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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE SECTION

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having property in any protected area. The proper administration of this property requires such persons to give full particulars as requested in this form.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: NOMURA, Seichi.HOME ADDRESS: 327 Belleville St., Victoria, B. C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 10054 SEX: Male AGE: 56OCCUPATION: Chauffeur

(If any business or businesses carried on, state where, under what name and whether carried on by yourself or in partnership with anyone; if partnership, give partner's name.)

EMPLOYER: Mrs. Gordon Hunter, 327 Belleville St., Victoria, B.C.MARRIED? Married.NAME OF WIFE OR ~~HUSBAND~~: Shige.ADDRESS OF WIFE OR ~~HUSBAND~~: (Deceased)NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Shigeyo (M) 24. (Adopted from elder brother. In Japan.)ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: In Japan.AGE OF CHILDREN: 24.

STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY (Each parcel must be mentioned and particulars given)

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 7 roomed 2 storied house.
2547 Government St., Victoria, B.C. Section 4, Map #162, Lot. 21,
Roll #14504. Assessed Value - of Land \$1,050.00. - Of Improvements,
\$750.00.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 7 roomed 2 storied house.
1 wooden garage. 1 wood-shed.

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) World Insurance Co. Ltd.,
Marine & General. #306915. \$2,000.00 Premium \$10.00. Address of property
insured - 2547 Government St., Victoria, B.C. To be left with Mrs. G. Hunter,
4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) 327 Belleville St., Victoria, B.C.
Paid in full for 1941. \$65.52. City Hall, Victoria, B.C.

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed)

None

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Renting to SHIMIZU, \$16. per mth.
Agents of property - E.E. Heath, 625 Yates St., Victoria, B.C.

No lease.

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS ~~Title deed held by lawyer of Mrs. G. Hunter, 327 Belleville St., Victoria, B.C. Elliot Maclean & Shandley, 620 View St.~~

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: ~~None.~~ ~~Victoria, B.C.~~

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN

~~None~~

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: ~~None~~

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: ~~None~~

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:

~~None~~

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: ~~None~~

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)

~~None~~

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

~~None~~

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:

~~2 trunks of personal clothing to be left with Mrs. G. Hunter, 327 Belleville St., Victoria, B.C.~~

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS

~~None~~

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY ~~None~~

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF
OTHERS: None

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom)

None

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)

2 x \$500.00. #B036888, #B036889. Dominion of Canada Victory Bonds.To be left with Mrs. G. Hunter, 327 Belleville St., Victoria, B. C.8. BANK ACCOUNTS Canadian Bank of Commerce, Victoria Rd., Vancouver, B.C.
Savings #N74. \$1,670.68. (Nov. 21. '41.) Canadian Bank of Commerce, Government St.,
~~Victoria, B.C.~~ Savings #7100. \$610.72. (Feb. 24. '42)
Bank of Montreal. Douglas St., Victoria, B.C. Savings. #3200. \$17.41.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS.

None11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None2. TRADE DEBTS: None

REMARKS:

I certify that the above information is true and complete and fully discloses all my property of every description in any protected area in British Columbia and sets forth all my liabilities direct and indirect.

Dated this 31st. day of March. 1942

(Signature)

Seichi NomuraArmeda Muir

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Aug 17/43

ar File No. 497

Full Name NOMURA, Seichi
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 10054 ☒ Male - Female
(Check) Age June 12, 1885

Former Address 327 Belleville St., Victoria, B. C.

Date Evacuated 1/5/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check) ☒

Present Address c/o Masakazu Nakagawa, 9/2/47 c/o Mr. O. Pennoyer,
R.B.#3, Salmon Arm, B. C. P.O. Box 37, Grand Forks, B.C.

☒ Widower
Married - Single
(Check) Name of Wife Dec'd

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother Dec'd Name of Father Dec'd

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by C. Girard Registered with Custodian yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Chauffeur, Owner of house & 1 lot.

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REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Catalogue No. 897.

File No. 497.

