ortheliffe at his palace, said:

"The opening of the Washington can point of view.

onference has been marked by many ontertions advocating foreign control of this, but such procedure would only the further difficulties and trouble. The Chinese people should be allowed to their own internal problems, present troubles should be reby foreigners not only as pe-to China, but as the natural step volution of the Government es-

"China is in financial difficulties, but they are not insurmountable, and steps are now being taken by the Government which will enable the country to return to its normal state within a reasonable despite the troubles between the and South. These are expected to be adjusted in due course, because scept any reasonable terms to establish

his audience with the Lord Northcliffe interviewed Premier, who said: China wants money and can offer ample security.

"China expects, as a result of the

Washington Conference, to get tariff autonomy. At present we cannot in ing the thirteen treaty Powers. Give us the right to fix our tariff the other nations and we will be able to

help ourselves mores.

"If we are left alone it will be betfor all concerned. We need money disband our troops, whose pay is many months in arrears. China is absolutely solvent, despite the present confusion of finance."

British for Open Door; Aid for China

develop China, not only for herself, t was added that Great Britain had wish to be selfish, though the highest of selfishness perhaps was doing

good to others.
"The open door in China is the best method of creating prosperity for the world," this British authority ed. "Great Britain's view is that this can best be attained by interna-tional co-operation. We wish to see fonal co-operation. We wish to see China developed for the conclit of China primarily, in the confidence that

rehabilitate China and enable her to reame her proper place in the hierarchy of the world. The best means of ac-tomplishing this is through the open to fear. door and by giving China freedom to work out her own destinies. On the

Rati Construction Proposed

Incidentally it was suggested that the forwarded by the construction of rail-roads which also would help the other nations of the world in their trade rela-It was indicated that Great Britain

would make no strong objection to the relinquishment of Wei-Hai-Wei or any other territory in China held upder similar tenure. Wei-Hai-Wei had been leased by Great Britain in 1898, it was replaced as the accordance for the China explained, at the conclusion of the Chi-no-Japanese War, when it was felt in Europe that "China was breaking up and there was some apprehension as t the result, causing a scramble by Rusget a foothold

present Wei-Hai-Wei is said to be regarded by the British as nothing more than a fine summer resort and a manitary anchorage for the British fleet, without particular strategic value. Japan's views on the Chinese proposals for settlement of Far Eastern uestions will be presented temorrow to the Arms Conference, sitting as a com-

nittee of the whole. Progress on Naval Proposals

Although preparation of the British viewpoint on the armament question will require two or three days yet for completion, the committee of naval of-ficers of five Powers is carrying forward its considerations. access of five Powers is carrying forward its consideration of the American proposal and is reported making progress. It is considered certain, however, that no early report from this body can be looked for, in view of the task it faces in accommodating the strong British desire for a cut in the maximum submarine tonnage proposed and the equally firm American view that this maximum frm American view that this maximum should be retained.

While this at present is the outstanding point of disagreement on the armant question, the committee also must take up modifications to be proposed by Japan permitting her to maintain a "general tonnage slightly greater" than the proposed 60 per cent ratio.

An authoritative statement of British have been supposed for the control of British have been supp

naval views shows that aircraft are not Fearded by the British as having dis-placed capital ships in naval warfare placed capital ships in naval warfare. Aircraft have a distinct place in war, however, and it was said that even aircraft bombardment of cities might be justified because of the pressure such attacks exerted on enemy Governments.

British Defend Air Raid

The British spokesman pointed out that bombardment of London and Parisfrom the air during the war had been effective in this way, and it was indicated that the British de egation would not favor too sharp a limitation on aircraft operation if the question comes up at the Arms Conference,

By contrast, the British position of By contrast, the British position of

bhorrence of submarines was explained to due to the feeling that the subabborrence of sales due to the feeling that the sales due to the feeling that the sales was a mere "instrument of management," and inempable of exerting any such influence on peoples and their Governments as air raids or slike. The British reply to the sage the sales was the sales cities. The British reply to the sug-restion that the submarine was the wappen of the weaker Powers was that the weak had never been oppressed by the British Navy when there were no

HUGHES UNWILLING

TO GIVE U. S. VIEWS Washington, Nov. 18.—(By A. P. While the Armament Conference

ection, there is no difficulty in getting

glimpses behind the scenes from the British, the Japanese, the French, the Italians or the Chinese, but it is not so easy to discover what the American viewpoint may be on each specific ques-

