

227 Main St., Vancouver, B.C.

Children - *Reiko* *July 1953* FILE CLOSED

*Reiko*

*mother (dead)*

*Children Michiko July 1954* FILE CLOSED

2789

**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: MATSUBAYASHI, Nakatara  
HOME ADDRESS: 227 Main St., Vancouver, B. C.  
REGISTRATION NUMBER 01491 SEX: M AGE: 62  
OCCUPATION: Watchmaker

(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: Himself

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Kocho

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Patient in Essondale, New Westminster, B.C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Yoshiko (F) Kuniko (F)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: 227 Main St., Vancouver, B. C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 14, 12 years.

**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

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: Store, with two room suite in therear  
at 227 Main St., Vancouver, B. C.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Not Known, but lives in a suite above  
the store, at 227 Main St., Vancouver, B. C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:  
Paid \$15.00 per month rent and paid up to date.
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:  
1 trunk, 2 beds, 1 table, 6 chairs, White Sewing Machine (Value  
\$125.00) 1 kitchen stove, 1 gramophone valued at \$8.00, all left  
in the house.  
1 desk, 1 safe, 1 showcase, 1 cash register, 2 boxes of material,  
1 case of watch glasses, 1 electric motor, a lot of watchmaker's  
tools, watch straps, watch chains, brooches, gold studs, the stock  
in the store has a valuation of approximately \$800.00.
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: Owns a house in Japan.

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 9th day of April 1942.

(Signature) Na Kataro Matsumoto

M. A. Wright

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

*[Handwritten mark]*

1 trunk

2 beds

1 table

6 chairs

White Sewing Machine

1 kitchen stove

1 gramophone

1 desk

1 safe

1 showcase

1 cash register

2 boxes of material

1 case of watch glasses

1 electric motor

Watchmaker's tools, watch straps, watch chains,  
brooches, gold studs, etc.

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date 11/6/43

Our File No. 2789

Full Name MATSUBAYASHI, Nakatara  
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 01491

☒ Male - Female  
(check)

Age July 20, 1878

Former Address 227 Main St., City

Date Evacuated Sept. 9/42 ☒ Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(check)

Present Address Stean, B.C.  
Bay Farms, B.C.

☒ Married - Single  
(check)

Name of Wife Kotyo - Escondale Hospital

Name of Husband —

Name of Mother deceased Name of Father deceased

Names of Children under 16 Rumiko 21/12/29  
Yoshiko 26/3/27 - # 16040 Michiko 18/7/25 - # 13412

Requested by E.B. Registered with Custodian —  
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Watchmaker

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*me*

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CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

November 29th, 1943.

*Mr.* Nakatara MATSUBAYASHI - Reg. No. 01491

CREDITORS:-

1. Provincial Board of Health ..... <sup>2</sup> <sup>F</sup>4633<sup>00</sup>  
(Mental Hospital)
- 2 B. C. Sec. Commission (present ap) 81<sup>00</sup>

*No further action by "Claims"*

*CH*  
13-12-43

ND *No apc*  
*CH*  
13-12-43

**HAROLD D. CAMPBELL**

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

808-612 STANDARD BANK BUILDING

VANCOUVER, B. C.

LICENSED TRUSTEE  
IN BANKRUPTCY

TELEPHONE  
PACIFIC 1357

Your File No. 2789.

August 10, 1942.

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

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN  
JAPANESE SECTION

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Attention Mr. G. D. Milson:

Dear Sirs:

Re- MATSUBAYASHI, Nakatara

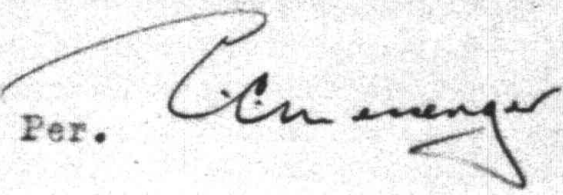
In reply to your query of the 8th of August as to whether Matsubayashi's affairs had been satisfactorily completed, I would advise you that he has sold everything disposable with the exception of certain items which he is taking with him.

