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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: **HAGAMI; Kanomatsu**HOME ADDRESS: **Port Essington, B. C.**REGISTRATION NUMBER **11182** SEX: **MALE** AGE: **64**OCCUPATION: **Fisherman, B. C. Packers Co. Ltd., Sunnyside, B.C.**

(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: **B. C. Packers Co. Ltd., Sunnyside, B. C.**MARRIED? **YES**NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: **KURA**ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: **Nakahama Mura, Nishiha Gun, Tottori Ken, JAPAN**NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: **NONE**ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: **NONE**AGE OF CHILDREN: **NONE**

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: **NONE**

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

NONE

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are)

NONE4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) **NONE**

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

NONE

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

NONE

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: NONE

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: NONE

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN: NONE

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: SHACK

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: B. C. Packers Co. Ltd.,

Sunnyside, B. C.

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: NONE (SEE BACK FOR PARTICULARS)

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: NONE
5. 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)
NONE
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: NONE
9. LIFE INSURANCE: NONE
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS:
NONE
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: NONE

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: NONE
2. TRADE DEBTS: NONE
- REMARKS: NONE

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 23 day of March 1942.

(Signature)

K. Kagan

J. T. Williams
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

P.T.O.

Moneys held in trust for the Skeena Fisherman's Association, President
Mr. K. Miwa, Prince Rupert, B. C.
Mr. K. Nagami, Accountant.

Accounts with the Royal Bank of Canada, Prince Rupert, B. C.

Account # 11 \$171.33

1436

Account #N329 \$582.89

Account #N328 \$158.28

Total \$912.50

1-\$500.00 War Savings Certificate, TP 159, "The No.2 District Fishermens
Association", Port Essington, B.C.

1-\$100.00 War Savings Certificate, TE2302, "The No.2 District Fishermens
Association", Port Essington, B.C.

In the possession of Mr. K. Nagami, Accountant.

This Association also holds one Lot upon which there stands one Hall
and one three room shack at Port Essington, B. C. Title Deeds in
possession of Japanese Association, Gore Ave., Vancouver, B. C.

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Our File No. 1066

Date July 23/42

Full Name NAGAMI Kanematsu (deceased)
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 11182

Male - Female
(check)

Age Dec 24/1876

Former Address Port Essington, B.C.

Date Evacuated Apr. 24/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address Salsgus, B.C.
Died at Glacier, B.C. - February 5, 1945

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife Kura m/r. (Japan)

Name of Husband -

Name of Mother Deceased Name of Father Deceased

Names of Children under 16

Requested by Miss Chape Registered with Custodian Yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Fisherman

COPY

Court House,
Prince Rupert, B. C.
January 12, 1943.

Ian Macpherson Esq.,
Title Examiner,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

In furtherance to your letter of December 3rd, and this office reply December 16th, respectfully advise having heard from our local constable stationed at Port Essington who confirms there is no known property under either of the names: Skeena Fisherman's Association or K. Miwa.

However in delving into the matter further it is found that the Canadian Japanese Association is the registered owner of the East 28 feet of Lot 13, Block 1, Subd.D.L.45, Pl. 537, R.5, C.D. (Port Essington) and it is deemed likely that this is the property you may have reference to. In case this should be so I am enclosing herewith copy of Assessment Notice for the year 1943 (Folio 561).

I am also enclosing a detailed sketch plan, of Block 1 showing location of the above mentioned holding of the Canadian Japanese Ass'n, along with other Japanese holdings therein.

Yours faithfully

(Signed) Geo.W. Cripps

Provincial Assessor.

c/c-encls.

NOTE FOR THE FILE

March 4th, 1943.

Re: East 26' of Lot 13, Blk. 1, Subd. D.L.
43. Plan 537, Range 5, Q.R., Port Radisson.

The Registrar, Prince Rupert, reports that title to this property is in the name of the Canadian Japanese Association and the title is in the hands of the Canadian Japanese Assoc., same Inc.

