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# Japan Screen Topics

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#### PRINTING ADVANCES

98 feet 2 min. 43 sec.

#### 1. ROTARY PRESS (3 feet - 8 feet)

Since Johannes Gutenburg of Germany first invented the printing press, many new and startling innovations have sprung up in this rapidly growing industry. In Japan, too, energetic enterprises are creating new advances in printing technology.

#### 2. CONFERENCE (8 - 16)

At this large Tokyo printing firm, a staff meeting precedes the execution of all work orders. The plant's equipment includes satellite-type double-faced, four-colour rotary printing presses, typographic rotary presses, and tools for precise photo-processing.

#### 3. STUDIO (16 - 25)

To facilitate planning and design, the plant has several studios thoroughly equipped for presentation, testing, data compilation, and photography. The work involves colour printing a wide range of commodities: securities, business forms, steel sheets, different cloths, leather or just wall paper.

# 4. COLOUR CONVERTER (25 - 38)

With the colour converter, which has an electronic brain, precise selection of desired colour combinations is now possible.

Machines such as these allow new creative touches to enter into colour reproduction.

#### 5. PROJECTION ROOM (38 52)

In the projection room, the colour balances of various wall paper samples are tested.

# 6. KANJI TYPE-SETTING ROOM (52 - 70)

The <u>Kanji</u> character type-setting has been greatly sped up. This machine has a key board with 3,000 characters. It is used by trained personnel who can punch out up to 4,000 Kanji letters in one hour. A perforated tape then signals the corresponding die to make the type.

# 7. ROTARY PRESS (70 - 98)

As presses roll on--in this instance printing more than 200 magazine pages per minute--the industry in Japan continues its efforts to open up new avenues of technology.

#### FISHING PARK

39 feet 1 min. 05 sec.

#### 1. LS WHARF (3 feet - 10 feet)

In Kobe, a city in western Japan, a pier only for fishing has just been completed.

This was built by the Kobe Municipal Authority for the city's fishing enthusiasts. It extends 500 meters from shore out to sea and accommodate up to 400 anglers at a time.

#### 2. ANGLER (10 - 31)

The rectangular 2,400 ton steel structure is for the purpose of line fishing only. Nets and other devices are not permitted.

One must try his luck and skill sinking his bait into the depths for mackerel, sea bass, or sole.

#### 3. ANGLERS (31 - 39)

Whether one just likes to meditate on the seashore with a rod in his hand or whether one is a more serious student of the hook, line, and sinker, it'll be fun to drop a line in Kobe's fishing park.

# OBSTACLES FOR RECREATION

75 feet 2 min. 05 sec.

#### 1. HILLS (3 feet - 14 feet)

About sixty obstacle courses have opened up in various parts of Japan and the facilities seem to be enjoying increasing popularity among young people.

# 2. CHILDREN SWINGING (14 - 36)

Just as athletes train their bodies on obstacle courses for increased coordination, anyone now can enjoy the same numerous little physical hazards to test and strengthen eye, mind and body synchronism.

The whole family can try their mind....or foot? or arm?.... at each of the exercises, but, of course, some will naturally be faster than others.

# 3. CHILDREN ON LOGS (36 - 57)

The courses are fun because they provide unexpected novel forms of athletic entertainment not found in the normal games like baseball. But they offer a feel of sport found closer to what nature herself might provide when hiking, mountain climbing, or just leisurely walking through the woods.

#### 4. SWINGS (57 - 65)

Also, at these courses score cards and physical strength cards are provided to those participants who would like to grade their own ability or compare it with others. The score can calculate the contestant's endurance, flexibility, strength, and sense of balance.

#### 5. TUNNEL (65 - 68)

Of course, some are not as graceful and talented as others....but all seem to manage.

# 6. GOAL (68 - 75)

Whatever one's ability over the obstacle courses, they seem to provide healthy enjoyment for all as attested to the growing number of facilities now being built in Japan.