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Free as a bird

A tribute to Uemura

The condition for Japanese Wild Animals

Indonesia's Masterpiece of a pure and profound
3 Adventure: A Japanese adventurer succeeded in breaking the world height record for Hang-gliding in the Himalayas. His name is Naotaka Tadano (39). He achieved his lifetime dream to fly with an eagle over the Himalayas.

8 A tribute: A memorial service was held on June 16th, 1984 for Naomi Uemura, Japan’s most celebrated explorer who met with a mishap and was lost this past February on the wintry McKinley. We won’t be able to meet him any more.

21 Implementation: There are many controversies surrounding Wild-life animals in the world. This time we would like to consider the conditions for Japanese wild animals.

27 Heritage: Nowadays, BONSAI reportedly has been catching the interest of many foreigners. We would like you to spend a few moments to read these introductions. It will help to provide you with years enjoyment of your BONSAI.

31 Neighbours: Borobudur, a masterpiece of early 8th and 9th century Javanese sculpture, is the greatest existing piece of Buddhist art in the world. The original builders of this monument are not clearly known. However, this legacy has brought much happiness through the way of the Buddha.

36 Who’s what: Is Godzilla a “Holy Beast of the Apocalypse” sent from God to warn the extravagant human race? A rumor of his comeback sends a shiver up our spines.

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COVER: “A Summer’s day in Edo (Tokyo)”
This is one of Hiroshige’s Last and longest series of pictures produced with great rapidity in the last years of the artist’s life. At this time he was at a peak of popularity.
Addresses made at the memorial service held on June 16, 1984 for Naomi Uemura

6 years ago Naomi Uemura successfully crossed the Icecap of Greenland from North to South, alone with a dogsled after having reached the North Pole from Canada. In February this year he successfully climbed Mount McKinley as the first person to do this alone in winter time. However, as we all know Naomi Uemura never returned. When Uemura was near the goal of his travel over the Icecap of Greenland, he passed by an unnamed mountain, which he found particularly beautiful. The mountain is located near the town of Narsarsuaq in the southern part of Greenland.

Hearing about the disappearance of Naomi Uemura, the Government of Greenland decided to call this mountain nunatak (which means mountain) Uemura as an expression of the deep respect and admiration which the people of Greenland and the arctic world feel for the name, Naomi Uemura.

The Government of Greenland also decided that this should be announced today, when family and friends are assembled to honor his soul.

A tribute to Uemura

Mr. Uemura, Mr. Uemura Senior and family

We are gathered here today to pay our respects and our homage to a great man. And that of great courage and dedication, of great power and great vision. Uemura was an unusual and extraordinary man. He was an adventurer of excellence. And it is his lone exploits, almost always alone, covers the conquest of the highest and most difficult peaks in the world: Everest in Asia, Aconcagua in South America, Kilimanjaro in Africa, Mont Blanc in Europe and McKinley in North America. On all those feats, he left his imperishable name. Also, the longest and the most difficult river in the world, the Amazon, was one of his destinations. In addition there was the North Pole, and South, East and West and then last week a second McKinley and, after that, the descent and the disappearance with us no more. But men like Uemura do not fall. They memories and in repose in our hearts. This modest man, this highly motivated individual who represented all of us inspiration and courage. He gave up himself, his thirst efforts, to make all of us proud to belong to the human race. He has left with all of us something of himself. He has given us a kindness and a strength, and courage to set our sights high. There are too few of Uemura's today. A great man, who offered to all of us his life. May his soul rest in peace.