

Captured Japanese Publishing Authorities

Executive Registry

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1. South Manchurian Railway Library

As is well known, the South Manchurian Railway was more than just a transportation company; it was one of the major weapons in Japan's expansionist program and a vital force in her domination of Manchuria and North China. The library contained about 100,000 volumes and some 500 periodical files; in the main, standard reference works on all parts of East Asia. Some 30,000 of the books were in English and other European languages and only a small proportion of these were sent to Washington. The Washington Document Center received approximately 60,000 items in the Japanese language and accessioned those of intelligence value. A large percentage dealt with the Far Eastern USSR (see Special Accession Lists) on industrial, agricultural, commercial and political subjects.

2. The East Asia Research Institute

This institute was an organization set up by the Japanese Government to carry out research and act in an advisory capacity on all kinds of Asiatic problems. It prepared studies and compilations on natural resources, population distribution, agricultural processes and similar subjects. A large staff of experts in asiatic languages, anthropology, geology, etc. was employed in the institute and they accumulated a copious library, similar in content to that of the South Manchurian Railway but of a more technical nature. WDC received some 30,000 items in this category and accessioned those of intelligence value (see technical and economic accessions lists).

3. Mitsubishi Research Library

Approximately 50,000 volumes comprised this library, one of the best libraries existing on Asiatic economics, trade, finance, industry, etc. The major portion of this library was held in Japan for use by the Economic and Scientific Section, SCAP.

[The following publishing authorities made up the bulk of WDC receipts (some 2,400,000 items), mainly military (CINCPAC, CINCPHA, ATIS, etc.) in nature and which were sent to the National Archives.]

4. YOKOSUKA Naval District Headquarters

- a. Publications on naval and general history.
- b. Reference works, particularly on topography.

5. Army Intendance School Library, KOKUBUNJI

- a. General works on Japanese history, literature, law, economics, natural resources, etc.
- b. Publications dealing with East Asia particularly China, Manchuria and Mongolia.
- c. Military histories; collection of army manuals.
- d. Reference books such as dictionaries, year books, encyclopaedias.

6. NARASHINO Army School
 - a. Military histories.
 - b. Scientific and technological journals and reports including meteorological material.
7. Miscellaneous Sources (Collected by Chief Surgeon's Office) Medical Reports
8. ZAMA Military Academy
 - a. General works over a very wide field with a preponderance of military history.
 - b. Reference books on language and technical subjects.
 - c. Books and periodicals on politics and diplomacy.
 - d. Army Ministry and Foreign Ministry publications on thought control, foreign powers, diplomacy, etc.
 - e. Military handbooks on strategy, logistics, campaign appreciations and technology.
 - f. Japanese and Manchukuoan Official Gazettes.
9. NYK Library
 - a. Reference works such as yearbooks, encyclopedia.
 - b. General publications on marine subjects, finance, economics and trade.
10. OKUBO Experimental Laboratory

Periodicals on aeronautics, patent journals, scientific reports.
11. Army Science School, Tokyo
 - a. Large selection of technical periodicals on subjects such as electricity, engineering and chemistry. (Part A).
 - b. Technical ordnance material. (Part B).
 - c. Textbooks and manuals on scientific and technical subjects. (Part C).
12. MORIOKA Meteorological Station

Scientific journals relating to meteorology, astronomy and seismology.
13. NAGANO Technical College
 - a. Technological journals and reports.
 - b. Books dealing with industrial processes and research.
14. MITSUBISHI Technical Library, Matsumoto
 - a. Large and comprehensive collection of books on technology, engineering practice industrial chemistry.
 - b. Reference books on Japanese industry trade and economics.
 - c. Files of technological journals.
 - d. Reports on research and experiments at various aircraft plants (including blueprints).

MITSUBISHI Technical Library, Matsumoto (Continued)

- e. Productions plans.
- f. Mitsubishi technical publications and blueprints.

NOTE: Main emphasis of this collection is on aircraft manufacture and according to research workers who were responsible for source of the reports, the results of many years research are contained in it.

