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MISSION
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTIONFILE NO. 449

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having no property in any protected area.

NAME: TAJIRI, JuroHOME ADDRESS: R.R. No. 1, Mission City, BC REGISTRATION No. 13455SEX: Male AGE: 60 MARRIED: YesOCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER: Strawberry grower for myselfNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Shizuka ADDRESS: R.R. No. 1, Mission, BCNAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: Titsu (M) 15 ADDRESS: " " "Katoye (F) 13 ADDRESS: " " "Nobu (M) 11 ADDRESS: " " "

I certify that the above information is true and complete and state that I have no property of any kind whatsoever in any protected area in British Columbia.

Dated this 17th day of April 1942.

WITNESS:

J. J. Villains

(Signature)

J. Tajiri

LIST OF LIABILITIES:

None

HOW DO YOU PROPOSE TO PAY THESE OFF?

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Dec 9/42

Our File No. 4419

Full Name T.A.J.I.R.I. Juro
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 13455

☒ Male - Female
(check)

Age Mar 1, 1881

Former Address R.R.#1 Mission City, B.C.

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

Present Address Co Jack Keopke, Pictou, B.C., Alta.

☒ Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife ^{nee} (YAMASHITA) Phigaku ¹³⁴⁵⁴

Name of Husband r

Name of Mother ^{nee} (YAMASHITA) Chita ^{Acid}

Name of Father Kinkuro (Acid)

Names of Children under 16 Intaro (M) 10/8/26

Katayo (F) 22/3/28 Munematsu (M) 14/11/29

Requested by M. Brooke

Registered with Custodian yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Strawberry grower

Owner of 11 1/2 acres & house 1 1/2 ton truck

File No. 4419

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

September 7th, 1943.

Juro TAJIRI - Reg. No. 13455

CREDITORS:-

1. Pacific Co-op. Union (fertilizer)

\$152.75

2. Pacific Co-op. Union (truck repairs)

231.82

3 - Mino's Murai Settled

315.00

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NOTE: The above two claims have been referred
to the Pacific Co-op. Union and Juro TAJIRI
for direct settlement.

No further action by claims department.

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315.00
Paid 284.23
30.77 Bal
Paid Jan 13/44 - 30.77 Bal 5531 (don)

5531 (don)
42-4-44
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Telegraphic Address
Cable Address
PACCO

PHONES
Mission Office 65, Plant 55
Matsqui, 5411

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

GROWERS AND SHIPPERS OF
FRESH FRUITS AND RHUBARB

MISSION CITY, B. C.

January 11th, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 12 1943
File No.	4419
Ans.	
Referred	<i>[Signature]</i>

Mr. R. D. Richardson, Manager,
Farm Department,
Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Juro Tajiri - File 4419

This party now owes us \$325.04 made up as follows:

Truck repairs Mohawk Garage	231.82 -
Taxes (1941)	88.55 -
Light Bill	4.67 -
	<u>325.04</u>

We paid this man \$700.00 for his truck with the understanding that any repairs necessary before resale would be deductible. When we took this truck to the garage we found out that it needed a new engine and several other repairs.

We have sent Mr. Tajiri a copy of the bill for repairs. You will also notice that we paid 1941 taxes and a light bill which he left without paying. At the time the cheque for \$638.01 was given it was supposed to clean up his account, but after this cheque was given we paid taxes \$88.55, light 4.67 and truck repairs \$231.82.

The amount of \$72.38 was Tajiri's share of Hospital and doctor bill guaranteed by him and two other growers for Mr. H. Taise. There is also the matter of a fertilizer account which S. Tereposki claims Tajiri should pay as it was not mentioned in the agreement signed by Tereposki. The fertilizer account amounts to \$152.75. We have written to Mr. Tajiri in regards to the Truck repairs and Fertilizer and expect to hear from him soon.

Hoping this information is satisfactory, we remain

Yours very truly,

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

Per *[Signature]*

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

MARINE BUILDING
VANCOUVER
B.C.

Feb. 2, 1943.

Official Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
507 Royal Bank Bldg.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

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Returned <i>Alexander</i>

Dear Sir:

Re: Juro TAJIRI, #13455 - Your File 4419

We refer to your letter Jan. 4th and to attached statement of affairs of above named with Pacific Co-Operative Union, which shows a total debit balance of \$325.04.

Above named was heretoday and takes strong exception to details of settlement on this account and the undernoted facts are brought to your attention.

1. Mr. Tajiri claims that, prior to leaving B.C., complete settlement was made with Pacific Co-Operative Union and that no balance was, at that time, due to them. The statement claims a balance of \$286.65 as being outstanding from 1941. This settlement was made with the P.C.U., - Mr. K. Hayashi being interpreter in the case.
2. Item for \$4.67 allegedly paid by P.C.U. to B.E. Electric Co. for Electric Account is improper as a deposit of \$5.00 was held by the B.C. Electric Co. in favour of Mr. Tajiri and in fact, according to this statement, the sum of .33¢ should be due to Mr. Tajiri. In this case it may be that the balance is still held on B.E. Electric books to credit of above named.
3. The charge of \$231.82 for repair of truck, is strongly resented as the truck was sold as it stood without any reservation being made by either party as to the condition it might be found in subsequently. Above named states that Mr. Percy Routledge, of Routledge Motors and Mr. K. Hayashi valued this vehicle and the deal was closed for \$700.00.

With regard to the statement in the letter to Mr. Tajiri from the P.C.U. dated Jan. 8th, wherein they claim that they propose to charge him \$152.00 for fertilizer; the circumstances are, that this value of fertilizer was delivered to Mr. Tajiri's farm last Spring on open account, payment for same to be taken out of the crop in the Fall. In the meantime

P.T.O.

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second hand

File No. 4419

Juro TAJIRI - Regn. No. 13455

26th January, 1948.

Claims 1940 1½ ton Ford Truck was worth \$950.00

This truck was transferred by TAJIRI to the Pacific Co-operative Union, and held by the Union as baillee. The Union paid the Western Finance Company the sum of \$624.00 against the lien they held on this truck. The truck was sold by the Pacific Co-operative Union for \$700.00, less repairs of \$231.82.

TAJIRI disputed the repair charges made by the P.C.U. in their letters of 23rd Dec. 1942 and 11th Jan. 1943, stating in letter of 2nd February, 1943, that it had been agreed with the P.C.U. that the truck was to be sold as it stood on the value of \$700.00 given by Mr. Percy Routledge of Routledge Motors, Mission. There is considerable correspondence on the file and as agreements were verbal and recollections of both parties were diametrically opposed, the Custodian finally advised the P.C.U. and TAJIRI, 23rd July and 4th Sept. 1943, that the Custodian could do nothing further in the matter.

The Pacific Co-operative Union in their by-laws reserves the right to cancel any share interest that a grower may have, against any debt incurred by him, and they therefore cancelled all redeemable share interest registered in TAJIRI's wife's name until the truck repairs were paid up.

TAJIRI is also claiming \$275.00 for loss of farm tools and implements, and \$125.00 for a horse and harness.

These were not declared by TAJIRI and the Custodian has at no time had any record of them.

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Proof of Claim

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IN THE MATTER OF Order-in-Council P.C. 1810, as amended by
Order-in-Council P.C. 3737; and

IN THE MATTER OF "THE INQUIRIES ACT" being Chapter 99
of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1927, and

IN THE MATTER OF a Commission appointed to inquire into and
report upon the claims of persons of the Japanese Race under said
Orders-in-Council.

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1. Name of Claimant in full:

Juro Tajiri

Registration No. 13455

2. Claimant's address at the time of his evacuation from the protected area:
R. R. #1 Mission City, B.C.

3. Claimant's present address:

Box 82, Picture Butte, Alta.

4. Claim relating to real property:

(a) Street address of real property:

(b) Legal description of property:

(c) Type of real property, i.e., farm, residence, commercial, etc., and short description of it:

(d) Title or interest held by Claimant in the real property:

(e) Fair market value of real property at date of sale:

(I) Land— \$

(II) Buildings— \$

(f) Amount of loss alleged to have been sustained by the Claimant under the terms of reference:

\$

5. Claims relating to personal property, etc.

(a) Location at which property was left by Claimant at date of evacuation:

Farm on Wren Road, Mission City, B.C.

(b) Type of premises in which property was left by Claimant and manner in which that property was stored or packed at time of evacuation:

Left as is on the farm.