Neither Mr. E. Kline nor Kenneth HAGAMI has a registered interest in this property. Insofar as the Hagami file is concerned the matter is closed.

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N. Kamloops B. C.

April 3rd, 1945.

A. R. Gverts Esq.,
C.P.R. Supt.
Revelstoke B. C.

Dear Sirs

I am writing with respect to one Kanematsu Nagami who was working for the C.P.R. at Glacier but due to an accident at Glacier died at Golden Hospital on Feb. 5th, 1945. At the time of his death his son Mr. Sei Nagami, working for the C.N.R. at Morey-via Red Pass, B. C. went to Golden and took charge of the funeral arrangements. The son, Mr. S. Nagami has asked me to write to you. He is under the impression that the funeral expenses would be paid by the C.P.R. but Mr. Henderson from whose undertaking parlors the funeral took place asked the son to pay and he did so to the amount of \$125.00. Mr. Nagami also states that he thinks there is some wages owing to his father, covering the time from January 16th until the day of his death Feb. 5th. I should be glad to hear from you regarding these matters at your convenience.

Yours truly,

Missionary to the Japanese
Kamloops Area.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY

- CR/033765 -
Revelstoke, B.C. April 4th, 1945.

Miss Kathleen Lang,
Missionary to the Japanese,
North Kamloops, B. C.

Dear Madam:

I received your letter of April 3rd regarding Kanematsu Nagami, who was fatally injured at Glacier on February 5th last.

It is my understanding that his son, Mr. S. Nagami, who took care of the funeral arrangements, will be reimbursed a certain definite amount by the Workmen's Compensation Board, to cover cost of funeral. I have, however, referred your letter to our District Claim Agent, Vancouver, who will get in touch with the Workmens' Compensation Board to see what has been done in the matter.

As regards outstanding cheques. Yes, there were two cheques, one for January 'B' period amount \$29.94, and one for February 'A' period amount \$5.18, and these will be turned over to whoever presents the necessary legal authority.

Yours truly,

Superintendent

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Canadian Pacific Railway Company

H. Cormack

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Vancouver, B. C., 12th April 1945.

Miss Kathleen Lang,
Missionary to the Japanese,
North Kamloops, B. C.

Dear Madam:

re: Kanematsu NAGAMI, fatally injured
Glacier, 5th February.

Your letter of the 3rd instant concerning the above addressed to our Superintendent at Revelstoke has been referred to me. Insofar as the question of funeral expenses is concerned might I suggest that you communicate direct with the Workmen's Compensation Board at Vancouver as the Board has full particulars of the case.

With respect to the matter of outstanding wages, I am enclosing form P.R. 3 which I should be glad if you will kindly have completed by the deceased's son, returning same to me in due course. I understand that the wife of the deceased is living in Japan and she, naturally, would be the one to receive the outstanding wages and due to war conditions there may be some delay in disposing of this feature of the matter.

Yours truly,

"H. Cormack"

DISTRICT CLAIM AGENT

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N. Kamloops, B. C.
April 20th, 1945

H. Cormack, Esq.,
District Claim Agent,
C.P.R., Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Kanematsu Nagami, fatally injured Glacier,
5th February.

I am in receipt of your letter of April 12th, and
am forwarding it to Mr. Nagami. When he has returned it to me
I will again forward it to your office. As all Japanese mail
is censored it will take some time for this matter to be handled
by mail.

As you have suggested I will take up the matter of
funeral expenses with the Workmen's Compensation Board.

Thanking you for your kindness in this matter I am,

Yours truly,

C. of E. Missionary to the Japanese
Kamloops Area.

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N. Kamloops B. C.

April 20th, 1945.

The Workmen's Compensation Board,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

I am writing with respect of one Kanematsu Nagami who while working for the C.P.R. at Glacier was fatally injured and died at Golden Hospital on Feb. 5th, 1945. The son Mr. Sei Nagami has called on me enquiring re the reimbursement of funeral expenses. I wrote to the C. P. R. with regard to this matter and they have referred me to you. The son paid the undertaking parlors for the funeral the sum of \$125.00. Will you kindly let me know what to tell Mr. Nagami in respect to this matter?