15. SAPPORO

Files of newspapers "HOKKAI Times" and "HOKKAI Newspaper".

16. HOKKAIDO Coal and Steam Co. HAYAMA

Official gazette (KAMPO) and other government publications.

17. Fisheries Radio Station, MISAKI

- a. Charts, journals and printed books on all aspects of the fishing industry in the waters of Japan, Korea, and Mandates, etc.
- b. Experimental reports from various fishery stations.
- c. Publications of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on political, economic and agricultural subjects.

18. Navy Technical Research Institute, TOKYO

Scientific and Technical journals.

19. Navy Medical College, MEGURO

- a. Large collection of periodicals, official reports and bound books on medical subjects.
- b. Navy periodicals (non-medical), histories and reports.

20. MAIZURU Navy Arsenal and Barracks

- a. Naval technical manuals, research reports, blue-prints, air technical data reports (many classified).
- b. Dictionaries and other reference material.
- c. Files of scientific and patent journals.

21. SUMITOMO Electric Industry Co. OSAKA

Technical matter on electricity and aircraft manufacture.

22. FUSHIMI, KYOTO

- a. Dictionaries
- b. Law books, medical reports, sociological studies, publications on coal mining aircraft production.

23. SHINDEN AIRCRAFT Factory

- a. Aircraft research reports.
- b. Army List 1937-1938 Army Transfer List 1944-1955.
- c. Technological publications, etc.
- d. Meteorological and seismological bulletins.

24. NAGASAKI

- a. Air defense plans, navy gazettes, air training programs.
- b. Security reports on NAGASAKI area.
- c. Navigational and topographic material.
- d. Legal matter including collections of Supreme Court decisions.
- e. Economic and commercial studies.

25. ATSUTA Army Arsenal, NAGOYA

- a. Ordnance material, factory reports, etc.
- b. Dictionaries and reference books with main emphasis on military history.

26. KOBE

Reference material on civil engineering in Japan, China and Manchuria.

27. Miscellaneous Sources (Chief Surgeon's Office)

Medical reports and journals

28. NAGOYA

- a. General works on politics.
- b. Navy administrative records.
- c. Army construction and ordnance specifications.
- d. Ordnance data on projectiles, metals, etc.

29. OSAKA MAINICHI Newspaper Co.

Files of OSAKA MAINICHI 1942-1945.

30. KOBE Steel Works

Technical and industrial material with main emphasis on metallurgy, smelting, etc.

31. KAWASAKI Rolling Stock Co., KOBE

Similar to preceding shipment.

32. KYOTO Imperial University

- a. Files of scientific, medical and legal periodicals.
- b. Books on medicine, applied science, technology, optics, zoology, agriculture.
- c. Catalogues of the university libraries.

33. KANAZAWA

- a. Files of magazines and periodicals.
- b. Publications on military and diplomatic subjects (popular propaganda).

34. Miscellaneous Sources

- a. Popular periodicals, political matter.
- b. Journals of bodies such as the National Policy Research Association.
- c. Propaganda material on Japan, East Asia and the Pacific War.
- d. Police reports, regulations and statistics.

35. Mitsubishi Heavy Industry, KOBE

- a. Aircraft, shipyard and engineering research reports.
- b. Engineering reference data.
- c. Patent journals, studies on metallurgy.

36. Miscellaneous Sources

- a. Militarist propaganda.
- b. OSAKA Police records, etc.
- c. Army orders and directives.

37. KAWASAKI Heavy Industry, KOBE

Engineering Studies and research reports.

38. MIYAMOGI Village, KYOTO

- a. Industrial reports, files of various periodicals on politics, economics, engineering.
- b. Aircraft production and manufacture data.
- c. KOREA and CHINA Meteorological records.

39. Miscellaneous Sources (From Port Director, BASEBO)

Navy, army and air technical handbooks, etc.

40. Manchukuo Consulate, OSAKA

Legal, political, economic social and agricultural data on MANCHURIA.