- (c) In whose care was property left by the Claimant at date of evacuation?

J. B. Shimek, Pacific Co-operative Union, Mission City, B.C.

- (d) Itemized and detailed description of the property which is the subject of the claim, and itemized value thereof at the time of sale, loss or destruction:

1940 1 1/2 Ton Ford Truck	Serial No. 1C6810	\$	950.00
Farm tools and implements			275.00
Horse and Harness			125.00
		\$	1350.00

- (e) Amount of loss alleged to have been sustained by Claimant under the terms of reference:

\$1350.00

6. I desire that my claim be heard at the City of Lethbridge in the Province of Alberta.

7. An Interpreter will be required.

DATED this 11th day of October, 1947.

M. Kanatunga
Witness to Signature of Claimant.

J. Tajiri
Signature of Claimant.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL, Barristers, Lethbridge.

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, **Juro Tajiri** (Full Name of Claimant)

Box 82,
of **Picture Butte, Alta.**
(Present Address)

Retired
(Occupation)

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE:

1. I am the above named Claimant.
2. I have a personal and full knowledge of the circumstances and facts relating to the Claim above referred to.
3. The above Claim is true and correct.
4. I have not received any payment upon the above Claim other than the following:

initials in margin
\$416.18 for truck

And I make this declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

DECLARED at *Picture Butte*

in the Province of Alberta,

this *13th* day of *November*

A.D. 1947.

Kenneth D. Hill *J. Tajiri*
A Commissioner for Oaths in and for
the Province of Alberta.

4419
CASE NO. 758.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Lethbridge, Alberta,
October 5th, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
JURO TAJIRI.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

G. A. Rice, Esq., K.C.

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CASE NO. 758.

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"
PART I. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 99.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

BEFORE

(HIS HONOUR JUDGE L. H. STACH, Sub-COMMISSIONER).

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Lethbridge, Alberta,
October 8th, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
JURO TAJIRI.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

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APPEARANCES:

G.E.A. RICE, Esq., K.C.,

appearing for the
Dominion Government.

A.G. VIRTUE, Esq., K.C.,

appearing for the
Claimant.

MISS LILLIE THOMAS,

Secretary.

D.J. HANDFORD, Esq.,

Official Interpreter.

S.R. HOWARD, Esq.,

Official Reporter.

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J. Tajiri,
Discussion.

THE SECRETARY: Case No. 758, Jure Tajiri.

MR. VIRTUE: I do not wish to take the responsibility of withdrawing this claim, sir, but I will say that we have not had much co-operation from this man, and as his name has been called I would rather your Honour would just deal with it.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: He has been notified?

MR. VIRTUE: Yes, sir.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I think we will have to consider the claim abandoned.

MR. VIRTUE: Well, I would rather your Honour say that than I.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: There is no prospect of him turning up later, is there, say next week?

MR. VIRTUE: Well, if your Honour wishes we can notify him if he does not appear that his claim will be considered abandoned.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Very well.

MR. VIRTUE: Your Honour can put it on the list for the 15th of October.

THE SECRETARY: For the 15th?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes, and if he does not appear it will be abandoned.

MR. VIRTUE: Very well. We can notify him if he does not appear then his claim will be abandoned.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED TO OCTOBER 15th, 1948)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcript of the proceedings herein.

"S.R. HOWARD" Official Reporter.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript purports to be an accurate record of the evidence adduced before me.

SUB-COMMISSIONER.

J. Tajiri,
Discussion.

Lethbridge, Alberta,
October 18th, 1948.

(Proceedings resumed before His Honour Judge R. M.
Edmonson, pursuant to adjournment).

THE SECRETARY: Case No. 758, Jure Tajiri.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I understand, Mr. Virtue, this
was called when Judge Stack was here last week,
was it not?

10 MR. VIRTUE: Yes, sir. I wrote him on October 8th, and
I might say we have not had any co-operation from
this man anyway, so that while I do not wish to
withdraw the claim, I am not going to object if
your Honour declares it is abandoned.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Well, we will take it that the
claim is abandoned by him.

MR. VIRTUE: Yes.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: All right.

(PROCEEDINGS CONCLUDED)

I hereby certify that the foregoing
transcript is a true and accurate record
of the proceedings herein.

S.R. Howard
"S.R. HOWARD" Official Reporter.

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herein.

SUB-COMMISSIONER.

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B.C. SECURITY COMMISSION

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUL 1 1943
File No.	
Let. Bridge, Alberta.	
June 24, 1943	

Mr M.L.Brown, Office Manager, Vancouver, B.C.

Re: Juro TAJIRO #13455

In reply to your letters of May 19, June 11th and June 12th, the following information has been gathered on this file:

Dr Eacrett: This claim is acknowledged, and is to be paid in the sum of \$34.00

W.J.Windebank: This claim is acknowledged, and is to be paid in the sum of \$9.01, although Mr Tajiri, as stated before, does not think the amount is correct, but wishes to clean the matter up.

Ruskin Box Company: In the claim of \$105.95 is acknowledged as correct, and in order to be paid.

Sardis Nurseries: The claim of \$25.50 is acknowledged as correct, and in order for payment.

B.C.Electric Railway Company: There should be a refund of the deposit of which Mr Tajiri is not sure of the amount, whether \$3.00 or \$5.00. The claim of the B.C.Electric against Tajiri was paid by the Pacific Co-operative Union on May 15, 1942, and therefore would entitle him to the deposit. Tajiri states that it is impossible to find the deposit receipt, and thinks the same was lost on his evacuation to Alberta. Could he not sign a receipt admitting the loss of the certificate of deposit, and secure a refund from the B.C.Electric?

Fertilizer: Both Tajiri and his son Kazuaki state the fertilizer was taken out in February, 1942, before he had sold his farm to Mr Tereposki. At the time of the sale of the farm, Tajiri intended to return the fertilizer to the Pacific Co-operative Union, and have the same credited to his account; but on taking the matter up with Mr Tereposki, he was advised to leave the same on the farm as Mr Tereposki would be needing the fertilizer for his farming operations in 1942. According to Tajiri and his son, arrangements were made both with Mr Tereposki and Mr J.B. Shimek, that the cost of the fertilizer, namely \$152.75 was to be taken from the account of Tajiri, and charged to that of Mr Tereposki. This arrangement was made in view of the fact that it would save Mr Tereposki the cost of trucking it out to the farm, had it been returned by Tajiri. There is no doubt that Mr Tereposki is the one who received the benefit of the fertilizer, and the fact that the Pacific Co-operative Union, in their statement of November 30, 1942, does not show any charge to Tajiri for the fertilizer, would appear that it had been transferred to Mr Tereposki's account. In a letter of January 8, 1943 to Tajiri, the fertilizer is mentioned in the letter, and the letter states that no mention of fertilizer was made in the

contract between Tajiri and Mr Tereposki. The letter of the Custodian of February 8, 1943, states: "Mr Tajiri's remarks in connection with the \$152.00 charge made by the Pacific Co-operative Union for fertilizer have been noted. It is our understanding that they are in correspondence with Mr Tajiri in this connection and according to verbal indications we have received, we understand that this charge of \$152.00 is shortly to be reversed by the Pacific Co-operative Union." If the fertilizer was to be charged to Tajiri's account why was it not charged on the statement sent Tajiri on November 30, 1942, as the same was received on the Tajiri farm in February, 1942. Why should the fertilizer now be charged by the Pacific Co-operative Union to Tajiri.

Taxes: The statement of November 30, 1942 shows a charge of taxes of \$88.55. Tajiri states that he left Mission, B.C. on April 24th, and before transferring land to Mr Tereposki it was necessary for him to pay taxes up to the date of sale. It is quite possible, however, that although this payment shows April 29th, that the Pacific Co-operative Union made this payment to clean up the land, so it could be transferred to Mr Tereposki.

Truck: This was a Ford, 1½ Ton Truck, and had approximately 19000 miles on it when turned over to the Pacific Co-operative Union, as stated by the Pacific Co-operative Union, who paid the Finance Co. the sum of \$624.00, it would appear, on June 11, and received a bill of ownership from the Finance Co. Copy of letter received from Pacific Co-operative shows they allowed Tajiri to use this truck for a short time after that date, and later the truck was delivered to Hastings Park Vancouver, when the order was issued that no trucks could be in the hands of the Japanese. The truck was brought back to the Pacific Co-operative Union along about April 15th from Hastings Park, and was used by the Pacific Co-operative in hauling ~~from Hastings Park~~ and loading the goods and chattels of the Japanese who were evacuated to Alberta. Both Tajiri and his son state that the truck was in good running order at that time, and that Mr Routledge's appraisal on the same was a straight \$700.00 on the day they left Mission. If the Pacific Co-operative valued the truck at the sum of \$624.00 paid the Finance Co., and gave Tajiri credit for \$700.00 for the truck on their statement of November 30, it would appear that the deal was made for the price of \$700.00.