Name: Seichi NOMURA.

Reg. No. 10054.

Address: 2547 Government Street, Victoria, B. C.

Legal Description: Lot 21 of Section 4, Victoria District, Plan 162.

Classification: 2-storey, 7-room, frame, Dwelling; 1 Garage and 2 Sheds.

Registered in the name of: SEIICHI NOMURA.

State of Title (No. 79854-I): Clear.

Deposited with L.R.O. (see Jan. 13/45).

Sold to: GUNGA SINGH for \$900.00 Cash.

As at: January 27th, 1945.

Title (No. 150301-I) delivered to new Registered Owner on: May 25th, 1945.

Net proceeds (\$848.96) released to credit of Seichi NOMURA on: March 23rd, 1945.

Completed sales statement to Evacuee sent on: May 31st, 1945.

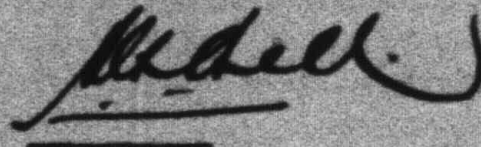
Chattels: Not involved.

Insurance: Transferred to Purchaser (Mar. 15/45).

Administration: This property consists of an irregular shaped lot (40' x 17' x 150') in a not very desirable residential district, with prospects for development as a business area. The 2-storey, 7-room Dwelling has no basement nor furnace, and is forty to forty-five years old. It was rented by owner @ \$16.00 per month, the same tenant remaining in occupancy to and through date of sale.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

27th March, 1947.



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POLICY NO. 10094		NAME HONURA, Seichi		FILE NO. 497		✓
COMPANY	POLICY NO.	AMOUNT	EXPIRATION			PROPERTY
			MONTH	DAY	YEAR	
World Marine & General Ins. Co. Ltd.	10094	\$2,000.00	Jan.	4	1945	2547 on the East side of Government St. Victoria B. C.
Colonian-American Insurance Company	10094	\$2,000.	Jan.	4	1945	2547 Government Street, Victoria, B. C.

TRANSFERRED TO PURCHASER (Mar. 15/45).

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

27th March, 1947.

[Signature]

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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File 497.

Seiichi NOMURA.

Reg. No. 10054.

This 56-year old Chaffeur, a Japanese-National, from Victoria, signed a Custodian "JP" declaration form on Mar. 31/42. He was evacuated on May 1/42. He was a widower at time of evacuation.

Personal Property: The only chattels disclosed in file were two trunks left by declarant with his employer. These were later shipped to him and during a call at this office on Mar. 24/47, he declared he had no other possessions in the protected areas of British Columbia.

Specified Articles: None.

Bills Receivable: None.

Bonds, Shares, etc.: Victory Bonds (2 @ \$500.00) declared to have been left in care of former employer did not come under Custodian administration.

Bank Accounts: A balance of \$1,670.68 declared to be in a Savings Account with the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Vancouver; another of \$610.72 in a Savings Account with the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Victoria; and a third of \$17.41 with the Bank of Montreal, Victoria, all remained under declarant's control.

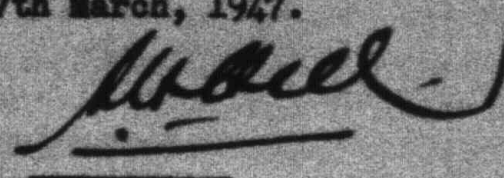
Life Insurance: None.

Funds: There is a balance of \$1,135.85 standing at the credit of this account at the present time.

There is no other personal property interest in this file.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

27th March, 1947.



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Cat. No. 877.

May 31st, 1945.

Mr. Seichi NOMURA,
Registration No. 10094,
c/o Mr. Masaharu NAKAGAWA,
R. R. No. 3,
Salmon Arm, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Lot 21 of Section 4, Victoria District, Plan
162.

