

Japan Scolds London for Criticism of Ally.

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Tokio, Nov. 4.—Lord Northcliffe's condemnation of the Anglo-Japanese alliance and his warnings to the Australians and Filipinos to be on their guard against Japan are evoking a large amount of criticism from all sections of the Japanese press. The Yomiuri in a long editorial states:

"If the Japanese people are hard pressed by the world wide anti-Japanese antagonism disseminated by such a powerful organ as the London Times they may alter their national policy on the far east from its foundation and unite with the Chinese, Indians, Mohammedans, Egyptians, Negroes, and even the bolsheviks in a colossal alliance. What then will be the superiority of the white race, especially the Anglo-Saxons? We are hopeful that Lord Northcliffe properly will observe the actual state of our people who patiently are bearing insults from the powers."

Want to Scrap It.

In another editorial the same paper says:

"We had supposed that Great Britain would not take sides with the United States, but would remain neutral in case a war breaks out between the United States and Japan, but now Lord Northcliffe says that Great Britain and the dominions would array themselves with the United States. Under such circumstances it would be best for us to abolish the Anglo-Japanese alliance of our own accord."

Sees Washington Deal.

According to the newspaper Jiji, the Anglo-Japanese alliance, which is regarded as an obstacle to the limitation of armaments, is likely to be brought up at the Washington conference, owing to the frequently stated British desire for a three party agreement which would include the United States. The Jiji also says that it would be impossible to imagine a naval agreement without a political agreement, which would be necessary for an understanding of the open door.

The article, which is believed to be officially inspired, goes on to say that, if this is impossible, then it is essential that there be some agreement regarding China, indicating that Japan would be willing to make concessions in this respect.

Critic of Consortium.

"The consortium," the article says, "was organized for the purpose of checking Japan's independent loan activities, but to-day its spirit is one of international and administrative control of China. Apart from the question as to whether China's finances, railways, and communications should be placed under international control definitely, international interference in China's affairs will increase as the consortium becomes more active."

"Although Japan is opposed in principle to international control, as far as practice goes, she will have to bow to this inevitable tendency. An understanding between these powers will have an important bearing on the international situation in the far east."

Hawaii Forts Scare Japs.

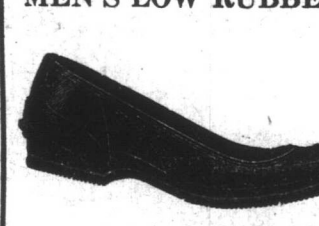
An inspired political article in the Asahi says: "From the standpoint of the Japanese navy the establishment of Hawaii as a base for a fleet twice as large as the Japanese navy is a menace to Japan. The reason why Japanese naval authorities have dismissed with a smile the talk of war with America was because the distance between Japan and America rendered naval operations impossible. By bringing of a naval base 2,100 miles nearer Japan than San Francisco adds just so much to the possibilities for such a war."

"For this reason Japan's naval

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Side Talks by Ruth Cameron

WHY DOESN'T HE TELL HER.

"Why doesn't he tell his wife how silly she looks?" I have heard several people say that about a certain woman. She is an attractive, kind-hearted, interesting, and worth-while woman, but on top of all these good attributes, and concealing them from the eyes of those who know her but casually, is a very unfortunate mannerism--possibly pose would be the better word. She will try to be "sorta cute" when she is 40.

I think the best way I can describe this pose is to tell you of a cartoon I saw recently that interested and deeply amused me. It was a cartoon of the different types of 16-year-old girls. One was of Sarah Maud of whom people say she is "sorta cute." Sarah Maud knows it and plays up to it. In the picture she is being "sorta cute" on the tennis court, shrieking when the ball comes too close to her, missing it in funny ways--you know the sort of thing she does. And as a windup to his caption the cartoonist trenchantly prophesies, "And the worst of it is that when Sarah Maud is 40, and someone's plump and middle-aged wife, she will keep on being 'sorta cute'."

The woman of whom I speak above evidently was regarded as "sorta cute" in her youth, and cannot quite give up the idea.

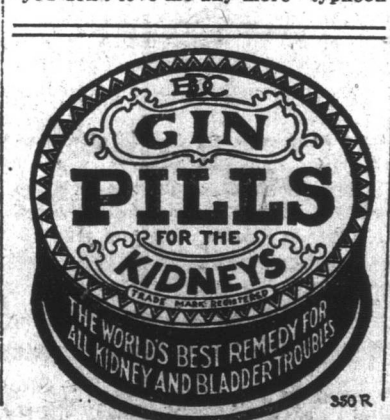
If We Could Only Have Character Mirrors!

Because we do not have character as well as body mirrors she does not realize how she looks in this pose.

When I read the cartoonist's caption I wondered what Sarah Maud's husband thought of it all and why he did not gently intimate to her that he would love her just as well if she would put away that pose in the lavender of memory instead of wearing it now that it is worn out and unbecoming.

Possibly he does not realize that it is worn out.

More possibly (to my way of thinking) he is afraid of a temperamental "you-don't-love-me-any-more" typhoon.



If he made such a suggestion.

This is only one of several poses that mature women sometimes keep after their becomingness and utility have departed.

There is, for example, the coquettish pose, the plaintive, wistful pose, the naive pose, the goodfellow pose, that all sat well on the girl and do not sit so well on the woman.

But Better Not Do it at All Than Urgently.

Why would it not be kindness for the husband, who knows the fine, lovable woman under the pose and who realizes that she is hurting her attractiveness to others by it, to gently intimate as much to her?

Of course it is a very delicate task. I recognize that. And if it is not done in a spirit of very real love it is sure to be a failure. If the man goes about it in a critical, fault-finding, or worse still, a ridiculous mood, he is going to make the kind of wound that festers instead of heals.

But if it is done in the right spirit, any woman who fails to meet the desire to help with a desire to be helped and a determination not to let the inevitable blow to her vanity make trouble between them, makes one of the biggest mistakes in her life.

A Poser.

The veteran T. P. O'Connor, most genial of Irishmen, tells a good story concerning a fellow-countryman of his who, together with an Englishman, was waiting for a train at a small wayside station.

Said the Irishman to his companion: "I will ask you a question, and if I cannot answer my own question I will buy the tickets. Then you ask a question, and if you cannot answer your own you buy the tickets."

The Englishman agreed to this.

"Well," said the Irishman, "you see those rabbit-holes? How do the bunnies dig those holes without leaving any dirt around them?"

The Englishman confessed: "I don't know; that's your question, so answer it yourself."

The Irishman winked and replied: "They begin at the bottom and dig up."

But," said the Englishman, "how do they get at the bottom to begin with?"

"That's your question," was Pat's rejoinder. "Answer it yourself!" The Englishman bought the tickets.

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