As to the matter of repairs, amounting to the sum of \$231.82, to Mohawk Service, it would appear that his item is quite out of order, and the Custodian is certainly entitled to know the exact date that these repairs became necessary to the truck, and exactly what they consisted of. A letter to Tajiri states that the bill from the Mohawk Service was sent him, but he could not find the same when I was at his place. The letter states it was necessary to install a new motor in this truck and replace the transmission. A new motor for a Ford ton and one-half truck installed, would not run over \$100.00, and the transmission must have been in very poor order or considerable work done on it to make the total bill \$231.82. This is a matter that should be investigated, and a decision reached as to who is responsible for the repairs, whether Tajiri or the Pacific Co-operative.

The statement of November 30, 1942, shows a balance brought forward from 1941, of \$286.65, but the Pacific Co-operative in their letter to Tajiri of January 9th, show on the back of their letter: remains of \$231.82; taxes of \$88.55; and a B.C. Electric bill of \$4.67, which makes Tajiri's debit balance \$235.04, but as these items are already charged on the statement of November 30, the balance to the Pacific Co-operative would only be \$38.39, off of which should be taken the \$231.82 truck repairs until it is settled who pay the same.

"R.S. Beattie"

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July 7, 1943.

The Pacific Co-operative Union,
MISSION CITY, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Juro TAJIRI and
His Truck

We would appreciate receiving your comments in connection with the following report we have received from the Supervisor in Lethbridge, Alberta, of the B. C. Security Commission regarding your claim of \$231.82 against Mr. Tajiri for truck repairs.

Trucks. This was a Ford 1½ Ton Truck, and had approximately 19000 miles on it when turned over to the Pacific Co-operative Union, as stated by the Pacific Co-operative Union, who paid the Finance Company the sum of \$624.00. It would appear, on June 11, and received a bill of ownership from the Finance Company. Copy of letter received from the Pacific Co-operative Union shows they allowed Tajiri to use this truck for a short time after that date, and later the truck was delivered to Hastings Park Vancouver, when the order was issued that no trucks could be in the hands of the Japanese. The truck was brought back to the Pacific Co-operative Union along about April 15th from Hastings Park, and was used by the Pacific Co-operative in hauling and loading the goods and chattels of the Japanese who were evacuated to Alberta. Both Tajiri and his son state that the truck was in good running order at that time, and that Mr. Routledge's appraisal on the same was a straight \$700.00 on the day they left Mission. If the Pacific Co-operative valued the truck at the sum of \$624.00 paid the Finance Company, and gave Tajiri credit for \$700.00 for the truck on their statement of November 30, it would appear that the deal was made for the price of \$700.00.

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Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA
cc Mr. W. S. Ure

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 6131

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. 4479

806 ROYAL BANK BLDG.,
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE
VANCOUVER, B.C.

July 23, 1943.

Mr. W. S. Ure,
The Pacific Co-operative Union,
Mission City, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Juro TAJIRI

Can you find out for how much the Pacific Co-operative Union
sold the truck of Mr. Juro Tajiri and who bought it. It was a 1940 Ford
truck, a V-8 Custodian No. T171, and 1941 license No. CX-573.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RP:MA

\$400.00 cash price
\$624.00 to Insurance Co.
\$76.00 to P. & L. against O.
Bought by P. & L. a year ago. & in turn
sold to Al Watson for the same amount.
MR

1940 Ford V8 Truck.

<u>Truck</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Debit</u>
Sold (paid to T by the PCO)	700.00	
Paid to Finance Company (Jan 11, 1942)		624.00
Repairs (new engine & other repairs) copy of Bill sent to Tajiri by PCO.		231.82
	700.00	855.82
Tajiri's Lien	\$185.82	
	<u>\$855.82</u>	<u>\$855.82</u>

We paid with understanding that repairs would be deductible from the \$700.-

This was denied by Tajiri who gives Ken Nakagaki as a reference.

Title was in the name of the PCO

2 references

Car resold by PCO to Watson for \$700.-

Telegraphic Address
Cable Address
PACCO

PHONES
Mission Office 65: Plant 55
Matsqui, 5411

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

GROWERS AND SHIPPERS OF
FRESH FRUITS AND RHUBARB

MISSION CITY, B.C.

July 31st, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION

AUG 2 1943

Rec'd

File No.

Att.

Retained

Mr. R. P. Alexander, Manager,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: File No. 4419 - Juro Tajiri
and 1940 Ford V 8 Truck

We are enclosing a copy of the repair account supplied us by the Mohawk Service. When you scrutinize the items on this account you will notice that Tajiri's truck had just about everything wrong that can go wrong with anybodys truck. We used this truck twice to draw in baggage for the Japanese when they were evacuated, one at Whonock and once at Mission. In Whonock we could not go up the hills with this truck, we had to back up which shows you just in what condition this truck was in. We never used it after that. We pointed out to Mr. Tajiri while he was still here about the growling and the grumbling that was going on in both the differential and the transmission housing. When the Mohawk took this truck down they called the writer in personally to show him that this truck had been badly neglected from the lack of oil and grease since the damage done to the many parts affected was not from wear of the truck but from lack of care. We have told you before that Mr. Tajiri and his son were present when Mr. Koutledge of the Ford Service in Mission told us that the truck would be worth \$700.00 providing it was in good mechanical shape and providing the rubber was good. What we paid the finance Co. when the Sherrif came up to seize this truck and what we paid the Mohawk Garage has nothing to do with each other. One outlay is not related with the other so your argument, that we paid out \$855.82 and despite of that sold the truck for \$700.00, doesn't hold water.

In January, when we paid the Sherrif's agent we wanted to save the truck for Mr. Tajiri. Circumstances developing later in connection with the evacuation made it necessary to sell the truck but nobody that knows anything at all could have been expected to purchase that truck in the shape it was in. There is no further argument necessary on this truck and this letter should be final and we remain

Yours very truly,
PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

Per

J. B. Shimek
J. B. Shimek Gen. Mgr. EK

JBS/EK

COPY

No. 2424

MOHAWK SERVICE

Mission City, B. C.

C.P. Ferguson

H.P. Webb

Name United Farmers Co-op. Exchange Address Mission
License CY 826 Mileage Phone Make Ford Truck Motor No.
Instructions

Overhaul truck.

1 Motor Exchange installed	95.00	2 Diff. carrier brgs.	7.30
Gaskets (Motor)	2.15	2 Diff " cups	3.90
1 fuel pump Rod	.80	2 pinion shaft "	3.90
1 Trans. Brg.	5.50	2 pinion shaft brgs.	7.40
1 " "	4.15	1 pilot brg.	1.90
1 " "	.58	1 grease retainer	1.45
2 " "	1.74	1 thrust plate	1.37
1 Clutch brg.	2.40	1 retaining rivet	.05
1 Crown gear & Pinion	31.00	12 crown gear bolts	1.80
1 Diff. Case Assy.	13.50	1 set points	1.50
4 spider gears	5.00	1 rotor	.66
2 axle gears	6.70	16 shots grease	3.20
1 spider	2.85	8 spark plugs	6.40
2 spacers	.58		212.02
4 spacers	.24		
	contd.		
Labour overhaul ignition	1.75	1 gal movil oil	1.80
Clean carb. & fuel pump	1.25		
Overhaul trans.	6.50		
Overhaul Rear end	8.50		
	18.00		

Labor	18.00
Parts	212.02
Accessories	
Gas & Oil	1.80
Telephone and Express	
Total	231.82

Telegraphic Address
Cable Address
PACCO

PHONES
Mission Office 65, Plant 55
Matsqui, 5411

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

GROWERS AND SHIPPERS OF
FRESH FRUITS AND RHUBARB

MISSION CITY, B.C.

February 12th, 1943.

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Rec'd	FEB 13 1943
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Mr. R. P. Alexander, Manager,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Alexander: File No. 4419 - Juro Tajiri

Replying to yours of February 8th.

