

# THREE JAPANESE LEADERS, HERE, DISCOUNT 'WAR'

More interested in talking about skiing and philosophy than about war, three distinguished Japanese who stopped in Seattle today on their way home from Europe, nevertheless politely answered questions about the war in China.

One is Baron Masatane Inada, member of the Japanese Chamber of Peers and president of the Japanese skiing association. He is returning from the international parliamentary conference in Paris, the Olympic Games committee meeting in Warsaw, Poland, and the International Skating Congress at St. Moritz.

## Sorry About Trouble

Another is Keinosuke Zen, employers' delegate of Japan to the International Labor Conference, who also attended the textile conference in Washington, and the third is Genyoku Kuwaki, honorary professor of the Imperial University in Tokyo, who was present at the International Union of Academies of Arts and Sciences in Brussels.

They stopped at the New Washington Hotel.

All three said that they were very, very sorry that they knew so little about the "trouble in Shanghai," but being away from home so long had kept them out of touch with things.

"But," said Mr. Zen, "it is really only a small conflict over there."

## 'Everyone Wants Peace'

"However, we can say for sure that it will be continued until — when?—well, God knows," said Baron Inada.

"Though everyone wants peace, really," said Mr. Zen.

"It is only an expedition," said Professor Kuwaki.

"Expansion, you mean," said the baron.

"Maybe expensive expansion?" said the professor, who, being a professor of philosophy and an admitted idealist, looks at such things with a detached air.

The baron mentioned the special parliamentary session of the Japanese Diet to be held next month.

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and he was asked if war finally would be declared at the meeting.

"Well now," said the baron. "that is a question——."

"Maybe war without declaration?" volunteered the professor.

"Only a small part of the Japanese are mobilized," said the baron. "So many Japanese have no participation in the war."

"But," said Mr. Zen, "their mind is one."

"Let us say," said the baron, closing the subject, "that it is a very delicate problem."

The baron said that 80,000 Japanese, both men and women, belong to the skiing association and that "it is all the fashion to ski in Japan now."

The professor, who at the conference in Brussels read a paper on The Study of Descarte in Japan, said that the Japanese students are studying more occidental philosophy than oriental, and are fired with a zeal to systematize the ancient Japanese philosophy.