

FACTUAL DATA

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INTERVIEWER Geo Nishi INT. NO. 10 DATE Dec. 24

PLACE Yokosuka LIST NO. 2 R. NO. 31

SEX

Male  9-1

Female  9-2

YEAR OF BIRTH.....1905... 10-

Is R an ELDEST SON?

Yes  11-1

No  11-2

MARITAL STATUS

Single  12-1

Married  12-2

Other  12-3

CHILDREN living 7 December 1941 or born since then

Yes  13-1

No  13-2

EDUCATION: Total number of years of schooling completed.....7 years 14-

RELIGION

Buddhist

Sect..... 15-

Sect Shinto

Sect. Zen shu..... 16-

Other

MILITARY SERVICE

Yes  17-1

No  17-2

MAJOR OCCUPATION DURING WAR

Bus driver..... 18-

TYPE OF INDUSTRY DURING WAR

city bus line..... 19-

OCCUPATION ON 7 DECEMBER 1941

Bus driver..... 20-

HOUSEHOLD

Number of persons, 17 to 71 (other than R) in household in which R now lives

1..... 21-

Is R now head of household?

Yes  22-1

No  22-2

If not, R's relationship to head:

..... 23-

Do R and parent(s) now live in same household?

Yes  24-1

No  24-2

Is any land owned by R or by other member of R's present household?

Yes  25-1

No  25-2

Is home in which R usually lived during war owned by R or other member of household?

Yes  26-1

No  26-2

DAMAGE TO HOME BY BOMBING

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PROPERTY DAMAGE BY BOMBING  
Severity of loss:

- None  28-1
- Some  28-2
- Severe  28-3

CASUALTIES FROM BOMBING

Was R injured by or as a result of bombing?

- Yes  29-1
- No  29-2

CASUALTIES AMONG RELATIVES OR HOUSEHOLD

	Injured	Killed	
Spouse	0	0	30-
Children, 17 or over	0	0	31-
Children under 17	0	0	32-
Father	0	0	33-
Mother	0	0	34-
Brothers & Sisters	0	0	35-
Other household Members	0	0	36-

EVACUATED

- Yes
- No  37-1

	PLACE FROM	PLACE TO	DATE	
1st	Yokosuka	Trigata	Aug. 1944	37-2
2nd				37-3
3rd				37-4

HOW MANY TIMES DID BOMBS FALL IN NEIGHBORHOODS IN WHICH R LIVED?

..... 0 ..... 38-

HOW MANY TIMES DID R PERSONALLY EXPERIENCE BOMBING?

	Day	Night	
High Explosives	0	0	39- 40-
Incendiary	0	0	41- 42-

HOW MANY TIMES DID R PERSONALLY EXPERIENCE AIR RAIDS? 0 43-

PLACES WHERE BOMBING EXPERIENCED

- 1. .... 0 ..... 44-
- 2. .... 0 ..... 45-
- 3. .... 0 ..... 46-
- 4. .... 0 ..... 47-

RECORDED

- Yes  46-1
- No  46-2

THUMB NAIL SKETCH

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1. Appearance of respondent: (Interviewer to check one box in (a), (b) & (c))

(a) Robust health	<input type="checkbox"/>	(b) Richly dressed	<input type="checkbox"/>
Average health	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Adequately dressed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Poor Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	Inadequately dressed	<input type="checkbox"/>

(c) Very Clean  (d) Other comments on appearance:

Moderately clean

Dirty

2. General psychological reaction of Respondent during interview:  
(Interviewer to check one)

Seemed very much at ease throughout interview

Occasional nervousness during interview

Nervousness throughout interview

So upset that interview was very difficult

Other important reactions at time of interview:

3. Cooperation of Respondent: (Interviewer to check one)

Apparent frankness

Some evasiveness at times

Much evasiveness during interview

4. Alertness of respondent: (Interviewer to check one)

Minimum of probes necessary to get reasonably complete and relevant answers.

Considerable probing necessary to get reasonably complete and relevant answers.

Much probing necessary but answers are not very complete and some are not very relevant.

5. Intelligence of respondent: (Interviewer to check one)

Above average intelligence

Average intelligence

Low intelligence

6. Significant remarks of respondent regarding his expectations of the interview (Interviewer to record unusual items that helped to structure the interview situation before the respondent arrived at the place of interviewing):

