she might have attentioned can be and will be dissipated starting of the cords. The Washington Conference compared with "a dramatic surprise," says the Temps, which calls Mr. However, plan "at the same time definite inconosals for naval limitation naturally.

FAR-EAST PROGRAM

MAY SHOCK ALLI**

mountements of the Secretary of State the inaugural session of the Conferbase clarified the situation.

Meantime, assurance from us is up.

the capacity for construction is also limited. Furthermore, international limitation of armaments involves inter-Britain Will Accept national control, which must be organ-

give the negotiations the widest pub-Washington, Nov. 14.-Premier Bri-

Publicity for the Conference proceedgreat work that has been terday with Elihu Root and Oscar W. at today's meeting of the heads of dele-

the great work that has been do not only colleagues to already spoken to you. Underwood, of the American delegation, we cannot doubt the of the Conference. If any of red its failure before leaving that fear has been dispelled to arrival here. Everywhere we nectuous and sincerity; we have a schools and sincerity; we have the him and the Ambassador more than half an hour. It was understood that the conversation chiefly concerned the him and the Ambassador more than half an hour. It was understood that the conversation chiefly concerned the method of procedure to be adopted in the two meetings today. No state the nations of Europe and a great needs confront a troubled of great needs confront a troubled of the American delegations.

The position of the American delegation was understood to be open meetings in principle with frequent executive sessions for private discussions, the results whereof would be presented in open meetings. If at any time a delegation desired to present its detailed and considered view upon any subject publicly the executive session would upon request be turned into an open meeting. Secretary Hughes, it appears, has outlined these suggestions to the heads of the various delegations and they met today knowing in advance the American Following the departure of the American officials, the members of the French delegation had a brief meeting to discuss among themselves the topic taken today knowing in advance the American

pon you more heavily, perhans, on any other human agency dethe great responsibility of ag knowledge and inspiring conWith your co-operation the of the Conference will be asWith the several delegations press together performing their we shall winces the fulfillment to happy time which your great the properties of the conference will make a far as Mount to the properties of the Conference will meet this afternoon as members of the Commutations represented at the Conference will need this afternoon as members of the Commutations represented at the Conference will need this afternoon as members of the Commutations represented at the Conference will need this afternoon as members of the Commutations represented at the Conference will need this afternoon as members of the Commutations represented at the Conference will need this afternoon as members of the Commutations represented at the Conference will need the Conference will be held to day to shape up procedure of the Conference will need the Conferenc

A meeting of the American Advisory before reaching the former home of Committee of twenty one also had been Washington in order that the French cuiled for this afternoon, at which officials might return in time for other Chairman Sutherland will announce the personnel of the six sub-committees alendy authorized to handle special sub-

Preliminary to further conference essions, delegates as well as the various naval experts, today continued their study of Secretary Hughes' proposal for the immediate reduction of the for the immediate reduction of the British and United States and Japanese

fleets, and for a ten-year naval holiday. American Delegates Encouraged

While spokesmen for Great Britain and Japan continued to confine themarine tonnage of the United States to selves to guarded comment, the Ameri-90,000 tons.

"If that 90,000 tons is put into detensive submarines of the smaller type it would provide about 150 submarines. That should be sufficient to give protection to the coast, and is more than we have now. I doubt if we have more that there have now in unstern that the properties of the plan and that it would form the basis of whatever agreement the past that number now in unstern the properties of the plan and that it would form the basis of whatever agreement the past of the plan and that it would be properties that number now in unstern the properties of the properties

than half that number now in upset date efficient submarines.

The cost of battleships and cruisers is going to bankrupt most any country is going to bankrupt most any country beautiful feature the fact that the United States would be left without battlecruisers. each retain four of these ships west addition to enpital lighting craft. By suggesting such a program it an sears that all the United States sough to convey was concrete assurance of the unselfish purpose with which it has entered the conference, as declared by President Harding in his opening ad-

The American plan begins to stand out in it's true proportions. Apparently It is far more than a ten-year naval holiday that is projected, coupled with immediate heavy reduction of the fleets the lighest possible level of defairness that the world may our deliberations. Theirs not dent Harding urgently calling his attention to the distress of the 150,000 let the world know exactly on here at this critical hour.

Athens, Nov. 14.—The Armenian of the fleets of the three Powers, Beyond that is a fixed equally blunt and direct suggestion for a continuing agreement to limit tention to the distress of the 150,000 let the world know exactly on here at this critical hour.

That is what Hughes' naval replacement plan really amounts to.

