

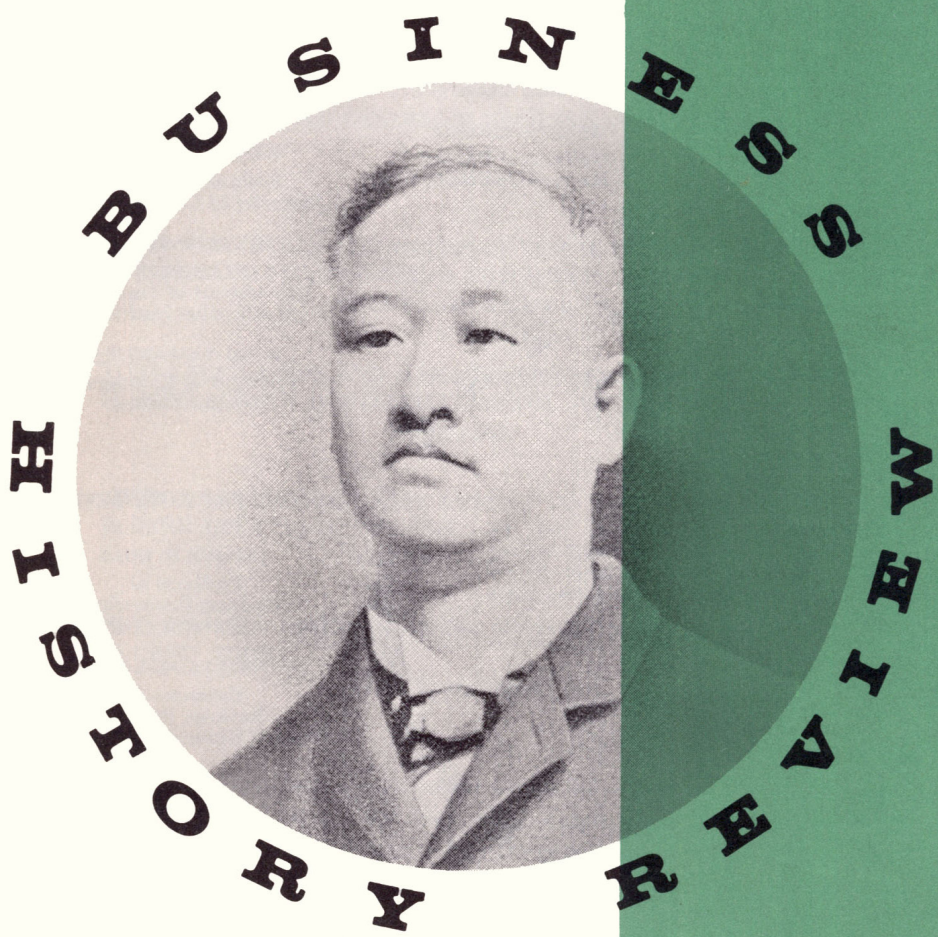


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With particular pride, we now present this special issue on Japanese entrepreneurial history. The articles herein, we believe, represent some of the most needed work in progress today among business and economic historians. Japan as an economic phenomenon excites us all, but Professors Rosovsky, Yamamura, Hirschmeier, Yui, Morikawa, Taira, and Evans have captured and focused that excitement with uncommon insight and skill. We welcome their penetration of the mythology surrounding the Japanese industrial experience and their enhancement of our understanding of the purposes, processes, and personalities involved. Also, to our consulting editors, Professors Yamamura and Rosovsky, go our thanks for their efforts to make this issue of the Review a really "special" one.

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