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BUREAU HASTINGS PARK

FILE NO.

3377

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: OIKAWA, Takeo

HOME ADDRESS: R.R. No. 1, New Westminster, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 05490 SEX: Male AGE: 36

OCCUPATION: Fisherman

(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: Imperial Cannery, Sumbury B.C.

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Kiyoshi

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: same address as above

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Shigeko (F), Akiko (F), Kimiko (F)

Kisio (M).

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: same address as above

AGE OF CHILDREN: 13, 11, 10, and 3 years respectively

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Title No. 131046-B, further

legal description unknown, located at R.R. #1, New Westminster B.C.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 4 room boathouse, frame storehouse

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) None

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) Taxes \$7.00 to Ladner District, B.C.

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) None

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) None

EXHIBIT No.

878-13

DATE

Sept. 8/48

FILLED BY

Claimant

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS.
In Land Titles Office, New Westminster, B.C.
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. Lives in bouthouse at R. H. #1, New Westminster B.C.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS. Self

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.

3 beds and mattresses, Coleman three burner stove, oven attachment
Coleman two-burner stove, kitchen utensils, 1 set books of

knowledge, 10 volumes, encyclopaedia, 330 volumes.

stinger sewing machine, gas lamp, Coleman Gas Heater,

two sets of fishing nets, 100ft of 1/2" wire cable, 20 ft of 1/4"

one box of fishing equipment, garden tools, 30 ft of 3/4" hose, 50ft of 1/2" hose

stored at R. H. #1, New Westminster, B.C.

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS. None

CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY. None

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR

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)

None \$50.00 Victory Bond of 1941 issue,
\$50.00 Victory Bond of 1942 issue, in owners' possession.8. BANK ACCOUNTS Savings Acct., Bank of Montreal, New Westminster, B.C.
Present balance \$5.009. LIFE INSURANCE: None10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: NoneClaim Refund on Quarters \$17.95

2. TRADE DEBTS:

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 13th day of April 1942.

(Signature)

James A. Kavanagh

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE July 16/43

File No. 3377

Name OIKAWA, Takeo
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 05490

✓
Male - Female
(Check)

Age Sept. 10/1905

Former Address R. R. #1, New Westminster, B. C.

Date Evacuated 20/7/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address Taylor Lake, Clinton, B. C.

✓
Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife (ENDO) Kiyoshi

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother (SATO) Kuma Dec'd. Name of Father Hajime

Names of Children under 16 Shigeko (F) 17/12/27 Akiko (F) 4/6/29

Kimiko (F) 9/1/31 Kisio (M) 4/8/39

Requested by E. C. T.

Registered with Custodian Yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Fisherman

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File 3377

V.L.A. B.C. 615-P

JAPANESE ANNE: Takeo OIKAWA - - Reg. No. 05490.

CATALOGUE NO: Part The Director, The Veterans' Land Act first offer.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1037 River Road, New Westminster.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 2 of part of a 30 acre portion of Lot 131,
Gp. 2, Map 6284, Municipality of Delta, D.N.W.

TITLE: In name of Takeo OIKAWA.

ENCUMBRANCE: Vesting in Custodian 6th October 1942 as No. 24744.

ASSESSED VALUE: 1942 -
Land \$245.00
Improvements \$30.00 Total \$275.00, Taxes \$5.99.

CLASSIFICATION: Hay farm and fishing. Custodian's inspector reported 18th August 1942 an area of 2.45 acres in hay with 1 storey float house, 18 x 20 frame, 4 rooms, in poor condition, and net and bath house combined.

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: Administered by Custodian subject to a lease of float house to Mrs. C. Giebrecht from the 7th June 1942 for an indefinite term at \$7.00 per month. The buildings not being fixtures to the land were sold as moveables for \$150.00 cash in November 1944. Rents received on account of these premises were credited to Takeo OIKAWA'S account, \$44.00. *By owner*
The land was leased for the duration of the war from 18th May 1942 to William Johnston at \$15.00 per year and the first years rental paid to the owner. The second year's rental would be payable to the Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

SOLD: To The Director, The Veterans' Land Act for \$141.00 as at January 1943.
Approval by Advisory Committee 1st June 1943.

FUNDS: Released to the credit of Takeo OIKAWA, \$141.00 less Certificate of Encumbrance \$1.00, taxes \$9.22, Registration fee \$3.00 and legal fee \$15.00. Net amount released \$112.78.

TITLE: Included in C. of T. 170935-E and payment made to Custodian 12th May 1944.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file and on record by accounting department.

DATED October 20th, 1945.

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REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

28th July, 1948.

CLAIMANT	Takeo OIKAWA	Regn No 05490
CLAIM	Est value of:	Land 1100
		Imp <u>nil</u> \$1100
	Cstn or	156.78 (Correct Gross \$141.00)
	ALLEGED LOSS	<u>943.22</u>

REFERENCESHISTORY

RP.1	Cstn representative's report d/18 Aug 42
RP.2	G/E #50242 d/21 Oct 42 notes Vesting in Custodian, otherwise clear title in name of Claimant.
RP.3	Assessed 1942s Land \$245. Improvements <u>30.</u> \$275. TAXES: \$8.03
RP.4	Appraised by VLA 28 Jul 42 @ 200.
RP.5	Sold to VLA as at 1 Jan 43 \$141.
RP.6	Real Property Summary of Administration completed 20 Oct 45 herewith.

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Farm Appraisal Report

File No. JL-635

Land Description Lot 2 of a 300 ac. ptn. of D.L. 151, Op. 2, Map 6264, N.W.D.

Containing 2.45 Acres

Owner's Name Takeo OTAWA

Post Office Address R.R.1, New Westminster.

Nearest Rail Point Kennedy

Distance 4 1/2 m.

Market Town New Westminster

Distance 9 m.

Church (give denomination) Lutheran

Distance 2 m.

Nearest School Sunbury

Distance 1 1/2 m.

State how property was identified: Map, roads, neighbour.

Roads: State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.

On good main gravelled road.

Is this district a good one? Is a fishing settlement but land is good.

Employment opportunity Peat industry nearby. Industry New Westminster, fishing from Fraser River.

Predominating Nationality and religion: A lot of Scandinavian and Jap holdings here but British and Protestant to the west.

Describe Fencing and its condition: 2 cross fences only. Value \$

Water supply: Delta Mun. supply - \$1.76 per year. Value \$

BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	There are no buildings on this farm but on floats in the river opposite and belonging to this Jap there are as follows:-							
House	18x36x9	Frame on floats	8'	Shgl.	Old	Log floats		100.00
Shack	12x18x8	" "	6'	"	5	" "		25.00
BARN	X							
As these are on floats I am not showing them as part of the property.								
GRANARY	X							
	X							
	X							
	X							
	X							
						EXHIBIT	878-2	
						DATE	Sept 3/28	
						FILED BY	Belmont	

Total present day value \$

Total Value Buildings add to farm \$ nil

Is dwelling habitable without repairs? If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it

habitable? The above is a cheap type lined with V joint, 3 rooms and pantry

garret, fir sheeting outside. \$

Describe the basement and chimneys: Metal.

No. rooms downstairs? 5 Upstairs? nil How finished t & g in, sheeting out.

Are buildings painted? House is. Condition of paint Done long ago.

Distance from nearest bush None near.

Note: Particular care must be taken when examining and reporting on foundations, sills and roofs.

ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
1.3	Level	14" silty clay	Clay	Hay, good but old.	80.	104.00
Area which can be cultivated without cost other than for breaking.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL		VALUE PER ACRE	
Area which can be cultivated after a reasonable amount of clearing timber, stones, drainage, etc.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	NATURE OF RECLAMATION NECESSARY	RECLAMATION COST PER ACRE	VALUE PER ACRE
1.15	Level	6-10" peaty clay loam	Clay	Hardhack only.	25.	35.
						40.25
Area Unsuitable for Cultivation.						
	CHARACTER OF LAND E. G. HILLY, SWAMPY, ROCKY.		NATURE OF TIMBER IF ANY AND WHETHER MARKETABLE		VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE	

Total value of Land \$ 144.25

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$ nil

Total fruit trees add to value of farm (for use in orchard districts only) \$ nil

Total value of farm \$ 144.25

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:

Crop of old hay cut each year. No building on place. Buildings on floats evidently occupied by Jap owner till he left and he fished.

State most suitable type of agriculture for farm bearing in mind the district's limitations, if any.

This place is too narrow for a farm and acreage is small. Even as a sub-sistence home it is handicapped for its acreage due to its width.

