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Juni-gatsu Des!

called Juni-gatsu, meaning 'twelfth month'; people determined to turn over a new

Jerry Travels

the on MSTS GENERAL J.C. BRECKINRIDGE, headed for Okinawa and Taiwan.

Imagine a shipload of the nicest people, and beautiful weather en route to Okinawa. Forget the one miserable night of awful rocking with seasickness wide-spread over the ship.

Okinawa: warm, bustling, and sunny! You stand in a unique glass factory surrounded by glass of all colors, shapes, and sizes. A street inlined with nearly 30 jewelry shops. You see three heavy boxes and five average-sized adults hauled in a medium-sized taxi to the ship.

Imagine sailing into a beautiful subtropical Chinese port, Taiwan, in a light rain. Seeing the pedicabs, bicycles drawn rickshaws, and quaint Chinese art shops filled with Chinese treasures.

Japan, early in the morning, seeing a huge, brilliant redgolden ball of sun on the ocean's edge. The ocean is ablaze in light: on the other side of the ship magestic Mount Fuji: dazzling in snow reflecting the fiery brilliance.

Now, how did you enjoy Okinawa and Taiwan?

leaf! In feudal days salaries, fees, tuitions and wages were paid semi-annually; debts had to In Japanese December is be paid before the new year.

> household utensils, Shinto renewed yearly.

Close your eyes and imagine friends to celebrate "honorable received. yourself sailing breezily along year end." This expresses thanks for friendship.

"Susuharai," is conducted with spirit; family members remove every piece of furniture and household goods from the house. When the place has been thoroughly cleaned the occupants count themselves truly ready to welcome the new year.—Carolyn Sugiyama

Lights His Life

A sliver of light at the coffin's end revealed hard, stiff bodies lying next to him. Where was he?! His mind swam; all he could fathom was that someone, destroying his home substance in the forest, had brought him here with his companions. Was he destined to remain like this until death?! You are heading back to Wait!-the light broadened! A large clammy hand tightened upon his body! He lay stiff with utter terror. Dragged from the con, he watched, with a paralyzed detachment, as his head was struck again and again, on its side-until the fire came up to light a man's pipe.

> At least, he mused, his life their way into your heart." burned with a clear blue flame!

Status Symbols, Junior Grade

"I think I deserve a 'B', considering all the work I did." "Couldn't you at least give me a 'C-'?"

"I think I shoulda had an 'A'."

Report card time! Teachers are swamped with pleas and complaints. Such students constitute a spectacle. The student feels he has been cheated; he calls on guidance counselor, parents and National Guard for rescue. He wrangles to have that "C" raised to a "B-". Teachers avoid constant "grade quibblers".

However, as to our motives in school, we feel the majority would have to declare grades, rather than knowledge, their chief goal. But before adults begin castigating youth they should consider: Society dictates that students strive for higher grades, even if this is far beyond the capability. Parents compare their Fairs are held in villages for child with a neighbor's, who gets straight "A's". If Junior does the sale of furniture, table ware, not measure up, "restriction" is imposed.

"How do you expect to get into college with these marks?" requisites-all of which must be parents rant. They have a point; foremost on the list of criteria of most colleges is "Grades".

Presents, called "oseibo" are No wonder students sometimes glance over a neighbor's exchanged with relatives and shoulder during tests or complain to the teacher for grades

This is not a rationalization of such behavior; students should strive for knowledge and understanding. But before adults, with A thorough cleaning, termed their split-level houses, color television and dollar-security, criticize vouth, they should reflect on personal tables of values for these are imprinted on the young.

They Went That Way!

The editor of a small midnewspaper recently western wrote that he put little faith in the Christmas Star tale; with tongue in cheek he said it lacked astronomical credence.

A stormy letters-to-the-editor session followed the article's appearance in the Ord, Nebraska, Quiz. Mothers suggested hanging the journalist to the nearest Christmas tree; greeting card manufacturers howled that popularizing disbelief in the Star of Christmas would put people out of work. Christmas Star Christmas cards poured in from enraged readers.

One fancy number bore the whole map of Judea, including Christ's birthplace. Over the spot a Bright Star shone. A message read, "We hope the Christmas Star's warm rays find

The flustered newsman took a

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The Columbia Scholastic Press Association has awarded the 1961-'62 SENSU first place in its yearly competition.

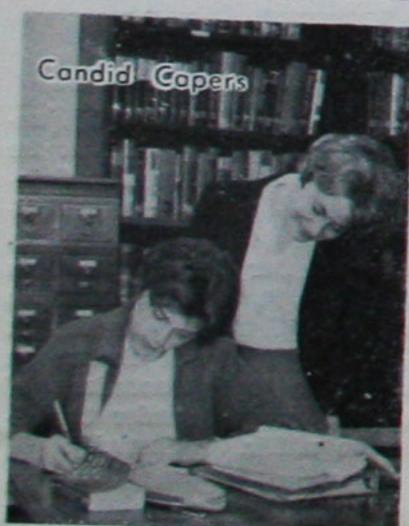
The NHS annual achieved an outstanding rating on the basis of plan, lay-out, contents coverage, photography, and printing.

Meriting separate commendation were the "end sheets" or inside covers, designed by Satomi Arrington. Also sharing the commendation list was the yearbook's excellent photo coverage.

long look, spying Galilee on the north, Egypt on the south; Judea, a narrow country was bounded on the west by the Mediterranean and by Persia to the east.

Now, the Wise Men supposedly came from Persia. means they came from the east and traveled west loward Jericho, then later a bit south toward Jerusalem. But if, the editor wonders, Judea runs north

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"Dear Sir, Berta was absent yesterday because ... "



"... And how about that time at Johnson when ... "



"Why can't Mr. Smith go to lunch in his car like everyone else?



"Whaddya mean you'll tell the bus monitor? I'M the bus monitor!"