



Yomidas Rekishikan

—Yomiuri's Award Winning Database—

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Makoto OTA
The Yomiuri Shimbun

The Great East Japan Earthquake



(Top page, 12 Mar. 2011)

- ◆ M 9.0 = biggest among the observed earthquakes
- ◆ More than 20,000 dead or missing
- ◆ Largest tsunami about 40m \approx 13-story building high

Showa Sanriku Earthquake



(Top page, Evening Edi., 4 Mar. 1933)

- ◆ 3 March 1933
- ◆ Says: “Earthquake hit Sanriku, Tsunami and fire devastate the region, Casualties 2,000”
- ◆ Dead 1,522, Missing 1,542
- ◆ Biggest Tsunami: 28.7m (≒9-story building high)

What is “Rekishikan”?

See video

In a nutshell...

- ◆ The 1st on-line database of its kind: debuted Feb. 2009, after 15 years of hard work
- ◆ More than 11 million articles from the 1st day of The Yomiuri: 2 Nov., 1874 (明治7年) up to the previous day. Updating everyday, even older ones
- ◆ Not only articles, but extra-editions, ads, serial novels of literary figures, such as 森鷗外, 坪内逍遥, 幸田露伴, 尾崎紅葉, 田山花袋, 泉鏡花, 与謝野晶子, 正宗白鳥, 樋口一葉 and so on

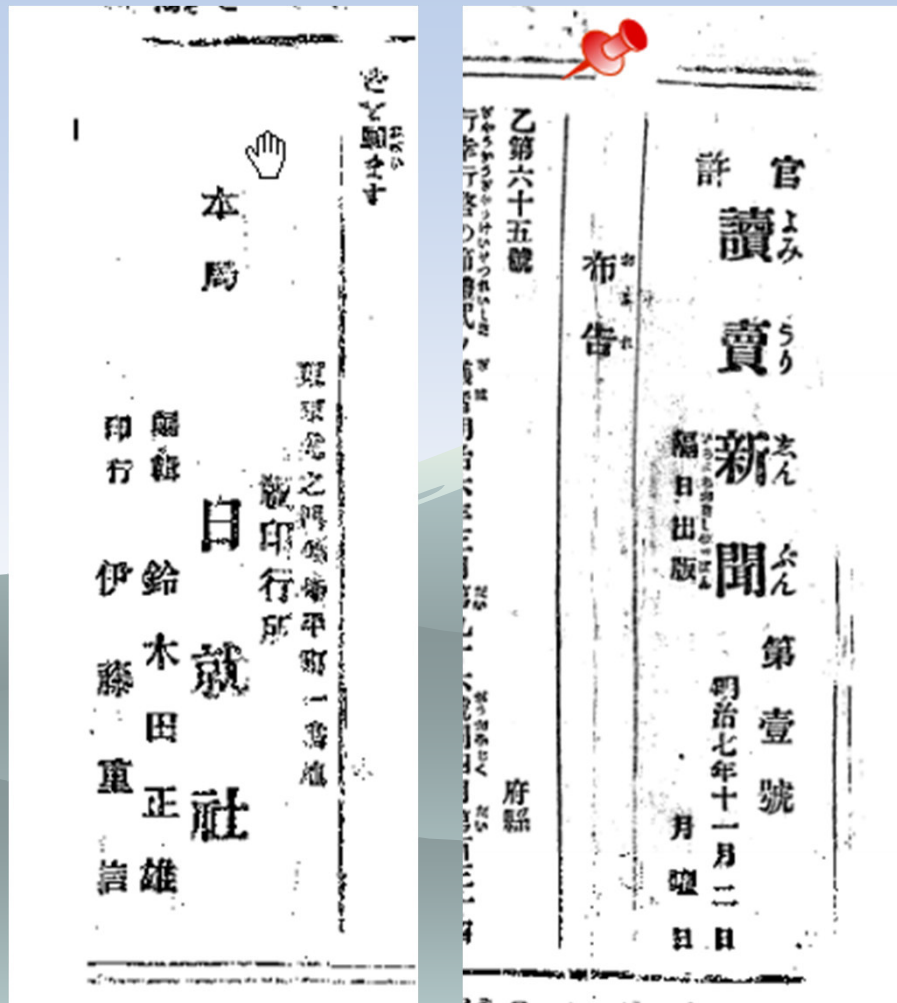
Our Advantages 1

- ◆ Easy to locate the article you look into: A Red Pin



Top page of 4 Mar. 1884 says Edinburgh University holds 300th anniversary celebration

Our Advantage 2



- ◆ Founded in Tokyo: Old prints abundant in news of the capital

(1st issue, 2 Nov., 1874)

Our Advantage 3

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Although it lacks sparkle, the lineup of Prime Minister Yoshihiko **Noda**'s Cabinet gives the impression he is determined to get the wheels of the nation's politics turning again. The next step is to strategically implement various policies effectively.

The new Cabinet was launched Friday. The lineup is characterized by the inclusion of several House of Councillors members and former heads of the Democratic Party of Japan's Diet Affairs Committee. Apparently

- ◆ 180,000 articles of our English-language paper “The Daily Yomiuri” from 1989. From Sept, E-J links established

Our Advantages 4 & 5

- ◆ Highly appreciated: The Japan Newspaper Publishers and Editors Association in 2000, and WAN-IFRA's Special Award in Nov. 2010
- ◆ It is The Yomiuri — 10 million subscription; not lofty but down-to-earth



Thank you very much!

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