Noxious weeds:

Canada Thistle.

Give approximate detail and
amount of all annual taxes and
names of Taxing Authorities:

Delta -	General	\$4.23
	Water	1.76
	Dyke	.35
	Drainage	1.69 - 10 years.

Date: July 23rd, 1942.
Place: Chilliwack, B.C.I certify that the above report is based on a personal examination
of the whole farm made on the 23rd day of July 1942.

Inspector's Signature

"R. L. RAMSAY"

Note: (Use Form 43 (Sheet 2) in connection with this form.)

Farm Appraisal Report

There are no buildings on the place. There is no small fruit. Electric light passes the door. Buildings on shore line of property are as on sheet 1 of this report but as they are on floats while they are said to belong to this owner are not legally part of the property.

REMARKS: re general lie of land, fertility of soil, irrigation, drainage or dyking and reclamation.

(Give number, age, variety and condition of all tree fruits, condition and area of each kind of small fruits.)

Present Value

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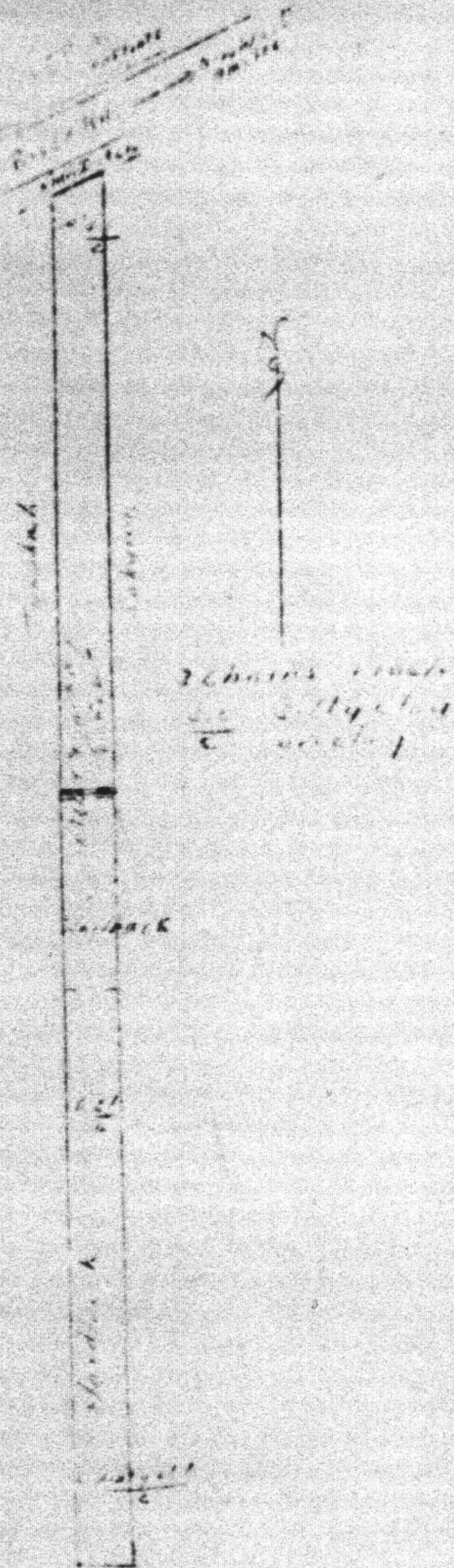
Total \$ _____

Amount fruit trees add to value of farm \$.....

Lot 2 of
a 300 ac ptn. of Lot 151 Sp. 2, Map 6224

Diagram of Property

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Following careful review of this appraisal report, it is my opinion that the present

value is \$ 200

Date 28th July 1972

J. S. B. Smith
District Superintendent.

Advertisement appearing in Vancouver
and New Westminster Newspapers on August
26th, 28th and 29th, 1944.

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File No. 33

these

FLOAT HOUSES FOR SALE

The Secretary of State of Canada
and/or Custodian offers for
sale by tender:

PARCEL "A" Small floating bath
house and two-
room float house, opposite 1024
River Road, Sunbury.

PARCEL "B" Combined float
and net house at
1047 River Road, Sunbury.

PARCEL "C" Net rack float,
Sunbury.

PARCEL "D" Tie-up float, Sun-
bury.

PARCEL "E" One 2-log float
walk and one net
rack float, 1083 River Road, Sun-
bury.

PARCEL "F" Float, 1067 River
Road, Sunbury.

PARCEL "G" Woodshed on float
and three shacks,
River Road, Sunbury.

PARCEL "H" Two float houses
and net house,
also open float, 1041 River Road,
Sunbury.

PARCEL "I" Floating net house,
1084 River Road,
Sunbury. Formerly occupied by
Sungoro Goto.

PARCEL "J" Floating net house,
1084 River Road,
Sunbury. Formerly occupied by
Toshiaki Goto.

PARCEL "K" Shack on bank,
walkway float,
square float, net float and float
house, River Road, Sunbury.

PARCEL "L" Float house and
net house, also
float walk and woodshed, end of
Satter Street, New Westminster.

Tenders for the individual parcels
should be addressed to the under-
signed marked "Tender" up to
Noon Pacific Daylight Saving
Time on the 16th day of Septem-
ber, 1944, and must be accom-
panied by a certified cheque pay-
able to the Custodian for 10% of
the amount tendered.

Arrangements to inspect will be
made by the undersigned.

The highest or any tender not
necessarily accepted.

These assets are offered for sale
without any warranty whatsoever
on the part of the Custodian as to
the condition or state of repair.

DATED at Vancouver, B.C., this
28th day of August, 1944.

THE CUSTODIAN,
505 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

JAMES R. AGAR
REAL ESTATE & INSURANCE

Timber and
Farm Lands
Mortgage Loans
Conveyancing
Notary Public

Phones: Office 842
House 457

444 Columbia Street
New Westminster, B.C.

July 4th, 1944

The Custodian of Alien Properties,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Attention: Mr. Green

Dear Sir:

Re: Appraising all Japanese Float Houses etc.

File #3377 - Takeo Oikawa, small float bath house	\$35.00
two room shack float house	75.00
File #5597 - Tsunemori Amadatsu, float & net house combined	65.00
File #7548 - Seichiro Oikawa, net rack float	45.00
File #8628 - Zennoshin Oikawa, tie up float	145.00
Old float house, no name, situated 1024 River Rd.	15.00

This building is ready to come apart and \$15.00 is the value of the lumber salvaged.

Appraisal fee ~~\$38.50~~ \$25.00.

Yours very truly,
(signed) J. R. Agar.

JRA/DP

R. R. I.
New Westminster

H. J. Green,
Protection Dept.

EVACUATION DEPT.	
Rec'd	OCT 18 1948
File No.	18/10/6
Ans.	
Referred	

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please
find cheque for one
hundred & twenty-five
dollars as my offer
for the float house
of Takeo Oikawa.

Yours truly
H. Aldrich

P.S. Mr. Torvik moved
to 1173 River Rd. but
he claims he still
has the lease on that
place.

Revised offers received & a higher
offer is being recommended for acceptance

R.R.1 New Westminster B.C.
Oct 13 - 1944

Office of Custodian
Vancouver B.C.

18/10/44

Dear Sir,

File No 3277

Re - Parcel "A" Jakes Oikawa

Your letter of Oct 7 received.
I am hereby putting in an offer
for \$150.00 for float house of
Jakes Oikawa.

Yours truly,
Kelling Dorset.

Reminded for signature on receipt of letter
by management regarding other business on
line in project letter made by yourself.

R. R. 1. New Westminster B.C.
River Rd. Burnaby.
Sept 11, 1944.

Dept of the Sec of State.
Office of Custodian
Vancouver.

"File no. 3377."

Dear Sir,

Re: Taker Oikawa
float house.

Enclosed please find check
for (\$10.) ten dollars. to cover my bid
on float house "parcel A".

My bid will be seventy five
dollars. \$75.00

If there are any bids higher
than this please notify me.

Yours Truly,

Erling Torvick

C.I.F. QUOTATIONS FURNISHED

INCORPORATED APRIL 30th 1906

BANKERS
THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE
VANCOUVER, CANADA

The Canadian Fishing Company Ltd.

PRODUCERS AND DISTRIBUTORS OF FRESH, FROZEN, CURED, AND CANNED FISH
ICE AND COLD STORAGE

FOOT OF GORE AVENUE

VANCOUVER, B. C.
CANADA

Sept. 14, 1944

*File here
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*See copy of letter
to Torvik 26/9*

Mr. H.F. Green,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
VANCOUVER B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Takeo Oikawa
Parcel "A"

In further reference to your letter dated September 6th I am now advised that the two room float-house and bath-house covered by the above is occupied by Mr. Torvik.