In conformity with the Dominion Government's policy of liquidation of properties in the protected areas of British Columbia the above was included in a catalogue of such properties and was sold, as of the 27th January, 1945, for the sum of \$900.00, a price which was in line with the valuation placed on it by a qualified independent appraiser.

Adjustments of rents, taxes, insurance, etc., having been completed we enclose a statement of the transaction showing the net proceeds (\$848.96) passed to the credit of your account.

For your information we also enclose our Accounting Department's statement of your account, showing a balance of \$1,135.85 standing at your credit at the present time.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,
Administration Department.

RGB/P.
Encl.

c.c. to B. C. Security Commission,
Vancouver, B. C.

STATEMENT RE SALE OF:

Name: NOMURA, Seichi #10054

Catalogue No: 897

File No: 497

Street Address: 2547 Government Street, Victoria, B. C.

Legal Description: 21/4/162

Date of Sale and Adjustments January 27, 1945.

Sale Price \$ 900.00

Real Estate Agents Commission \$ 45.00

Charge for Valuation 5.00

Charge for Advertising 4.00

Land Registry Office Transmission Fee 2.50

Encumbrances:

~~Unpaid Vendor~~~~Mortgage~~~~Arrears of Taxes~~~~Other charges~~

Adjustments:

Fire Insurance 9.79

Taxes 4.33

~~Water~~

60.83 \$ 909.79

Net Proceeds credited to your account \$848.96

Date:..... May 31, 1945.

Compiled by:....George Peters.....

Catalogue No. 897
File No. 497
2547 Government Street
21/4/162/Victoria Dist.
Certificate of Title No. 150301

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 29 1945
File No.	497
File	
Referred	Peters

your file

Control of property covered by Certificate of Title No. 150301 is by me hereby acknowledged and I agree that all adjustments and incidents connected with the sale to me of this property have been settled.

Receipt is also acknowledged of cheque for \$1.91 representing closing of adjustments on sale to me of the above property.

Dated at Victoria B. C., this 28 day of March 1945.

Witness
Alice Lister
his
Gunga + Singh
Signed mark

Return to the Custodian

March 2nd, 1945.

REGISTERED MAIL

The Registrar,
Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Lot 21 of Sec. 4, Victoria Dist., Plan 162.

Enclosed herewith please find Transmission and Deed from the Honourable the Secretary of State acting in his capacity as Custodian to Gunga Singh.

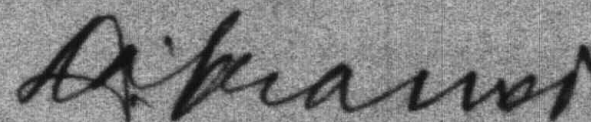
We are also enclosing registration applications in duplicate for the Transmission and Deed. The registration fees amounting to \$8.30 are included in our cheque No. 5149, which is also enclosed.

Will you please be good enough to stamp the duplicate applications, showing the numbers on both the Transmission and Deed, and return same.

As soon as the title has been issued, please forward it to the applicant at this office.

Thanking you for your co-operation.

Yours truly,



D.A. Cramer
(Conveyancer)

DAC:JS
Encls.

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This Indenture

Made the 12th day of February In the year of our
Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-five

In Pursuance of the "Short form of Deeds Act"

Between

THE HONOURABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF CANADA
Acting in his capacity as Custodian under the Revised Regulations
Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943)

(hereinafter called the "Grantor")

AND

GUNGA SINGH, retired,
of the City of Victoria,
in the Province of British
Columbia.

(hereinafter called the "Grantee")

WITNESSETH, that, in consideration of Nine Hundred (\$900.00)

Dollars of the lawful money of Canada now paid by the said Grantee to the said Grantor (the receipt whereof is hereby by him acknowledged) he, the said Grantor, DOTH GRANT unto the said Grantee, his heirs and assigns FOREVER:

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Province of British Columbia, and known and described as Lot Twenty-one (21) of Section Four (4) Victoria District, Plan One Hundred and Sixty-two (162).