To us it seems to be a waste of time to argue about these debts of certain Japanese that they are trying to get away from. If you permit yourself to start an arguing correspondence with these Japanese evacuees they will deny any debt of any kind. At least we have found them so in the past with only very few exceptions.

We again give you herewith a statement of facts as they have occurred in this deal between Mr. Tereposki and Mr. Tajiri.

The fertilizer of a value of \$152.75 was delivered to Tajiri on his farm in February. In April, Mr. Tajiri and Mr. Tereposki made a deal for the farm, it was as follows:

That Mr. Tereposki, through the medium of the Pacific Co-operative Union pay Mr. Tajiri \$2750.00 for the farm including everything in and on the farm excepting clothing and personal belongings of the Tajiri family. Surely, when a deal like that is made, fertilizer on this farm would and should be included and Mr. Tajiri is fully aware of this fact.

It is unfortunate that the office here did not deduct this fertilizer when Mr. Tajiri received payment for his farm. If they had done so, there would not have been any argument.

We are enclosing with this letter, Mr. Tajiri's bill for \$152.75 for fertilizer delivered to him and signed for by him and we expect the custodian's office to pay us that amount when our cheque in favour of Mr. Tajiri on which we lifted stop payment to the amount of \$638.01. Mr. Tereposki has absolutely nothing to do with this transaction since he made a deal for the farm including everything on it and he cannot be brought into this picture now.

Your File No. 4419

Replying to yours of February 8th re the amount owing us by Mr. Tajiri of \$231.82 of truck repair. We have forwarded to you an itemized account, a copy of our account received from the repair shop, the Mohawk garage at Mission, B. C. As you already know, on January 11th, 1942 we paid the Sherrif the amount owing by Tajiri to the finance Co. for this truck and the finance Co supplied us with a bill of ownership of this truck. However, since we had no intention of working a hardship on Tajiri we permitted him to keep his truck and use it on his farm. It was the intention of collecting from Mr. Tajiri the amount paid by us from his fruit returns during the 1942 season. Later on when the order came out that all Japanese must dispose of their trucks we received transfer of this truck from Mr. Tajiri. The truck was delivered to Hastings Park and brought back again. Before Mr. Tajiri left this district he came here and asked for permission to use this truck to do certain work, we granted him this permission and supplied a driver with the truck. The day he left he returned the truck and although we had asked him several times previous to get a proper valuation for the truck he had not done so. We took the truck and Mr. Tajiri to Mr. Routledge and Mr. Routledge, after looking the truck over, made the following statement, that providing the truck was in good mechanical shape and providing the tires are alright it is worth \$700.00. The writer then pointed out to Mr. Routledge that there was a growling noise in the differential assembly. Mr. Routledge stated that in order to put the proper value on this truck he would have to give the truck a thorough mechanical examination. Since Mr. Tajiri had to leave on the train that day there was naturally no time to do this. When Mr. Tajiri parted we made the following verbal agreement that "If anything is found wrong with this truck upon examination the amount of the cost of any repairs necessary would have to be paid by Mr. Tajiri" to which he agreed on. We didn't use the truck for sometime after but prior to the time when we sold it to Mr. Watson of Whonnock, B.C., we placed it with the Mohawk garage after Mr. Routledge told us that he was too busy in his shop to give this truck a proper examination and overhaul if needed. Upon examination Mr. Ferguson, Manager of the Mohawk garage, informed us that the engine had a crack in it and that it's poor business to try to weld it. He also stated that upon examination of the inside of the engine that the cylinders were badly scorched and the crank-shaft bearings were also badly worn. Upon the advice of a very good mechanic whom I asked to examine the engine we gave Mr. Ferguson instructions to replace the engine since we knew that it had been giving very poor satisfaction for sometime. The cost of the replacements and other repairs necessary amounted to \$231.82 and according to our agreement with Mr. Tajiri he is liable for this expenditure.

As you mentioned in your letter that Mr. Ken Hayashi also valued this truck, we wish to state that Mr. Hayashi would be unable to value any truck since he knows even less about such matters than the writer does and I certainly would not undertake to value a truck or a car and while it is true that Mr. Routledge valued the truck at \$700.00 he made it very plain that he would only have this value after it had been put in good running order.

We hope that this explanation closes this matter and assuring
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you that we are sorry to bother you by writing you at this length,
we remain

Yours very truly,

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

Per

J. B. Shimek

Gen. Mgr.

JBS/EK

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March 13, 1948.

Your File # 3212

Messrs. Virtue & Russell,
Solicitors & Solicitors,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Re: Auto TAJIRI, Reg. No. 13453

Dear Sirs:

Received your letter of March 10th in further reference to Mr. Tajiri's truck. The repair bill to which you refer, was also paid by the Pacific Co-Operative Union and was not charged against funds held at this office.

The Pacific Co-Operative Union's statement on our files may be of interest to you, and we are sending a copy which shows the credit they gave to Tajiri on their books and the charges to the Finance Company, as well as the repair account in the amount of \$231.82, paid to the Hoshack Service.

The Pacific Co-Operative Union claim that a price of \$700.00 was agreed upon with Tajiri, with the understanding that any repairs necessary would be deductible. They state that when the truck was taken to the garage, it was found that a new engine and other repairs were necessary. A letter dated February 2nd, 1943, from the British Columbia Security Commission to this office advised us that Tajiri had advised them as follows:

"The charge of \$231.82 for repair of truck, is strongly resented as the truck was sold as it stood without any reservation being made by either party as to the condition it might be found in subsequently. Above named states that Mr. Percy Routledge, of Routledge Motors and Mr. K Hayashi valued this vehicle and the deal was closed for \$700.00."

While this indicates that there may have been a dispute about the liability for the repairs, the above quotation would appear to confirm that an actual deal was made between your client and the Pacific Co-Operative Union.

Yours very truly,

F.G. Shears
Director.

FOS/GH
Encl.

March 4, 1948.

Messrs. Virtue & Russell,
Barristers and Solicitors,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sirs:

RE: Juro TAJIRI,
Reg. No. 13455

We are in receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo, enclosing a copy of your letter to the Pacific Co-Operative Union at Mission.

You are doubtless aware that by Government Notice dated February 26, 1942, the Minister of Justice ordered every person of the Japanese race having in his possession certain articles, including motor vehicles, to forthwith deliver such motor vehicles up to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. A considerable number of persons of the Japanese race instead of delivering their motor vehicles as required by this said order, made disposition of these vehicles to white persons. Your client, together with a considerable number of other Japanese, made arrangements with the Pacific Co-Operative Union, transferring their vehicles to them and agreeing upon sale price. The Pacific Co-Operative Union were requested by the British Columbia Security Commission to deliver these cars to Hastings Park. However, in view of the action taken by Japanese in transferring their cars as above referred to, a ruling was made by the Minister of Justice which stated that although such persons of the Japanese race may have committed an offense, that such offense would not be considered as invalidating the arrangements made with the white purchasers. In view of this, these vehicles were all returned to the Pacific Co-Operative Union.

In regard to the particular case in which you are now interested, there is a large volume of correspondence in our file showing that this office went to a very great deal of trouble in attempts to establish the actual arrangements made by Mr. TAJIRI and the Pacific Co-Operative Union, and there was apparently considerable difference in opinion in regard to the verbal arrangements which your client made with the Co-Operative.

Please note that the statement in paragraph 4 of your letter to the Pacific Co-Operative Union in which you state that the Custodian

March 4, 1948.

eventually sold the truck for approximately \$700.00 is contrary to fact, as this truck was transferred by Juro TAJIRI to the Pacific Co-Operative Union and purchased by them under the arrangements made directly with your client. The facts concerning the repair bill, \$231.82, is also a matter which lies directly between Mr. TAJIRI and the Pacific Co-Operative Union. No funds have been received by the Custodian in connection with this particular truck. Our file indicates that there was a balance due to the Finance Corporation which was settled by the Pacific Co-Operative Union.

We would suggest that this particular claim falls entirely outside the present terms of reference.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears
Director.

FGS/CH

VIRTUE & RUSSELL

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS
AND NOTARIES PUBLIC

SEAFARERS BUILDING, OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE

LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA

A. GLADSTONE VIRTUE, M.C. R.C.
WILLIAM STAFFORD RUSSELL, B.A., LL.B.

25th February, 1948

PLEASE REFER TO FILE NO.