We were actually bidding for Mr. Torvik but are now told that he has made a bid on his own account so we will withdraw our previous offer as we were only interested in getting the house for this fisherman.

Yours very truly,

THE CANADIAN FISHING CO. LTD.

J. S. E. man
Vice-President.

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PRODUCING AND COLD STORAGE PLANTS:

Vancouver, Canada
Butedale, "
Prince Rupert, "
Ketchikan, Alaska
Seattle, Wash., U.S.A.
Kelama, "

RESEARCH LABORATORIES Vancouver, Canada

SALMON CANNERIES BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vancouver
Bones Bay
Butedale
Carlisle
Goose Bay
Gulf of Georgia
Havapoort
Kildala
Koprino
Lagoon Bay
Lockport
Manitou
Margaret Bay
Nanaimo
Nile
Packer Island
Ther
Viles Island

PACKERS OF:

NEPCO RAPID FROZEN
PRODUCTS
BELLEANNA, IMPERIAL,
COLUMBIA, SUPERS,
SUPREME AND VALUE
BRANDS
Fresh, Frozen and
Smoked Fish
Mild Cured Salmon
Dry Salt Herring
Fish Meal and Oil

CANNED FISH REGISTERED BRANDS:

Gold Seal, Blue Seal, Red Seal,
Pink Seal, White Seal,
Aquarium, Angler,
Colonial,
Superior, Excello,
Therman, Gold Leaf,
Rover,
Red Breast, Supreme,
Sea Wave, Superb,
Value.



ALL AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS ARE CONTINGENT UPON FIRE, STRIKES, ACCIDENTS, AND ALL OTHER CONDITIONS BEYOND OUR CONTROL. ALL CONTRACTS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY AN OFFICER OF THE COMPANY. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED ALL PRICES ARE F.O.B. SHIPPING POINT. WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CORRECT STENOGRAPHIC ERRORS.

C.I.F. QUOTATIONS FURNISHED

August 27th, 1942

File: #3377

Name: OIKAWA, Takeo

Reg. No.: 05490

0 CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION
RECEIVED
NOV 23 1942

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS

c/o W. Johnson, 1034 River Rd. New Westminster

- 1 Portable Camp Stove
- 1 3 Burner Gas Stove
- 1 2 Burner Gas Stove
- 1 Compressor Tank
- 1 Pike Pole
- 1 Generator
- Several pieces of fishing net
- 1 Case empty pop bottles N.Y.
- 2 Small tubs
- 2 Large tubs } No value
- 1 Barrel
- 1 25 Gal. crock
- 1 Roll paper
- 1 Hay Hook
- 3 Boxes of machine pieces
- 25 ft. rope 1 inch
- 3 Rat traps N.Y.

c/o Mrs. C. Giesbrecht, 1037 River Rd. New Westr.

- 1 Round table
- 1 Gramophone
- 1 High chair
- 1 Round table
- 1 Cupboard
- 1 Bench
- 1 Wardrobe
- 1 Bed
- 2 Mattresses } Shipped Dec/43
- 1 Small table
- 1 Writing Desk
- 1 Heater
- 2 Lanterns
- 1 Oil Lamp
- 1 Alladin Lamp
- 2 Bed ends } Shipped Dec/43
- Some records

EXHIBIT NO. 878-10
DATE Sept. 8/42
FILLED BY Crown

This represents all my chattels remaining in the restricted area of British Columbia.

Confirmed:

DATE: 15th Sept 1942 SIGNED: Takeo Oikawa

Please sign and return one copy to the Custodian.

#3377

November 4th, 1942.

Name: Takeo Oikawa

Reg. No. 05490

Address: 1037 River Road, New Westminster, B. C.

ADDITIONAL CHATTELS FOUND ON PROPERTY

"A"

- 1 Single gas stove
- 2 Boxes and 5 cartons of books *Shipped Dec/42*
- 3 Lantern glasses
- 2 Hand saws
- 3 Key hole saws
- 1 Gas heater
- 1 Gas lantern
- 1 Gas oven

This represents additional chattels remaining in any protected area of British Columbia.

Confirmed:

Date *18th Nov. 1942* Signed: *T. Oikawa*

Please sign and return one copy to the Custodian.

EXHIBIT No. *878-11*
DATE *Sept. 8/48*
FILLED BY *Crown.*

28th July, 1948.

CLAIMANT Takeo OIKAWA Regn No 05490

HOUSE & NET HOUSE

- 1 Photographs taken Aug 1944
- 2 Copy of Newspaper advert. calling for tenders 26-29 Aug 44
- 3 Copy of J.R. Agar appraisal 4 Jul 44
- 4 Cdm Fishing Co offer 30 Aug 44 \$40.00
- 5 E. Torvik offer 11 Sep 44 \$75.
- 6 Cdm Fishing Co withdrawal of offer 14 Sep 44
- 7 E. Aldrich offer 12 Oct 44 \$125.
- 8 E. Torvik offer 13 Oct 44 \$150. ACCEPTED

FISHING NETS & GEAR

- 9 E.F. Green's memo to File 4/23 Feb 43 noting nets considered worthless and abandoned

NOTE: This is the only scrap of correspondence in regard to nets and gear on the file. No inventory (itemised) was submitted by the Claimant at time of registering, nor does the file reveal that one was later submitted by him or sought by the Cstdn.

The JP Form declaration and the above reference appear to comprise all information available.

BOOKS

- 10 Correspondence relating to the shipment (?) of books herewith. It would seem that the Cstdn office considered them shipped, but as they appear on the Claim it seems that the Claimant denies receipt.
This situation is not clarified by file.

ITEMIZED CHATTELS

- 11 2 chattel lists were prepared by the Custodian, submitted to Claimant for confirmation and received with his signature appended.
Nothing appears to have been done except for the one shipment on 13 Jan 44 until 8th June 1945 when the two parties in whose care the chattels had been left were written to. One of these people (Mrs. Giesbrecht) did not answer the Cstdn's letter, and no attempt by this office to pursue the query is apparent.
Desultory correspondence between the Cstdn and the other tenant (Johnson) carries on for a period and then winds up by Johnson stating that he hasn't anything of Oikawa's. Cstdn does not pursue the issue.

Apparently all items other than those shipped were abandoned.

JC/..

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



CANADA

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd JAN 24 1946

File No.

Ans.

Referred

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.,
January 18th, 1944.

Mr. Takeo OIKAWA,
Reg. No. 05490,
TAYLOR LAKE SIDING, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Shipped from Vancouver January 13th five cartons effects
on your Release of August 16th for goods from 1037 River Road,
New Westminster, on which we are paying the following charges:

D.A.Cameron, R.R.#4, New Westminster,	
Crating 4 hrs	\$3.00
" Trucking to Vancouver	3.00
P.G.E. Freight	6.68
	<u>\$14.68</u>
Credit as described below	2.00
Total outlay on shipment	12.68
Refund due you	<u>7.32</u>
Total deposit received from you	<u>\$20.00</u>

I am instructing the Treasury to refund \$7.32.

The credit of \$2.00 is a cheque to the B.C. Security
Commission, signed by D.A.Cameron, who apparently was handed this
by the tenant, Mrs. Johnson, to whom you sent it with your letter
of Nov. 18th to pay her for making the shipment, which apparently
she was not able to do and therefore returned the money.

Yours very truly,

CWF:FF B/L Encl.

c.c. Gen. Files

Mr. W.A. MacBrayne, Shalalth.

TREASURY

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

C.W. Fisher
C.W. Fisher

Transportation

RIGHT BILL OF LADING—ORIGINAL—NOT NEGOTIABLE
THIS SHEET TO BE RETAINED BY SHIPPER

Shipper's No. _____

RECEIVED subject to the classifications and tariffs in effect on the date of issue of this Original Bill of Lading.

the goods described below, in apparent good order, except as noted (Contents and conditions of contents of packages unknown), marked and numbered and destined as indicated below, which said Company agrees to carry to its usual place of delivery at said destination, if on its road, otherwise to deliver to another carrier on the route to said destination. It is mutually agreed, as to each carrier of all or any of said goods over all or any portion of said route to destination, and as to each party at any time interested in all or any of said goods, that every service to be performed hereunder shall be subject to all the conditions, whether printed or written, herein contained (including conditions on back hereof) and which are agreed to by the shipper and accepted for himself and his assigns.

