

we would like to have 2 days rest in one week. Then Mr. Hoshizaki said we want to work easily and with little effort, and there were quite many other words against Mr. Saijo. That's what he said there. It was a meeting with workers, consequently, we take it was a meeting against us, the Saijos.

Ing. Mrs. Saijo, have you ever seen Mr. Hoshizaki dressing a chicken that was not dressed for WRA?

Saijo Yes, one day in the cold day in winter when I went around there, around the boiler, there were 4 or 5 co-workers. That time Mr. Hoshizaki had in his hold something about this size wrapped around a newspaper. He told, me, "Mrs. Saijo, I take this home." Then he told to others who were there. "Now, co-workers, if you want chickens I will dress them up for you." I couldn't say anything at that time.

Nagumo We want to hear above anything else, facts not what you think.

Ing. Did Mr. Saijo ever tell the workers that they weren't to take chickens home?

Saijo Yes, he was saying so always.

Ing. Mr. Hoshizaki in addition to disobeying Mr. Saijo's orders was encouraging others to disobey him?

Saijo Yes.

Ing. Can you tell us about the time when Mr. Hoshizaki refused to loan one of the workers a milk can?

Saijo Yes, I know.

Ing. Would you tell us what happened at that time?

Saijo In cold winter days the water is frozen and need hot ones. Mr. Hoshizaki had two milk pans about 10 gallons each. Whereas, one Mr. Hidaka had none, consequently she had asked to loan one since had two. Then he declined to lend one. Consequently, he came to me saying since

Mr. Hoshizaki refused to loan us one, will you please tell this. Then I went to Mr. Hoshizaki and said, "since you have two, please give me one for Mrs. Hidaka." He declined and said "if you need it so badly, then come." He didn't give it at that time, consequently, Mrs. Hidaka said, "We ask only when we need it." So she went to Mrs. Toyama and got it there.

Ing. How many milk cans do you have for all of the houses?

Saijo One each. There were two in Mr. Hoshizaki's.

Ing. And how many more do you have besides Mr. Hoshizaki's?

Saijo About 5 besides those two.

Ing. Do you know of any instance in which a threatening attitude was used to as signatures in the petition that were submitted to Mr. Macfarlane or Mr. Hartman protesting Mr. Hoshizaki's termination?

Saijo Yes, there was.

Ing. Can you give us any names?

Saijo Mrs. Nakata

Ing. How do you know that they acted in such a threatening way or manner?

Saijo About 10 days ago Mrs. Nakata said to me, "Last night I had an unusual thing. Last night four men came, namely, Mr. Yotsukura, Mr. Terui, Mr. Fujii, and Mr. Okazaki and they said to me, 'Mrs. Nakata, we want you to sign please'. " I refused to sign which caused trouble", she said. They said, "No, this is the sign to be done by all workers to units, everyone should sign", therefore, I signed too, but after I signed I couldn't sleep all night because I felt I have done wrong to Mrs. Saijo. I heard that they didn't go to every place, some place they didn't go. I found out I was deceived by them." That I (meaning Mrs. Saijo) went to the chicken yard and gathered up 10 workers and it was then I told them what had happened to Mrs. Nakata and she has done wrong

and regret much what she did, so the best thing is to keep on our work faithfully and don't be misled. That's what I told them.

Ing. That's all of the questions I have to ask Mrs. Saijo. I don't think we need to take the time unless you have any questions to ask her.

Saito I want to ask Mrs. Saijo in what official capacity or title are you working in the farm. Poultry foreman, assistant foreman or what

Saijo I am instructing how to take care of chickens and making schedule or working hours and about their working conditions and how they work. That's my duty.

Saito In that meeting which was held last year were you there as an individual or did you go there as representative of Mr. Saijo, being delegated by him?