This man was advised by the Commission over two months ago to be packed and ready to leave for Greenwood on a certain date. Most of his equipment had been arranged for sale, delivery to be made on his departure. He therefore delivered his furniture and fixtures to the different buyers the day before he was supposed to leave. The Commission then cancelled his evacuation instructions and he has been living with his family on the premises with no source of current income. It has been a very unfortunate situation.

I am advised by the daughter that she still has no definite instructions from the Commission as to when they will be leaving, but she has promised to advise me on her evacuation at which time I will pass the information along to you.

Yours very truly,

H. D. CAMPBELL.

Per. 

RCM:JM

RE - MATSUBAYASHI, NAKATARA

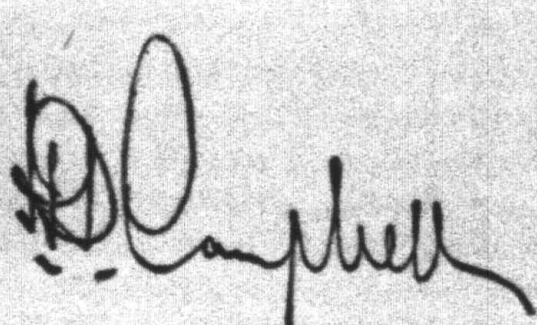
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SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT NO. 4

YOUR FILE NO. 2789.

1. Further to my report of May 1, with regard to the disposal of the fixtures and effects of the above and the procedure being followed in this connection, I am enclosing herewith sworn Declaration under the Bulk Sales Act, showing that Matsubayashi confirms that he has no creditors whatsoever.
2. Matsubayashi was in my Office yesterday and advised me that he has arranged for himself and his four daughters to go with a party to Slocan City under the direction of the Anglican Church. This arrangement provides for his departure on or around the 18th of this month.
3. As I stated previously, Matsubayashi has offers for practically all his fixtures. He arranged for the sale, yesterday, of a cash register and a small electric motor with polishing attachment, receiving a payment on account of \$5.00 from Mr. C. L. Ford and an Agreement by Mr. Ford to pay the balance of \$35.00 on receipt of the goods which are to be delivered on Matsubayashi's departure.
4. Will you kindly give me, immediately, approval of the recommendation previously made, that Matsubayashi liquidate the balance of his fixtures without restraint or control of the proceeds of such sales.

*Sent May 13/42*



May 7, 1942.



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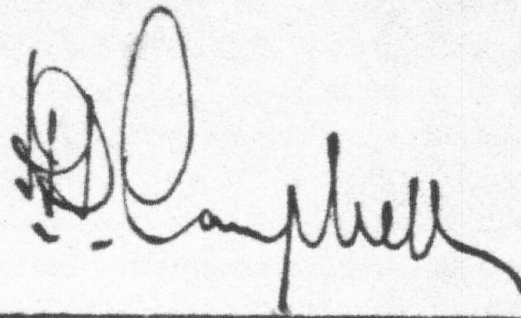
RE - MATSUBAYASHI, NAKATARA

227 Main Street, Vancouver, B. C. - 01491

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT NO. 3

YOUR FILE NO. 2789.

1. I today received a request from the above for approval of the sale of two material cabinets, including their contents which are of no particular value. The price offered was \$10.00 and in my opinion is a very fair one. Matsubayashi seemed more than satisfied with the price.
2. As the purchaser wanted immediate possession of these articles, I gave Matsubayashi permission to sell. Will you be good enough to give me your approval of this action.
3. Reference to the statement regarding personal property on the "JP" Declaration, will show that he placed a value on stock of \$800.00. Most of this stock is in the trade simply junk and the biggest portion of it over twenty years old and to all intents and purposes unsaleable. With regard to the balance of the property represented by the fixtures, I would say that their realizable value would be in the neighbourhood of \$200.00 to \$225.00. Of this, Matsubayashi has already realized \$45.00 on the safe and \$10.00 on the sale approved yesterday of the material cabinet.
4. I would refer to the following portion of your letter of April 25:- "In the event of a reasonable offer being made there will be no necessity for advertising the sale." In this case, I would point out that Mr. Matsubayashi is endeavouring to sell the fixtures individually and piece by piece, and not in bulk. I believe he has offers on most of the remaining fixtures but is holding off in the hopes of getting better ones. I agree entirely with your suggestion that there is no necessity of advertising under the circumstances, and will simply report to you from time to time as he disposes of different articles, making sure that he requests the sale and is satisfied with the prices.
5. Further reference to the "JP" Declaration shows no liabilities, personal or otherwise listed. From my investigation I am quite prepared to believe this and in this connection will have a Statement and Declaration under the "Bulk Sales Act" completed for your records. If there are any other conditions that you wish imposed, please advise.
6. My personal opinion is that there is no risk in permitting him to realize and control all the cash involved and I recommend that you give me authority to approve the individual sales, as he makes them, without further reference to your Office.



