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URAGA DOCK

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Uraga Deck, a Yamashita enterprise, is one of the leading shipbuilding companies in Japan with works at Uraga, Yokohama, Tsingtao, China and possibly Aoshima. In an advertisement appearing in a Japanese 1939-1940 publication, Uraga Dock describes itself as "Shipbuilders and Repairers, Marine and Land Engineers, Boiler Makers, and Construction and Civil Engineers. (1) Dai Nippon Heiki (Greater Japan Arms (2)) is a subsidiary of Uraga Dock and was, according to the Oriental Economist of Feb. 4, 1939, the former Tomioka factory of Uraga Dock. This same issue refers to Uraga as an "old and established heavy industry company". (3)

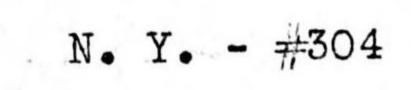
The Teikoku Ginko Kaisha Yoroku (Directory of Banks and Companies of the Empire) and the Kabushiki Kaisha Nenkan (Corporations Yearbook) of November and October 1940, respectively, state that the capitalization of Uraga was 15 million yen and the products produced at this dockyard included machine parts, belt conveyors, telemotors, iron framework, and warships. These Japanese directories (3) give the following three addresses for Uraga Dock:

Uraga, Uraga machi Kanagawa machi Yokohama, Kanagawa-Ku Aoshima As of January 1937, Uraga Dockyard was reported to have under actual or projected construction at its yards a total of 43,000 tons of shipping and as of Jan. 1936 to have employed 2,420 workers. (4)

A total of \$114,908.19 worth of steel materials for marine boilers was orderedin the U. S. A. since Dec. 1936 by Uraga Dock, all of which was shipped to Japan. These orders are tabulated below, together with inquiries which were made for additional supplies. This data was obtained after an examination of the files of Mitsui & Co., Mitsubishi Shoji Kaisha, Ataka & Co., and Okura & Co., Japanese trading companies whose records are held by the Alien Property Custodian in a warehouse at 27 Cliff St., New York City. All of the material was destined for the port of Yokohama and there is no indication in the files as to which of the Uraga Shipyards received the shipments.

## Okura Orders. (Detailed specifications are in the files.

Order Number	Date	Manufacturer	No.	Preduct Price	
11104	12/2/36	Bethlehem	130	Mild steel boiler \$10,492.71 plates	
11261	3/17/37	Luken Steel	90	Steel boiler plates 6,895.00	
11262	3/17/37	Luken Steel	12	Flange boiler plates 3,462.00	
11339	5/8/37	U.S. Steel	20	Steel Boiler Plates (For Marine Use)  Boiler plates - flange quality Boiler plates - firebox quality 9,920.72	
11404	6/8/37	Luken Steel	18 54	Boiler plates - flange quality Boiler plates - firebox quality 11,334.56	
11408	6/7/37	Bethlehem	171 312	Stay bars (for marine use)  Boiler quality rivet bars (for marine boiler) 2,520.25	
				Mild Steel Boiler Materials (For Marine Boiler)	
11554-5	11/4/37	Bethlehem	156 738	Plates Bars 18,760.51	



Order Number	Date	Manufacturer	No.	Product	Price
11570	11/12/37	Bethlehem	38	Mild steel boiler plates	\$3,901.50
11670 11671 11672	5/6/38	Bethlehem	738 38 156	Beiler round bars Mild steel boiler plat Mild steel boiler plat	es es 20,396.55
				Mild Steel Boiler Mater	ials
11751-3	5/18/38	Bethlehem	64	Mild steel boiler plat Mild steel boiler rour	
	2 628 n	ieces Boiler Roi	and Bar	pieces Boiler Plates and s but Japanese authoriti ssion for so large an or	ies
		•		Mild Steel Boiler Pla	tes
11761	9/21/38	U. S. Steel	12	Ordinary flange quali Ordinary firebox qual	ty plates ity plates 1,743.57
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22973 4/21/38	U. S. St	eel	3060	Mild Steel Boiler Pla 18 Boilers	tes for
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Mitsubish	i Shoji Ka	aisha Inquiries.	Deta:	iled specifications are	in the lites.
NY 2270 9/5/39	Marine I	Engine Forgings:		Pcs. Reduction gear ring etc., for Ship or "Hor Pcs. Reduction gear ring crankshaft, etc. for "Hulls" #464, 466, 4	m, mastershaft ships or
NY 2401 9/14/39	Forged	Steel Shafts	6 18	Forged Steel Shafts Forged Steel Shafts #464, 466, 467.	for Ship #469 for Ships

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## Footnotes

- (1) "Glimpses of the East" 1939-1940, published by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Steamship Line, p. 52.
- (2) See Department of Justice Report #N.Y. 237 on Dai Nippon Heiki by Harvey Storch.
- (3) As reported by John Williams, OEW, in "A Directory of Certain Japanese Industrial Companies", August, 1943.
- (4) The Industrialization of Japan and Manchukuo, 1930-1940, by Schumpeter, Allen, Gordon and Penrose, p. 615.