Yours truly,

C. of E. Missionary to the Japanese
Kamloops Area.

THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BOARD

April 21, 1945.

Miss Kathleen Lang,
C. of E. Missionary to the Japanese,
North Kamloops, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Kanematsu Nagami dec'd, Claim 4505009

Yours of the 20th inst. received.

If you are in touch with the son of the
above named you might advise him to have the undertaker
who conducted the funeral send an itemized account to
us. If the account has already been paid the person who
paid it should send us a receipt showing that the account
is paid in full so that reimbursement might be considered.

Yours truly,
THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BOARD,

"R. A. Lane"

Legal Department

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N. Kamloops B. C.

April 25th, 1945.

The Workmen's Compensation Board,

Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs

Re Kanematsu Nagami Dec'd Claim 4505009

I am in receipt of your letter of the 21st inst. Mr. Sei Nagami is working at Morey B. C. and therefore it is rather difficult for me to get in personal touch with him. I have therefore written the funeral parlors at Golden asking them to send you a copy of the account rendered and also a copy of the receipt given Mr. Nagami at the time of payment. I trust this will be satisfactory to you.

Yours truly,

Missionary to the Japanese

Kamloops Area.

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H. Cormack Esq.,
C. P. R.
Claims Department,
Vancouver, B. C.

N. Kamloops B.C.
May 5th, 1945.

Dear Sir:

re: Kanematsu Nagami, fatally injured
Glacier, 5th February 1945.

I thank you for your letter of April 12th. I regret the long delay in answering but this is due to the time taken in sending letters to Japanese as all such letters must be censored. I am enclosing P.R. 3 form signed by Mr. Nagami, son of the deceased. All these answers have had to be done through translation and are as far as it was possible for me to do so true translations of his answers. With regard to the last question Mr. Nagami says that he has no one that he can ask to sign such a bond as you require. As you say the wife of the deceased Mrs. Kanematsu Nagami is in Japan, so it is possible that the Custodian of Japanese goods might be able to give you further information as to Mr. Kanematsu Nagami's financial standing at the time of his death.

Your office at Revelstoke suggested that a birth certificate or some such paper verifying the fact of Mr. Sei Nagami's relationship to the deceased would be needed. Mr. Nagami has a paper from the Village Head man in Japan which gives both his father's and grandfather's name but I am sorry to say it is in Japanese. The R. C. M. P. would have examined this paper at the time of registration so could probably verify the matter of sonship without much trouble. However if you wish this paper forwarded to you I will do so on receipt of a letter from you.

Thanking you for the trouble you have taken in this matter and trusting I will hear from you again if I can be of further assistance,

I am,

Yours truly,

Missionary to the Japanese,
Kamloops Area.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY

Law Department

Vancouver, B. C.

May 12th, 1945.

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Miss Kathleen Lang,
Missionary to the Japanese,
North Kamloops, B.C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Kanematsu NAGAMI, Deceased

Your correspondence with the Company regarding the deceased
has been referred to me.

It would appear that there is \$35.12 payable to the estate on
account of wages for the last half of January and first part of February.
Before this money can be paid to the son, the Company would require a
release from the widow and daughter, and a bond signed by two satisfactory
sureties. As it would seem to me that it will be impossible for the son
to comply with this requirement, I would suggest that the matter be placed
in the hands of the Official Administrator. He can take out letters of
administration, and we can pay the money to the party who is appointed
administrator of the estate.

Yours truly,

"J. A. Wright"

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Kamloops, B. C.

June 28th. 1945.