May 1, 1942.

RE - MATSUBAYASHI, NAKATARA

227 Main Street, Vancouver, B. C.

- 01491

1. I have today inspected the premises at 227 Main Street which are operated as Jewelry and Watch Repair Shop by Nakatara Matsubayashi.
2. The business is owned and operated by Nakatara Matsubayashi without any partners, active or silent.
3. The premises occupied consist of a section of the main floor of a three storey building, the front of which is used as a shop, the two rooms in the back used as living quarters.
4. The inventory I made checked identically with the items listed in the Declaration. I am attaching herewith an inventory.
5. There is apparently no insurance in force covering the property.
6. Matsubayashi confirms the statement made in the Declaration that he has no personal or business debts whatsoever. From the conversation I had with him I would be willing to accept this statement.
7. The rent of the premises is \$15.00 per month, payable to the new Landlord, a Chinese, Lai Hing, residing at 229½ Main Street. The rent is paid to the 30th of April.
8. Mr. Matsubayashi was instructed by the Commission to report at Hastings Park on the 28th of this month for examination and instructions.
9. Matsubayashi advises me that he intends to sell all his stock and fixtures and to that end has already got several firm offers for purchase of certain fixtures, the sale to be consummated just prior to his evacuation.
10. On being advised that the sale of any of his property would have to receive the approval of your Office, Mr. Matsubayashi urgently requested me to apply for such approval immediately, in order that there should be no interference with his plans and which might cause him to lose the offers he presently has.
11. After discussing the matter of the sale of his effects and fixtures, it was arranged as follows:-
  - That he should endeavour to obtain, in writing, confirmation of the offers he has already received.
  - That he should attempt to find purchasers for the balance of these goods for delivery on his departure.
  - That I should immediately apply to your Office for authority for him to sell the goods and as it would be necessary, as I understand it, for the goods to be advertised regardless of his private arrangements, that authority for such advertising should be obtained immediately.

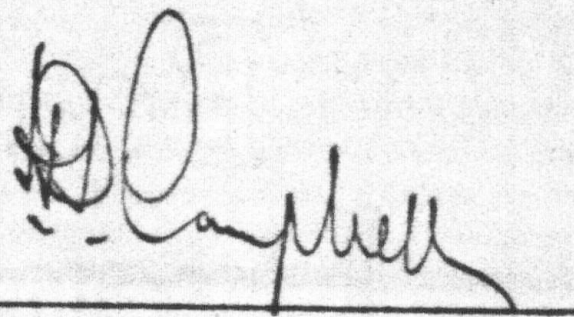
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12. The result of the above would be that formalities of your Office would be complied with and Matsubayashi would be able to dispose of all his stock and fixtures, etc., and realize the cash himself before his departure.

13. This arrangement seems immanently sensible to me as the man is arranging his own sale, the advertising requirement laid down by your Office complied with and finally it would result in having the whole matter cleaned up before Matsubayashi's departure which would enable both your Office and mine to close our files on the case.

14. I definitely recommend that you immediately authorize me to advertise the goods as requested by Matsubayashi and to receive Tenders thereon, such Tenders to be submitted to him and compared with those he has already received and further to authorize me to effect the actual sale agreements with the purchasers.



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April 17, 1942.