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EVACUATION SECTION	
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Ans.	
Referred	Brown

THE CUSTODIAN,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir: RE: JURO TAJIRI
Registration No. 13455

We enclose herewith copy of a letter which we are sending today to the Pacific Co-Operative at Mission, B.C.

The case outlined is not an isolated one, but there are a large number of Japanese who have had similar experiences with their trucks.

Would you kindly advise us as to what instructions were issued to the Pacific Co-Operative:

- (a) with respect to this truck, and
- (b) with respect to other trucks which were used in connection with the movement of evacuees,

and would you also advise us as to the particulars of the \$250.00 repair bill which you have charged against Mr. Tajiri's truck, and outline the circumstances upon which this charge was made.

We would appreciate early information on this matter.

Yours truly,

VIRTUE & RUSSELL,

Per *VR*

R/L
encl.

25th February, 1948

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PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE,
MISSION, B.C.

Dear Sirs: RE: JURO TAJIRI.
Registration No. 113455

We are solicitors for a number of Japanese who lived in or about Mission, B.C. prior to their evacuation to Alberta.

There exists a number of cases similar to the one below, but we have selected this one as an example in order that you may have a specific case upon which you can inform us in this matter.

At the time of his evacuation in the spring of 1942 Mr. Tajiri turned his 1940 - 1½ ton Ford Truck Serial No. 1C6810, over to the Pacific Co-Operative. Eventually the truck found its way into the hands of the Custodian, but, apparently, not before it had been used to move evacuees and to transport their goods and effects about the Province.

The Custodian eventually sold the truck for approximately \$700.00, but charged against that was a repair bill of \$250.00. When the truck was turned over to the Co-Operative it was in good repair and there were no outstanding accounts. Between the time it went into your hands and the time it was sold repairs were effected, presumably as a result of its service in your hands.

Will you be good enough to give us the full particulars of the transaction relating to this truck, including advice as to on whose behalf or on whose instructions you employed this truck for the removal of evacuees, and the details of any accounts for repairs etc, which were incurred by you.

An early reply to this letter will be much

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE,
Mission, B.C.

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Re: Jure Tafari.

appreciated.

Thanking you, we are,

Yours truly,

VIRTUE & RUSSELL,

Per.

R/L

c.c. Information Custodian, Vancouver, B.C.

File No. 4419

Jura TAJIRI - Reun. No. 13455

26th January, 1948.

Claims 1940 1 1/2 ton Ford Truck was worth \$950.00

This truck was transferred by TAJIRI to the Pacific Co-operative Union, and held by the Union as bailee. The Union paid the Western Finance Company the sum of \$624.00 against the lien they held on this truck. The truck was sold by the Pacific Co-operative Union for \$700.00, less repairs of \$231.82.

TAJIRI disputed the repair charges made by the P.C.U. in their letters of 23rd Dec. 1942 and 11th Jan. 1943, stating in letter of 2nd February, 1943, that it had been agreed with the P.C.U. that the truck was to be sold as it stood on the value of \$700.00 given by Mr. Percy Routledge of Routledge Motors, Mission. There is considerable correspondence on the file and as agreements were verbal and recollections of both parties were diametrically opposed, the Custodian finally advised the P.C.U. and TAJIRI, 23rd July and 4th Sept. 1943, that the Custodian could do nothing further in the matter.

The Pacific Co-operative Union in their by-laws reserves the right to cancel any share interest that a grower may have, against any debt incurred by him, and they therefore cancelled all redeemable share interest registered in TAJIRI's wife's name until the truck repairs were paid up.

TAJIRI is also claiming \$275.00 for loss of farm tools and implements, and \$125.00 for a horse and harness.

These were not declared by TAJIRI and the Custodian has at no time had any record of them.

MEMORANDUM

To: File 4419

March 25, 1944.

From: Specified Articles Department

Re: TAJIRI, Juro - Reg. 13455

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
TRUCK	1940 Ford No. T171 License No. (41) CX 573	Not given

The above truck was released to the Pacific Co-operative Union on April 30, 1942, and was later sold for \$700.00.

Payments were as follows:

Finance Co.: \$24.00

P. C. U.: \$76.00

Harker

by P.C.U.
R.

March 13, 1948.

Your File # 3212

Messrs. Virtue & Russell,
Barristers & Solicitors,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Juro TAJIRI, Reg. No. 13452

Received your letter of March 10th in further reference to Mr. Tajiri's truck. The repair bill to which you refer, was also paid by the Pacific Co-Operative Union and was not charged against funds held at this office.

The Pacific Co-Operative Union's statement on our files may be of interest to you, and we are sending a copy which shows the credit they gave to Tajiri on their books and the charges to the Finance Company, as well as the repair account in the amount of \$231.62, paid to the Hoshank Service.

The Pacific Co-Operative Union claim that a price of \$700.00 was agreed upon with Tajiri, with the understanding that any repairs necessary would be deductible. They state that when the truck was taken to the garage, it was found that a new engine and other repairs were necessary. A letter dated February 2nd, 1943, from the British Columbia Security Commission to this office advised us that Tajiri had advised them as follows:

"The charge of \$231.62 for repair of truck, is strongly resented as the truck was sold as it stood without any reservation being made by either party as to the condition it might be found in subsequently. Above named states that Mr. Percy Routledge, of Routledge Motors and Mr. E Hayashi valued this vehicle and the deal was closed for \$700.00."

While this indicates that there may have been a dispute about the liability for the repairs, the above quotation would appear to confirm that an actual deal was made between your client and the Pacific Co-Operative Union.

Yours very truly,

F.G. Shears
Director.

FG/CH
Encl.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL

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McFARLAND BUILDING, OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE

LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA

March 10, 1948.

A. GLADSTONE VIRTUE, N.C., B.C.
WILLIAM STAFFORD RUSSELL, B.A., LL.B.

PLEASE REFER TO FILE NO.

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Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, British Columbia.

Re: Juro Tajiri
Reg. No. 13455
Your 4419

Dear Sirs:

We acknowledge your letter of March 4,
1948 and have noted its contents.

We have had no word from the Pacific
Co-operative Union and perhaps a letter from them will
considerably clear the air.

There is, however, a point upon which
you could enlighten us.

We understand that the repair bill
amounting to \$231.82 was charged against moneys in your
hands to the credit of Mr. Tajiri. Our question is-if
you had no interest in this transaction why was the re-
pair bill charged against Mr. Tajiri.

We take it that if the transaction was
one between Tajiri and the Pacific Co-operative Union
the matter of the repair bill would also fall in this
category.

We shall look forward with interest to
your reply.

Yours truly,

VIRTUE & RUSSELL

Per: *MS*

WSR/F

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File No.	4419
Ans.	
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MISSION

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having no property in any protected area.

NAME Juro TAJIRI

ADDRESS R.R. No. 1, Mission City, BC

REGISTRATION NO. 13455

SEX Male

AGE: 60

MARRIED Yes

OCCUPATION & EMPLOYER: Strawberry grower for myself

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Shizuka

ADDRESS R.R. No. 1, Mission, BC

NAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: Titsu (M) 15

ADDRESS " " "

Katoye (F) 13

ADDRESS " " "

Nobu (M) 11

ADDRESS " " "

I certify that the above information is true and complete and state that I have no property of any kind whatsoever in any portected area in British Columbia.

Dated this 17th day of April 1942

Witness "F.T. Williams"

(Signature) "J. Tajiri"

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

EXHIBIT REPORT

Detachment

Station No.

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Sub-Division File No.
Division File No.
Headquarters File No.

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Detachment
Sub-Division
Division
Date

March 19

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RE: (41) Jaro TAJIRI R R I Mission B C

On March 19 19 42 I Goodfellow K H

Came into possession of the following goods by:-

SURRENDERED UNDER O.I.C. P.C. 1436

STATE BRIEFLY AUTHORITY, ETC., WHETHER BY SEARCH WARRANT, ETC.