TOGETHER with all buildings, fixtures, commons, ways, profits, privileges, rights, easements and appurtenances to the said hereditaments belonging, or with the same or any part thereof, held or enjoyed, or appurtenant thereto; and the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand of him, the said Grantor, in, to, or upon the said premises.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said Grantee, his heirs and assigns, to and for his and their sole and only use forever; Subject nevertheless to the reservations, limitations, provisos and conditions expressed in the original grant thereof from the Crown, and subject to all taxes, rates and local improvement assessments whether already or hereafter assessed. 49179-G. Reservations of minerals etc. in favour of the Hudson's Bay Company.

AND the said Grantor releases to the said Grantee all his claims upon the said lands **PROVIDED** there shall be no personal liability upon the Grantor on any covenant express or implied.

WHEREVER the singular or masculine is used throughout this Indenture, the same shall be construed as meaning the plural or the feminine or body corporate or politic where the context or the parties hereto so require.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said Grantor acting in his capacity as Custodian under the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading With the Enemy (1943) has executed these presents by his ^{Assistant} Deputy on the day and year as above written.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED
IN THE PRESENCE OF

Signature of Witness } *E. G. Barrett*
Street Address } *132*
City or Town } *Ottawa*
Occupation of Witness } *Surveyor*

J. W. Mathison
Assistant Deputy Custodian.

FOR MAKER

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the _____ day of _____, A.D. 194____, at the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, Ephraim Herbert Coleman, deputy of the Secretary of State of Canada acting in his capacity as Custodian under the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading With the Enemy (1943) who is personally known to me, appeared before me and acknowledged to me that he is the person mentioned in the annexed instrument as the Deputy of the Secretary of State of Canada acting in his capacity as Custodian under the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading With the Enemy (1943), the Maker thereof, and whose name is subscribed thereto as a party and that he knows the contents thereof, and that he executed the same voluntarily and is of the full age of twenty-one years.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal of Office at Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, this _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-_____.

A Notary Public in and for the Province of Ontario.

FOR WITNESS

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO }
TO WIT: }

I, *Ephraim Herbert Coleman* of the *City of Ottawa* in the Province of Ontario, make oath and say:

1. I was personally present and did see the within instrument duly signed and executed by *J. W. Mathison* the part *thereof*, for the purposes named therein.
2. The said instrument was executed at *Ottawa*
3. I know the said part *thereof*, and that *he is* of the full age of twenty-one years.
4. I am the subscribing witness to the said instrument and am of the full age of sixteen years.

Sworn before me at *Ottawa* in the Province of Ontario, this *13th* day of *February* 194____.

E. G. Barrett
A Notary Public in and for the Province of Ontario.
A Commissioner for taking affidavits within Ontario.

J. W. Mathison

Dated *February 1943*

THE HONOURABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF CANADA Acting in His Capacity as Custodian Under the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading With the Enemy (1943)

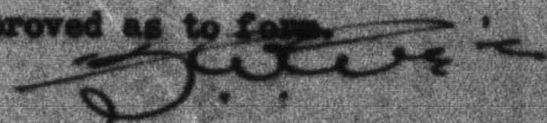
—TO—

GONGA SINGH

Deed of Land

Province of British Columbia, and known and described as Lot 21 of Sec. 4, Victoria District, Plan 162.

Approved as to form.



June 18, 1945.

G. O. Cumpston, Esq.,
George A. Touche & Co.,
Bank of Toronto Bldg.,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Seichi NOMURA - Reg. No. 10054.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 16th instant enclosing copy of a letter you have received from Mr. Harty Morden, regarding two packages of personal effects belonging to the above evacuee, which have been stored in his room at 327 Belleville St., with the consent of the late Mrs. Gordon Hunter.

We have no objection to these items being shipped to their owner whose present address is :

C/o Mr. Masakazu NAKAGAWA,
R. R. No. 3, Salmon Arm, B.C.

and if Mr. Harty Morden will get Mr. NOMURA's consent to the shipment and will so advise us, we shall be glad to defray the cost to the debit of Mr. NOMURA's account.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,
Administration Department.

