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REPORT ON

TOYO SEIKAN K. K.  
(Oriental Can Co.)

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I. Introduction

Toyo Seikan (or Seikwan) was established in June 1917. It was capitalized at Yen 20,000,000 in November 1938.

Plant locations were at:

Osaka Factory:

Nishiyodokawa-ku, Urae North 19,5

Tokyo Factory:

Shinakawaku, Shinakawa 484, 5

Aomori Factory:

Aomori, Taijuracho, Chinowaki, 125

Shimizu Factory:

Shimizu, Hinotemachi, 1 chome

Hiroshima Factory

Hiroshimashi, Nishi Tenmancho

Hiroshima Agency:

Hiroshima, Fukurocho

Takao Factory:

Takaoshi, Mikaireki 508

Tobata Factory:

Tobata, Tobataake 32

Tenkai Factory:  
 Takai, Toshoku, Fuku-machi 1  
 Korean Agency:  
 Fusan, Ohashitori 77  
 Nagoya Agency:  
 Nagoya, Nishiku, Otori Machi  
 Shiokama Agency:  
 Miyagi Ken, Miyashirokun Shiokamacho \*

The following tabulations list orders and inquiries placed by Toyo Seikan in the United States from October 1936 to November 1940. Purchases actually shipped totalled \$6,960.28. These transactions were handled by the following Japanese trading companies: Mitsubishi Shoji Kaisha, Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Ataka and Co., Okura & Co. The files of these concerns are kept by the Alien Property Custodian in a warehouse at 27 Cliff Street, New York City. This report is one of a series being made after an examination of these files.

Inquiry NY 533 for a tin plate scrap opening machine and Inquiry NY 808 for a can filling machine indicate that this company may be engaged in filling as well as making cans.

II. ORDERS

Order No.	Date	Manufacturer	No.	Product	Price (\$)
A. <u>MITSUBISHI</u>					
TR 7354	2/24/37	Sundstrand	1	C-3 wheel tool grinder	937.00
TR 7354 A	2/24/37	J.K.Smit & Sons	3 Carats	#3 grade diamond dust	6.00
TR 7360	2/25/37	Illinois Zinc Co.	600	Export lithographing quality 29"x36"x0.14" zinc sheets	225.26
TR 7488	3/10/37	Selas	1	"M" gas combina- tion controller, mixture capacity 7,000 cu.ft. per hour.	1,260.00

\* All the above is from "Ginko Kaisha Yoroku" (Directory of Banks and Companies), 42nd Edition, Tokyo Koshinsho, 1938.

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TR 7488	3/10/37	Selas	36	Burners	31.48
<u>Note:</u> Delivered to 30 Sokaicho, Konohana-ku, Osaka.					
TR 9620	11/18/40	Leeds & Northrup		Various indicators and recorders.	4,138.14
B. <u>ATAKA</u>					
4846	10/9/36	Russell Mfg. Co.		Endless woven belts	80.22
5158	4/16/37	Brown & Sharpe		End mills and cutter adaptors	162.73
5559	3/10/38	Heald	4	Precision ball bearings for wheel heads.	--
C. <u>OKURA</u>					
12/435	8/7/37 Cancelled	Brown	1	#8485-830 indicating electric control thermometer.	86.50

III. INQUIRIES

Inquiry No.	Date	Manufacturer	No.	Product	Price (\$)
A. <u>MITSUBISHI</u>					
NY 533	10/14/36			Opening machine for tin plate scrap. No such machine manufactured in the United States.	
NY 808	3/16/37	Sprague Sells	1	Can filling machine for mentholatum, vaseline, etc. (for three ounce, one ounce, large, medium, small and sample cans made of tin plate). Machine to have capacity of 70-80 cans per minute.	

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B. <u>MITSUMI</u>					
MF-2269	10/15/40	Fisher Scientific	1	Titrimeter	110.00
	10/15/40	Fisher-Shurman	1	Ubbelohde Viscosimeter	73.60
	10/15/40	Sharples	1	Laboratory centrifuge	525.00