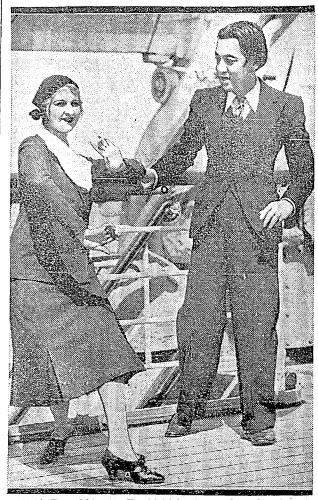
## American Wife Divorces Ito---He Is 'Too Oriental'



Michio Ito and his wife, Hazel Wright Ito, are shown here in a step of their famous "Javanese Dance."—(A. P. Photo.)

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Friday, April 3.—(P)—Blond, blue-eyed Hazel Wright, American by birth, Irish by temperament, and, until last Wednesday, Japanese by marriage, explained today what Kip-"never meant about twain shall meet." She divorced Michio Ito, inter-

Wednesday. When I married him, thirteen years ago, he was absolutely western in his ways," she said vears said.

nationally known Japanese dancer,

"Now, as he grows older, he be-comes more and more Oriental." Readhered to Japanese Standard specific manifestation

this, she said, was Ito's gradual re-adherence to the Japanese "single standard," in which, she explained, is no social disapproval a husband who has steady feminine companionship outside the riage relationship.

That was the last straw," Mrs.

That the last field in the past few years, I noticed a tendency on his part to grow more Oriental. It appeared in his clothes, mannerisms, the

wanted. food he and the com-

panionship he sought. could have been more "Nothing American than our early life. We were married at the City Hall in New York in 1923, lived in hotels, observed all the conventions of marriage as white races know them Each Follows Own Race

"Gradually, he changed."
And that, she said, was the usual fate of the mixed marriage. With the years, the Oriental becomes

the years, the Oriental becomes more Oriental, the Occidental becomes more Occidental.

She has two sons, 12 and 8 years d. One, she said, is calm, philophical, intensely proud of his One, she said, ...
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blood. The younger has old. sophical, sopnicai, intens Japanese blood.

sophical, have a sophical, and a student of dancing, when I met Mr. Ito," she continued. "He was the most fascinating, glamorous man I had ever seen. We built up an ideal that gave us courage to disregard our families, and society, on both sides of the ocean. It was worth it,

to me, because of what he was.
"But I don't know him

more." Charges that Ito was friendly with Japanese women were made in her divorce suit.