The Rate of Freight from

is in Cents per 100 Lbs

100

[illegible]

(Mail Address—Not for purposes of Delivery)

Province or
State of

County of _____

Car
Initial

Car
No.

No. Package	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES AND SPECIAL MARKS	WEIGHT (Subject to Correction)	Class or Rate	Check Feature
1	Bx Bed Complete			
1	Tub + Contents			
1	Pole W/Bed & Pgs	560		
2	Bx Effects			

CHIEF No. 875-12
DATE Sept. 5, 1906
FILED BY Crown

C. J. MITCHELL

If charges are to be pre-paid, write or stamp here:
To Be Prepaid.

Received \$ _____
 to apply in prepayment of
 the charges on the property
 described hereon.

Agent or Cashier.

 Per _____
 (The signature here acknowl-
 edges only the amount paid.)

Charges Advanced:

 \$ _____

EXHIBIT TWO

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C. J. MITCHELL

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State Bill of Lading to be signed by the shipper and the Agent of the Carrier issuing same)

THIS INDENTURE made in triplicate the 10th day of October
in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-four

BETWEEN:

THE HONOURABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF CANADA ACTING
IN HIS CAPACITY AS CUSTODIAN UNDER THE REVISED REGULA-
TIONS RESPECTING TRADING WITH THE ENEMY (1943)

(Hereinafter called the "GRANTOR")

OF THE ONE PART:

AND:

ERLING TORVIK, Fisherman,
of the City of New Westminster, in the
Province of British Columbia

(Hereinafter called the "GRANTEE")

OF THE OTHER PART:

WHEREAS TAKED OIKAWA, Police Registration No. 05490, was formerly
a Fisherman in the City of New Westminster, in the Province of British
Columbia;

AND WHEREAS the said TAKED OIKAWA, a person of the Japanese race,
was required to leave the protected area in the Province of British Columbia
by order of the Minister of Justice pursuant to the provisions of the Defence
of Canada Regulations (Consolidation) 1941;

AND WHEREAS the Grantor under and by virtue of Order in Council
Number P.C. 1665 of 1942 and amendments thereto, and of the applicable provisions
of the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading With The Enemy (1943) is vested
with all the right, title and interest of the said TAKED OIKAWA in the goods
and chattels hereinafter described and enumerated, and hath contracted and
agreed with the said Erling Torvik for the sale of the interest of the said
TAKED OIKAWA in the said goods and chattels for the sum of One Hundred Fifty
(\$150.00) Dollars, such sale to be executed by a Bill of Sale to the Grantee
herein;

WITNESSETH that in consideration of the premises and of the said
sum of One Hundred Fifty (\$150.00) Dollars of lawful money of Canada paid by
the Grantee to the Grantor at or before the sealing or delivery of these presents
(the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) the Grantor hath bargained, sold,
assigned, transferred and set over and by these presents doth bargain, sell,
assign, transfer and set over unto the Grantee, his respective executors,

administrators and assigns, all those goods and chattels hereinafter set forth, described and enumerated as follows:

- 1 Small Floating Bath House and two-room Float House, formerly owned by TAKED OIKAWA of the City of New Westminster, in the Province of British Columbia

all of which goods and chattels are now in the possession of the Grantee and are situate, lying and being in the City of New Westminster, in the Province of British Columbia, and all the right, title and interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever both at law and in equity or otherwise howsoever of me the Grantor of, in, to and out of the same and every part thereof

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said hereinbefore assigned goods, chattels and effects and all of them and every part thereof, with the appurtenances thereto, and all the right, title and interest of the said Grantor thereto, and therein, as afore-said, unto and to the use of the said Grantee to and for his sole and only use forever;

PROVIDED that any covenants express or implied on the part of the Grantor are excluded.

The Grantor does not guarantee or warrant and has not made any representation whatsoever to the Grantee as to the quantity, quality, character and condition of the said goods and chattels and the Grantee acknowledges that he has purchased the said goods and chattels after personal inspection thereof and his own investigation without any representation or warranty whatsoever of the Grantor;

AND the Grantee further acknowledges that he has received and accepted delivery of all of the said goods and chattels from the Grantor.

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 and the Grantee has hereunto set his hand and seal on the day and year first above written.

SIGNED, SEALED and DELIVERED

in the presence of:

J. Barrell
as to signature of Assistant
Deputy Custodian

J. W. Mathison
Assistant Deputy Custodian

as to signature of Grantee

Erling Torvik Grantee

This is the paper, writing marked with the letter "A" referred to in the Affidavit of the Witness
Signed before me on the 14th day of December A.D. 1944

John W. Mathison
A Notary Public in and for the Province of Ontario

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

TO WIT:

I, *Joseph Carroll*
of the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario,
MAKE OATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the paper-writing hereunto annexed, and marked "A" is the Bill of Sale and every schedule or inventory thereto annexed, or therein referred to, and every attestation of the execution thereof, as made and given and executed by Albert Honore Mathieu, Assistant Deputy of the Secretary of State of Canada acting in his capacity as Custodian under the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading With The Enemy (1943)

2. That the said Bill of Sale was made and given by the said Albert Honore Mathieu, Assistant Deputy of the Secretary of State of Canada on the *26th* day of *December* 1944.

3. That I was present and did see the said Albert Honore Mathieu, Assistant Deputy of the Secretary of State of Canada in the said Bill of Sale mentioned, and whose name is signed thereto, sign and execute the same on the said *26th* day of *December* 1944.

4. That the said Albert Honore Mathieu at the time of making and giving the said Bill of Sale, resided and still resides at *15 Arthur St* in the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario and then was and still is the Assistant Deputy of the Secretary of State of Canada.

5. That the name *J. Carroll* set and subscribed as the witness attesting the due execution thereof is of the proper handwriting of me, this deponent, and that I reside at *24 Woodlawn* and am a *Secretary*

Subscribed to and sworn before me this *2nd* day of *January*, 1944, at the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario

G. G. Beechert
A Notary Public in and for the Province of Ontario

J. Carroll

BRITISH COLUMBIA)

TO WIT:)

Affidavit of Bona Fides

"Bills of Sale Act"

I, Erling Torvik, Fisherman, of the City of New Westminster, in the Province of British Columbia, the Grantee in the foregoing Bill of Sale, make oath and say:-

1. That the Assignment therein made is bona fide for valuable consideration, namely the consideration of the sum of One Hundred Fifty (\$150.00) Dollars and that the consideration is duly set forth in the said Bill of Sale; and it is not for the purpose of enabling the Grantee, Erling Torvik, to hold the goods and chattels mentioned therein as against the creditors of the Grantor, The Honourable The Secretary of State of Canada acting in his capacity as Custodian under the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading With The Enemy (1943) and that said Bill of Sale is not given for the purpose of protecting the goods and chattels mentioned therein against the creditors of the Grantor or of preventing such creditors from obtaining payment of any claim against the said Grantor.

SWORN before me at the City of

Vancouver in the

Province of British Columbia,

this 18th day of *December*

A.D. 1945

ERLING TORVIK

X *Erling Torvik.*

Bartholomew

A Commissioner for taking Affidavits
within British Columbia

Notary Public in and for the
Province of British Columbia

File No. 3377

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd FEB 4 1946

File No. 3377

Ans. Helen M. R.

Re: Oikawa

Dear Swanson

Feb. 2nd, 1946.
Cor. Helling & Oliver
Rd.
R.R. #1.
New West.

Re: Takes Oikawa Reg. 05490.

Your letter rec'd this morning
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has since been towed away

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any of the Japanese who
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Hoping this will help
you settle up things, I
remain,

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. W. R. Johnson.

File No. 3377

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd FEB 4 1946

File No. 3377

Ass.

W. J. Anderson
Dear Mr. Anderson

Feb. 2nd, 1946.
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Rd.
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Yours sincerely,

Mrs. W. R. Johnson.

Taylor Lake Siding,
P. G. E. Rwy.,
Fawn P. O., B. C.,
August 31, 1945.

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

Dear Sir:

This will be your authority to pay to
the order of TAYLOR LAKE STORE, Taylor Lake, B. C., the sum
of Eight Hundred Ninety-One Dollars and Forty-Seven Cents
(\$891.47) in payment of goods purchased.

Yours truly,



Takeo OIKAWA, Reg.No. 05490.

