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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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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: Ohashi, Seichi

HOME ADDRESS: Port Essington, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 10940

SEX: Male

AGE: 25

OCCUPATION: Fish Packer

(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 Ltd. Sunnyside Cannery, Skeena River, B.C.

MARRIED? No

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: none

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: none

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) none

4. 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

CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY none

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR
2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS none

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:
for description of personal property, see list on back page

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: none
5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid) none

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: none

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

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Port Essington, B.C.

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: living with parents at Port Essington, B.C. (Mr & Mrs Matsujiro OHASHI)

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN none

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

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: 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)
\$5.00 in War Savings Certificates, in owners possession

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: none

9. LIFE INSURANCE \$2000 policy # 733576 with The Manufacturers Life Ins Co.
Rogers Building, Vancouver, B. C. Paid up to date. Beneficiaries father.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS. none

Mr. Matsujiro Ohashi
Reside transferred to
the Windsor office of the
Company

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: none

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: none

2. 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 24th day of March 1942.

(Signature)

S. Ohashi

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Sept. 22/43

Our File No. 1312

Full Name OHASHI, Seichi
(Surname in Block Letters)

Deceased

Registration No. 10940

☒ Male - Female
(check)

Age Nov. 11/1916

Former Address

PORT ESSINGTON, B.C.

Date Evacuated

☐ Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

c/o T.C. Warwick & Sons, Blenheim, Ontario

☒ Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

Chatham Ont 28/10/46 Deceased
Died at Windsor, Ont. on June 21/46.
Shizuko (TOMOTSUGU) 1944
(Married May 1946)

Name of Husband

same surname

Name of Mother OHASHI, Take #11096

Name of Father Matsujiro #11109

Names of Children under 16

Requested by E.C.T.

Registered with Custodian (Yes or No)

Additional Information

Fish Packer & Store Clerk

April 3, 1947.

GENERAL SUMMARY

File No. 1312

Seichi OHASHI, Dec'd.

Reg. No. 10940

Seichi OHASHI drowned at Windsor, Ontario, on June 21, 1946, while employed by the Detroit River Construction Company. He is survived by his widow, Harumi, file #9004; his father, Matsujiro, file #1348; and his mother, Take, file #3772.

In his Custodian declaration the deceased declared that he owned a gas boat, "Togo", which was turned over to the authorities at Port Basington; a speed boat left in the custody of D. W. Sauter, bookkeeper at the B. C. Packers Sunnyside Cannery at Skeena River; a Belgium Leader shot gun, one Eastman Kodak camera and one Super camera, in the custody of the R. C. M. P.; three dunnage bags, left with the baggage clerk at Hastings Park; a \$5.00 War Savings Certificate in the declarant's possession; and a Manufacturers Life insurance Policy, beneficiary being his father.

It is presumed that OHASHI took the dunnage bags with him on evacuation. The gas boat "Togo" was sold for a net amount of \$1,777.00 and payment was made direct to OHASHI on April 14, 1942. It was reported by H. G. Helgerson Limited on April 20, 1943, that the boat which OHASHI declared as a speed boat was an old open boat with a large hole in the bottom and equipped with an old automobile engine which had deteriorated due to the fact that the boat had been left tied up under the wharf at the Sunnyside Cannery ever since OHASHI was evacuated. They also reported that a man by the name of Jacobson had made an offer of \$30.00 for this boat. This offer was referred to OHASHI by this office. OHASHI stated that he could not understand the deterioration of this boat and that he would write to his friend, Mr. Sauter, in whose care the boat had been left, for a report on its condition. On June 4, 1943, however, we received another letter from H. G. Helgerson Limited stating that the boat was deteriorating rapidly and that the engine parts were disappearing. They urged that Jacobson's offer be accepted without delay or there would be no boat left to sell. They were instructed by this office to complete the sale for the sum of \$45.00, less expenses in the amount of \$2.50, and the funds derived from this sale were forwarded to Seichi Ohashi on October 7, 1943.

