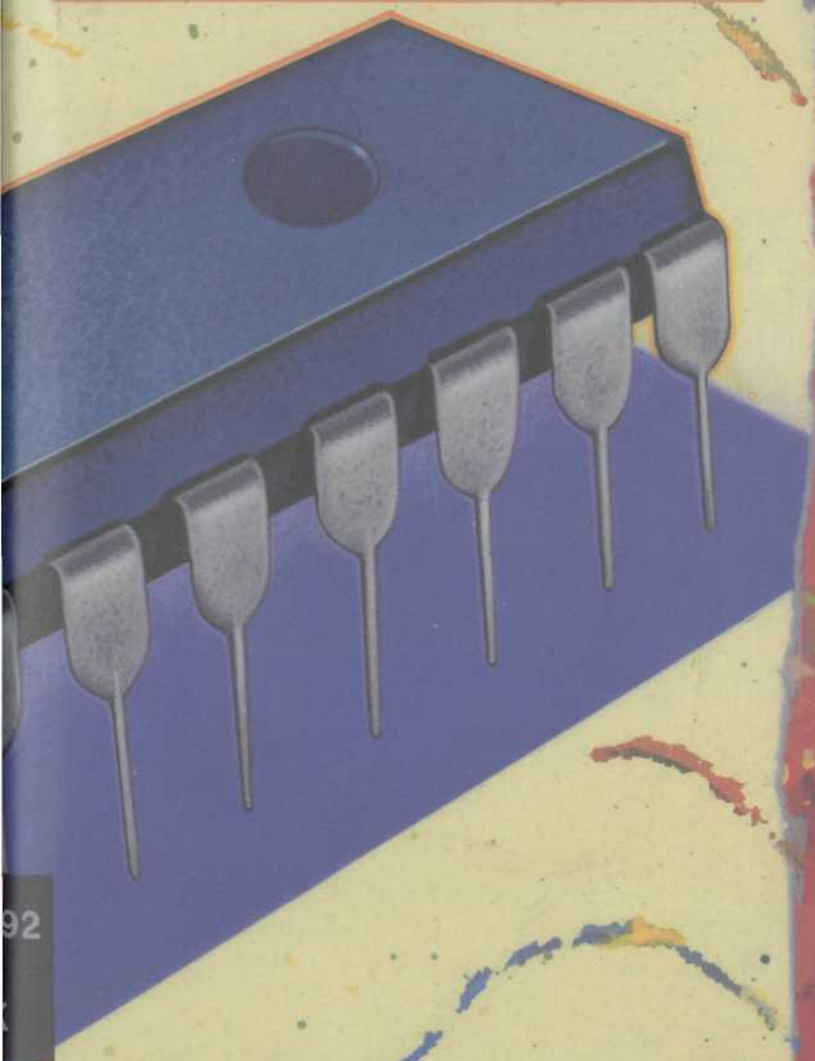


LIVES IN THE MAKING

The Story of a Manufacturing Family



92

KUNYASU SAKAI
As Told to David Russell

CONTENTS

Foreword	5
Part I: The Sakai Family	11
Introduction: The World of Metal and Wood	12
Artisans of Edo	16
Tarokichi	22
The Golden Leaf	30
A Woman's Sacrifice	41
Naokichi	47
The Growth of Industry	57
An Interesting Neighbor	66
A New Life	71
On His Own	77
Part II: Kuniyasu Remembers	89
Putting Our Lives Back Together	90
A 'Sun' Is Born	97
Hiroshi	103
Kids, Cars, Bankers and Work	107
First Signs of Success	115
Death (and Birth) of a Salesman	121
The Taiyo Game System	128
Employees	134
Diversification	139
It Helps to Know the Future	146
Naokichi's Legacy	150
Afterword	155