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【三日】先日、日本の天安が正月の迎えに来ました。この年は、元氣のよい年でした。そこで、おもなところを紹介します。

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**THE SPIRIT OF JAPAN**

Prof. Tomoyoshi Mura, founder of the First School of Foreign Languages in Tokyo, a visitor here at present, believes that Japan should become entirely Europeanized, adopting all the essential aspects of Western civilization, but at the same time retaining the old Japanese spirit, culture and traditions.

In an interview published in the Chronicle Prof. Mura points out that even in the Empire's military class, which is completely Westernized in its education and training, officers and men still retain their strong Japanese spirit.

Our younger generation, Prof. Mura further declares, is greatly influenced by Western thoughts and ideas, that are eagerly being studied and learned, but still keeps certain traits handed down from the past—loyalty to the Emperor, filial piety, reverence for God and a high regard for human enlightenment.

As we pointed out in our editorial columns not long ago, this Westernization which is now taking place in Japan is merely a repetition of the Civilization, if there is such a term, that occurred in Japan centuries ago. As in the case with the adoption by Japan of the culture of China, so in the present instance, while the Japanese people are rapidly introducing Western materialism into their daily life they still retain their strong national character.

It is because of this fact that we can not be called mere imitators. There is born in us a certain characteristic which is lacking in most peoples, and this powerful spirit of the Japanese lives despite and in spite of all the changes that may undergo outwardly.

To what extent this spirit is imbedded in the people of Nippon can best perhaps be shown by explaining that the second generation of Japanese in this country, brought up amidst a foreign environment and educated according to foreign teachings, and who, seemingly, are 100 per cent Americans, still have in them the spirit of Nippon. It may not be apparent, but it is there. Take any youthful second generation Japanese to the home of his ancestors and within a decade that hidden spirit of Nippon will show itself.

Naturally there are cases in which the retaining of the old Japanese spirit hinders the progress of Western materialism. In factories and manufacturing institutions, where modern machines are installed, the Japanese will not adopt Western operating methods. They refuse to be the slaves of machines. They will not work by a whistle, and they abide by the ancient relationship of "oya-bun-kobun."



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**AMBLERS  
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**Y.M.B.A. Picked For  
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STOCKTON, Jan. 5.—The casabas from Tokyo, after enjoying their first New Year in San Francisco, met the stellar combination of hoop artists of the local Ambler Club last Tuesday night at the Pacific College gymnasium and suffered their second set-back since their invasion.

With minds as tranquil and cheerful as the stoic physiognomies from which we radiate Xmas cheer while inwards register despair at mounting gift totals, let us cast aside morbidity complexes and convention and embark on a philosophy of second generation ideals.

Now, as to this thing of being married. Am I? Well I should laugh, HAH—HAH. Why know yourself that the rules governing assaying 'at' essaying in this contest require participants to be under 22. I am only 21 and any Japanese parent will tell you that 21 is far too young an age, year, an unloved age to pledge one's chastity and facilities in holy wedlock. So please don't be foolish, I am not married.

And even if I disregarded that stated objection and were contemplating such an exalted position, there are other drawbacks.

For I am poor, my salary of \$6.00 per day is not tinged with that affluent hue that attracts son-in-law hunters. My parents are still poorer, woe betide, and cannot even give me a Church Wedding. HAH—HAH. They laugh, those old-fashioned minds that are ensconced in parental craniums, and they snicker dubiously, skeptically, openly, those old-fashioned minds of some older second generation people who are yet single.

With a 6-0 margin, the Showa boys avenged their last year's defeat suffered from the hands of the Grant avenue tongmen.

Their victory on New Year day marks the second successful game of the season, and with two more games scheduled for January, the season looks easy sailing.

On January 15 a return game at Sacramento with the Student Club eleven and the Tung Chi frances on 22nd will probably clinch the season.

But, as I look about me, and see these 24-25-26 year old hopefuls well advanced on their grinds, some of them almost making 10 more dollars per month than I.

And I see their chosen ones who have not yet been asked, seed of a race whose maturity is attained in the late teens, now 2 or 3 or 4 or even 5 years past that stage, still waiting with 'yes' on their lips. I say, how bright a future lies before us. How beautiful and noble the sacrifice made by these young people so that our country conventions may be observed. Yes, the midday class, and poor Americans are very foolish people. They marry young with no display of opulence, a minister's fee for the only expense involved. No wonder all these divorces, these triangles, these killings. Of course there are numerous exceptions, but as you know there are always exceptions, and no doubt in those cases, the couple were too ignorant to disagree and like fools do, loved hard, worked harder and made good, very foolish, I say. Japanese have more sense, they wait till they can marry in the conventional and orthodox manner. Since I am Japanese, I must do so. How noble and how uplifting.

But somewhere beneath my pachydermous hide, something

is, itches, rankles and whoops into assertiveness. Maybe it is some of that 'old fight' instilled there years ago by a high school coach. Maybe it is some vestigial blood corpuscle of a Bolshevik—ancestor spurned out of somnolence by a god of restraint. But anyway, my inner being revolts against convention and bombs it with bombastic bullets of lingo.

No, my name is not Menken, nor is this an attempt to set a criterion of Mongolian Menkenese, but straight from the shoulder now, aren't some of our second generation conventions the most mid-Victorian things you ever saw, let alone the most misguided. I could dwell on subjects that would cause self-styled high-hatters to squirm under inferiority complexions and do so without being overly specific. But I won't if they promise to kick themselves into consciousness of the fragile foolishness that constitutes their standards. Disparagers of hypocrites could ramble and ram to a stage of nervous prostration, the ranks of second generation leaders. But my bars are covered with virile proof velvet and there are innumerable redeemable second generation features too which I will not quote for this was intended to be a Matrimonial Meditation.

So, one and all, Happy New Year and you over ripened spinsters and convention shackled bachelors, make way for youth and take the advice of a youthful lover. Get married, Leap Year 1928. Let me laugh, HAH—HAH.