NO. OF PGS.	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS DETAILS TO BE GIVEN IN FULL
LICENSE NO.	(41) GX 873	TIRE NUMBERS 8
MAKE & MODEL	Ford Truck	40
SERIAL NO.		
ENGINE NO.		
SPEEDOMETER READING	20091	
CONDITION	Fair	
EXTRA EQUIPMENT	Nil	
DESCRIPTION & CONDITION VERIFIED	Both Door Windows Broken	
X <i>Jaro Tajiri</i> Signature of Owner Japanese Registration No. 13456		
Handed over to representative of Custodian whose signature in receipt thereof appears hereunder <i>E. A. Ruise</i>		
DATE:	March 19/42	
		<i>K. C. Goodfellow</i> SIGNATURE OF MEMBER SUBMITTING REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OF CANADA

WHEREAS by order of the Minister of Justice dated February 26th, 1942, every person of the Japanese race having in his possession or upon his premises any article mentioned in Section 2 of the said Order including any motor vehicle, was required forthwith to cause such article to be delivered up to any of the authorized persons named therein;

AND WHEREAS certain persons of the Japanese race instead of delivering their motor vehicles as required by the said Order to the authorized persons named therein caused such motor vehicles to be delivered to the Pacific Co-operative Union upon certain terms and conditions as agreed mutually between such persons and the Pacific Co-operative Union;

AND WHEREAS it appears that the said Pacific Co-operative Union obtained from the said persons of the Japanese race transfer forms covering the registrations of such motor vehicles and subsequently title to such vehicles was transferred to the Pacific Co-operative Union;

AND WHEREAS the Chairman of the British Columbia Security Commission on direct order to the president of the Pacific Co-operative Union required the Pacific Co-operative Union to deliver such motor vehicle to the persons authorized to receive same at Hastings Park in the City of Vancouver on the eighteenth day of March, 1942, and such motor vehicles were forthwith delivered in accordance with the order of the said chairman;

AND WHEREAS a ruling was obtained from the Minister of Justice as to the effect of such transfers and it appears that the Custodian should release from his control the said motor vehicles enumerated in the attached schedule in accordance with the power given to him under Regulation 39 of the Consolidated Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1939);

NOW THEREFORE the Secretary of State of Canada acting in his capacity as Custodian by his duly authorized Deputy GLENN WILLOUGHBY McPHERSON hereby releases and relinquishes any property, right, title or interest where legal or equitable or otherwise howsoever which the Custodian had or may now have in and to the said motor vehicles enumerated in the attached schedule, such schedule being identified by the signature of his said Deputy GLENN WILLOUGHBY McPHERSON.

DATED at the City of Vancouver in the Province of British Columbia this thirteenth day of April, 1942.

(signed) G. W. McPherson

Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian.

JAMES M. CAMPBELL
BARRISTER SOLICITOR
NOTARY

Richardson
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

MISSION CITY, B. C.

August 8th. 1942

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The Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section
Royal Bank Bldg.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Mr. Richardson

Dear Sir:-

Re JURO TAJIRO, Mission City
Your file 4419

I do not know whether my letter of yesterday was the result of poor dictation or poor stenography but what I intended to say was that Pacific Co-operative Union paid Tajiro in cash for the property mentioned in the agreement for sale and took title to the property under Certificate of Title No. 150490E early in May. Then they sold to Terepoki as per the agreement for sale, the latter paying half cash and the balance in one year. Tajiro has been paid in full.

I trust this is the information you require.

Yours faithfully

[Signature]

✓ agreement for sale was dated April 28th 1942 -

Richardson

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

ALBERTA REPRESENTATIVE

SUITE B, METCALPE BLOCK
LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA

Oct. 29, 1942.

Official Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

4419

Dear Sir: Re: ^{TAKIRI} Juro TAKIRI, #13455

Cheque No. 639 issued by Pacific Co-Operative Union, dated Sept. 2, 1942, for \$638.01, was duly presented for payment here by payee and was refused payment on a "Payment Stopped" Order issued through the bank.

The above named called at my office in this regard and informed me that this payment was in settlement of the balance of purchase price of land and property improvements thereon, and was not subject to crop results or any share settlement which might effect its being met.

Would you be good enough to have this investigated and if this cheque is to be paid please advise this office direct, so that we may in turn contact party concerned. The cheque is being retained by payee meantime.

Yours very truly,

B. C. SECURITY COMMISSION

A. E. Russell

A.E. Russell

AER/B

Claims

Euskin Bay Co

Dr. E. J. Barrett

J. Mindesack

P.C.U.

195.05
34.00
229.05
9.01
238.06
325.04

Telegraphic Address
Cable Address
PACCO

PHONES
Mission Office 65, Plant 55
Menqui, 5411

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

GROWERS AND SHIPPERS OF
FRESH FRUITS AND RHUBARB

MISSION CITY, B. C.

January 15th, 1943.

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Received Alexander

Mr. R. P. Alexander, Manager,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Alexander: File # 4419 - Juro Tajiri

Replying to your inquiry of January 14th in connection with our claims against Mr. Tajiri.

Early a year ago this January the Sherrif came up with a seizure order for Mr. Tajiri's truck. In order that he would not lose his truck we paid the sherrif and obtained title for the truck from the finance company. When it became necessary for Mr. Tajiri to evacuate he brought this truck that we permitted him to use to us with the understanding that he was to get appraisal of the value of the truck from two different dealers and we would allow him a credit of the amount of the price so arrived at but Mr. Tajiri went away without getting any appraisal and the morning he had to go on the train, we made the following deal that we would allow Mr. Tajiri a credit of \$700.00 for his truck, that we would get the truck examined and appraised and if any repair work was necessary the cost of this repair work would be deducted from the \$700.00. When we had a chance to sell the truck we turned it in to the local Ford dealer for examination and appraisal. This dealer notified us that the engine jacket was cracked and that the cylinders were badly worn, so much so that he advised a new engine to be put into this truck. He also stated that the transmission was haywire and parts of it would have to be replaced. We have already sent your office a copy of the charges made for these repairs and have charged this amount against Mr. Tajiri.

In connection with the \$152.75 charged to Mr. Tajiri for fertilizer. This amount had originally been charged to Mr. Tereposki who bought Mr. Tajiri's farm but he made a deal in our office for this farm and the fertilizer was included in the purchase price for the farm and it should have been charged to Mr. Tajiri not to Mr. Tereposki.

We have written to Mr. Tajiri in connection with this amount so he may be clear in his mind about the nature of this charge against him.

Until we hear further from Mr. Tajiri we cannot

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see our way clear to lift the stop payment against cheque No. 659 to the amount of \$658.01 since our debt owing to us by Tajiri is not a claim but a direct liability consummated under a definite understanding with Mr. Tajiri before he left. When we hear from Mr. Tajiri we will consider lifting the stop payment since we have sufficient shares owned by Mr. Tajiri to take care of our debt against Mr. Tajiri but not sufficient to take care of \$152.75. The number of shares held by Mr. Tajiri in this Union is 39 of a total par value of \$390.00. As soon as we hear from Mr. Tajiri re the fertilizer charge we will communicate with you again.

We remain

Yours very truly,

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

Per

J. B. Shinek

Mgr.

JBS/EK

J.B. Shinek
C.K.

4429

February 3, 1943.

Mr. M. L. Brown, Office Manager,
B. C. Security Commission,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Juro TAJIRI, No. 13455

We have to acknowledge receipt of letter dated February 2nd from Mr. A. E. Russell, your Supervisor in Lethbridge, in connection with the somewhat involved affairs of Mr. Tajiri regarding which we can comment only at this time as follows under appropriate headings:

1. Truck. We note that Mr. Tajiri disputes the charge of \$231.82 incurred on the repair of the truck sold by him through the Pacific Co-operative Union.

In connection with these truck repairs of \$231.82, the Pacific Co-operative Union advise us that early in January 1942 the sheriff came with a Seizure Order for Mr. Tajiri's truck. In order that Mr. Tajiri would not lose his truck, the Pacific Co-operative Union paid the sheriff and obtained title to the truck from the finance company. When it became necessary for Mr. Tajiri to evacuate, he brought this truck, the use of which had been permitted to him by the Pacific Co-operative Union, with the understanding that Mr. Tajiri was to get an appraisal of the value of the truck from two different dealers and that the Pacific Co-operative Union would allow him a credit of the amount of the price so obtained. It is reported that Mr. Tajiri went away without getting any appraisal, and on the morning he went to the train the Pacific Co-operative Union arranged with Mr. Tajiri that they would give Mr. Tajiri a credit of \$700.00 for the truck on the understanding that they would have the truck examined and appraised and that if any repair work were necessary, the cost of this repair work would be deducted from this \$700.00 credit. Upon examination it was found that the engine jacket was cracked and the cylinders were badly worn, so much so that the local Ford dealer in Mission advised that a new engine be put in the truck. Also apparently parts of the transmission gear had to be replaced.

