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MH: And father used to . . . well that was—when I was born it was just depression and everything uh . . .

NW: Mm.

MH: My uncle's family was there but he went back to Japan in 1922, I think.

NW: Uhm

MH: So, father had to take care of—he, he had three property . . .

NW: Uhm.

MH: Forty acre, forty acre, and eighty acre.

NW: Oh, wow.

MH: And he—we used to have a lot of people there and . . . and mother was busy. She couldn't drive a car.

NW: Uh-huh.

MH: So father used to go by the grocery store.

NW: Oh, wow.

MH: He just—he just buy what he want to eat.

NW: [laughter]

MH: And so we used to eat a lot of good things.

NW: Yeah, yeah. Well, he must have been very successful, being the owner of those three farms.

MH: Well . . . he—we, we had to suffer—he had to suffer, though. Depression. And, and he replant everything, all the grape, to table grape . . .

NW: Mhm.

MH: *Kyohō*?

NW: Right.

MH: Just like that.

NW: Yeah.

MH: Uh, so he gra—he pulled everything out.

NW: Mhm.

MH: It-it was nothing but raisin, and, and uh . . . raisin and things like that.

NW: Right.

MH: first . . . muscat and raisin grape.

NW: Uh-huh.

MH: But he, eventually, dig everything in, and plant those uh, Rebere is what they call it.

NW: Yeah.

MH: And it takes a lot of care and . . . Eventually he, used to get first price at New York Market.

NW: Ohhh.

MH: Grape.

NW: Right.

MH: And, for a while there, he was sending some grape to London, too.

NW: Oh, wow. That's international trading.

MH: Yeah.

NW: Yeah, yeah.

MH: So he was—he was pretty . . . pretty good and successful, I guess.

NW: Mhm.

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