The 52nd National Bank (predecessor of the present Iyo Bank) is a Bank that was established in 1878. When it was established, a former Matsuyama feudal retainer Nobuchika Kobayashi became the first bank president. Shiki Masaoka's uncle Tsunenori Ohara also participated significantly, working as an executive of the bank. As the guardian of Shiki, who succeeded as head of the Masaoka family at a young age, Tsunenori was someone that Shiki could always rely on for help and advice.

The relationship between the 52nd Bank and the Masaoka family is portrayed in Ryotaro Shiba's novel Saka no Ue no Kumo (published by Bungei Shunju).

家禄奉還金千二百円というのは、未亡人の母親が実家の大原家にあずけ、大原家はそれを伊予で設立された第五十二銀行にあずけ、さらにその一部を同銀行の株にしてくれた。正岡家はそれをすっかりびきだして生活費にあててきた。それでもう、二十年になる。家族が松山をひきはって東京に出てきたときは、ほとんど底をついていたであろう。

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