All of the foregoing is upon the basis of reports we have received from the Pacific Co-operative Union who are, we understand, in correspondence with Mr. Tajiri direct in connection with his truck repairs.

K to Mr. P.C.U.

4419

February 3, 1943.

Messrs. Pacific Co-operative Union,
Mission City, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Jure TAJIRI

Reference is made to the item of \$152.75 charged by you to Mr. Tajiri and regarding which we have had some correspondence. A letter we have just received from the B. C. Security Commission's representative in Lethbridge bearing on this point reads as follows:

"With regard to the statement in the letter to Mr. Tajiri from the P.C.U. dated January 8th, wherein they claim that they propose to charge him \$152.00 for fertilizer; the circumstances are that this value of fertilizer was delivered to Mr. Tajiri's farm last Spring on open account, payment for same to be taken out of the crop in the Fall. In the meantime a Mr. Tereposki purchased this farm and a credit for the amount of \$2700.00 was immediately placed with the P.C.U. Obviously Mr. Tajiri could not take the fertilizer with him and equally obvious the new owner would require the fertilizer and, in fact, was using this fertilizer before the Tajiri's left the location. Therefore, according to Mr. Tajiri, Mr. Tereposki is entirely responsible for the cost of fertilizer."

Your comments will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA
Copy to Mr. Ure

Telegraphic Address
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Mission Office 65, Plant 55
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PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

GROWERS AND SHIPPERS OF
FRESH FRUITS AND RHUBARB

MISSION CITY, B.C.
February 10th, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 11 1943
File No.	4419
Am.	RM
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Mr. R. P. Alexander, Manager,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Alexander: Re: Juro Tajiri

Replying to your favour of the 8th instant
requesting a statement of the above man's account.

You might kindly refer to ours of January
11th in which is set out a detailed statement of the
amounts owing to us by Mr. Tajiri.

With regard to the fertilizer over which
there has been some argument between ourselves and Mr.
S. Tereposki. On checking this up we find that Mr.
Tajiri received this fertilizer in February, 1942 and
signed for it and the only assumption we can come to is
that the mistake was made in this office, charging the
fertilizer to Mr. Tereposki in error.

This explanation in conjunction with our
letter of January 11th we trust will cover all the infor-
mation you require.

Yours very truly,

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

Per



Geo. A. Reid
Office Manager.

GAR/EK

4419

25th February, 1943.

The Pacific Co-operative Union,
Mission City, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Juro TAJIRI

Receipt is acknowledged of letter dated February 10th from Mr. George A. Reid and of letters dated February 12th from Mr. J. B. Shisek in connection with the individual mentioned above, and for which we thank you.

We have forwarded your comments, under appropriate headings, to the supervisor of the British Columbia Security Commission in Lethbridge, Alberta for discussion by him on your behalf with Mr. Juro Tajiri.

The only comments we have to make at this time are that it was unfortunate that time apparently did not enable you to reach agreement in writing with Mr. Tajiri covering terms of sale of his truck, and that the matter of the \$152.75 charged for fertiliser was not taken into consideration by you until very many months after sale by Mr. Tajiri to you of his farm. It is our understanding that you took title to the property under Certificate of Title No. 150490 E early in May, 1942 and paid Mr. Tajiri off under a settlement reached at that time, partly in cash and partly by means of a postdated cheque. Thereafter you sold relative property to Mr. Tereposki and surely at the time you squared off your account with Mr. Tajiri the matter of the fertiliser item should have been settled at that time.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

25th February, 1943.

H. L. Brown, Esq.,
British Columbia Security Commission,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Juro TAJIRI
Registration No. 13455

Claims we have on file against Mr. Juro Tajiri amount to \$715.85 and in view of the fact that we have had some correspondence through you with Mr. A. E. Russell, your supervisor in Lethbridge, in connection with these various claims, we are at this time writing to you briefly in connection with each item, partly in order that Mr. Russell may have this information on file and partly in the hope that our endeavours may result in an early agreement with Mr. Tajiri and an early settlement of such outstanding claims.

We are holding a postdated cheque for \$638.01 which we hope to be able to have honoured by the Pacific Co-operative Union before the end of the current month.

Dr. Barrett

A statement signed by Mr. Tajiri dated November 26th, 1942, sent to us with Mr. A. E. Russell's letter dated December 12th, confirms acceptance by Mr. Tajiri of the correctness of Dr. A. E. Barrett's claim of \$34.00.

H. J. Windbank

Mr. Tajiri disputes the account of Mr. Windbank of \$9.01 but in Mr. Russell's letter to us dated December 12th it is indicated that Mr. Tajiri is willing that this be paid rather than hold up general settlement, on the understanding that Mr. Tajiri will later be negotiating direct with Mr. Windbank. We are in correspondence with Mr. Windbank in this connection and will not make payment, at least for the time being, of this amount.

Huskin Box Company

195 05 With reference to the claim made by the Huskin Box Company of \$48.75, the correctness of this claim has been acknowledged in writing by Mr. Tajiri.

H. L. Brown, Esq.

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25th February, 1943.

That Mr. Tereponki, through the medium of the Pacific Co-operative Union pay Mr. Tajiri \$2750.00 for the farm including everything in and on the farm excepting clothing and personal belongings of the Tajiri family. Surely, when a deal like that is made, fertilizer on this farm would and should be included and Mr. Tajiri is fully aware of this fact.

It is unfortunate that the office here did not deduct this fertilizer when Mr. Tajiri received payment for his farm. If they had done so, there would not have been any argument.

We are enclosing with this letter, Mr. Tajiri's bill for \$152.75 for fertilizer delivered to him and signed for by him and we expect the custodian's office to pay us that amount when our cheque in favour of Mr. Tajiri on which we lifted stop payment to the amount of \$538.00. Mr. Tereponki has absolutely nothing to do with this transaction since he made a deal for the farm including everything on it and he cannot be brought into this picture now."

In conclusion we may say that we have compared Mr. Juro Tajiri's signature on Invoice No. 158 covering the fertilizer with his signature on his registration card and find that said signatures agree.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RP:LP

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PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

GROWERS AND SHIPPERS OF
FRESH FRUITS AND RHUBARB

MISSION CITY, B. C.
March 4th, 1943.

EVALUATION SECTION	
Recd.	MAR 5 1943
File No.	4419
Ans.	<i>Am</i>
Referred	<i>Alexander</i>

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Mr. R. P. Alexander, Manager,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir: Your File No. 4419 - Juro Tajiri

Replying to yours of the 25th of February.

This man Tajiri is vastly becoming to be a nuisance. The reason why the \$152.75 did not appear on his account in April is because by a fluke in the office here it was charged to Mr. Terepocki and we did not charge the fertilizer to any growers remaining and producing on the land until the first statement showing good sized returns which is usual the first statement in July. Mr. Terepocki came in immediately when this item showed on his statement stating the fact that he had nothing to do with the fertilizer since he purchased same at the time when he purchased the land from Mr. Tajiri. We then transferred this account to Mr. Tajiri's account and it has remained as it should be there, ever since.

Re the certificate of title. We took that because we put up the money to Mr. Tajiri to obtain the title from the mortgagor of his farm and because we advanced the monies for it to Mr. Tajiri by Mr. Terepocki. There was nothing itemized in the agreement of sale excepting that Tajiri sales to Terepocki the lands, the premises, with all crops, implements, furniture and other goods in the buildings or on the land. This definitely included the fertilizer because it was stated clearly in this office by Mr. Tajiri that this is so.

We hope that it will not be necessary to waste valuable time in this matter and hoping that you will see your way clear to return the amount in question to us, we remain

Yours very truly,

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

Per

[Signature]
J. B. Shimek Gen. Mgr.

JBS/EK

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July 7, 1943.