Relinquishment by the United States of the three Powers. Beyond that is a third equally blunt and direct sugges-tion for a continuing agreement to limit idea that it might some day become advisable to raid the sea commerce of the two insular Powers, or either of them. Battle cruisers would be invaluable, perhaps vital, to successful prosecution of a naval war across the

In the proposal that the other two owers retain battle cruiser squadrons, also, these observers saw a possible concrete expression of American recognition of the necessities in naval forces of those countries; of American willingness that they should prosecute legiti-mate ventures over the world requiring far-flung merchant routes, and employ. for protection of those routes, naval craft they thought best suited for the States.

As a continental Power, although as- regarding the Pacific. serting in this proposal the right to an equal footing with any nation on the seas; the United States might not necessarily need battle cruiers as the other from the Eastern situation.

Powers feel they do, it was said. At any rate, the American propos has made a flat proposition in regard to battle cruisers, which it was thought might be very difficult of treatment at the Conference. It remains to be seen what Japan and Great Britain think about it, but a long step toward agreement on that question has been taken, naval folk believe. The American replacement proposal

terms of capital ships, would stand ulti- pany needs additional capital, which is mately at approximately fourteen each for Great Britain and the United States poo of preferred stock, par value \$100.

It means also that Japan would stand, act on the proposition, thereafter, at a fixed ratio of three to five in naval strength in comparison to the other two fleets. It is not clear how that would finally be viewed by Japan.

U. S. WILL CONTINUE

The American naval construction man anti-trust law in federal court. of reduced appropriaspeed because.

will be annehed Saturday at Newport was due to heart disease. He was sev-News as arranged, it was said at the enty-five years old. Mr. Grim is surdepartment, and work on the other vived by a widow, Mrs. Sarah Shoch twenty-eight surface ships and forty Grim, sister of the late City Treasurer.

gress for immediate cessation of mand Fire Company. to several million dollars, dependent on the duration of the Arms Conference. spense thereby, while it might amount warships since the armistice having event of a complete steppage, naval ex- Continued from Page One

The problem of canceling all naval rs. Statistics are printed to show that ship construction contracts would be in kinds of ships and less of others than either Japan nor the United States itself a difficult one, naval officials say, Mr. Hughes suggests. The Japanese of considerable money at the outset if it an agreement upon usval reduction sly taking time to digest the proposals outlined by Secretary Hughes, and thus sixty or more vessels under construct within a few weeks is almost certain. tion. This, however, would be inconsequential as compared to the ultimate!

seives for the next detonation from the survive such a cut in naval forces at same quarter. They believe the new shock is imminent. They expect it to deal with the correlated subject of the Far East. They are convinced it also will be heavily charged with dynamics. U. S. Arms Program

deal with the correlated subject of the Far East. They are convinced it also will be heavily charged with dynamite. Already the British have given an indication of their intent to abandon the adjoinants and consular agents throughout the world for use as they may deem expedient. It was explained that this step was another part of the that this step was another part of the subject of the Far East They are convinced it also building involves. Already the British have given an indication of their intent to abandon the adjiance of the precise ingredients of Hughes bombshell No. 2 have been as triumphantly guarded as were the contents of No. 1. But what Washington expects its a pronouncement that America resident that the British in future will take over the work of granding their own interests in the Parcific, a duty which devolved upon Japan under the alliance.

With regard to the Far East prob-

ese Alliance, Second, Evacuation of Shantong by Evacuation of Siberia by

all claims to "special interests" in China under the Lansing-Ishii agree-ment of 1917. Relinquishment by all con-

cerned-Great Britain, Japan, France and others-of "spheres of interest" in Binding undertakings that po-session of private property in China, especially railroads, confers no political

or military rights in any guise.
Seventh. Agreements that "lease-Seventh. Agreements that "lease-holds" of Chinese port areas, like the British leasehold of Wei-Hai-Wei and the Japanese leasehold of Kiao-Chau Bay, are in no respect to be infringe-

of any battle cruiser element in her fleet, some officers said, at once indicated clearly that the navy was not being maintained with the deliberate United States might forgo fortifying the United States might forgo fortifying the Philippines, Guam, the Midway Islands and Samoa, provided Japan refrained from fortifying her insular outposts in the Western Pacific.

Secretary Hughes would presumably put forward proposals for a "basis of understanding" on principles and policies in the Far East and the Pacific just as he expects his naval proposals to form a "basis of understanding." The Far Eastern suggestions above enumerated embrace what are known to be the United States' primary considerations. If Japan comes forward with countersuggestions—such as an expression of her necessity to expand on the mainland of Asin-it is certain such proposals will be viewed benevolently by the United Great Britain, too, may be expected to advance ideas of her own

The net results will be a ventilation of views bound, in American judgment, to extract the probabilities of war

Plan Will Be Considered at Special Meeting on December 2

Boston, Nov. 14 .- A proposal to reorganize the National Leather Company is announced by George U. Swift. the president. Recause of serious inmean that, under the agreement out-lined, the fleets of the three Powers, in ventory losses, it was stated, the com-

and eight for Japan.