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: April 22, 1944
Name: OIKAWA, Takeo Reg. No. 05490 File: 3377
Boat File No.: JFVDC 867
Name of Vessel: "T.O." 28'x7'x3' (1930) Palmer 6½ HP (1922)
Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 2966
Naval No.: ~~NW122~~ NW.074-H
Owner's Valuation: \$800.00
JFVDC Valuation: \$345.00 - Survey #369
Custodian Valuation: None
Date of Sale: March 27, 1942
Purchaser: British Columbia Packers Ltd.
Signature on Sales Papers: No copy
Selling Price: \$500.00
Paid to JFVDC ~~on account of~~ 7.50 (See below)
Supervision Costs: 7.50
Balance due Owner: Nil
Paid to: --
Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster
Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Claim #300(Inventry) B.C.Packers : \$28.56 (Paid)

Additional Information: Letter, March 27, 1942, from B. C. Packers,
(Imperial Cannery) shows:

Balance due Cannery -	\$667.82	
Value of Boat		500.00
Discount rebate on twine		46.68
Misc. Equipment taken over		121.14
	667.82	667.82

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CLAIMS SUMMARY

File: 1377

August 30, 1945.

Name: Takao OIKAWA

Reg. No. 97490

CREDITORS

N. Nishiguchi Ltd. (Demand Note, May 7/42)

\$87.56 *As per card*

Retail Credit Grantees

17.95

N. Ebisuzaki Co.

23.50

Mitsugi YAMASHITA

88.18

*Amount of 12/1/45
Credit advanced Oct 1945
insufficient return to the
Lithography Dept.*

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NOV 28 1947

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IN THE MATTER OF a Commission to Investigate Claims of Japanese Canadians for Property Losses.

TO: The Commissioner,
Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

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Pursuant to the notice issued on the 26th day of September, 1947, I submit the following claim:

- (1) NAME TAKEO OIKAWA (RCMP) Reg. No. 05490
(Print) Surname Given Name
- (2) Pre-Evacuation Address R. R. #1, New Westminster, B. C.
- (3) Present Address Onsight, Ontario
- (4) REAL ESTATE
- (a) Street Address (if any) R. R. #1, New Westminster, B. C.
City or Municipality Province
- (b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.) Lot 2 of Subdiv. of Portion of a 30 ac. ptn. of D.L. 121, Group 2, N.W.D. Registered April 28/59 as #151046 E
- (c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):
(i) Farm
(ii) ~~Business~~ Type of business Small Fruits
(iii) ~~Business~~
(iv) Any other type of property (describe)
- (d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.) Sole Owner
- (e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):
(i) Land - - - - - \$ 1,100.00
(ii) Buildings - - - - - \$ nil
(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) - - - - - \$ nil
(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - - - - - \$ 1,100.00
(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - - - - \$ 186.78
(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - - - \$ 913.22
- (5) PERSONAL PROPERTY
- (a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation
R. R. #1, New Westminster, B. C.
- (b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)
Bathhouse, Methouse and Fishing Boat stored at dock House
- (c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation
Locked in Bath house and in Net house and fishing boat

(over)

- (d) In whose care was property left at date of evacuation by the claimant. (This question refers to the terms of reference which exclude claims where the property was lost, destroyed or stolen while under the custody, control or management of any person other than the Custodian appointed by the owner of the property. It involves some definite arrangement whereby you appointed someone to take care of the property and such person accepted the responsibility of so doing. Unless such an arrangement was made the question should be answered "in no one's care")

The official Custodian, file #2377, Aug. 27, 1942

- (e) Itemised description of personal property which is the subject of the claim:

1. House, 14'x40' on floats in river	Estimated Value \$ 1,000.00
2. Hot House (floating) 12' x 24'	Estimated Value \$ 500.00
3. Columbia Square House Fish Boat	Estimated Value \$ 500.00 (2000)
4. Fishing Gear.	Estimated Value \$ 2,090.00
5. Furniture, Fixtures, Radios, etc.	Estimated Value \$ 927.00
6. _____	Estimated Value \$ _____
7. _____	Estimated Value \$ _____
8. _____	Estimated Value \$ _____
9. _____	Estimated Value \$ _____
10. _____	Estimated Value \$ _____

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS \$ 4,517.00

N.B.—If you cannot list all the items here prepare a separate list with values set out opposite each item and attach it to the form. The item "personal property" includes shares, bonds, mortgages, loans, notes and all other forms of property not included in real estate.

- (f) Total claim including real and personal property (this figure can be arrived at by adding items 4(f) and 5(e)) - - - - - \$ 5,260.22

- (6) (a) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard.
(Vancouver, Kamloops, Nelson, Lethbridge,
Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto or Montreal.)

- (b) Do you require the services of an interpreter
at the hearing? Yes or no YES

Winnipeg, Man.

N.B.—This Declaration must be sworn before a Commissioner, Notary Public or other person entitled to take declarations. All lawyers are qualified to do so.

DOMINION OF CANADA,

District of Kenora
TO WIT;

I, TAKEO OIKAWA
of Oxdrift,

of the Village
in the Province of Ontario

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

The information set out in the form above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of "The Canada Evidence Act".

DECLARED before me at the Town
of Dryden
in the District of Kenora
this 25th day of November
A.D. 1947.

Takeo Oikawa
A Commissioner or
Notary Public

N.B.—THIS FORM FULLY COMPLETED AND SWORN BEFORE A COMMISSIONER SHOULD BE MAILED BY REGISTERED MAIL TO THE COMMISSIONER, c/o THE OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN, ROYAL BANK BLDG., VANCOUVER, B.C., BEFORE NOVEMBER 30th, 1947. IF YOU CANNOT MAIL IT BEFORE THIS DATE SET OUT BELOW REASONS FOR THE DELAY.

Name of Claimant

J. J. O'NEAL, Deceased

Case

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Custodian File

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REAL PROPERTY										Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village		Total	
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total		
					142.	75.00			75.00	
PERSONAL PROPERTY										
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear								
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Melson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column			
NETS										
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price		Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing		Percentage Total Award to Total Claim		Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing		Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price	
						535.00		535.00	00	
MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS										
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price			
			40%	927.00		150.00				
					426.42		20.00	446.42		
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION									1004.27	

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October 10th, 1950.

Mr. Takeo OIKAWA,
P. O. Box 94,
Oudrift, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 878

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians, our form of Release which has been executed by yourself covering the award recommended under the above Claims Commission for the sum of ... \$1,084.27

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$1,021.95 and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 62.32 for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears
Director

FCS/js
1 encl.

TAKKO OIKAWA # 05490

OXDRIFT,

ONTARIO

PERSONAL PROPERTY

(5) (e) 4 FISHING GEAR

5 sets float & leads	\$ 50.00	\$ 250.00
4 1/2" x 4/50 x 60 x 300 Net		120.00
5-1/8 x 4/50 x 60 x 400 "		80.00
6 1/2 x 4/60 x 60 x 400 "		150.00
6-1/8" x 5/60 x 60 x 400 "		120.00
6 3/8 x 5/60 x 60 "		120.00
7 1/2 x 5/60 x 60 x 400 "		180.00
7 1/2 x 6/50 x 60 x 300 "		200.00
8 1/2 x 6/50 x 60 x 300 "		150.00
9 1/2 x 9/50 x 50 x 300 "		200.00
10" x 12/40 x 30 x 300 "		150.00
10 1/2 x 12/40 x 50 x 300 "		400.00
		<u>\$ 2,090.00</u>

(5) (e) 5 FURNITURE & FIXTURES

1 - portable camp stove	\$ 7.00
1 - 3 burner gas stove (Air-O-Gas)	45.00
1 - " " "	10.00
1 - compressor tank (new)	12.00
1 - pike pole, 12 ft.	3.00
1 - generator, 6 volt	25.00
1 - case empty pop bottles	.50
2 - tubs, small	1.00
2 - " large	5.00
1 - barrel, 90 gal.	5.00
1 - crock, 25 gal.	18.00
1 - roll tarpaper	1.00
1 - hay hook	1.50
3 - boxes machine pieces	
1 Ford rear end gear	\$ 5.00
1 car clutch	3.50
1 car transmission	5.00
3 universal joints	1.50
1 1 1/2" x 6' steel shaft	3.00
miscellaneous wrenches (4 or 5)	<u>5.00</u>
	23.00
25 ft. 1" rope	2.00
3 rat traps	.25
1 table, round	10.00
1 gramophone	50.00
1 table, round, small	4.00
1 cupboard	1.00
1 bench	.50
1 wardrobe	20.00
2 mattresses	15.00
1 table, small	7.00
1 writing desk	25.00
1 heater	15.00
2 lanterns	3.00
1 oil lamp	1.50
1 aladdin lamp	9.00
2 bed frames	5.00
50 gramophone records	50.00
1 single gas stove	6.00
books, 2 boxes & 5 cartons full	510.50
3 lantern glasses	.75
2 hand saws	6.00
3 key hole saws	2.50
1 gas heater	8.00
1 gas lantern (1 gal. size)	12.00
1 gas oven	<u>6.00</u>
	<u>927.00</u>

CASE NO: 878

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"

PART I. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 99JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSIONSUB-COMMISSION

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BEFORE

(THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.C. HUCKINGHAM, SUB-COMMISSIONER)

Winnipeg, Manitoba.

