



The Japan News

by The Yomiuri Shimbun

Launched in 1955, *The Japan News* is an English-language daily published by *The Yomiuri Shimbun*, a leading Japanese newspaper with one of the largest circulations in the world. Known by several different names during its history (*Japan News*, *Yomiuri Japan News*, *The Yomiuri*, *The Daily Yomiuri*), *The Japan News* adopted its current name in 2013 as part of a major revamp of the newspaper's layout and content.

The newspaper's mission is to promote international understanding of Japan by offering the latest and most reliable news about the country to a worldwide audience. *The Japan News* also prides itself on its high-quality translations of articles from *The Yomiuri Shimbun* as they give foreign readers a window into the Japanese world.

Drawing on *The Yomiuri Shimbun's* extensive news coverage network, *The Japan News* is an excellent source of both domestic and foreign news in various genres, including politics, economy, sports and culture.

Established a decade after the end of World War II, *The Japan News* has witnessed and recorded dramatic changes in Japanese society during the Showa, Heisei and Reiwa eras. Over the years, Japan has undergone several major transformations, including rapid economic growth, the bubble economy and its collapse, and lingering recessions—all of which have been captured in the pages of *The Japan News*.

The Japan News Chronology

death penalty Arafat declares emergency after suicide bombings



1946 Bcon, an English-language daily for British Commonwealth troops stationed in Japan after World War II, is launched in Osaka.

1950 After being purchased by an Australian publisher who also served as editor, Bcon changes its name to Japan News. The newspaper's head office is moved to Tokyo.

1955 The Yomiuri Shimbun acquires the Japan News, launching its English-language sister paper as an eight-page, community-oriented tabloid.

1956 The Japan News is renamed the Yomiuri Japan News, and its size doubles to 16 pages.

1958 The Yomiuri Japan News changes its name to The Yomiuri, and the newspaper becomes a broadsheet.

1964 The Yomiuri publishes an evening edition, titled Olympic Extra, during the Tokyo Olympic Games.

1970 On the opening of the World Exposition in Osaka Prefecture, The Yomiuri is renamed The Daily Yomiuri to enhance its name recognition.

1976 New page layout and design are introduced for The Daily Yomiuri, and the font size is increased from seven points to eight points.

1983 Computerized typesetting system machines are introduced, enabling page makers to place stories directly on paper without the casting of metal.

1989 The Daily Yomiuri is expanded to 12 pages.

1990 The Daily Yomiuri marks its 35th anniversary. Color pages are published for the first time.



1991 Computerized full-pagination production starts. The Daily Yomiuri is designated the official newspaper of the third World Championships in Athletics held in Tokyo. A news service called Yomiuri Report from Japan begins. The first supplement section, Los Angeles Times World Report, is carried.

1993 Database service containing stories from The Daily Yomiuri published after September 1986, becomes available to the public. The Daily Yomiuri advertisement department is created. The paper's Osaka office is opened.

1994 The Daily Yomiuri printing function is moved to The Yomiuri Shimbun head office in Otemachi, Tokyo.

1995 Daily Yomiuri Online is launched.

2001 The number of pages is increased to 24 on a regular basis, and page layout is again completely redesigned.

2003 A one-page daily supplement of articles from The Washington Post specially chosen for republication appears.

2005 The Daily Yomiuri celebrates its 50th anniversary.

2006 The Daily Yomiuri issues the 20,000th issue on May 11

2013 The Daily Yomiuri is renamed The Japan News, the original name used when The Yomiuri Shimbun launched its English-language sister paper.

2015 The Japan News marks its 60th anniversary.



ability of revising the School Education Law in fiscal 2003 in preparation for the introduction of the so-called community school system, designed to increase participation by parents and local residents. The Yomiuri Shimbun learned Monday. The proposal is part of the panel's final

allowed to set curriculums without being restrained by teaching guidelines set by the education ministry. Given more latitude in education policy, schools would be able to work out programs to tackle such issues as school violence, bullying and hikikomori—a behavioral disorder in

in the Southern District of New York sought protection from creditors while Enron, burdened with at least \$16.8 billion in debt and obligations, tries to reorganize or ruined finances. Under Chapter 11 of the U.S. bankruptcy code, a company can continue to operate while it and creditors work out a re-

North American trading business, Enron said it is in negotiations with banks and financial institutions to get credit to back any trades. Enron said it would provide traders and back-office support staff, and would operate through its EnronOnline Internet trading platform. Fourteen of Enron's subsidiaries were in-

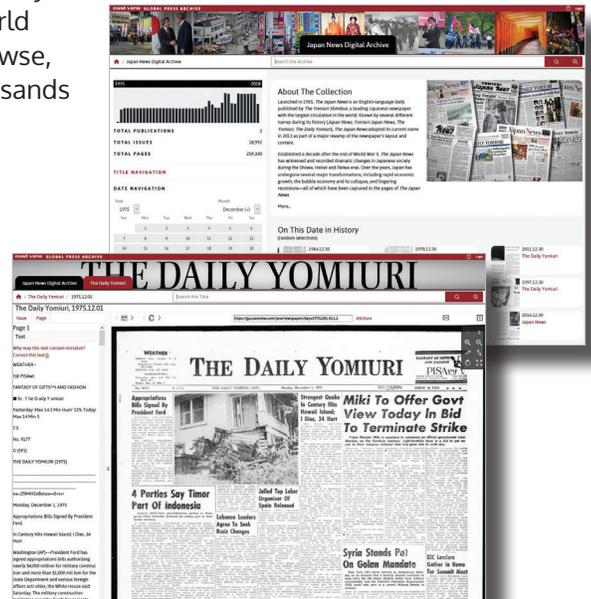
verse change" in Enron's businesses. Such a change would allow Dynegy to pull out. The \$1.5 billion in cash that Dynegy and its minority owner ChevronTexaco pumped into Enron on the merger's announcement was secured by an option to buy the 16,500-mile pipelines, which Dynegy acquired Thursday

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