Saijo I heard from Mr. Saijo, "Mama, I want to have a meeting with others". That's what I heard. The very next day, that was Sunday, there was going to be a meeting, Mrs. Suzuki came and said in Room 12, there is to be a meeting. She said, "Are you coming to the meeting, Mrs. Saijo?" I went was surprised, not all the workers of course, but there was quite few, among them was Mr. Sakaguchi too. I was surprised at his presence there.

Saito Then wasn't the meeting held by permission of Mr. Saijo?

Saijo No, neither Mr. Saijo or myself knew about that, especially at 2:00 o'clock. We had no knowledge of that.

Saito Then, as Mr. Saijo had no idea of having such a meeting of workers, you had no such idea either? In such case you didn't make any objection in having that meeting, didn't you?

Saijo I thought it was very bad because not all of the workers were there, neither it was consented to by Mr. Saijo, himself.

Saito Well, if you thought it was bad, why were you present then?

Saijo I was called, so I went. As soon as I was Mr. Sakaguchi I told him, "Why are you here?"

Saito If it wasn't officially recognized meeting then why did you stay there, why did you not decline?

Saijo I thought it was bad so I went there to find out. I was called, so I went.

Saito In the statement of Mr. Hoshisaki that "He wasn't working under Mr. Saijo but rather under WRA" in that term "under for Mr. Saijo," wasn't there any confusion in that?

Saijo We take it working under supervision of Mr. Saijo.

Saito I like to know about that chickens, being taken, was that once or several times?

Saijo So far as I know it was just once.

Saito You said it was just once, however, we hear that one thousand chickens have been lost. It was what we heard to that effect. Now don't you feel that the persons with responsibility and who is supervisor or in a supervision position at the project there. Don't you feel any responsibility over the project there? Having spread out such rumor or stories? Don't you have a sense of responsibility that you are regrettable or feel worry for such a thing toward the center people?

Saijo I haven't heard anything like one thousand chickens are lost.

Nagumo Your duty is to supervise or watch over the thing over there. If the matter was bad or not proper, why didn't you ^{s/}disband the meeting then?

Saijo I didn't have any authority to disband such a meeting, however, since, Mr. Sakaguchi was there, but not all of the worker, so this wasn't something, pleasant thing; consequently, I failed to report to Saijo but I stayed.

Nagumo When Mr. Hoshisaki made that statement I wasn't working under Saijo but under WRA, at that time how many of your family were working, three or two?

Saijo At that time three by the permission from the office.

Nagumo Are you working for the interest of Mr. Ingraham or WRA?

Saijo Of course, not for Mr. Ingraham or Mr. Hartman, we are working for WRA. However, under the supervision of Mr. Hartman and Mr. Ingraham.

Nagumo It means then not directly for the interest of Mr. Ingraham?

Saijo No, I don't know such difficult questions. I don't know, I cannot answer.

Nagumo Are you satisfied with 16 dollars now?

Saijo I am satisfied with it.

Nagumo Do you think those working under you are satisfied with 16 dollars?

Saijo The men like Mr. Hoshizaki isn't satisfied byt the majority says 16 dollars with clothing allowance which brings it up to about 20 dollars, that's alright.

Saito Referring to the Okura Case, did he bring even the imperfect or improper work order? He didn't bring the properly authorized or perfect certificate so Mr. Saijo said, "waith two or three days." Did Mr. Okura bring the work order that was imperfect that time?

Saijo Now, when I said perfect or proper work order, it's this. An employee gets first work order from Employment Office, then he goes to Mr. Ingraham's Office and notifies and then timekeeper notifies to that effect to us that such and such a person is going to be employed in your office from this day. But that notification didn't come to us so, that's why he called it an imperfect order.

Saito Then it means he gets work order from Employment Division?

Saijo I didn't see but Mr. Saijo said he didn't bring even that work order from the Employment Division.

Saito After one secures the work order from Employment Office and going down

to the foreman of the Poultry Project, has he further authority to deny him or to okay him beyond that work order?