September 8th, 1948.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OFTAKEO OIKAWAPROCEEDINGS AT HEARINGAPPEARANCES:F.M. FERG, Esq., Appearing for the
Dominion GovernmentS.M. GHERNIAK, Esq., Appearing for the
Claimant

G.H. R. UPTON, Esq., Official Interpreter.

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MARK H. FRANK, Esq., Official Reporter.

T. Oikawa
In Chief.

TAKESHI OIKAWA, The claimant herein, being
first duly sworn testified as follows:

MR. CHERNIAK: I ask leave to amend the real
property portion of this claim Your Honour, to
show the Claimant's estimate of value at \$500.00

THE COMMISSIONER: Rather than \$1,100.00?

MR. CHERNIAK: Yes, Your Honour. The sale price by
the Custodian at \$141.00, so that the loss on the
Real Property would be \$359.00. The Personal
claim remains as it is except that the Custodian
should receive credit for \$150.00 for the sale of
some floats, so that the loss for the personal
chattels claimed is \$4,167.00 and the total loss
will be \$4,526.00.

Q DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. CHERNIAK:

Q Mr. Oikawa, I show you four typewritten sheets,
were these prepared in accordance with your
instructions? A Yes.

Q Are these your signatures on all of these
forms? A Yes.

Q Do you swear the contents of these forms to be
true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A Yes.

MR. CHERNIAK: Your Honour, I tender as Exhibit 1
The Claimant's statement as to Real Estate.

(REAL ESTATE STATEMENT, EXHIBIT 1.)

MR. CHERNIAK: And on behalf of my learned friend
I will tender his S.S.B. Appraisal as Exhibit 2.

(S.S.B. APPRAISAL, EXHIBIT 2.)

MR. CHERNIAK: I will file the Claimant's statement

T. Oikawa
In Chief.

as to the float house and net house as Exhibit 3.

(STATEMENT, EXHIBIT 3.)

MR. CHERNIAK: The claimant's statement as to
fishing gear as Exhibit 4.

(STATEMENT, EXHIBIT 4.)

MR. CHERNIAK: The claimant's statement as to
personal chattels as Exhibit 5.

(PERSONAL CHATTEL STATEMENT
EXHIBIT 5.)

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MR. CHERNIAK: And on behalf of my learned friend
I will file the Custodian's Analysis of personal
property claimed as Exhibit 6.

(ANALYSIS, EXHIBIT 6.)

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MR. CHERNIAK: Dealing first with the real property,
Your Honour will note that this property was
purchased in 1939 from Elizabeth Ann Quaggen for
\$286.35. I am showing to my learned friend a
deed of land dated April 11th, 1939 from E.A.
Quaggen to Takeo Oikawa for lot 2, which is the
portion for which claim is made, and the con-
sideration is \$286.35. The property consists
of 2.45 acres of which 1 acre was uncleared and
the claimant did no cultivating after, or did no
clearing after the purchase of the property.
However, he did cultivate the portion that was
cleared which was about one and a half acres and
he planted certain berry plants. He states that
in 1940 he put in 10 ice breaker piles at a cost
of \$200.00 and affixed 6 boom sticks at a cost
of \$125.00. This is a piece of land on the river,

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T. Oikawa
In Chief.

10 The Fraser River and these ice breaker piles and boom sticks were there as protection for the buildings. He also put in a 40 foot water main in 1940 at a cost of \$15.00. The S.S.B. Appraisal form locates this property as four and a half miles from Kennedy, placing it on a good, main gravel road and it is stated that it is a fishing settlement but that the land is good. Exhibit 2 also mentions certain buildings but does not add them to the value of the property because they are on floats and are therefore moveable. Page 2 of the S.S.B. Appraisal values the land at \$144.25. Mr. Barnett, the District Superintendent, gives his opinion as \$200.00. The comment on page 3 of Exhibit 2 is worth reading Your Honour. He states that the property is situated on Fraser River frontage. Agriculturally alone it is very limited. Combined with sufficient surrounding Jap land it could be turned into a farm unit. However, certain types of buyers who wished a subsistence home to work out from especially fishing would take this place. The soil generally is excellent and the uncleared portion could easily be cleared up. This claim, therefore is only a question of value of land itself, there are no buildings involved. The claimant states that he bought this property as part of 7 lots purchased by a group of fishermen and for that reason he bought cheaply. At 20 the time of evacuation land of this nature in 30

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T. Oikawa
In Chief.

his neighborhood was selling for \$300.00 per acre. He believes that the fair market value of the land at date of sale was at least \$500.00

Q Do you know yourself Mr. Oikawa of any land in that neighborhood which sold for \$300.00 per acre?

A Yes.

Q Can you tell us what you know about that?

A I don't know of the person who sold but I know of the person who bought it.

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Q Who is that? A I am not quite certain, but it is about a quarter of a mile up the River.

Q Which direction up the River, the River runs East and West does it? A Northeast.

MR. CHERNIAK: Turning now to Exhibit 3 Your Honour, the claimant's statement as to the Float House and Net House. He says this house was an old one having been built by his father in 1931 and he does not know the cost. He states he built a float for the house in 1939 at a cost of approximately \$350.00.

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Q Am I correct that this house was a house built by your father on another land and that you built a float for it, put it on the float and brought it to this land? A Yes.

MR. CHERNIAK: He values this house and float at \$1,000.00. He sets out a bath house and net house were built in 1931 for \$300.00 and he built a float for the bath house and net house in 1931 at a cost of \$100.00.

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Q Is that correct, witness, was the float for the

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bath house and net house built in 1931, or
was it on another date? A Yes.

Q So that the bath house and net house were on a
float at the time you bought it and you just moved
it over to the present property is that it?

A Yes.

16 MR. CHERNIAK: This bath house and net house on the
float is valued by the claimant at \$300.00 and
if Your Honour will turn to Exhibit 6 you will
note that the Custodian sets out that this was
sold, both floats and buildings were sold for
\$150.00. The comment is that tenders were called
and sold to the highest bidder. I believe my
learned friend might be able to advise us as to
these tenders because there was nothing on the
Custodian's file that was loaned to me.

MR. FERG: There are several tenders for a float
house, Your Honour.

THE COMMISSIONER: You mean how it was tendered for?

20 MR. CHERNIAK: Yes, Your Honour, anything about it
except what is stated on the Custodian's Analysis.

MR. FERG: Well, the property was advertised in the
Vancouver and New Westminister newspapers on
August 26th, 28th and 29th, 1944 as Parcel 'A',
being a small floating bath house and two roomed
float house, opposite 1024 River Road, Sunbury.
As a result tenders were received and the property
was ultimately sold for \$150.00 to the highest
bidder. I don't seem to have the tender.

30 MR. CHERNIAK: While my learned friend is looking for

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that, may he give us also whether there was any appraisal?

MR. FERG: There is no appraisal, Your Honour.

The property was ultimately sold to Mr. E. Torvik for the highest tender of \$150.00 and there is no appraisal.

MR. CHERNIAK: Coming now, Your Honour, to the nets and the floats and lines that are set out in Exhibit 4. The claimant shows the full description of the nets, age at evacuation and the original value and his estimated value. Your Honour will note that the Custodian reports that all these nets were abandoned.

Q Where did you leave the nets Mr. Oikawa?

A I left them on the float and locked the room up.

Q That is the net house, is it?

A Yes.

Q Were they hung up or put in bundles or what?

A They were hung up.

Q And prior to hanging them up did you bluestone them in any way, did you clean them in any way?

A I bluestoned them and thoroughly cleaned them and washed them.

Q Were they dry when you left or wet?

A They were dry.

Q And in what condition - how long would you say these nets would remain in a good saleable condition? A About three or four years they would remain in good condition.

MR. CHERNIAK: I doubt if my learned friend can tell

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us very much about these nets, as to when they were abandoned or by whom; if he can, I would like to hear it, if he can't we will leave it for the adjourned hearing.

