the inter-gender murder rate contrasts with the finding that 62 percent of all murders are male on male, and only 4 percent female on female (intra-gender) (Mulvihill and Tumin, p. 210).

4. See also *The Burning Bed* for a detailed account of why Francine Hughes set her husband Mickey on fire when he was asleep, burning him to death (McNulty).

5. For women to behave in a "masculine" way is not perceived as derogatorily as it is for men to behave in a feminine way. Joan of Arc, for example, gained some of the status that accrued to the more powerful male role. Men who behave in a "feminine" way have nothing to gain, except in the eyes of those who subscribe to a feminist philosophy.

**America Comes Out As The World's Top In Anything**

America comes out as the world's top in anything.  
She is always proud of being Number One.

In Hiroshima.

Mr. Kiyoshi Kikkawa was labelled, "Number One Atomic Bomb Sufferer."

On the entire surface of his back

Keloid' like lava, have risen;

The five fingers of his now crooked right hand

Have ceased to move,

And are turned inward, sticking to each other,

The entire hand twitching due to atomic bomb disease.

On Longerup Island,

On the grave-post of Lekoji, the son of john Angine.....

There you see an inscription:

'Number One Hydrogen Bomb Sufferer.'

Lekoji, who had been the victim of an atomic bomb test explosion

When he was but one year and one week old.

Suffered from goiter

And was sent to an American hospital to be operated upon.

Lekoji was fortunate enough to regain his health.

Going back to his native island to resume his happy school life again.

But soon after

Numberless spots of purple colour

Appeared on the whole body of Lekoji,

And the scrotum swelled.

He was called out by the United Energy Commission in October 1972.

And he was transferred to Washington

From a hospital in Hawaii.

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In the depths of fading consciousness,
Feeling leucocyte on the increase,
He listened to hear the clear sound of the waves
Along the old beach of Longerup Island.
"How I wish to go back to my dear Island!"
"How I wish to eat the fruit of my Island's trees!"
"How I wish to eat fish!"
So talking in delirium, Lekoji
Dropped off silently
Beneath the oxygen apparatus of the hospital
After copious bleeding in ears, nose and mouth—
And his life of nineteen years and nine months came to an end.
A son of Bikini Island, his whole life was sacrificed
As a guinea pig for nuclear testing.

America comes out as the world's top in anything,
Even claiming the Number One Atomic Bomb Sufferer—and on and on.
Hiroshima, Nagasaki, and Bikini will one day
Flow backward
Across the pacific Ocean
To become a massive surge of flame,
Joining together with Nevada and Three-mile Island—
So that together
They may burn allame
As one
In America.

Sadako Kurihara, Hiroshima
(Translated by Miyao Ohara)