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ASIAN-AMERICANS IN FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

Literature concerning Asian-Americans contains the reoccurring theme of being neglected in comparison with other minorities. Often Asian-Americans have not received the institutional support, the research funds, and the other types of aid necessary to correct existing problems. Asian-Americans are often thought of as a minority group without “real” problems—a group of individuals who fit in well with the dominant white culture. Yet, as the literature in this bibliography indicates, there are some real issues and some serious research needs.

Asian-Americans are heavily concentrated in California (38 percent) and Hawaii (27 percent). Ninety percent of all Asian-Americans live in urban areas. Thus, most of the state publications come from these states and are concerned with Asians in urban areas. A number of useful publications also have been produced by the states of Washington and New York.

University press publications, such as Uprooted Americans by Dillon S. Meyer (Arizona), Impounded People by Edward H. Spicer (Arizona), and The Politics of Prejudice by Roger Daniels (California), have not been included in the following bibliography because of the wide distribution these materials already receive. There has been no attempt to cover city of county publications, although items such as the Profiles of Seattle’s Asian Population, in 1970 (Department of Community Development, City of Seattle) would be valuable to those interested in Asian-Americans.

Federal Documents


A study prepared by Amsun Associates under contract. The primary objective of the research is to identify and delineate issues, patterns, and problems related to the quality and extent of Asian-American participation in business. Concludes that Asian-American business participation is not diversified and is geographically concentrated in California, Hawaii, New York, Illinois, and Washington. Asian-American business resources and assistance are meager. The business operations are largely small and independent. They have not received the same assistance as other minority business firms. Includes bibliography.


Nineteen seventy census figures on population, age, social characteristics, economic characteristics, employment, housing, and family income. Includes social and economic characteristics of the Korean population by urban and rural residence.


A popular pamphlet profiling education, jobs, incomes, and homes. Part of...
the We the Americans series.


A report of the California Advisory Committee to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission. Contains sections on myths and stereotypes, demographic factors, and communities’ perceptions of issues and their concerns.


A report of the California Advisory Committee. Examines state licensing policies in pharmacy, medicine, dentistry, and nursing as they affect Korean and Philippine born and educated professionals residing in California.


Includes information on Korean and Vietnamese culture and customs.


Surveys mental health needs with emphasis on community control and the involvement of Asian-Americans in research.


The 1971 White House Conference on Aging had a special concerns session on Asian-Americans. The suicide rate for Asian-American aged is three times the national rate. Most aged are foreign-born and cannot find out how to obtain benefits due to language problems. Lists various recommendations in the areas of services, housing, health, income, employment, training, education, nutrition, transportation, and legal services. Research is needed to determine how older Asian-Americans can be assisted effectively.


Testimony on providing relief for certain prewar Japanese bank claimants on an equitable and nondiscriminatory basis.


Testimony concerning retirement credit for Japanese-Americans interned in relocation camps.


Testimony concerning adding leave and retirement credits to benefits of grade, time in grade, and compensation for relocation period.

State Documents

Arizona


Identifies six categories: Spanish surname, other, white, black, oriental, and American Indian. Presents distribution by pupils and grade level and employees for state and each county. Orientals comprise .49 percent of the student body and .28 percent of the employees.

California


Limited English Speaking and Non-English Speaking Students in California. Dept. of Education; 1975.

Teacher Preparation in the History, Cul-


Includes information on sex, age, and poverty. Based on 1970 census figures and 1973 California Employment Development Department estimates. The Chinese have 14.8 percent of their population below the poverty level, while the Japanese have 9.7 percent and whites, 11.7 percent.


Based on 1960 census of population. Covers population, place of birth, area of residence, education, occupation, unemployment, income, and family size.

Characteristics of Registered Apprentices in California. Dept. of Industrial Relations, Division of Apprenticeship Standards, 1976.

Includes minority participation in apprenticeship. In 1974, the Chinese were .8 percent of the population and .6 percent of apprentices. The Japanese were 1.1 percent of the population and .5 percent of apprentices. Contains data on education, number of dependents, prior work experience, apprentices active by trade and ethnic group, and males and females by trade and ethnic group.

Asian American Artists, Southern California 1975. Governor, 1975?


Lists such directories as Buying Guide—Bay Area Asian American Services and Suppliers. Also lists statewide and national directories.


Testimony from two hearings in Los Angeles and San Francisco.


An examination of the current state efforts in equal employment opportunity.


Assistance to Register and Vote for Language and Minority Persons. Legislature, Senate Committee on Elections and Reapportionment, 1976.

Hearing on assistance programs to stimulate registration and voting for minority-language persons.


A study of the feasibility of acquiring and developing the site of the Manzanar Internment Camp to be operated as a historical unit of the State Park System.


A study of possible overt or institutional factors, practices, or trends that may prevent ethnic minority citizens from both enjoying recreational experiences in California and entering the field professionally.


The Taoist Temple in Hanford represents one of the last traces of the Chinese culture of immigrants to the San Joaquin Valley in 1880.


Asians are most heavily represented in clerical, professional, and supervisory
professional occupational groups. Asians have an average weighted salary that is 98.7 percent of the average weighted salary for all state employees who are full time. Asians are the least represented in law enforcement, janitorial, and administrative occupational groups.


Describes current employment status. Asians are underrepresented in the higher status, higher paid civil service jobs. Covers employees by sex group, promotions, occupational group distribution, etc.


An exhibition prepared by students in Art 189. Museum Methods and Connoisseurship. Held at the University Library, University of California, Davis, from 15 May to 1 July 1966.