MR. VERO: There is nothing here, Your Honour.

MR. CHERNIACK: We will have to leave it for the adjourned hearing. Turning now to Exhibit 5 the statement as to personal chattels and to the Analysis Sheet, Exhibit 6. Your Honour will note a reference in Exhibit 6 to a shipment of certain goods to the claimant, a crated bed, two boxes of effects and other articles. There is also mention there that the Custodian wrote the claimant asking if he had received the goods and the Claimant returned his copy of the Bills of Lading.

Q These goods that were sent to you Mr. Oikawa, you did receive them? A Yes.

Q Now you are making a claim here Mr. Oikawa for \$1.00 for two tubs, small, do you know whether these are the tubs you received in this shipment or not? A No.

Q Then these are other tubs?

A Yes

THE COMMISSIONER: Is that one dollar each?

MR. CHERNIACK: No, one dollar for both, Your Honour.

Q Witness, you are also making a claim for books, \$510.50 and the list reads 2 boxes and 5 cartons of books; now, you received the two boxes did you not? A I received two boxes.

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Q And this claim for \$510.50, does it include the books which you received or is it only for books which you did not receive from the Custodian?

A Those are for books which I did not receive.

MR. CHERNIACK: Exhibit 5 sets out the particulars as to date of purchase, price paid and the valuation placed on it by the claimant of the larger items in the claim which have been detailed in the Custodian's analysis sheet and I think they are all quite clear with the exception of the question of the books. Your Honour will note in Exhibit 5 that the books have been divided into English, \$85.45, and Japanese \$502.45, being the prices paid for the Japanese Books.

Q Now Mr. Oikawa, how do you know the cost price of the books for which you are claiming down to the cent? A In the Japanese books the price is put in each volume.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: That doesn't help us very much.

MR. CHERNIACK: No, Your Honour.

Q How do you know now what price was shown in these books that you left behind?

A When I got the evacuation order I made a list and put the prices down.

Q Did you list each book separately?

A I put the title of the volume together with the price in the list.

Q I show you witness a red note book on which is written T. Oikawa, Note Book, do you recognize

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this book? A Yes.

Q Is this the book you refer to as having the list of all your books in it? A Yes, not only my books but other particulars, important particulars.

Q For your own information, is that it?

A Yes.

Q And was this important information, other than the books, was that written at date of evacuation, or through the years prior to that?

A That information was put down from 1922 onwards.

Q Now, witness, there are many pages, all in Japanese and I am giving you a paper clip, can you clip together all the pages that do not relate to the books? A It is from here down.

Q You have now clipped together all the pages that do not relate to the books; and all other pages, showing lines and lines of Japanese writing, all these relate to the Japanese books, do they?

A Yes.

Q Now, included with this book I see a long slip from an adding machine, what is this slip?

A These are the prices of the books.

Q Cost prices? A Yes.

Q I see at the end of this long list it shows a total of \$1,171.00? A Yes.

Q I see also that through this long sheet, various figures are crossed out by pencil, did you cross out these figures in pencil?

A These erasures are for the books which I received

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from the Custodian.

Q In the two boxes referred to?

A Yes.

Q I see also in the book - which I should have filed as an Exhibit and I will do that now.

(NOTE BOOK, EXHIBIT 7.)

Q I see also in the book, Exhibit number 7 that there are certain lines crossed out in pencil?

A Yes.

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Q Why are these crossed out? A These were erased to account for the things I received from the Custodian.

MR. CHERNIACK: I also tender as an Exhibit the addition slip, Your Honour.

(ADDITION SLIP, EXHIBIT 8.)

MR. CHERNIACK:

Q So that you are quite satisfied are you Mr. Oikawa, that the books for which you are claiming and which you did not receive from the Custodian a total \$587.90 cost price?

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A Yes.

Q Can you indicate the English books for which you are claiming, I am showing you now Exhibit number 77 A Arabian Nights, 17 volumes, \$35.00; History of Scotland, 8 Volumes, \$19.00; Makers of History, 20 volumes, \$6.50; Famous Characters of History, 20 Volumes, \$17.95.

Q And do you have more elsewhere in the book?

A This one.

Q This one, the American Encyclopaedic Dictionary, 12 Volumes, \$7.00? A Yes.

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Q Also shown is the Book of Knowledge, did you receive those? A Yes.

Q And they are crossed out? A Yes.

Q What condition were all these books in?

A I had taken good care of them so their condition was very good.

Q Were they all bought new or some second hand?

A New.

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Q Did you make a practice of lending them out to other people, or did you keep them for your own use? A I loaned quite a number but they were all returned to me.

Q And at date of evacuation you say that they were in good condition? A Yes, I put them away in boxes carefully.

Q You carefully put them away in boxes?

A Yes.

Q Are these the goods that you requested in July, 1943? A They sent me two boxes.

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MR. CHERNIACK: I am just referring to Exhibit 6, Your Honour wherein the Custodian states that the Claimant requested shipment of two boxes and five cartons of books and I bring to your attention that only two boxes of effects were sent to the Claimant. I think I should point out that the claim is detailed in the same form as inventoried by the Custodian. The Custodian does not deny that he was seized of all these goods and sets out all items other than those shipped appear to to have been abandoned or not accounted for,

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theft, etc. I am surmising from that Your Honour that the Custodian has no record of anyone having appraised these goods or decided that they were valueless but that the custodian has lost all particulars of them. That is just conjecture which I assume the Custodian will either confirm or deny in due course.

THE COMMISSIONER: Are you finished Mr. Cherniak?

MR. CHERNIAK: Yes, Your Honour.

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THE COMMISSIONER: I think, possibly, this is a good time to adjourn.

COURT ADJOURNED: 12.10 a.m.

COURT RESUMED: 2.00 p.m.

T. OIKAWA, the Claimant, still in the witness box.

CROSS-EXAMINED BY MR. FERG:

Q Witness, with regard to your real estate, your principle occupation was fishing?

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A Yes.

Q And your berry growing and so on was just a sideline? A I did that in my spare time.

Q I show you a picture, is that a picture of your floating house and not shed that you are claiming for? A Yes.

MR. FERG: I will file that as an Exhibit, Your Honour.

(SHEET CONTAINING FOUR PHOTOGRAPHS

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EXHIBIT 9.)

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Q Now, this house was a float house?

A Yes.

Q And you say you think your father built it in 1921? A I think so, I was with my Father in 1922 and to the best of my knowledge it was around about there.

Q Did you buy the float house from your father?

A Yes.

Q When? A In 1931.

10 Q How much did you pay for it?

A- \$1,000.00

Q Did that include the net house?

A No.

Q Did you ever have an independent person give you a valuation on your house and net house?

A No.

Q And that also applies with your real property claim, did you ever have anybody give you an independent valuation of the property you are claiming for? A No.

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Q When you evacuated or when you were evacuated where did you leave these fish nets?

A In the net house.

Q Did you ever give a list of them to the Custodian?

A No.

Q Did you leave any property with a Mrs. W. Johnson, at 1034 River Road, New Westminster?

A No, I didn't leave anything at that persons house.

Q Were your chattels all left in your own floating house? A Yes, in the two float houses.

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Q How you received a shipment of goods from Mrs. Johnson? A Yes.

Q And did you receive a shipment of goods from anybody else after you were evacuated?

A No.

Q How many shipments of goods did you receive altogether after your evacuation? A I received from Mrs. Johnson one axe, rubber hose, a tub and a bed complete. These three articles were given by Mrs. Johnson to the Custodian and the Custodian sent them to me and ever and above that I received two boxes of books from the Custodian.

Q Now I will show you a paper dated the 27th of August, 1942, is that your signature at the foot of this document? A Yes.

Q Where did you sign this document, do you remember?

A I was in the Garibee

Q Now this statements states that this represents all my chattels remaining in the restricted area of British Columbia? A That is so.

MR. FERG: I will file this statement as an Exhibit Your Honour.

(STATEMENT, EXHIBIT 10.)

Q Now this list, Exhibit 10 does not refer to any fishing nets or hooks, why were they not included in the list since you are claiming for them now?

A At the time that I signed this I sent a letter to the Custodian telling him that there were other effects which were not on here.

Q I have a further statement dated November 4th, 1942

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in which it appears that additional chattels were found and it includes two boxes and five cartons of books, so that is cleared up?

MR. CHURCHILL: I think in the first statement there is also mention of nets.

MR. FERG: Yes, several pieces of fishing net, alright.

Q This further statement, is that your signature?

