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MARGUERITE C, MILLER, OFFICE MANAGER June 14, 1929 CHAIRMAN FRANK C. ATHERTON, HAWAII, TREASURER CABLE ADDRESS "INPAREL" Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B. Montreal, Que. Canada Dear Sir Arthur: Certain recent developments in the Institute of Pacific Relations are lent special significance from the fact that its third biennial conference will be held in Japan next October. Two Oriental associates have joined the Secretariat. Dr. Hawkling Yen brings to the Institute fifteen years of experience in the Chinese Foreign Office. He was China's first representative at the League of Nations, served as Scretary of the Chinese Delegation at the Washington Disarmament Conference and was Secretary of the International Tariff Revision Commission in Peking. He is a Ph.D. in Political Science (Columbia University) and was for a time President of Tsing Hua College, Peking. Mr. K. Yamasaki joins the Institute from the background of diplomatic service. He was Consul General in Hawaii, 1921-'24 and Japan's Minister to Peru from 1925-1928. Dr. Chester H. Rowell, of Berkeley, has been secured for six months as director of the Information Department and will have charge of the publicity of the Kyoto Conference. The research of the Institute has been given \$60,000 by the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial to be used during 1929 and 1930. A further \$50,000 is promised for the same period on condition that \$75,000 be secured from other sources. Research projects already started are land utilization in China, economic and political studies in Manchuria, food and population in Japan, Chinese immigration in Malaya and cultural studies in Japan. The third conference of the Institute will grapple with some of the most baffling issues that divide the nations of the Pacific, notably those centering in the International situation in Manchuria. With thorough preparation, able personnel of delegates and the desire in all the groups to approach the agenda in the spirit of inquiry and good will, we anticipate a worth while gathering. A newly formed Pacific Center in Paris has applied for affiliation with the Institute and is planning to be represented