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## EDITOR'S PREFACE

It is a great pleasure and a high honor for me as General Editor of *Studies on Asia, Second Series* to introduce this distinguished collection of scholarly papers. All of them were first presented at the 1968 meeting of the Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs. The Conference Executive Committee, with the support of the entire Conference, having committed itself to begin to publish again *Studies on Asia*, this time under the imprint of the University Press of Kansas, and having decided to produce annual volumes on specific, central themes, was fortunate not only to commence this new venture in the Meiji centennial year but also to attract contributions from such careful and thoughtful scholars as those whose pieces compose this volume. Much of the credit for the high caliber of this compilation must go to my indefatigable co-editor, Professor David Wurfel, who worked in complete harmony with me in all of the editorial tasks which, while minimally visible in the finished product, are nevertheless time consuming in the utmost.

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