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COUNTRY: Korea

SUBJECT: Education/Culture  
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SOURCE :

1. In Korea we recognize that the Japanese introduced and laid the foundation for our Korean educational system. Although education under their rule was extended only to the wealthy or better-to-do class, the Japanese did inaugurate a good educational system. In reality, it was this system that was expended to spread education to the Korean masses and make it possible for Korea to achieve the second largest rate of literacy in Asia.
2. It can not be denied that the Japs showed the Koreans the value of education.
3. In the question of culture, it is also my opinion that many of the older people of Korea are still favorable to Japanese culture although they do not openly admit it. There are many members of the National Assembly that are of the same opinion. Understand, they are not necessarily pro-Japanese, but they still favor or lean to many Japanese ways. This same feeling is not apparent in the younger Koreans, they are imbued with Nationalism and it vibrates through their whole being.

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