A Yes.

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Q Where was that signed by yourself, where were you when you signed it?

A In the Cariboo.

Q And this statement, Exhibit 10 and the one I now show you were mailed to you by the Custodian?

A Yes, they came by mail.

Q And you signed them and sent them back?

A Yes.

MR. FERG: I will file this further statement, Your Honour.

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(STATEMENT, EXHIBIT 11)

Q Now you told us that you got two boxes of books?

A Yes.

Q So that there is only five cartons of books missing? A Yes.

Q Were these boxes of books that you received large boxes? A Yes.

Q Were they larger than the cartons would be?

A About the same size.

Q Would you say that you had received the greater proportion of the books when you received these

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two boxes? A No, there wasn't half.

Q I suppose, as is the usual custom in evidence of this kind the books that you received would be the best books, would they?

A I packed up the books in a hurry and for that reason they were not the best books.

Q In other words there were good books and poor books in every package, is that right?

A They were mixed.

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Q How the Japanese books that you owned, where did you purchase them? A They were books that I bought direct from Japan and some from Vancouver.

Q And the books that you bought from Japan you would pay for in Japanese money? A Yes.

Q- And can you tell us the average price of each book purchased? A It is difficult for me to give an average price, but the histories and works of that nature were expensive and there were others that were not so dear.

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Q Were these books novels, story books?

A About twenty percent of the books of a like nature, novels, and the remainder were scientific works.

Q What kind of scientific works?

A Chiropractic, histories and histories of ancient times.

MR. CHERNIACK:

Q Would that be Biographies?

A Yes, Biographies.

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MR. FERG:

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Q How old are you? A Forty-two.

Q Did you ever go to school in Canada?

A I went to school to the extent of Grade 8 in Canada.

Q At no time did you attend University?

A No, I went to middle School in Japan.

Q Now, have you read all these books that you are claiming for? A Ninety percent of them.

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Q And some of them, I suppose, have been on your shelves for ten, fifteen or twenty years?

A Yes.

Q And, as a matter of fact, most of them I suppose?

A The oldest are from 1922, but from 1937 onwards I bought the bulk of these books.

Q And you cannot tell us the average price of these books? A No, because there are cases where they cost twenty or thirty-five dollars individually.

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THE COMMISSIONER: A list of the books with the exact cost price is already in evidence and he said the Japanese Books had the prices on the fly page.

MR. FERG: Oh yes, Your Honour.

Q I show you a bill of lading, is that the bill of lading you received with the shipment of goods from Mrs. Johnson? A Yes.

MR. FERG: I will file that Bill of Lading as an Exhibit, Your Honour.

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(BILL OF LADING, EXHIBIT 12.)

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MR. FERG: That is all Your Honour.

MR. CHERNIAK: Your Honour, I would like to draw your attention that this list Exhibit 12 is exactly the same as set out in the Custodian's Analysis, Exhibit 6, which the claimant admitted receiving.

MR. FERG: I submit Your Honour that the real property sold for its fair market value and with regard to the Floating House and Net House I submit they were sold at their fair market value and that the prices claimed for the other articles is excessive and unreasonable.

RE-EXAMINATION BY MR. CHERNIAK:

Q In connection with the inventory sheet setting out the chattels that were in the care of W. Johnson and Mrs. C. Giesbrecht, did you tell my learned friend that after you received these you wrote to the Custodian about certain articles missing from the list Exhibit 107 A Yes.

MR. CHERNIAK: Might I ask my learned friend if he has the letter which the claimant sent?

MR. FERG: That is the letter of - - -

MR. CHERNIAK:

Q Did you write that letter shortly after you received this list, or quite a while later?

A9 I am not certain, I cannot remember.

MR. CHERNIAK: I will leave it at that Your Honour by pointing out that on Exhibit 10 which was signed, apparently, I am saying apparently because

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that is the date shown here, was signed on September 15th, 1942, and this exhibit bears the Custodian's receipt stamp with which the Custodian always stamps mail as it comes in, and it is stamped November 23rd, 1942. Exhibit 11, which is the additional list bears the date of 18th of November, 1942 and I am wondering if my learned friend has the letter which accompanied this Exhibit 11 and then, possibly, we could find out what date that was received by the Custodian.

Q Mr. Oikawa, do you remember if these two lists were returned by you separately or together?

A They were sent separately.

THE COMMISSIONER: You better identify them.

MR. CHENIAK: Exhibits 10 and 11 Your Honour.

Possibly my learned friend or the Custodian's office in Vancouver will be able to advise us as to the dates. To my way of thinking it would appear that these lists were received at the same time or date of sending the other Exhibit.

Q Witness, could we just clear up the question raised by my learned friend in regard to the fact that Exhibit 10 mentions certain articles as being in the care of Johnson and certain articles in the care of Giesbrecht, were all these goods stored on the same property?

A These were all in my own house.

Q Can you explain to his Honour why some are shown as being in the care of one person and some in the care of another? A I asked Johnson

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to keep watch over my house but I don't know why Giesbrecht's name is there at all.

Q Do you know Giesbrecht? A I don't know him at all.

MR. CHERNIAK: Perhaps my learned friend can tell us who he is?

MR. FERG: The property was leased to a Mrs. G. Giesbrecht.

MR. CHERNIAK: By the Custodian?

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MR. FERG: Apparently so. I must say, Your Honour, that this file is not one of the best we have and all the records show is that Mrs. Giesbrecht leased the property at \$7.00 a month payable as of the 23rd of June, 1942.

MR. CHERNIAK:

Q Where were you on the 23rd of June Mr. Oikawa?

A At the Road Camp at Three Valley.

Q Did you rent the property to Mrs. Giesbrecht?

A I don't know Giesbrecht, I lent it to Johnson

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Q Can you refer me Mr. Oikawa, referring to Exhibit 10, whether, in your recollection, the goods under the name of Johnson were stored in a separate space than the goods under the name of Giesbrecht, or in the same general space?

A The items here under Johnson were put in the net house and the others were in my house.

Q Now Mr. Oikawa, my learned friend asked you if you had given a list of the nets to the Custodian and you answered 'No', do you remember ever having received a request for a list of nets from

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the Custodian? A I received a letter from the Custodian asking where the nets were but I didn't reply to it.

Q I show you a form witness, is that your signature?

A Yes.

MR. CHERNIACK: I tender this as an Exhibit Your Honour it is the J.P. Form.

(J.P. FORM, EXHIBIT 13.)

MR. CHERNIACK: And I would like to point out to

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Your Honour that the list of personal property owned includes two sets of fishing nets and one box of fishing equipment stored at R.R. #1 New Westminster, B.C..

Q Was that your address, R.R. #1, New Westminster, B.C.? A Yes.

Q Do you remember what you meant by two sets of nets?

A I don't remember that.

Q Do you remember saying two sets?

A I don't remember saying anything of that sort.

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Q Witness, do you have a photograph of that house taken sometime ago? A Yes.

Q Have you it with you? A Yes.

Q You produce a photograph of several buildings and a boat, can you identify these buildings?

A This was the house where I was living.

Q Is that the house that has been sold by the Custodian as a float house? A Yes.

Q That is the left hand house, painted white with a dark roof? A This is the house that the Custodian sold.

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Q Yes, that is the white painted house on the left side of the picture? A Yes.

Q And what is the other building that is shown there?

A I wasn't using that house.

Q And that is the net house that we have been referring to? A No, I made the net house separately.

Q When was this photograph taken?

A 1951 when I bought the house.

10 Q And you bought it from your father?

A Yes.

Q And this is before it was placed on the float?

A Yes.

MR. CHERNIAK: I tender this photograph as Exhibit 14 Your Honour, it was not a float house at that time.

(PHOTOGRAPH, EXHIBIT 14.)

THE COMMISSIONER: It is on floats now?

MR. CHERNIAK: Yes, Your Honour, I just thought it would be worth while to show any change in the house, if any, in that period of time.

MR. FERG: Could I just ask one question, Your Honour?

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. FERG:

Q Did you see any equipment or fish nets before you were evacuated or after?

A I sold one net before I was evacuated.

Q Did you give any nets away to anybody?

30 A No, I didn't have time.

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- Q Now just for assistance here, how long have you been a fisherman? A From 1925 onwards.
- Q How long in your experience have you found a fish net to last? A We don't use the same net every year, the size of the fish changes and therefore you use different sized mesh nets.
- Q Well, assuming that and whatever your practice is, what is the average life of a fish net of the type you are claiming for?
- 10 A About three years.

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINCE DUE).

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