RGB/CG.

Rockvale
Cliffside P. O.

June 15th 45.

Messrs. Geor. A. Touche & Co.,
Bank of Toronto,
Victoria, B. C.

Gentlemen

Re I Nomura

There are for Nomura 2 containers of personal things
in his room at 327 Belleville St.

My dear late sister also gave him a valued travelling
wardrobe trunk which is in his house here. There are also some
clothes of his here just as he left them.

I also hold in safe keeping his will and other docu-
mentary including a Bond. These are kept for him in wife's safe
keeping deposit box at her Bank.

Could you give me Nomuras present address. The last
was P. O. Box 12 at Grand Forks.

Would it be possible for permission to be given to
him to come and get his own belongings. Nomura was a faithful
loyal servant to my dear late sister as also to the late Hon.
Gordon Hunter my brother-in-law. his service extending to some
26 years of service. You can appreciate our feelings under the
circumstances created by War. We do not wish him to be
disturbed over anything that is his.

Most Cordially

(signed) Harty Morden

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REGISTERED A/R

May 25, 1945.

Mr. Gunga Singh,
1226 Finlayson Avenue,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 897
2547 Government St.
21/1/162/Victoria

Enclosed herewith please find Certificate of Title
No. 150301-1, covering the above property in your name, and relevant
insurance policy, which has been assigned to you.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:EB
Enc.

March 23, 1945.

E. E. Heath, Esq.,
625 Yates Street,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 877
2347 Government Street
21/4/162/Victoria Dist.

Deed to the above described property has now been registered in the name of Ganga Singh, 1226 Finlayson Avenue, Victoria, and we are ready to deliver control to him. When the title has been received by us from the Land Registry Office it will be sent by registered mail to Mr. Singh or to any person designated by him.

Adjustments as of January 27th, 1945, as shown on the enclosed sheet, have been calculated and a balance of \$1.91 appears to the credit of the purchaser. A cheque for this amount is enclosed herewith.

Relevant insurance policy which has been assigned to the new owner of this property will be mailed with the title.

Please return to us the attached control receipt, duly signed.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:EB
Enc.

cc to Mr. Ganga Singh

January 29, 1945.

E. E. Heath Esq.,
625 Yates Street,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 897,
2547 Government St.,
Victoria, B.C.
21/1/162/Victoria District.

This property, the rents for which you are collecting, is the subject of an expected sale through your agency, the effective date of which should be January 27th, 1945.

Will you be good enough to continue collecting rents and reporting to this office pending completion of current arrangements. It will be appreciated, however, if you will report as promptly as possible and at the same time keep us up to date on all charges against the property which are disbursed through your office.

No further extraordinary charges should be incurred without consultation but current levies usually payable on behalf of the landlord (such as water, for example) may be continued.

You will be further notified when the sale is finally completed so that whatever arrangements are desired may be made with the prospective transferee.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:AS

Jan. 27th, 1945.

R.E. Heath Esq.,
625 Yates Street,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 597
2547 Government St.
Victoria, B.C.
21/1/62/Vic. Dist.

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 19th in which you enclose your certified cheque for \$900.00, being the full purchase price for the above property.

We note that you request this property be registered in the name of Gunga Singh, retired, of 1226 Finlayson Ave., Victoria, B.C., who is a British subject. Kindly have the enclosed form completed and returned to this office.

On receipt of this information, and as previously advised, conveyance will be prepared and forwarded to Ottawa with our recommendation for acceptance, and if accepted, adjustments will be calculated as of the date of this letter.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

GP:FR
Encl.

PHONE EMPIRE-4041

REG. PHONE EMPIRE-0219

E. E. HEATH

NOTARY PUBLIC
REAL ESTATE AND FINANCIAL AGENT

B. C. TIMBER

AGENT FOR
THE CANADA FIRE INSURANCE CO.
OF HALIFAX, N.S.
AND MONTREAL FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, MONTREAL, N.B.

