

and a new ideal into their hearts. If you say to me, we cannot reduce armaments, we must think of national defence, I remind you that I said at the beginning, you cannot treat this subject nationally. If you say there are political reasons why we in particular can do nothing, well, I am sorry to hear it.

If you say that no one can do anything, then I say that you are wrong for to say that armaments cannot be reduced is to say that peace can never replace war in the hearts of men.

Now, gentlemen, I suppose that some of you are thinking, It is all very fine for a university principal to come here with these high-flown ideas. But we have to face the practical things of life. Some would like to say to me, What constructive suggestion have you to make? How are you going to get us into this golden age of yours? You would like to remind me again that America piped the K.B. pact to the rest of the world, and that the rest of the world would not dance.

Well, gentlemen, at this point I must remind you that I am a Canadian, a foreigner, and that it is not my place, indeed it would be an unforgivable presumption for me to suggest what action your country ought to take. I would like to say, if you will allow me to do so, that I think your country is best placed to make a beginning. You are the richest of nations. You are the safest in your geographical situation (and I have not forgotten the Philippines or Hawaii.) You are not suspected. You are not involved. But what you ought to do and how you ought to do it is your affair. It is for your other speakers to make the proposals, not for me.