

DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

Second Assistant Secretary's Room.

MEMORANDUM.

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Dear Mr. Bacon

You may care to
read the Pacific Notes
ideas about Uoki.

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AOKI SWELLS IN IMPORTANCE.

*Jap Ambassador Claims to Be
Superior Person.*

*Announces That He Cannot
See Ordinary Mortals.*

*Viscount Loses Much Favor
at White House.*

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

WASHINGTON, June 18.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Viscount Aoki, the Japanese Ambassador, is the most superior personage in the diplomatic corps here, according to the views entertained at the Japanese embassy.

One of the most startling announcements that has tarred official Washington was made at the Japanese embassy today by one of the officials, that, inasmuch as Viscount Aoki represents the sacred person of the Emperor of Japan, he is not accessible to ordinary persons. He cannot receive visitors. This was the information given a caller at the Japanese embassy today. When the official was informed that the Ambassadors representing Great Britain, France, Germany and other foreign nations were accessible, he was told that their positions were slightly different from that of the Viscount.

"While those Ambassadors represent the persons of their sovereigns," declared the official, with a winning Japanese smile, "their positions are different from that of the Viscount. He represents the sacred person of the Emperor. Of course, he cannot receive ordinary mortals."

Right on the heels of Viscount Aoki's claim comes the statement that he has lost favor at the White House. The Ambassador had not acted with discretion or delicacy in the matter of the San Francisco school trouble, and as a result President Roosevelt lost patience, which was reflected by the attitude of the State Department toward the Viscount.

One of the local papers notes the large amount of money being sent back to Japan by the Japanese of this city. If the same newspaper did not, day after day, do its best to add to this foolish war scare, the Japanese of Los Angeles would not be so alarmed for the safety of their money.

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