41. Imperial University OSAKA

Files of scientific journals.

42. KOYO SEIKO Co. OSAKA

Industrial and economic matter.

43. ETAJIMA Naval Academy

- a. Comprehensive collection on naval history, tradition, and administration.
- b. General topographical material with emphasis on China and the South Seas.
- c. Files of technical journals, manuals, research reports.

44. TAEJU Airfield

Technical works on aeronautics meteorology and radio.

45. National Archives, SEOUL

Korean Official Gazette 1910-1945.

46. National Library, SEOUL

Bibliographical material.

47. MIHO Higher Nautical School

Material on navigation, military history, general publications on military subjects propaganda films.

48. Japanese Government

File of Contemporary Japan 1932-1945.

49. Miscellaneous Sources

Files of newspapers.

50. HOKKAIDO Agriculture Experiment Station

Agricultural and botanical research reports.

51. Naval Officers Club, TOKYO

- a. General library material covering a wide field.
- b. Japanese naval, colonial and political history, biography.
- c. Albums of photographs commemorating naval reviews, training courses, Imperial visits, etc.

52. Miscellaneous Sources (USSRS)

Navy list.

53. Central Meteorological Observatory

Very large and comprehensive collection of meteorological material covering Japan and East Asia including compiled reports from many observatories.

54. Miscellaneous Sources

Files of publications of KYUSHU Imperial University.

55. 7th Army Technical Research Station, TOKYO

Technical and scientific journals.

56. Army Medical College, TOKYO

- a. Books on aircraft technology, industry, shipbuilding, metallurgy, etc.
- b. Journals of various aeronautical research institutes.

57. Tokyo 2nd Arsenal

- a. Industrial and engineering reports and handbooks.
- b. Topographical material on Japan, Manchuria and China.

58. TOKYO Measuring Instruments Co.

- a. Technical journals.
- b. Books on industrial practice and engineering.

59. Army Meteorological Depot, TOKYO

- a. Meteorological journals and weather reports.
- b. Technical and scientific material.

60. Navy Arsenal, HIRATSUKA

- a. Large collection of technical reports mainly on industrial chemistry.
- b. Books on munition production, heavy industry and mining.

61. Miscellaneous Sources

Nationalistic propaganda, etc.

62. Army Intendance School, KOKUBUNJI

- a. Books and periodicals on economics.
- b. Studies on Manchuria and Mongolia.

63. SHOWA Army Air Base

Industrial and economic material.

64. Army Fuel Research Institute

Periodicals and books on chemistry, manufacturing mining, etc.

65. Mercantile Marine College, TOKYO

General library material with preponderance of nautical subject.

66. Japanese Government

Journals and general publications of learned societies and institutions, principally on mathematics, seismology, and meteorology.

67. Physics-Chemical Institute, TOKYO

File of publications of the institute 1922-1944.

68. ISSEIDO Books Shop, TOKYO

Acquisitions on culture, literature and art made on recommendation of the International Cultural Society.

69. Japanese Government

- a. Journals on economics and travel.
- b. General magazines.
- c. Books on Japanese history and constitutional law.
- d. Textbooks of the Education Ministry.
- e. Periodicals and newspapers.
- f. Telephone directories.
- g. School books.
- h. Studies on Chinese natural resources and politics.
- i. Files of general magazines and engineering periodicals.
- j. Files of periodicals dealing with medicine, engineering, agriculture, and literature.
- k. Statistical compilations.
- l. Files of periodicals dealing with agriculture, veterinary, science, chemistry, etc.
- m. General library matter.
- n. Political and diplomatic publications
- o. Files of general periodicals, medical journals and newspapers.
- p. Statistical reports on Japanese cities.
- q. Library acquisitions recommended by International Culture Association.

70. Japanese Government (Education Ministry)

- a. School books on ethics, civics, etc.
- b. Education Ministry's annual selections of reading matter for the general public.

71. Army Science School, TOKYO

- a. Files of periodicals dealing with engineering, physics-chemical research, geology and geography.
- b. Military history (Manchurian Incident) General Staff appreciation of foreign propaganda in China.