R. B. MacKedie,
Protection Department
B. C. Security Commission,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

In early April of this year a Mr. Sei Nagami, working for the C. N. R. at Morey-B. C. (Via Red Pass) called on me and asked me to write a letter for him to the C. P. R. regarding the death of his father at Golden B. C. Mr. Nagami's father was working for the C. P. R. and was killed in an accident at Glacier on Feb. 5th. Mr. Nagami the son, went to Golden for the funeral and was asked by the funeral parlor to pay the expenses which he did. He was now wishing to ask the C. P. R. for a refund of these funeral expense and also for his father's wages to the date of the accident. Now Mr. Nagami's mother and sister were living in Japan so the C. P. R. sent a number of forms to be filled out and also said we must write the Workmen's Compensation Board.

A great many letters have been written on this matter but as Mr. Sei Nagami is at Morey, the C. P. R. and the Workmen's Compensation Boards in Vancouver I find it very difficult to handle. I am enclosing copies of letters sent and received and would ask you kindly to take over this matter if possible. As Mrs. Nagami is in Japan and as her husband was killed while on duty I do not see how the matter can be settled satisfactorily at the present time and suggested to the C. P. R. that it was a matter for the Custodian. The latest letter I have from the C. P. R. advises turning the matter over to an official Administrator. I went to the office of the Official Administrator here and he said it should be handled by the Commission.

I am sorry to have to trouble you in this matter but Mr. Nagami does not read English, is too far away to contact, and the problems brought up are very difficult for my slender Japanese vocabulary and my Japanese writing ability. I trust you will be able to help Mr. Nagami in this matter.

Yours truly,

"Kathleen Lang"

Missionary to the Japanese,

Kamloops Area.

1066, 6465.

July 23rd, 1945.

W. G. Fleming, Esq.,
Official Administrator,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Kanematsu NAGAMI, Deceased

We are enclosing herewith copies of correspondence received from Miss Kathleen Lang, Missionary to the Japanese, North Kamloops, B.C., together with her letter to us dated June 28th, 1945. Kindly undertake the administration of the late Mr. Nagami's Estate and, when Letters of Administration are granted to you, be good enough to forward Notarial Copy to this office.

We are also enclosing for your information a copy of the "Revised Regulations Respecting Trading With the Enemy (1943)" and we would refer you to Sections 21 and 35 regarding the vesting of enemy property in the Custodian and the payment to him of funds to which he is entitled.

Mr. Kanematsu NAGAMI, deceased, was a Naturalized Citizen of Canada but his son, Mr. Sei NAGAMI is a Japanese National. For this reason it will be necessary to forward to the Custodian any funds payable to the son, as well as to Beneficiaries resident in Japan.

We have a file in our office for the late Mr. NAGAMI but it does not record any assets owned by him. His liabilities, as far as we are aware, consist of a claim of M. Furuya and Company, Limited, for the sum of \$1.00. Messrs. P. S. Ross & Sons, Chartered Accountants, Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, are handling the affairs of that Company.

Yours truly,

W. J. JOHNSTON
ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

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1066, 6465

July 23rd, 1945.

Miss Kathleen Lang,
Missionary to the Japanese,
North Kamloops, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Kanematsu NAGAMI, Deceased

We duly received your letter of the 28th
ultimo and have noted contents.

The settlement of this Estate appears to
be a matter for the attention of an Official Administrator
and we have, therefore, forwarded copies of correspondence
which you enclosed with your letter, together with other
particulars taken from our files, to Mr. W. G. Fleming,
Revelstoke, B. C. who acts in the above capacity for the
district in which the late Mr. NAGAMI resided prior to his
death.

Kindly accept our thanks for bringing this
matter to our attention.

Yours truly,

W. J. Johnston
Administration Department

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In the COUNTY

Court OF WEST KOOTENAY



n the matter of

KANEMATSU NAGAMI

, deceased,

and

In the matter of the "Administration Act."

ED THE 8th

DAY OF AUGUST

, A.D. 1945

UPON reading the affidavits of WILLIAM GREGORY FLEMING
Official Administrator for the Revelstoke
Electoral District

, it is ordered,

that WILLIAM GREGORY FLEMING
Revelstoke Electoral District, Province
County of British Columbia

, Official Administrator for the

, shall be Administrator of all and singular

the estate of Kanematsu Nagami

, deceased,* intestate

in the Revelstoke Review

and that notice of this Order be published. once

W. G. FLEMING,
Registrar, County Court.

Certified True Copy
W. G. Fleming
Registrar, County Court

* Insert "with the will annexed" or as the case may be.