AGENTS FOR
THE LONDON AND GLOBE
INSURANCE CO., LTD.
CALCUTTA AND AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY
OF NEW YORK
BELL SIBSON

825 YATES STREET.

VICTORIA, B.C.

January 5th, 1945.

The Custodian of Enemy Property,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find my cheque in the sum of \$30.40
covering rents 2547 Government Street (File No. 497) for the
months ending December 22nd and January 22nd, which I trust
you find in order.

With reference to your letter of recent date regarding
the insurance of this property, please be advised that a friend
of Nomura's ordered this property to be covered in the sum of
\$2000.00 in the early part of December. They claim that the
property could not be replaced for this amount and that the
coverage is not too high. Also, they paid the premium of \$10.00
by their own personal cheque.

The policy was sent to the party paying the premium,
and she has put same in her deposit box, and is now visiting
in the East. I have tried to locate the original policy but
will have to wait for her return. However, I have prepared a
Certified Copy of Insurance, and you will see that it has been
written in the name of Seichi Nomura. If you wish any changes
or have any comments on the matter, will you kindly write me
and I will see that your wishes are carried out.

Yours truly,

E. E. HEATH.

/AF
Encls.

✓ receipt
mailed
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Jan. 16th, 1945.

E. E. Heath Esq.,
625 Yates Street,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 897
2547 Government St.,
Victoria, B.C.
Lot 21, Blk. A, Vic. Dist. Pl. 162.

We are in receipt of your letter of January 8th in which you offer to purchase the above property for the sum of \$900.00 cash.

This is to advise you that we are prepared to recommend the acceptance of this offer. Will you please forward to us a certified cheque for the purchase price, namely \$900.00.

Kindly advise the full name, address and occupation of the person in whose name this property is to be registered and also state whether or not the proposed registered owner is a British subject, using the enclosed form for your reply.

The necessary documents will then be prepared and forwarded to the Secretary of State at Ottawa, and if our recommendation is acted upon, the documents will be signed and returned.

After the documents have been registered, a statement of adjustments of taxes, etc. will then be prepared, including registration fees, and forwarded to you.

The tenant will then be advised that the property has been sold, subject to the existing tenancy, and the owner will then be in a position to assume control of this property.

There is a registered charge # 49179-G - Reservations of minerals etc. in favor of the Hudson Bay Company. The sale of this property is subject to this charge.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears
Director

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Director

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Cat. No. 577.

January 11th, 1945.

Messrs. Elliott, MacLean & Shandley,
Barristers & Solicitors,
620 View Street,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Seiichi NOMURA - Reg. No. 10054.

In his declaration dated 31/7/1942 the above Evacuee stated that Certificate of Title (No. 79854-I) to his Victoria property (Lot 21 of Section 4, Victoria District, Plan 162-2547 Government Street) was deposited with you for safe keeping.

As you are doubtless aware the Japanese interest in this property became vested in the Custodian from date of evacuation, and in conformity with Ottawa's policy of orderly liquidation of such assets it was included in our catalogue of properties advertised for sale, and, an acceptable bid having now been received the property is in course of sale.

In this connection we desire to have the Certificate of Title and would be obliged if you would send it in to this office at your early convenience.

Yours truly,

R. G. Ball,
Administration Department.

RGB/P.

December 29, 1944.

Mr. E. E. Heath,
Real Estate and Insurance,
625 Yates Street,
VICTORIA, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: World Marine & General
Fire Policy #306915

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The above numbered policy covering for \$2,000.00 on the dwelling at 2547 Government Street, Victoria, expires on January 4th, next.

I would like you to attend to this renewal and when doing so please inspect the property with a view to possible revising the coverage in line with present insurable value. In this connection, I notice that on December 12th, you were advised by this office that recent appraisal of this property placed the value at \$900.00, which of course would include the land as well as the house. The appraised value is not necessarily the present insurable value; but there is quite a difference between that amount and the \$2,000.00 that has been carried to date on this dwelling.

