Record Nr. UNINA9910466619303321 Autore Chatani Sayaka **Titolo** Nation-empire: ideology and rural youth mobilization in Japan and its colonies / / Sayaka Chatani Ithaca;; London:,: Cornell University Press,, 2018 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 9781501730764 (electronic book) 1-5017-3076-2 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xiv, 347 pages) Collana Studies of the Weatherhead East Asian Institute, Columbia University Disciplina 305.253/091734 Rural youth - Political activity - Japan - History - 20th century Soggetti Rural youth - Political activity - Taiwan - History - 20th century Rural youth - Political activity - Korea (South) - History - 20th century Young men - Political activity - Japan - History - 20th century Young men - Political activity - Taiwan - History - 20th century Young men - Political activity - Korea (South) - History - 20th century Nationalism - Japan - History - 20th century Nationalism - Taiwan - History - 20th century Nationalism - Korea (South) - History - 20th century Electronic books. Japan Colonies History 20th century Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto National trends -- From mobilization to the social mobility complex --Totalitarian Japanization -- Interlude : Okinawa's place in the nationempire -- Colonial intellectuals -- Finding rural youth in Taiwan --Emotional basis for Japanization -- Model rural youth in Korean village -- Opportunities and loopholes -- As young pillars of the nationempire -- Epilogue : back in villages. By the end of World War II, hundreds of thousands of young men in the Sommario/riassunto Japanese colonies, in particular Taiwan and Korea, had expressed their loyalty to the empire by volunteering to join the army. Why and how did so many colonial youth become passionate supporters of Japanese

imperial nationalism? And what happened to these youth after the war?

Nation-Empire investigates these questions by examining the longterm mobilization of youth in the rural peripheries of Japan, Taiwan, and Korea. Personal stories and village histories vividly show youth's ambitions, emotions, and identities generated in the shifting conditions in each locality. At the same time, Sayaka Chatani unveils an intense ideological mobilization built from diverse contexts-the global rise of youth and agrarian ideals, Japan's strong drive for assimilation and nationalization, and the complex emotions of younger generations in various remote villages. Nation-Empire engages with multiple historical debates. Chatani considers metropole-colony linkages, revealing the core characteristics of the Japanese Empire: discusses youth mobilization, juxtaposing the Japanese seinendan (village youth associations) with the Boy Scouts and the Hitlerjugend; and examines society and individual subjectivities under totalitarian rule. Her book highlights the shifting state-society transactions of the twentiethcentury world through the lens of the Japanese Empire, inviting readers to contend with a new approach to, and a bold vision of, empire study.