MEMORANDUM

File No. 1066

January 22, 1947.

TO: MRS. A. G. MANTHUR

FROM: A. CLEAVER

Re: Estate of Kanematsu NAGAMI, Deceased.
Registration No. 11182.

Kanematsu NAGAMI died at Golden, B. C. on February 5, 1945, as a result of an accident. He was, at the time of his death, employed by the Canadian Pacific Railway. Nagami was survived by his widow, Kura, in Japan, and one son, Sei, file #6465, in Canada.

On June 28, 1945, a letter was received from Kathleen Lang, Missionary to the Japanese at Kamloops, enclosing copies of a large volume of correspondence which she had had with Sei Nagami, the C.P.R. and the Workmen's Compensation Board with regard to recovery of funeral expenses paid by Sei Nagami from the Workmen's Compensation board and collecting back wages from the C.P.R.

The Estate was placed in the hands of W. G. Fleming, the Official Administrator at Revelstoke and copies of all relative correspondence forwarded to him. Letters of Administration were issued to him on August 8, 1945, a certified copy of which appears on file.

On March 29, 1946, a cheque was received from Mr. Fleming in the sum of \$ 26.07, being the balance of funds in the Estate of the deceased, presumably after all debts had been paid. On April 8, 1946 we wrote to Mr. Fleming asking what distribution he wished us to make of these funds. On May 8, 1946 he replied that the next-of-kin given in the Inventory was Sei Nagami, son of the deceased, who returned to Japan on August 2, 1946. The widow of the deceased was mentioned in the correspondence which we forwarded to the Official Administrator. Is it possible that he had definite information that she is now deceased or should her interest in the Estate be protected by the Custodian?

The funds are, at present, being held in the Estate account.

A. Cleaver

1066, 6465

May 10, 1947.

W. G. Fleming, Esq.,
Official Administrator,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Kanematsu NAGAMI, Deceased.

On reviewing the file of the above-mentioned Japanese, we find that he was accountant for the No. 2 District Fishermen's Association at Port Essington and had control over several accounts in the Royal Bank of Canada, Prince Rupert, and also had in his possession, in 1942, several hundred dollars worth of War Savings Certificates. The No. 2 District Fishermen's Association owns real property at Port Essington and it is possible that Nagami also had, in his possession, the Title Deeds.

This man's declaration also indicated that he had a wife in Japan whose name and address were stated by him to be as follows:

Kura Nagami,
Nakahara Mura, Nishiha Gun,
Tottori Ken, Japan.

We would be glad if you would let us know whether Nagami's effects disclosed anything concerning the above-mentioned assets and we would appreciate your sending us a copy of the inventory filed with the application for grant of Letters, together with a statement of receipts and disbursements for our file.

The balance of funds from the Estate, namely \$26.07, for the credit of Sei Nagami, are still held in this office as this man returned to Japan on August 2, 1946, before this money was passed on to him. In view of the possibility of there being other living heirs, please advise us what disposition should be made of this money.

Yours very truly,

AGM/AC

A. G. McArthur,
Office of the Custodian.

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ADDRESS YOUR REPLY _____

TO Official Administrator



EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 14 1947
File No.	1066
Ans.	W.G.F.
Referred	W.G.F.

Revelstoke, B. C.,
May 13, 1947.

The Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Department of the Secretary of State,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hastings & Granville,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Attention: Mr. A. G. McArthur

Dear Sir: Re: Estate of Kanematsu NAGAMI,
 Deceased.

In reply to your letter of the 10th instant would advise that the only assets in this Estate, coming into my hands, were wages in the amount of \$35.12 due from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. After deducting administration and advertising expenses the balance was \$26.07, which was forwarded to you on May 8th, 1946. Herewith you will please find statement of receipts and disbursements.