The American claim to full equality

The common stock will be reduced with Great Britain is made in the replacement suggestion, and there has been no hint as yet that the British delegation will oppose it.

by cancellation of 2,250,000 shares, by cancellation of 2,250,000 shares, leaving 750,000 shares, with par value of \$10 each. A special meeting will be held at Portland, Me., December 2, to

TILE MEN PLEAD GUILTY

70 Corporations and Individuals Admit Violating Sherman Law

New York, Nov. 14 .- (By A. P.)-ITS NAVAL PROGRAM Seventy corporations and Individual composing what is known as the Tile and Mantel Combine, today entered Washington, Nov. 14 .- (By A. P.) | pleas of guilty of violation of the Sherprogram, now progressing at only half | They were indicted last August as the result of an investigation into the buildings industry by the Lockwood legislative committee.

submarines now building or projected Henry Shoch. They had no children. will go forward.

While some sentiment exists in Con- Post, 144, G. A. R., and of the Media

of Hughes Plan

may desire to retain more of certain kinds of ships and less of others than

End of Alliance Seen The ending of the Anglo-Japanese

Alliance follows as a matter of course. With each of the three great naval Powers adopting a purely defensive policy and having navies adequate to MAY SHOCK ALLIES their defense in their own waters, allt ances between any two of them, for deof a political nature: Great Britain also fully reported, while other distance that lies are shores and those of America apremacy of the United States, size and resources make, size and resources make.

With regard to the Far East prob-First. Abolition of the Anglo-Japa- lem the Japanese argue, and with much reason, that Mr. Hughes is not going to be exigent. He will take with dis armament, they say, some sort of easily Asia, and the Harding Administration Renunciation by Japan of will, as a result, enjoy immense politiin | cal prestige in this country.

Hughes Inverted Procedure

They reach this conclusion from the unexpected order in which Mr. Hugie brought up the subjects before the conference. In the advance declarations of the Administration, it had always been said that no real disarmament could come except as a result of re-

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defensive size. Fall to do so, and we shall build more ships than you can.

Mr. Hughes has rejected that method of supropely to the property of the Conference, and, will be a tendency for a new balance of nonexpensive to the property of t of approach to the negotiations, makes a proposal to which Japan has much. On this theory are based pre-

He bnese reasoning, he cannot usk too dictions for an early ending of the Coupreme in Far Eastern waters. Then he ference. asks forbearance with regard to Asia from the power which he has just rec-

See Anglo-American Entente

Not only do the Japanese argue, this, Now if he asks difficult concessions of but European critics think that the Japan and Japan refuses them, he will Secretary of State has something else reate issues which will weaken his own in mind than a complete adjustment of disarmament before the American peo-ple, just as Mr. Wilson weakened his own League of Nations before the pub-American Entente can justify leaving Saghalen. lie by haggling over the peace and em- Japan unassailable by any one Power phasizing its inconsistency with the in ter part of the world.

phasizing its inconsistency with the covenant.

And it may be that what Mr. Hughes argue that Mr. Hughes is ready to make counts upon to restrain Japan's abuse of her position in the Far East is not armoment agreement made Japan suspense in the Asian Pacific and then not preceded in securing our interests political co-constraints.

In ter part of the world.

And it may be that Mr. Hughes argue that Mr. Hughes is ready to make counts upon to restrain Japan's abuse one from the fact that he has put distributed in the Par East is not armoment first on his program.

On this basis Mr. Hughes could show exists today—as Japan's sense that a victory to the country in securing a cover-aggressiveness on her part will large measure of disarmament and in securing our interests political co-constraints against her. He necceded in securing our interests political co-operation against her. Re- and Siberia, where Mr. Wilson left move the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, leave them. And Japan could consolidate

ognized as supreme.

The presumption is that Secretary Hughes knows what concession Japan is ready to make and that with the Anglo-

> isfactory to him, even though Japan i left navally supreme in Eastern waters

Arrangement as Foreseen a withdrawal from Shantung and Si-beria. In return, Japan wants to be let alone in Manchuria, Mongolia and

Japanese Alliance ended they seem sat-

An agreement upon these lines could be easily reached.

Having obtained disarmament. Mr. Japan unassallable in the East, and if her position on the Asiatic mainland.





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