Virtually every nation represented here, except the United States, has complete machinery for presenting its viewpoint to the newspaper men. The responsible heads of the foreign delegation of the fore

noted British publicist, by man of the international gathering. ent Hau Shih-Chang and Premier which probably would not apply if he nt Hau Shih-Chang and Premier which probably would not apply it has a specific at his palace, said:

Which probably would not apply it has been delegated were only head of the American delegation. The effect is to make him less willing to discuss in detail the American delegation. The effect is to make him less willing to discuss in detail the American delegation. The effect is to make him less will be a specific were women. Only 22,796 voters—men and women—registered, and about two-

French and British

from day to day, some of it funny, almost childish; some of it significant of the ambition of the two great powers the ambition of the two great powers of voters in the ward.

One of the best showings in the city

All is not so lovely as it appears on the surface in the Conference. You see that horrid shadow of conflicting national interests here just as you saw it at Paris, though not so clearly. If, however, the Conference should go on here as long as it did at Paris, the nationalism will be as clear as it was there.

was made in the Forty-sixth Ward. It has been regarded as fair fighting ground. The tide of battle ebbs and flows irregularly between the independents and the combine. It has 41,463 men and women eligible voters.

Almost one-half of its eligibles registered. About three-quarters of these voted last week, something more than one-third of the entire ward.

It would be idle repetition to go

making, England and the United States age would show little more than one-against Japan in the Far East. For if third of those entitled to registration she will bring about the erection of some balance of power against her, a balance which may be disturbed by the emergence of Russia, whenever that takes place. England and the United States re co-operating generally, perhaps with France trying to work in so close to the United States as to be indispensable to us in putting pressure when necessary upon England.

Offer Not Quite Altruistic

The United States 'naval plane is not uite altruistic. It-favors the United States in the matter of submarines and destroyers. It is perhaps necessarily unfavorable to Japan in aircraft. It is uniavorable to Japan in aircrait. At it autruistic about battle cruisers, but it had to be. We haven't any and we could not, in a plan to limit armament, propose to build any.

The British, privately shooting at the French, but hitting us, say war under water is just as dirty as war on the surface. And it is true. The submarine, whatever it may be to us at a distance from powerful neighbors, is not a defensive weapon the world over, and the Conference is ostensibly limiting

navies to defense. But probably it is too much to wish that the horrid shadow of national selfinterest and the faint gathering of mists which may become war clo should not appear in this peace gathering. Certainly Mr. Hughes would tell us so, and so would Mr. Harding. other nations will benefit thereby.

All that the Americans seek to do is to make war a little less likely and to to the Conference for the purpose of provide the means perhaps of making doing everything that can be done to it still more less likely in the future.

The British express the hopes of mankind with that moderation which makes them one of the great peoples

"We," said one of them, speaking work out her own destinies. On the other hand, it is obvious that a great deal can be done by traders of all countries to assist China in achieving the objects in view."

We. said one of them, speaking with authority, "are following out that religious formula—oh, what is it? Yes. Doing unto to others what we would like them to do unto us. We do good objects in view." in order that by a certain repercussion we may profit a little in the end."
Everybody has his eye on the reperent of China might be greatly cussion and also on the possibility

the Need Machine to Give Voice to "Silent Vote"

of all the people entitled to exercise the franchise.
In the Twenty-second Ward there and women-registered, and about twothirds of this number, or approximately 14.250, cast their votes. This was a

little more than one-third of all those Friction at Parley
In the Thirty-fourth Ward 10.820 registered out of 34,551; less than half.
Of these 8850 approximately, a few hundred more than one-half of the registered out of the polls. This is

drown after having been endured for cach to play the dominant roll in Eu-was made in the Forty-sixth Ward. It ropean affairs.

You see an international line-up in the through the list of wards. The aver-Japan develops the strong position in voting at the general election. Some-which this Conference will leave her, thing more than one-third of all cast

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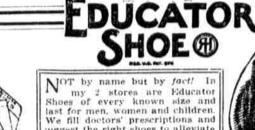
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"If it's a cold or rainy day, they stay at home. They'll loaf around and read the paper in the evening; or if they belong to the silk stocking class, they'll leets to consider that there are several leets to consider the several leets to consider that there are several leets to consider the seve form his duty as an American citizen

slippers on and take it easy.

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We're out pulling door-bells and going has not yet been worked out. They have fallen down on the job this rear. Most of those who did vote. down into the alleys digging out our votes, and it doesn't matter how cold it year.

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