Colorado


Includes a brief history of Chinese- and Japanese-Americans in Colorado. Concludes that Japanese-Americans do not generally feel they have problems.

Hawaii


Includes information on ethnic composition of population, ethnic stock by military status, mobility by ethnic stock, family income before taxes by military status and ethnic stock of family head. The Chinese have the highest median income of all groups, Samoan families, the lowest.


Includes military characteristics, age, sex, and employment status.


Contains profiles for the counties of Hawaii, Honolulu, Kauai, and Maui; and minor civil divisions, cities, towns, and villages. Under population characteristics of the 1970 census, includes the number of Japanese, Chinese, and Koreans.


This annual publication contains information on ethnic stock 1853-1970; ethnic stock by military status, 1973; place of birth and residence, 1960 and 1970; alien address cards by nationality and mother tongue, 1970.


An examination of the remnants of Chinese society sites through historical
and archaeological research techniques. Gives a brief history of Chinese secret societies in China and overseas. Includes a description and general inventory of buildings on the six sites.


Reprinted from the *Journal of the American Dietetic Association* (v.57, no. 1, July 1970). Discusses social forces and dietary changes. Describes change from a high carbohydrate, rice-and-plant-food diet to a high protein-and-fat diet. Increased longevity and stature and reduction in beriberi deaths have resulted, but there has been an increase in heart disease and tooth decay.


Covers scholarly books, novels, literature found in newspapers, and general periodicals. The primary purpose of this edition, which was revised by Dennis M. Ogawa and Jerry Y. Fujioka, is to serve the undergraduate student. Includes Japanese-language entries in an appendix. Contains sections on United States and Hawaiian government documents.


Michigan


New York


Racial/Ethnic Distribution of Public School Students and Staff in New York State: University of the State of New York. Information Center on Education. 1976(?)

Covers 1974-75 school year.

Oregon

Racial and Ethnic Survey, Fifth, 1974/75. Compensatory Education Section, 1975(?)

Texas


Utah

Arrington, Leonard J. *The Price of Prejudice: The Japanese-American Relocation Center in Utah During World War II*. Utah State University of Agriculture

Report of a public hearing conducted in Seattle. Contains testimony on communications, construction, driver's license, employment, public assistance, religion, and social clubs. Includes a section on historical background.


A paper discussing housing, health, community service, nutrition, transportation, and research needs of elderly Asian-Americans. Includes the special concerns report on the Asian-American elderly from the 1971 White House Conference on Aging.


A historical overview of Chinese, Japanese, and Filipino women. Has a statistical section indicating that minority men and women tend to be underrepresented in federal, state, and county employment as well as in public institutions of higher education. Minority women are more likely than white women to be in low-skilled, low-wage occupations. Asians of both sexes, although better educated than whites, are paid less and promoted less. Discusses the problem of white stereotypes of Asian women and men. In dealing with roles and stereotyping, the major emphasis of Asian women is racism rather than sexism. Specific issues that need to be dealt with include Asian sauna and massage employees, abused women, and employment. Contains excerpts from the Asian Women's Panel at University of California, Davis, 1973.


The purpose of the bibliography is to assist adults in obtaining books that will afford many youngsters an opportunity to share the experiences of the Asian-American community. Books are rated. Included are fiction, folk and fairy tales, history, song and games, culture, and audiovisual materials.

Wisconsin


International Documents: East Asia

While many international agencies publish materials about Asia, such as the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development’s Economic Surveys: Japan (1976), few are as useful in understanding another culture and society as those published by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UN-
ESCO). UNESCO publications can assist us in learning more about East Asian culture and the roots of many Asian Americans. Thus, this column on Asian Americans concludes with a short annotated list of recent UNESCO publications:

Covers history, national policy, teacher training, the handicapped, and future plans.
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Innovations in national educational policies and at the institutional level.
Prepared by the Japanese National Commission for UNESCO. Covers agricultural school education, agricultural training within social education, and farmers' training within the extension services.

Technological Development in Japan. 1971.
Studies industrial development efforts, history, national policies, training and employment of human resources, and management and leadership in industry.

NOTE

1. Unfortunately, this section is rather incomplete due to somewhat inadequate bibliographic coverage of state publications. For example, current cataloging in the state of Illinois does not provide indexing for the term "Asian-Americans," although there are quite likely to be some publications since Illinois is one of the five states with a number of Asian businesses. Other universities in the California State University and Colleges system besides Sacramento and Dominguez Hills have produced bibliographies concerning Asian-Americans. However, these have never been entered in the official list of California state publications. I would like to thank the various state agencies for supplying me with lists of their publications and providing sample copies. Entries are annotated where I was able to obtain a copy for examination, either by mail or means of a nearby depository collection.

Copyright Workshop

An important workshop on consequences of the new copyright law for librarians and other information specialists will be held at the University of Pittsburgh, co-sponsored by the university's Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences, Pennsylvania Library Association, Special Libraries Association (Pittsburgh chapter), and American Society for Information Science (Pittsburgh chapter).

Rights and responsibilities of information handlers and users under the regulations to take effect January 1, 1978, will be discussed by Robert Stevens, Copyright Office, Library of Congress; Ronald Naylor, chairman, Interlibrary Loan Committee, American Library Association; William Z. Nasri, assistant professor, Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences, University of Pittsburgh.

Inquiries about the workshop, scheduled for December 2, may be addressed to: Dr. William Z. Nasri, Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260.
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