The sum of \$5.00 was received from the Dominion Government for credit to the account of Seichi Ohashi, being payment of transportation claim in connection with delivery of the gas boat "Togo". The Belgium Leader shot-gun was sold at auction in February, 1947, for a net amount of \$21.88. The two cameras were shipped to Harumi OHASHI, widow of Seichi OHASHI, on April 1, 1947, and postage in the amount of 39¢ was charged to his account. According to information obtained from the widow, the only asset of the deceased was the small credit balance of \$26.49 standing to the credit of his account in this office. This small credit balance was, therefore, forwarded to the widow on April 1, 1947. The benefits under the Manufacturers Life Insurance policy were paid direct to the beneficiary, Matsujiro OHASHI, father of the deceased.

No claims were filed against the deceased.

This summary is certified to be
in accordance with information on file.

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 1312

May 23, 1947

Re: Seichi OHASHI, Deceased

This file reveals no liabilities.

This summary is certified to be in
accordance with information on file.

J. Matheson

May 25, 1947

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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 1312

May 25, 1947

Re: Seichi OHASHI, Reg.No.10940
Deceased

Seichi OHASHI was drowned at Windsor, Ontario, on June 21, 1946, while employed by the Detroit River Construction Company. He is survived by his widow, Harumi, File 9004; his father, Matsujiro, File 1348 and by his mother, Take, File 3772.

Seichi OHASHI signed a declaration to the Custodian on March 24, 1942, in which he reported ownership of the following property:

One gas boat #172029 "Togo #1" in the hands of the authorities. Equipment in the custody of Constable E.W.Bell, B. C. Police, Port Essington, B.C. The vessel "Togo #1" according to the records of the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee was taken into custody by Naval Service in December, 1941, and was moored near Prince Rupert. This vessel was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee on April 16, 1942 for the sum of \$1,800.00. The net proceeds of this sale in the amount of \$1,777.00, were paid by the Committee direct to Seichi OHASHI on April 14, 1942. No copy of the sales papers is among the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee records. It is probable that the equipment reported to be at Port Essington was sold with the vessel.

One Speed boat complete with engine in the custody of Douglas W. Souter, Bookkeeper of B. C. Packers Ltd., Sunnyside Cannery, Skeena River, B. C. This boat was sold by the Custodian for the sum of \$45.00 on August 3, 1943. This boat was not appraised, but Mrs. Arnold, Custodian agent at Prince Rupert, reported that the boat was damaged and that it was rapidly deteriorating. See letters of April 20, 1943 and June 4, 1943. The net proceeds of this sale \$42.40 were credited to the account of OHASHI.

One Belgium Leader Shot Gun #3651, in the hands of authorities. This gun was sold by the Custodian for the net sum of \$21.88., which was credited to this account.

Two cameras left in the hands of Constable Bell. These cameras were mailed to the widow of Seichi OHASHI on March 31, 1947, by the Custodian.

3 Dunnage bags of personal effects. There is no record other than this of these bags, but it is most likely that these were taken away by Seichi OHASHI at the time of his evacuation.

War Savings Certificates worth \$5.00, in owner's possession. Life Insurance with The Manufacturers Life Insurance Co. Policy #733576. These were not brought under the control of this office.

Two photograph albums, not declared, were seized by the RCMP. It is presumed that these were returned to OHASHI, as indicated in RCMP letter of June 23, 1943.

The sum of \$5.00 was credited to the account of Seichi OHASHI in full settlement of the claim filed with the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee for refund of expenses incurred at the time of the impounding of the vessel "Togo #1".

This file reveals no other property.

This summary is certified to be
in accordance with information
on file. *J. MacKinnon*

MEMORANDUM TO FILE 1312

August 15, 1944

Re: Seichi OHASHI, Reg. 10940

<u>Article</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
Camera (1)	SUPER - No number	
Camera (2)	Eastman Kodak Serial #557984	

RCMP #969

*Released to Custodian - 10/8/44
mailed to Mrs. Seichi Ohashi. March 31, 1947
Gmawson*

MEMORANDUM TO FILE 1312

July 31, 1944

Re: Seichi OHASHI, Reg. 10940

<u>Article</u>	<u>Description</u>
Shot-Gun	Belgium Leader #3651, Calibre 12

(Declared on "JP" as being in the hands of the Authorities.
The RCMP have not supplied the Custodian with a list of
fire-arms in their custody)

J. Matheson

*Sold by Custodian at auction
Vancouver #70 - for the net sum of \$21.88
J Matheson*