72. Cabinet Secretariat

- a. Compilation of Japanese laws and ordinances (HOREI ZENSHO)
- b. Official gazettes, etc.

73. Inspector General, Military Training

- a. Encyclopedias and reference books.
- b. Files of military magazines.

74. Diet Secretariats

Minutes of Diet meetings.

75. Cabinet Information Bureau

- a. Files of periodicals and pamphlets containing Japanese Warlike propaganda.
- b. Books dealing with Japan, Germany and various international and political topics.
- c. Bibliographic material relating to censorship, thought control, etc.

76. Cabinet Statistics Bureau

Compilations of statistics on censuses, labour, etc.

77. Army Ministry

- a. Terrain studies, meteorological data, General Staff appreciations.
- b. Campaign histories, tactical manuals, etc.

78. Foreign Ministry

Foreign Ministry publications regarding foreign powers, the Communist Party (Japan, Korea, China) and other political and diplomatic subjects.

79. Cabinet Printing Bureau

Files of publications of the Cabinet Information Bureau.

80. Home Ministry

- a. Books and publications prohibited by the Japanese Government from public distribution for such reasons as breaches of security, criticism of the government and of official policy, disrespect for tradition, etc.
- b. General works and official reports on all aspects of civil administration (particularly police duties) and sociology; on political, religious and patriotic organizations; League of Nations, Comintern etc. and on all kinds of labour unions and their activities.
- c. General works on political movements and on assassinations, conspiracies and trials of political prisoners.

81. Foreign Ministry

- a. Studies and periodicals on diplomatic subjects.
- b. Foreign Ministry publications such as compilations of treaties, compilations of data regarding foreign powers, appreciations of political movements in foreign countries, printed diplomatic records, etc.

82. Army Ministry Library

- a. Regimental histories and similar publications.
- b. Books on military subjects, topography, aeronautics and diplomacy.

83. Justice Ministry

- a. Compilations of court cases and legal decisions.
- b. Works on criminal law, social and political movements and thought control.

84. Welfare Ministry

- a. Books and periodicals on labour conditions, sociology, labour unions and disputes.
- b.- Miscellaneous publications on Korea, China and Manchukuo.

85. Military Police School, TOKYO

Militaristic books, legal matter, etc.

86. Education Ministry

Official publications on Japanese History and education.

87. NAGOYA Imperial University

Journals, and research reports on many, varied aspects of medical science.

88. Naval General Staff College

- a. Legal works recommended by Dr. TAKAYANAGI.
- b. Statistical reports on trade, industry, and shipping.
- c. Census material (including KOREA Census Reports).

89. Japanese Government (Home Ministry)

Home Ministry collection of prohibited and censored books and periodicals.

90. Army General Staff Library

General non-official publications on history, diplomacy, etc.

91. Army Ministry Library (from Imperial Guards Library)

General publications on history, sociology, etc.

92. HIRATSUKA, Navy Arsenal

Technical works, principally on chemistry and physics.

93. SHOJA Army Air Base

Cultural material such as histories, biographies, literary essays, etc.

94. Army Intendance School, KOKUBUNJI
Academic material, text-books, duplicates of items.
95. Army Fuel Research Station, FUCHU
Training manuals, text-books on scientific and engineering subjects.
96. Army Arsenal, SAGAMI
General publications on engineering, chemistry and physics.
97. Military Academy, URAWA
 - a. Comprehensive collection of Chinese and Japanese classics.
 - b. Modern publications on Japanese history and culture.
98. Metropolitan Police Board, TOKYO
General library material.
99. Navy Fuel Research Station OPPAMA
General library material.
100. Army Air Headquarters, TOKYO
Training manuals and instructional handbooks.
101. Miscellaneous Sources (From PHW Sn)
Medical publications.
102. Army Ministry, Archives Sn.
General library material.
103. Miscellaneous Sources
General library material.
104. Army Medical School, TOKYO
Books and pamphlets on medical practice.