



Daido Hardware Store was part of the Osaka Boeki Kaisha Ltd. trading house in Manila with branches in Cebu and Davao in the early 1930s. The Store introduced imported Japanese merchandise to Filipinos as part of the propagation of East Asian culture in the region prior to Japanese Occupation during WWII. Rizal was charmed by the natural beauty of Japan, and the manners of its people. He even fell in love with a Japanese woman, Osei-San.