This man died on February 5th, 1945 as a result of an accident while employed by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company at Glacier, B. C. The Estate did not come into my hands until July, 1945 after I had been requested in your letter of July 23, 1945 to take charge of it. Apparently the funeral arrangements and disposition of the effects were taken care of by a son, Sei Nagami.

According to the "Administration Act" of the Province of British Columbia would advise that if an intestate dies leaving a widow and one child, one-half of his Estate shall go to the widow. If he leaves a widow and children, one-third of his Estate shall go to the widow.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. G. Fleming".
W. G. Fleming,
Official Administrator.

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July 23, 1947.

W. G. Fleming, Esq.,
Official Administrator,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Kanematsu NAGAMI, Deceased.

Replying to your letter of May 13, we thank you for your interpretation of the Administration Act in its application to shares payable to heirs of an intestate generally. We look, however, to the administrator of any particular estate to name the heirs and the amounts payable to each.

You may not understand that this office is concerned only with property which was left in the protected area of British Columbia and, at the death of the owner, in the shares from the estate payable to Japanese Evacuees and Enemies.

The deceased may own other property of which the Custodian is unaware and, therefore, in turning over property to an administrator we are only in a position to supply information relating to property under our control or of which we have heard and can give only the particulars of next-of-kin which have come to light through correspondence or which we have obtained from the R. C. M. P. records.

Since we do not often have reason to investigate property outside of our control or the existence of relatives who are not Evacuees, we merely pass on what is available on our file with no undertaking that the information is complete and final.

You state in your letter that "apparently the funeral arrangements and disposition of the effects were taken care of by a son, Sei Nagami." If you feel assured that this is the case and that Sei Nagami paid his father's funeral expenses, you might feel prepared to instruct this office to credit Sei Nagami's account with the proceeds from the estate in partial reimbursement for his advance for funeral charges and thus save the expense and difficulty of locating other heirs since the estate is so small. We will be pleased to hear from you in this connection.

W. G. Fleming, Esq.,

July 23, 1947.

As a general rule for your guidance, we wish to say that our usual practice when a death has been reported to us is to ask the next-of-kin to take steps to have the estate administered. When we are advised of the person in whose favour renunciation has been made, we forward all the information available on our file for their assistance. Later, upon receiving a certified copy of their appointment as administrator, we turn over the assets, including cash on hand. It is then our practice to require the administrator, before distribution is made to the heirs, to send us a statement of receipts and disbursements and a list of the heirs, with the amounts payable to each. We then advise the administrator whether it will be in order to pay the funds direct to the heirs or whether the funds should be paid into this office. Upon receipt of our recommendation, the administrator then requisitions the cheques from the British Columbia Finance Department in accordance with same. We have found this a very satisfactory procedure.

Yours truly,

A. G. McArthur,
Office of the Custodian.

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ADDRESS YOUR REPLY _____

Official Administrator.



EVACUATION SECTION	
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File No.	1066 / 6465
Ans.	
Referred	McArthur

Revelstoke, B. C.,
July 25th, 1947.

Japanese Evacuation Section,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hastings and Granville,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

ATTENTION Mr. A. G. McArthur

Dear Sir:

Re Estate of Kanematsu NAGAMI, Deceased
Your Files 1066, 6465

In reply to your letter of the 23rd instant, would advise the only proof I have that the son paid the funeral expenses is from information obtained from correspondence passing between Miss Kathleen Lang, Japanese Missionary and the Canadian Pacific Railway Co.. This correspondence was forwarded to me by your office on July 23rd, 1945. According to the file Miss Lang was also in communication with the Workmen's Compensation Board at Vancouver, concerning a refund to the son of the funeral expenses. You could contact the W.C.B. Office and find out if the son was reimbursed.

If the son was reimbursed for the full amount of the funeral expenses and there are no other debts owing by the deceased the balance remaining in the Estate would of course have to be distributed to those entitled to it. Other than the son I have no information as to the heirs in this Estate.

Yours very truly,

W. G. Fleming
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