

A Closed Type Ecological System Influenced by the Western Progressive Type Social System from the Viewpoint of Changing Value Observed among Japanese Americans in Hawaii

ABSTRACT

This essay describes the author's attempt to analyze human values in the closed type ecological system of the islands of Hawaii from the viewpoint of conflict between a closed ecological circulatory system and the influence of a modern western social system. Those two systems can only exist under the assumption of the movement of materials and even of humans. In connection with the above idea, he also discusses the change of inherited norms, values, and habits brought from the previous generation and what can be inherited and is disappeared in the next generation during the course of western influence.

Key words: Closed type ecological system, Progressive type social system, Qualitative change in society, Human behavior patterns, Social norms and values.