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ORIGINAL ORDER

Questionnaire taken from
 Kei Asahi's research file;
 used by Asahi in his research.

M 28, V 7; VR 19, File 4:

I. DEMOGRAPHIC HISTORY: i.e., birthplace, birthdate, successive places of residence in Canada and Japan.

II. DECISION TO REPATRIATE

1. What were major factors in your thinking of returning/going to Japan?
 -wish to die in Japan (for Issei)?
 -feeling of resentment, rebelliousness, or disenchantment with Canada?
 -fear of hostility in Eastern Canada in case of relocation? General insecurity?
 -Disatisfaction with physical and social conditions in interior B.C. camps?
 -Better economic and social opportunities in Japan?
 -Age (dependency) and family wishes?
 -What were some of the specific experiences in Canada which made you sign for repatriation?
2. What were your attitudes towards Canada and Japan? the War? Democracy? Canadian citizenship? How much did you identify yourself with Japan? Did you feel "loyalty" belonged to Japan?

III. LIFE IN JAPAN

1. What were your major reactions ~~when~~ after living in Japan during the initial period of readjustment?
2. What were major difficulties in readjustment? What were first activities and jobs?
3. Were there feelings of regret in having left Canada? What were some experiences and thoughts? Did you feel repatriation was a wise move on the part of yourself and family?
4. What were reactions of the Japanese towards you? Hostility? (E.g., the Vancouver Sun headlined a story on Dec. 15, 1950, with "Japs Show Hatred of Canadian Nisei" and said "these people are Canada's No.1 headache in Japan").
5. What is your educational and economic history since going to Japan?
6. What are your major reasons for remaining in Japan? Do you intend to remain permanently? Would you return to Canada if you were able to?

Mr. Issei.

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5. What is your educational and economic history since going to Japan?

not particularly! What are your major reasons for remaining in Japan? Do you intend to remain permanently? Would you return to Canada if you were able to?

Return as soon as possible. But possibly more useful in Japan, however, small the position.

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go on a
bed trip
Ed's
lap

point of this questionnaire is simply ~~to~~ an inquiry into those Canadian Nisei (or Issei) who were repatriated to Japan ~~in~~ ~~1945~~ and who have since remained there.

(Some 3,964 actually sailed for Japan in 1947. Of this total, 32.1 were Jap nationals; 15.4 were naturalized Cans; 50.3 were Can-born and still Can citizens)

Average age of Canadian-born was 18.0 for young men and 15.4 for women. This suggests they were highly Canadianized and found it difficult to change habits of food, dress, thinking and recreation)

disatisfaction with physical & social conditions in better BC camps.

First question is: what were major factors in thinking of these people about returning to Japan? ~~Can & W. living & prepared a relatively short~~ wish to die in Japan; feeling of rebelliousness, and disenchantment vs Can ~~life~~. Better opportunities (economic) in Japan because of ability to speak English. Age (dependence) and family wishes? ~~What were experiences~~ in Can which made them sigh for repatriation?

What was major reactions ~~xx~~ upon having disembarked in Japan and living there during the initial period of readjustment to a country which they had never seen in their lives?

d/ta

What was reaction of Japanese to the Nisei? Hostility?

Friendliness?

What were major difficulties in readjustment? ~~What did they get accustomed to?~~

Was there feelings of profound regret in having left Canada?

What were some of the experiences in Japan.

Do you feel that repatriation was a good move?

What are major reasons for remaining in Japan? Economic Social

Do you intend to remain permanently? Plans for future

Economic Employment & economic history - occupational status
demographic history (ie workplace, successive places of residence in Japan)

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5. What are your major reasons for remaining in Japan? Do you intend to remain permanently? ^{consequently} ~~employment~~ and economic history since returning/going to Japan?

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