7. Other comments by Interviewer:

- Q-1- I am a city bus driver and have income of about 150 yen per month. I have five children + wife to support. Due to the shortage of rice rations I have to buy substitute foods for the kids. They are too expensive. I simply can not buy ~~of~~ them for my income. At present I set myself a policy of not buying any food, but try hard to live on rations only. I don't know how long I can keep it up this way. Children eat so much, I can't bear to see them hungry. I hope the situation turns up so that at least enough food would be available to the youngsters.
- 2- It is better now than during the war. Food situation does not change; it is just as worse. But I feel free + easy since the war was over.
- 3- The things that worried me most during the war was the invasion of Japan by the enemy. If ever the enemy landed on our homeland, that's the end of all. This thought kept me worrying most.
- 4- From the beginning of 1945 to the end of the war, I was working as a city bus driver in Yokosuka.
- 5- During this period as compared ~~to~~ <sup>with</sup> previous years in regard to working capacity was decreasing. The buses are old and accidents occur very often, but there are few tools + parts available to fix them serviceable.
- 6- During this period, buses were over used by orders of the military for transporting troops within the city. Naturally

accidents occurred due to the old age. We had to take apart the old bus and used ~~it~~ its parts for repairing the serviceable one. This happened one after another and working condition was just miserable. There was no materials + parts available.

7 - ~~About 8 days beside official days off~~

I was absent from work during this period about 8 days beside the official days off.

8 - I was forced to take days off to take my children to the country, Niigata Prefecture.

9 - During the war, I thought Japan's greatest strength in waging war was in the spirit of "Special Attack Corps".

10 - During the war, I thought of nothing of the sort.

11 - In regard to the way, our leaders conducted war, I was convinced of their conduct in waging powerful offensive and had trusted them.

12 - In regard to the way our leaders took care of the home front, I have little to say. Our leaders did not oppress the war profiteers in business. Even a small fly used to refuse to sell anything unless you bribe him with goods that he wants. Another thing was that we had to wait in line for a long time at the ration board to get our rations. Our leaders did not do anything to adjust this sort of wasting.

13 - At the time the changes occurred in government, I did not feel anything particular. I took the attitude of leaving everything up to our leaders.

- 14- I did not notice anything changing in people's attitudes and conduct toward each other during the war. It seemed everybody was doing his part to the best of his ability.
- 15- I thought that all kinds of people in Japan suffered alike in the war.
- 16- Until the end of the war, I thought that Japan would win.
- 17- Until the end of the war, I never felt certain that Japan could not attain sure victory.
- 18- During the war, I never came to a point where I felt I could not go on with the war any longer. I had complete confidence upon our military leaders.
- 19- When I heard that Japan had given up by listening a radio broadcast by Emperor, I cried out loud. I felt sorry for the fallen soldiers.
- 20- In regard to the policies of the occupation army headquarters, I don't know. However I think Americans are very kind hearted people. I am a bus driver. Many times my bus happened to stuck in mud. When such things occurred, we always asked jeep driver to pull us out. They gave us helping hand very willingly. I appreciate their feeling & understanding toward poor defeated people.
- 21- If the present conditions continues, I can not keep up my family for 2 or 3 years.

22 - I do not have any opinion as to what changes should occur in Japan in the future.

22A - If it's possible, I would like the Emperor as he is in the same status.

23 - If Japan lost the war, I thought every one us would be used like a slave.

24 - I did not know about American propaganda leaflets which were dropped during the war.

25 - I did not hear any anti-Japan radio broadcast. I do not have a radio in my house.

26 - I expected our city would be bombed soon after Tokyo and Yokohama were bombed. Everyone talked that our city was their next objective.

27 -

28 - It was war; we can't say which side the responsibility lay. I think ~~it~~ neither side.

29 - I just felt About American as enemy during the war.

30 - During the war, I thought the newspapers & radios described the air raid on Japan pretty correctly.

31 - I did not hear about Americans announcing they were going to bomb cities before they actually did.



32 - About the first American planes flew over Japan, at the time I felt that they ~~were~~ <sup>must have</sup> superior planes in far better quality than ours!

33 - In my opinion, our town was protected pretty well. We have tunnels on the hill sides for air raid shelters. They seemed to be adequate to safeguard our lives, but those shelters built on the empty lot within the city are not adequate because they were proven so in Yokohama + Tokyo.

34 - I thought it terrible thing. ("R" was asked in order to get depth of his feeling, but it was in vain)

35 - I do not have bombing experiences personally.

### Evacuation Group "B"

1 - Members of my household moved out of the city on the advice of the neighborhood committee head.

2 - At the time my members of household left, I felt more free to work for the war effort.

3 - I did not have bombing experiences before the members of my household left.

4 - Members of my household left the city voluntarily.

5 - No arrangement was made for the trip of my household members + their living facilities.

6 - My entire household went to the same place.

7 - My household's livelihood in the place to which they went was difficult. My wife & older boy were working to help farmer for their foods.

8 - I did not want them to leave, but I felt it inevitable.

9 - My members of household were treated with sympathy in the place to which they were evacuated.