Saijo I wasn't at his side that time so I didn't hear but to my knowledge it was said that he did not deny but said "to wait two or three days." That was my understanding.

Katagi Mr. Hoshizaki was working there since last September, while he was there was he a good worker there?

Saijo No, I don't think so.

Katagi From the very beginning?

Saijo Yes.

Katagi Then, it means he didn't produce any good result. In other words he didn't make a good worker?

Saijo That's right, he didn't. Each group of five makes up a unit so they work together and not as one single individual.

Katagi Then, within your observations Mr. Hoshizaki didn't work with his whole might or strength for his work?

Saijo I got the impression he wasn't working so hard and was not producing good efficiency. That was the impression I got.

Katagi So far as we learned from the hearings that Mr. Hoshizaki has been working industriously and working for the project. That was our understanding. That's what we were told.

Saijo Their views of the workers they have made on his work and what we see at the very same time are two different things.

(Five minute Recess)

Hatch. Mr. Ingraham ask more about lack of cooperation and I advised members of the committee to limit their questions as closely as possible to the main point. It takes too much time.

Ing. I have no point in hearing that didn't apply to Mr. Hoshizaki's termination or to some of the evidences that have been made to prove that his termination was unfair.

MR. GINJIRO SUGIMURA 27-14-C

Saito Mr. Sugimura was here last time on the witness stand. Why is it necessary to put him again?

Ing. He had more information to give us.

Nagumo Since we heard this witness once there is nothing more to be heard from
Saito him.

Ing. I think Mr. Sugimura has something more so we have him here.

Nagumo Mr. Sugimura, please present just one example which proves the lack of cooperation on the part of Mr. Hoshizaki which was the ground for his termination.

Sug. I heard from Mr. Saijo that Mr. Hoshizaki said, "Whether the chickens lay more eggs or not, it isn't my business, I am not vetally concerned. All I am after is getting 16 dollars, that's all." That shows and proves that he does not cooperate. That's all.

Saito The point is this, Hearing from Fr. Saijo that Hoshizaki lacks cooperation and so fourth, bring it here and reiterationg it that has no value to prove that he was lacking in cooperation.

Hatch. Mr. Sugimura, I want you to tell directly or definitely but what you have heard. What you have actually experienced or seen, to prove lack of cooperation.

Ing. Mr. Chairman, I didn't ask the question.

Sug. Mr. Okura was terminated on January 1 among those ten who were terminated that time. After one month he came up with the work order. Mr. Okura with the work order and talking with man like Mr. Fujii and Mr.

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such thing we didn't know about after one or two months.

Hatch. What has it to do with lack of cooperation?

Sugi. I thought it was advisable to ask the opinion of the workers, that's why I felt we should get together and get opinion.

Katagi. Then, it means not non-cooperation on the work, rather on the matter of personnel or personal matter, isn't it?

Sugi. Yes.

Saito. When Mr. Okura brought his work order in what capacity were you working there? Your status was ordinary worker or foreman?

Sugi. Mr. Saijo told me to do this and that, so I did.

Saito. Then, with what authority and power under such a circumstance you to bring proof that Mr. Hoshizaki lacked cooperation. By what authority and what power? That's what we want to know.

Sugi. The point in bringing his work order and talking with Saijo and Hoshizaki and Fujii and not consulting with us workers in order to be harmonious, to be cooperative among us all that kind of thing I thought showed lack of cooperation.

Ing. Do you have any knowledge that Mr. Hoshizaki used this Okura incident to divide the workers against Mr. Saijo?

Sugi. Yes, not cooperative, so that means lack of cooperation.

Ing. The thing I am trying to find out is that Mr. Hoshizaki in talking to other workers used this Okura incident as a weapon to prove that Mr. Saijo was unfair?

Sugi. Yes, in my opinion it was used.

Hatch. You said "in my opinion it was so and so," "I thought that way so and so." Have you seen with your own eyes? Can you bear your witness with proof and facts to make that statement?