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: May 9, 1944
Name: OHASHI, Seichi Reg. No. 10940 File: 1312
Boat File No.: JFVDC 435
Name of Vessel: "Togo No.1" 36.7'x10.4'x4' (1940) Standard 20 HP (1928)
Lic. or Reg. No.: Prince Rupert 172,029
Naval No.: PR.073-I
Owner's Valuation: \$3,000.00
JFVDC Valuation: None \$850.00 P.R. Survey #9
Custodian Valuation: None
Date of Sale: April 16, 1942 *Date uncertain no copy of Sales Papers*
Purchaser: Albert E. Lawson & Douglas Souter
Signature on Sales Papers: No copy
Selling Price: \$1,800.00
Paid to JFVDC or Custodian: 1,800.00
Supervision Costs: 23.00
Balance due Owner: 1,777.00
Paid to: Seichi OHASHI, on April 14, 1942
Location of Boat at Sale: Prince Rupert
Claims Against Canadian Govt.: The purchasers made claim for \$383.00 to cover engine & hull damage, allegedly suffered by the vessel while in custody. The JFVDC had no surveyor checking on damage to Prince Rupert boats, Naval Service have been investigating this claim. Custodian has no interest at present. *no claim filed with Custodian.*
Additional Information:

J. M. Harrison
The claim of \$383.00 referred to above would be against the Canadian Government or Naval Service. The only interest the Custodian could have in this claim would be if there is an indication that the purchasers have collected or tried to collect the amount of this claim from Seichi OHASHI. There appears to be no evidence that the purchasers have made any attempt to collect from the vendor.

*Reviewed
May 25/47
J. M. Harrison*

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: May 9, 1944
Name: OHASHI, Seichi Reg. No. 10940 File: 1312
Boat File No.: Custodian Boat File 1312
Name of Vessel: No name - Open Speed boat, with converted car engine
Lic. or Reg. No.: Unlicensed
Naval No.: None
Owner's Valuation: None
JFVDC Valuation: None
Custodian Valuation: None
Date of Sale: August 4, 1943
Purchaser: A. Jacobson
Signature on Sales Papers: Custodian Sale
Selling Price: \$45.00
Paid to JFVDC ~~XXXX~~ Custodian: 45.00
Supervision Costs: 2.50
Balance due Owner: 42.50
Paid to: Credited to account of Seichi Ohashi
Location of Boat at Sale: Under wharf at Port Essington, B.C.
Claims Against Canadian Govt.: None

Additional Information:

*J.M. Schlegel
Reviewed
May 25/47*

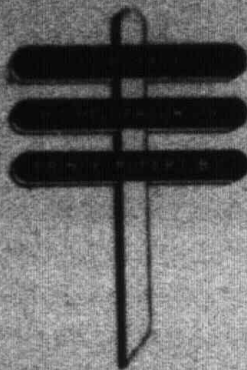
MEMORANDUM FILE #1312

The fishing vessel "Togo I" PR.172029 was sold to A.E.Lawson and D. Souter on April 14, 1942, for \$1,800.00

Paid to Seichi Ohashi on April 14, 1942 - \$1,777.00

(From Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee records)

N. E. ARNOLD, MGR.
NOTARY PUBLIC



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EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 24 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Green</i>

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Mr. F.G. Shears,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: S. Ohashi 13468 & #1314 (File Nos.)
Reg. No. 11109.

Yesterday we were approached by a man named Jacobson, of Shirley, B.C., regarding an old open boat belonging to above Japanese.

After some investigation we find that the boat is old, with a three foot hole in it and has been tied up to the piling under the wharf at Sunnyside Cannery ever since evacuation. It has an old car engine in it. Jacobson referred us to Douglas Souter, formerly connected with Sunnyside Cannery for information. Souter tells us that before evacuation Ohashi gave the boat to him (Souter) as they had always been good friends, but owing to the opening of the canning season he did nothing about the boat, except to leave it tied up, until the fall. At that time, when about to take possession of the boat, he was prevented by a member of the B.C. Police, who said that Ohashi had declared this boat among his possessions and it was, therefore, under the care of the Custodian and could not be released without a written order. Souter does not, we think, want the boat for himself, as he personally gave Jacobson the information of its whereabouts. However, the question of ownership should be cleared up in view of Jacobson's offer. From information received the boat has a large hole in it, and the engine has deteriorated, no doubt, from the past year's neglect and was an old one anyway. Jacobson offers \$30.00 for it.