FACTUAL DATA

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INTERVIEWER Geo. Nishi

INT. NO. 12

DATE Dec. 27 '45

PLACE Yokosuka

LIST NO. 2

R. NO. VV

SEX  
Male  9-1  
Female  9-2

YEAR OF BIRTH.....1900..... 10-

Is R an ELDEST SON?  
Yes  11-1  
No  11-2

MARITAL STATUS  
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Sect.....  
Sect Shinto   
Sect. Nichiren Shu..... 16-  
Other

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7. Other comments by Interviewer:

- Q-1 - I am blind partly. my work is to go around to do massage. Daily income is about 9 yen. I have a daughter who is 16 yrs. old + living with her together. My husband died 5 yrs ago. Since then everything is very difficult. Especially at this time ration shortage threaten our household. I hope the prices of all kinds of food could be adjusted soon so that poor people like us can afford to buy them.
- 2 - I feel it much better now than during the war. During the war when <sup>ever</sup> air raid warning sounded, I had to give up at the middle of my work. Naturally work was half done and I could not ask for my complete service. As the result I could not go on with my business regularly + income was irregular.
- 3 - During the war, thing I worried most was about my daughter who is staying at home. Whenever warning sounded I always worried about my daughter at home. I had to go out seeking customers and I was practically out of house at all times.
- 4 - From the beginning of 1941 to the end of the war, I was working in this profession of massage. As the matter of fact I have ~~being~~ been doing this for twenty years.
- 5 - As I have already said, the working capacity during this period decreased considerably due to the air raid.
- 6 - During this period, people who wanted to be massaged were in the same state of mind worrying about their safety + etc. And the result was definite decrease of my regular customers.
- 7 -
- 8 - During this period, I worked about 20 days a month. The rest of

- the days I could not go out & work due to the rainy weather.
- 9- During the war, I thought Japan's greatest strength in waging the war was "Yamato Spirit."
  - 10 - During the war, I thought: Japan's greatest weakness was that the country is small & materials scarce to fight the winning battle against the big, resourceful country such as America.
  - 11 - In regard to the way our leaders conducted the war, I thought that the war did not start with the will & support of the whole Japanese people. It was started by Tojo & his clique disregarding the people's opinion. Therefore at the very beginning the weakness was laid there in that respect.
  - 12 - In regard to the way our leaders took care of the home front, I thought they were doing the best they could and I obeyed them hoping that the war would be won.
  - 13 - At the time the change occurred in government, I thought the war situation was not in good terms.
  - 14 - People's attitude & conduct toward each other changed to be of selfish type and their view of the outcome of the war became more pessimistic because of the Tokyo & Yokohama bombing.
  - 15 - I thought that all kinds of people in Japan suffered alike in the war.
  - 16 - As the war wore on, more & more American planes flew over our place to go bombing inland cities. And then I began to have doubt that Japan would win this war. Our leaders could do nothing to stop American planes.



17 - During May + June, I began to feel certain that Japan could not attain sure victory. It happened one day when a soldier came to ~~to~~ my house + told me that soldiers were being kept in hungry conditions due to food shortage.

18 - During the war I came to a point where I felt I could not go on with the war. Terrific food shortage among the workers in the dock yard became known among the people some time before August, 1945.

19 - When I heard that Japan had given up the war, I was ~~very~~ terribly disappointed. I cried and could not go to work all day. I felt it sad + sorry for the Emperor.

20 - In regard to the policies taken by occupation-troop headquarters, I don't know. However I feel that it was better for Japan to be defeated because Americans are seems to me helping us to rebuild this country on the sound bases.

21 - If the present ratios continues, I for one ~~would not~~ will not be able to live for another 2 or 3 years. It seems that things are worsening in every respect.

22 - In my opinion, Japan should start new life based on peace and understanding among all peoples in the whole world so that she can join with them to promote the better living conditions throughout.

22A - I am sorry for him. ("R" sobbed a little)

23 - During the war, if Japan lost the war; I did not expect everyone would be living.

24 - I did not know any American ~~propaganda~~ propaganda leaflets which were dropped during the war.

- 25- During the war, I did not hear any anti Japan radio broadcast. I ~~do~~ do not have any radio.
- 26- During the war, I expected my town would be bombed because it is near Yokosuka naval base.
- 27- ✓
- 28- When American planes bombed Japan, I thought the responsibility lay on America. (R was asked for reasons)
- 29- During the war, I felt about Americans as the enemy feel each other.
- 30- During the war, I thought the newspapers and radios described the air raids on Japan in the manner not to arouse the excitement of the people by not telling them the actual fact & truth.
- 31- I did not hear about the Americans announcing they were going to bomb cities before they actually did.
- 32- I am a forgetful person, I can not recall the first American raid over Japan. I got the dates all mixed up.
- 33- In my opinion, our air raid shelters on the hill sides were pretty adequate, but not the ones built within the city.
- 34- I felt it terrible and was very much afraid of it and wondered how soon it will fall here in Yokosuka.
- 35- I do not have any bombing experience personally.

Evacuation Group "C"

- ① - ✓ none                      ④ - ✓  
② - ✓                              ⑤ - ✓  
③ - ✓