

Rosebery, B. C.
October 21, 1943

Memorandum to be submitted to Hon. F. de'Kobbe,
Spanish Consul, for consideration.

Our Grievances.

1. Dental care.
A weekly or bi-weekly visit of a dentist is desirable.
2. Installation of water pipes.
Those who are living in 12 houses on the highway are provided with no water facilities. They are carrying water from the creek at a considerable distance, women and children who are doing the task, are being constantly exposed to the dangers of tumbling into the creek or losing their buckets by the swift current and especially so during the winter. There also exists a fire hazard. (Your inspection of the locality is appreciated.)
3. Fuel Supply.
Winter is approaching and we are short of fuels. Fuel piles sufficient to fill the need during winter at every house are desirable.
4. House condition.
To have a suitable means of preventing coldness. There is only one layer of green shiplaps over the building paper for the outside wall, which allows cold air to penetrate into the houses, especially, after the lumber is given time to dry. There are no cielings. Last winter, we had experienced considerable sufferings from the inclement weather which formed icy ledges to the thickness of one inch within the houses where the cold air was allowed to penetrate. This statement is not, in any way, exaggerated. This winter, the conditions will be worse due to the shrinkage of shiplaps, leaving spaces of one quarter to one half inch.
5. Maintenance affecting married men.
Married men who have been receiving maintenances were advised to present the doctor's certificates that they are physically unable to work, in order to keep their maintenances intact. And in the meantime maintenance cheques for 15 days till Oct. 31st were given. Those who are affected by this decision are placed in a difficult position and are asking for a more generous measure that they may

continue to receive maintenances till they get suitable jobs.

6. Maintenance affecting girls.
By the recent decision of the Security Commission, the girls over 18 yrs. who refused to accept jobs in Eastern Canada will be taken off maintenances, effective Oct. 15th.
- (A) We ask for a more generous measure that they may continue to receive maintenances till they get suitable jobs, allowing them a sufficient time for making a choice.
- (B) We ask for a special consideration where the girls affected are looking after old or feeble parents.

Questions.

1. Have all letters mailed for Japan before sailing of "Gripsholm" been loaded on the steamer?
2. What was the method under which Japanese in Canada and the United States were being selected for repatriation on the recent exchange boat?
3. What do you think about the placement of single naturalized or Canadian-born Japanese under the control of the National Selective Service taking into consideration that they have been treated just as same as the Japanese Nationals with only exception of the monthly parole registration?

REPRESENTATIVE OF
JAPANESE NATIONAL.