Lecture 07: The Price of Peace

1) The San Francisco System

- a) Cold War alignments
- b) Opposition to the SF System
- c) The price of sovereignty
- d) Unintended gains

2) The 1955 System

- a) Conservatives unite: LDP (Liberal Democratic Party) formed in November '55
- b) LDP & big-business (zaikai) cooperate vs. opposition and labor movements
- c) MITI coordinates production and exports
- d) 1955 Economic White Paper announces "end of postwar period"
- e) Mass consumption led by the " $\bf 3$ sacred treasures":

washing machine, refrigerator, TV