No doubt you will contact Ohashi and write us later on the subject.

Yours very truly,

H.G. HELGERSON LTD.

NEA:JR

Manager.

N E Arnold.

(C.I.B.)
"E" Division.

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EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUN 8 1943
File No.	137
Ans.	4m
Referred	Matheson
Vancouver, B.C.	
June 7th, 1943.	
out to Matheson	

The B.C.O., I/O., R.C.M.P., PRINCE RUPERT, B.C.

Mr. Seichi OHASHI,
Res. No. 10940.

Embodied hereunder is a letter received from Mr. F. Matheson of the Office of the Custodian, Vancouver, dated May 27th, 1943.

Quote:

"The above-named man has written this office, as follows:

"Would you kindly let me know if my picture album could be returned to me which was taken away from my home at Eslington together with the radio and camera. I wasn't home at the time and my sister couldn't give me the reason why the album was taken. I have seen in the paper where cameras are to be released to owners, so I thought of this. When I live away from my family and many friends the album means a lot to me."

"Possibly you could give this Office, or Mr. Ohashi, the information he requests."

Unquote.

B. It is understood that the radio and camera in this case might have been seized by members of the Naval Service and it is possible that you could have a check made in this connection.

DEM/JV

(J. Wipps) D/Insp.
Officer I/O C.I.B.

The Agent of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

FORWARDED for your information.

Vancouver,
7-5-43
DEM/JV

(C.H. Hill) A/Comm'r.
Commanding "E" Division.

"E" DIVISION.

L. H. 3A

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

C.I.B.

DIV. FILE No. 43E.269/2/1-18
Your file 1312
H. Q. FILE No. _____

Vancouver, B.C..
June 23, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUN 25 1943
File No.	
Ans.	<i>FM</i>
Referred	<i>Matheson</i>

F. Matheson, Esq.,
Specified Articles Department,
Dept. of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Seichi OHASHI - Reg.No. 10940

With reference to your letter of May 27th, 1943, please be advised that enquiries at Prince Rupert reveal that two photograph albums were seized from Matsujiro OHASHI, Registration No. 11109, the father of the above named, and are presently being held by our Prince Rupert detachment.

Your letter did not indicate the present address of the above named, which probably appears on his letter and it would be appreciated if you could advise me of this in due course, in order that the albums may be returned after examination.

Yours truly,

DEM/G

(Signature)
(C.K. Gray) Supt.,
for O.C. "E" Div. (A.O.D.)

(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Seichi Ohashi

File No. 1312

Reg. No.

Company Manufactures Life Ins. Co. Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 733,576

Premium - \$52.90

Payable: Annually, Semi-annually or monthly

Month November Day 20

REMARKS:

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

EXHIBIT REPORT

Form 248

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No.

HEADQUARTERS & File No.

SUB/DIV'N & File No. VANCOUVER.

DIVISION & File No.

DETACHMENT & File No. G.I.D.

(J.R.F. 10940)

DATE August 8th. 1944.

Re:

CHASNY Seichi - Port Essington. B.C.

(Name of File)

On Aug. 4th. 1944 1

P.R. Jefferson. Cst.

(Member's Name)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Handed over by the B.C. Police, Port Essington, B.C.

(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. of Exh.	No. of Packages	Caps. or Size	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1.		"SUPER" camera. No. number. (1)
	1.		BASTMAN Kodak camera. Serial No. 55784. (2)

AUG 9 1944

CERTIFIED CORRECT

P.R. Jefferson Cst.
(Signature of member submitting report)
P.R. Jefferson. Reg. No. 10559.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Form 266A

EXHIBIT REPORT

No. 969 ✓

HEADQUARTERS File No.

DIVISION and File No.

J.R. 10940

SUB-DIV'N and File No. Vancouver

DETACHMENT and File No. CIB

Re: OHASHI, Seichi, Port Hasting, B.C.

DATE Aug. 19/44.

On Aug. 4/44, (Date) 1 P.H. Jefferson, Det. (Member's Name)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Handed over by B.C. P. Police, Port Hasting, B.C.
(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. OF EXHIBIT	No. OF PACKAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1		"SUPER" Camera No. Number (1)
	1		KAUTMAN Kodak Camera Serial No. 557984 (2)
V. 13/2			

REMARKS: Handed to Custodian Alien Property

DATE Aug. 16/44.