Another thing you might consider too would be to include coverage for the garage and two sheds which I understand are on the property, providing of course they are worth insuring.

The policy should be written in the name of the "Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian" for a term of three years, the original of which we require for our files. You could pay the premium and charge it to rent, or send the bill here and we will issue a cheque, whichever you prefer.

Yours truly,

S. M. Gibson,
Insurance Department

SMG:JS

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Cat. No. 897.

December 12th, 1944.

E. R. Heath, Esq.,
625 Yates Street,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Seiichi NOMURA - Reg. No. 10954.

When the writer was in Victoria recently it was arranged that all Agents would be advised of the appraised value of the properties they are handling, as a means of facilitating sales.

The appraised value of the property listed under our Catalogue No. 897 (2547 Government Street--Lot 21, Section 4, Victoria City, Plan 162) is \$900.00. We hope this information will facilitate finding a buyer for this property.

Yours very truly,

R. G. Bell,
Administration Department.

RGB/P.

c.c. to Messrs. Geo. A. Touche & Co.,
Bank of Toronto Building,
Victoria, B. C.

4th November, 1942.

E.E. Heath, Esq.,
625 Yates Street,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Seiichi NOMURA
and
Dwelling at 2547 Government St., Victoria

With reference to fire insurance in effect on the
above mentioned property, for which you are acting as rental agent.

On the "JP" form the above mentioned Japanese reported
insurance in force, being Policy No. 306915, Marine & General, and
also some insurance with the World Insurance Company, policy number
not given. *one company*

Would you kindly check up on this matter for us, please.
We would like to have the policies or copies of the policies covering
this property sent to this office. If you have no information on
your file, I would suggest you contact the agents in Victoria for the
two Companies mentioned above and ask them to let you have copies of
the policies for us.

Yours very truly,

S.M. Gibson,
Insurance Department

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The Cable Station
Bamfield, B. C.
2nd October, 1942

H. F. Green, Esq.
Protection Department
Japanese Property
Vancouver

Dear Sir:

I have now checked the inventories for the Japanese houses which you sent me and an enclosing same. You will notice I have drawn a line through those articles I cannot find which as you will see is mostly fishing gear, but Mrs. Anderson told me that a Govt. boat came and took most of it away, also a Mr. White took some up to Ostrea machine shop. Of course I cannot accept any responsibility for that statement.

There is a fair quantity of lines and hooks still there but not being a fisherman I cannot determine one from the other.

I have added a few articles of furniture all homemade, that particularly applies to Hirsch's house now rented by Mrs. Elliston.

I regret delay in returning inventories but I work a different duty each week and only one of them is suitable for such work.

As regards rental I have posted a notice in each of the stores, but the prospects of renting are not bright as Grappler is an inconvenient area to live, furthermore none of the houses have any conveniences such as lavatory, bath or hot water, in fact there is no plumbing of any kind.

I have made the rentals as reasonable as possible as an inducement, as there is no doubt if the houses are unoccupied they will deteriorate especially during the wet winter season we get here.

I am,

Dear Sir,

Faithfully yours

(signed)

H. C. Whippard

MD

PHONE E-4041

Gibson
RES. PHONE E-0219

E. E. HEATH
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REAL ESTATE AND FINANCIAL AGENT
B. C. TIMBER

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688 VAYNE STREET,

VICTORIA, B. C. September 14th, 1942.

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Japanese Custodian,
Hastings & Granville Streets,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re your Form Letter No. 68, September 10th, 1942.

I am in receipt of your form letter No. 68, and please be advised that I have not covered Mr. S. Nomura for fire insurance but I will be pleased to receive an application from you for War Risk insurance, and I am enclosing three applications. Will you kindly sign same and send your cheque in the sum of \$5.00, made payable to the Caladonian Insurance Company to this office.

For your information, I have filled out the applications and it is only necessary for you to sign same and return with your cheque and I will forward them to the Company, as this is the only property Mr. Nomura owns.