(State briefly disposition)

Signature of Plaintiff or Witness

for Custodian

CERTIFIED CORRECT

P.H. Jefferson, Det. 710569

CLAIM

November 20, 1944

FILE: Sn 1312

CREDITOR: Seichi OHASHI, 10940

DEBTOR: Canadian Government

AMOUNT: \$5.00

Expenses incurred in connection with the seizure and
removal from Port Hesington to Prince Rupert of R/V

"Togo #1"

Claim sent to Ottawa 17/1/44

G. M. H. Co.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR - CANADA
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Please be advised that (NAME) OHASHI, Seichi
(REGISTRATION NO.) 10940 died at (PLACE) Windsor, Ont.
on (DATE) June 21/46.

This is for your information.

Yours truly,

M.L. Brown
M.L. Brown
Office Manager

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File
Ans'd
Refer'd <u>July 8/46</u>

EVACUATION SECTION	
JUL 9 1946	
Rec'd	
File No.	<u>1317</u>
Ans.	
Referred	<u>Johnston</u>

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NAME CHASHI, Seichi (Deceased)

REGISTRATION NO. 10940

FILE NO. 1912

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at 774 East Hastings St., Vancouver on Dec. 6, 1946 - Feb. 3 and 24, 1947
B.C.

Leader shot gun (12 ga.)

\$ 25.00

Total

Less Expenses: { Auctioneer's Fee
 { & Advertising: \$3.12
 { Moving: nil.

25.00

3.12

Net Proceeds Credited:

21.88

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Vancouver 70.

Remarks.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Form C. 246A

No. **3154**

EXHIBIT REPORT

HEADQUARTERS File No.

SUB-DIVISION and File No. **Vancouver.**

DIVISION and File No. **438-262/2-1356**

DETACHMENT and File No. **C.I.B.**

DATE **Jan. 27th. 1947.**

Re: **Seichi OHASHI - Formerly of Port Essington, BC.**

On **Nov. 19th. 1941.** **F.H. Jefferson.**

(Date) (Name of File) (Member's Name)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Handed over by the B.C. Police.

(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. OF EXHIBIT	No. OF PACKAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1.	12 Ga.	LEADER shotgun. #3651. Rem p #3154 File #1312

REMARKS: **Released to Custodian for re-sale.**

(State briefly disposition)

DATE **Jan. 29th. 1947.**

W. Wills for Custodian.
(W. Wills) (Signature of Recipient or Witness)

CERTIFIED CORRECT
F.H. Jefferson Cst. #10559.
(Signature of Member)

1312, 9004,
1348, 3772.

March 14, 1947.

Mrs. Seichi OHASHI,
Registration No. Q2098,
Box 264,
Chatham, Ontario.

Dear Madam: Re: Seichi OHASHI, Deceased.

Upon reviewing the file of your husband, Seichi OHASHI, who we are advised died at Windsor, Ontario, on June 21, 1946, we find that we still have, in safe-keeping, two cameras which belonged to him. One is an Eastman Kodak, Serial #557984, and the other a "Super" camera. We also have to his credit in this office the sum of \$26.88, this credit being derived from the sale of a Leader, 12 Calibre Shotgun, made in Belgium, which was turned over to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police by your husband, and a \$5.00 Transportation Claim paid by the Canadian Government into the account of Seichi OHASHI in this office.

In order that our records with regard to your late husband's estate may be complete, we would ask you to fill in the information required on the enclosed Memorandum of Particulars Form and return it to this office and, at the same time, advise us if any arrangements have been made for the administration of your husband's estate.

In his declaration to the Custodian, Seichi OHASHI stated that he had a Manufacturers Life Insurance policy #733576 for \$2000.00. From information obtained from the Vancouver office of the insurance company, we learned that this policy had been transferred to the Company's Windsor, Ontario, office. If no claim has been made for the death benefit under the policy, we would suggest that the named beneficiary file a claim with the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company, Windsor, Ontario, without delay.

Yours truly,

A. G. McArthur,
Office of the Custodian.

/AG
Enc.

1312, 9004

April 1, 1947.

Mrs. Seichi Ohashi,
Registration No. 02098,
P. O. Box 264,
Chatham, Ontario.