I have filled in Item 2 as "yes" and have made the loss payable to the Secretary of State of Canada.

Awaiting your reply, I am,

Yours truly,

EEH:AF
Encl.

S. Nomura
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me

E. E. HEATH.

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April 6th, 1942.

R. G. Hinton, Esq.,
Bank of Toronto Bldg.,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to our letter of the 26th ultimo
undernoted is a further list of cases referred to you:

MARUWA, Yoshio	- 12153
OKAMOTO, Easer	- 10092
HOMURA, Seichi	- 10054
TAMASHIRO, Kiju	- 10724
HENMI, Sokichi	- 02552

The Custodian desires etc.

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P. O. Box 37
Grand Forks B.C., February 9th, 1947

Custodian,
B. C. Security Commission,
Vancouver B.C.,

EVACUATION SECTION	
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Dear Sir:-

I am writing on behalf of Mr. S. Nomura who is now in my employ and who has been advised by a friend of his in Victoria that a property owned by him and situated on Government Street in Victoria, has been sold by the Commission for the sum of \$900.00.

The House on this property was rented at the time Mr. Nomura left Victoria for \$15.00 per month and he left the collection of rents etc. in the hands of a Mr. Heath, a Realty Agent, since that time he has had no accounting of any rents collected nor has he had any advice from your Commission in regard to the sale of this property or what has become of the sale price.

Mr. Nomura would appreciate very much if you would advise him what amount is at his credit in your charge and if what steps he would have to take to secure such amount.

You can address your reply to Mr. S. Nomura c/o Mr. O. Pennoyer, P. O. Box 37, Grand Forks B.C.,

Thanking you for your early reply, I remain

Yours very Truly

Pennoyer

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Mailed 31/3/47

March 27th, 1947.

REGISTERED A/R.

Mr. Seichi NOMURA,
Registration No. 10054,
c/o Mr. O. Penoyer,
P. O. Box 37,
Grand Forks, B. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request made by you during your call at this office on the 24th instant we enclose our cheque in your favour for \$1,135.85, representing all funds held by this office for your account.

This payment has necessitated a review of your file and we avail ourselves of the opportunity thus presented to give you a brief resume of our administration of your affairs.

As you know, the policies in regard to the management and subsequent liquidation of your property were decided upon by the Government of Canada, and while the problem was a difficult one for all concerned, we can assure you that it has been the aim of this office to carry out those policies in as careful and fair a manner as possible.

Real Property: Your Victoria property (Custodian Catalogue No. 897) was sold (Jan. 27/45) for \$900.00, the value placed on it by a qualified independent appraiser. A complete statement of this transaction was mailed to you, at Salmon Arm, on May 31/45, but was returned to us some time later by the Post Office, and it was not until Feb. 24/47, that we learned your whereabouts and re-mailed this statement to you.

It is appreciated that the sale of any property is a matter of concern to, and may in some cases be contrary to the wishes of, the owner, but, as explained above, this sale was effected in conformity with Government policy and every effort was made by this office to insure that prices realized represented current values, as shown by independent appraisals by qualified appraisers.

Personal Property: The only chattels declared by you were two trunks, which were subsequently shipped to you.

Bonds, Shares, etc.: Victory Bonds (2 @ \$500.00) declared by you remained under your control and did not come under our administration.

Bank Accounts: A balance of \$1,670.68 declared to be in a Savings Account with the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Vancouver; another of \$610.72 in a Savings Account with the Canadian Bank of Commerce in Victoria, and a third of \$17.41 with the Bank of Montreal, Victoria, all remained under your control and did not come under our administration.

(Over)

Mr. Seichi NOMURA.

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March 27th, 1947.

Liabilities: No claims have been filed against you.

Funds: The remittance of \$1,135.85, referred to at the beginning of this letter, leaves no balance in your account, which will therefore be closed.

This would appear to account for all property of every kind left by you in the protected area which vested in the Custodian, and in order that you may confirm this, we enclose a stamped addressed envelope for your convenience.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,
Office of the Custodian.

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