Dear Madam:

We have to acknowledge your letter of March 21,
enclosing Memorandum of Particulars form in triplicate.
In accordance with your request, we have mailed the two
cameras which belonged to your husband to you.

As it appears that the only estate left by
Seichi Ohashi is the balance to his credit in this office,
we are enclosing Custodian cheque in the sum of \$26.49, being
the total amount to his credit in this office as outlined in
our previous letter, less the sum of 39¢ to cover postage on
the cameras.

The account of your late husband in this office is
now closed.

Yours very truly,

A. G. McArthur.
Office of the Custodian.

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Enc. cheque \$26.49.

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CHATHAM, ONTARIO

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 26 1947
File No.	1317
Ans.	W.B.
Referred	MacArthur

May 20, 1947.

Custodian of Enemy Property,
Japanese Division,
Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

d. June 21/46.

Dear Sir:

✓ We act for the widow of Seichi Ohashi, who was drowned at Windsor a short time ago. We are informed that the Deceased had a credit upon the books of the British Columbia Packers Limited for the value of a boat taken over by them, and for balance due from the last previous fishing season. Upon applying to them for information they directed us to write you, saying that all records and all credits from whatever source derived, are under your control. Would you be kind enough to give us such information on this matter as you have.

Yours sincerely,

BEDFORD & BEARDALL.

Per: *WBB*

WBB/W

May 26, 1947.

Messrs. Bedford & Beardall,
Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries,
Chatham, Ontario.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Estate of Seichi OHASHI, #10940, Deceased.

Your inquiry concerning the estate of the above has been received. According to our information this man died on June 21, 1946.

Concerning a credit on the books of the British Columbia Packers Limited for the value of a boat taken over by them, the Custodian has no knowledge of a boat belonging to the deceased having been taken over by the British Columbia Packers Ltd. In a declaration made to the Custodian on March 24, 1942, Seichi Ohashi stated that his gas boat "Togo" was at that time in the hands of the authorities. Later the records of the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee showed that the vessel "Togo No.1" was sold by Seichi Ohashi in April 1942 to Messrs. Albert E. Lawson and Douglas Souter. The purchasers of this vessel were employed by the British Columbia Packers Ltd. at the time of the sale. According to the records of the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee the net proceeds of this sale \$1777.00 were paid direct to Seichi Ohashi on April 14, 1942.

A small boat, declared by this Japanese to have been left in the care of Douglas W. Souter, bookkeeper of the British Columbia Packers Ltd. at Sunnyside Cannery, Skeena River, B.C., was identified as the property of Ohashi and sold by the Custodian on August 4, 1943 and the net proceeds of this sale \$42.50 were remitted to Seichi Ohashi on October 7, 1943. This boat was reported by the Custodian's agent at Prince Rupert to have been an old open boat equipped with an old automobile engine and subject to considerable deterioration owing to have been left tied up under the wharf at the cannery.

Regarding any balance due from the last fishing season the Custodian has no knowledge of any monies due the deceased from British Columbia Packers Ltd., and no funds were paid to the Custodian by that Company for the credit of this man.

Messrs. Bedford & Beardall,

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May 28, 1947.

All the other assets of which the Custodian is aware is a credit of \$5.00 received from the Dominion Government being payment of transportation claim in connection with the delivery of the gas boat "Togo" and the proceeds from the sale by auction of a gun in the net sum of \$21.88, both of which amounts have been credited to the account of the deceased. Two cameras were shipped to Harumi Onashi, widow of the deceased, on April 1, 1947, and postage in the amount of .39¢ charged to the account of the deceased.

According to information obtained from the widow there were no assets except a small credit of \$26.49 in this office which was accordingly also forwarded to the widow on April 1st. We understand that the benefits under the Manufacturers Life Insurance policy were paid direct to the beneficiary Matsujiro Onashi the father of the deceased.

Preliminary to taking any action in this estate, we forwarded the attached form for completion by the next-of-kin and enclose herewith a copy for your information.

Our file on this man indicates no claims against the estate. According to the memorandum of particulars attached the Workmen's Compensation Board together with the deceased's father took care of the funeral expenses.

Yours truly,

A. G. McArthur,
Office of the Custodian.

AGM:AH

encl. Copy of memorandum of particulars.