The Pacific Co-operative Union,
Mission City, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Juro TAJIRI and
Your Claim of \$152.75 for Fertilizer

May we ask for your early comments in connection with the following report submitted to this office by the Supervisor of the B. C. Security Commission in Lethbridge, Alberta, in connection with the claim mentioned above:

"Fertilizer: Both Tajiri and his son, Komaki, state the fertilizer was taken out in February, 1942, before he had sold his farm to Mr. Teroposki. At the time of the sale of the farm, Tajiri intended to return the fertilizer to the Pacific Co-operative Union, and have the same credited to his account; but on taking the matter up with Mr. Teroposki, he was advised to leave the same on the farm as Mr. Teroposki would be needing the fertilizer for his farming operations in 1942. According to Tajiri and his son, arrangements were made both with Mr. Teroposki and Mr. J. B. Shlack, that the cost of the fertilizer, namely \$152.75 was to be taken from the account of Tajiri, and charged to that of Mr. Teroposki. This arrangement was made in view of the fact that it would save Mr. Teroposki the cost of trucking it out to the farm, had it been returned by Tajiri. There is no doubt that Mr. Teroposki is the one who received the benefit of the fertilizer, and the fact that the Pacific Co-operative Union, in their statement of November 30, 1942, does not show any charge to Tajiri for the fertilizer, would appear that it had been transferred to Mr. Teroposki's account. In a letter of January 8, 1943 to Tajiri, the fertilizer is mentioned in the letter, and the letter states that no mention of fertilizer was made in the contract between Tajiri and Mr. Teroposki. The letter of the Custodian of February 8, 1943, states: "Mr. Tajiri's remarks in connection with the \$152.00 charge made by the Pacific Co-operative Union for fertilizer have been noted. It is our understanding that they are in correspondence with Mr. Tajiri in this connection and according to verbal indications we have received, we understand that this charge of \$152.00 is shortly to be reversed by the Pacific Co-operative Union." If the fertilizer was to be charged to Tajiri's account, why was it not charged on the statement sent to Tajiri on November 30, 1942, as the same was received on the Tajiri Farm in February 1942. Why should the fertilizer now be charged by the Pacific Co-operative Union to Tajiri."

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPAsMA
cc Mr. W. S. Ure

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PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

GROWERS AND SHIPPERS OF
FRESH FRUITS AND RHUBARB

MISSION CITY, B.C.

July 20th, 1943:

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUL 21 1943
File No.	4417
Ans.	RM
Referred	RTA

Mr. A. P. Alexander, Manager,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

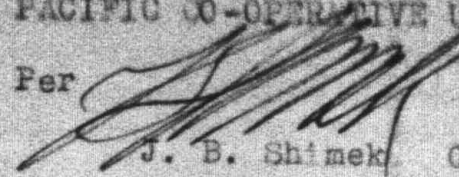
Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a signed copy of certification made by Mr. S. Terepocki in connection with the fertilizer of Mr. J. Tajiri, payment of which Mr. J. Tajiri disputes. You already have a letter from us describing thoroughly the transaction and with the signed statement from Mr. Terepocki there should be no delay now in settling this matter and thanking you, we remain

Yours very truly,

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

Per


J. B. Shimek Gen. Mgr.

JBS/EX

Mission City, B. C.

To the Custodian of Enemy Properties,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

This is to certify that when I made the purchase of my land from the Pacific Co-operative Union from Mr. J. Tajiri the fertilizer of a value of \$152.75 was a part and included in this deal. I am ready to make oath at any time that this statement is according to the true facts and remain

Yours very truly,

Steve Jurek

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July 27, 1934.

The Pacific Co-operative Union,
Hawaii City, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Juro TAJIRI and
1943 Ford V8 Truck

Reference is made to your claim of \$231.82 against Mr. Juro Tajiri covering repairs to the truck mentioned above.

Our file indicates that you forwarded direct to Mr. Tajiri a statement of the repairs. Mr. Tajiri is unable to find the statement and we do not appear to have a copy of relative repair statement in this office. We regret having to put you to this extra trouble but would appreciate your sending to us a copy of the Mahawk Garage bill for \$231.82 covering repairs in question.

In a nutshell our understanding of this case is that you paid the Finance Company \$624.00 and obtained title to the truck and that thereafter you had the truck repaired at a cost of \$231.82 making a total outlay of \$855.82, despite which sale of this truck was made by you to Mr. Nelson for \$700.00.

Upon receiving your comments together with copy of the repair bill in question, this office will be in a position, insofar as this office is concerned, to deal finally with this matter of your claim of \$231.82 against Mr. Juro Tajiri.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

BPANBA
cc Mr. H. S. Hra

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August 4th, 1943.

Mr. M. L. Brown,
Office Manager,
C. C. Security Commission,
360 Homer St.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Juro TAJIRI - #13455 - and claim
against him of \$231.82 by the Pacific Co-Operative
Union for truck repairs.

Attached is copy of a letter to us dated July 31st, from the Pacific Co-Operative Union, together with copy of the statement mentioned therein in connection with a claim filed with the Custodian by the Pacific Co-Operative Union against Mr. Tajiri. We would appreciate your arranging for your supervisor in Lethbridge to discuss this matter with Mr. Tajiri, advising us in the course of Mr. Tajiri's views, together with Mr. Beattie's comments; for all of which please accept our thanks in advance.

The Custodian is apparently once again confronted with the fact that Mr. Tajiri's recollections, and the recollections of the Pacific Co-Operative Union, regarding an alleged verbal understanding, are diametrically opposed.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

PPA/MS
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August 16, 1943.

Mr. J. D. Shinn,
The Pacific Co-operative Union,
Washin City, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Jure TAJIRI

We find that we have failed to acknowledge receipt of and to thank you for your letter dated July 31st in connection with your claim of \$251.82 against Mr. Jure Tajiri in connection with the 1940 Ford V8 truck which you sold for \$700.00.

On August 4th we sent a copy of your letter to Lethbridge for discussion in Lethbridge by the local Supervisor of the D. C. Security Commission with Mr. Tajiri. We have today sent a reminder and upon receipt of word from Lethbridge will be communicating with you again in this connection.

Our initial impression is that the views of Mr. Tajiri and the views of the Pacific Co-operative Union in connection with a verbal arrangement described as having been an understanding are diametrically opposed.

Yours truly,

E. F. Alexander,
Manager.

HPA:HA
cc Mr. H. S. Ure

4419

16th October, 1943.

James M. Campbell Esq.,
Mission City, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Juro TAJIRI

Regarding your recent call at our office and your letter of September 25th, I have written to the Solicitor of the Soldier Settlement Board asking for a letter from him stating that the Order-in Council, P.C. 5523 dated 29th June 1942 does not, as far as they are concerned, apply to the Pacific Co-operative Union.

Upon receipt of his reply I will communicate with you further.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

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16th October, 1943.

Col. Chandler,
c/o. The Soldier Settlement and
Veterans' Land Act,
518 Rogers Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Juro TAJIRO.

We are advised by the Solicitor of the Pacific Co-Operative Union as follows:

Lots 15, 16 and 21 of the South West of Section 20, Township 17, Map 905 was purchase by the Pacific Co-Operative Union from Tajiro.

The Pacific Co-Operative Union have sold this land to Mr. Steve Terepooki and have been paid in full and wish to give Mr. Terepooki title.

The Registrar of the Land Registry Office at New Westminster has referred the Pacific Co-Operative Union to Order-in-Council 5523 dated 29th June 1942 which requires the consent of the Soldier Settlement Board to sales made to persons of the Japanese race and Japanese Companies.

The Registrar is assuming that the Pacific Co-Operative Union is a Japanese company, possibly because we are exercising some supervision over this Co-Operative. We do not think that the Pacific Co-Operative Union comes within the Order-in-Council. It is a Co-Operative which has Japanese shareholders and at the present time is controlled by white growers.

If you consider this in order, will you kindly let me have a letter addressed to the Registrar stating that as far as the Soldier Settlement Board is concerned you have no interest in the Pacific Co-Operative Union and have no objection to the registration of the documents referred to.

The Certificate of title is actually in the name of the Pacific Co-Operative Union, the numbering is 150490E dated 2nd day of May 1942.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FCS/PHE



YOUR FILE NUMBER 4419

PLEASE QUOTE FILE JL-81

SOLDIER SETTLEMENT OF CANADA

518 Rogers Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
October 19th, 1943.

Mr. F.G. Shears,
Director, Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Rec'd	OCT 20 1943
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Dear Sir: Re: Juro TAJIRO

I have your letter of the 16th of October
in regard to the above.

I assume that the Registrar of the Land
Registry Office has received the necessary official
information that the Pacific Co-operative Union is a
Japanese Company. I have no information as to whether
the Pacific Co-operative Union is a Japanese company or
not. It would appear to me a matter upon which the Co-
operative should satisfy the Registrar.

The Order-in-Council under which any sale
of any agricultural land was made subject to the approval
in writing of the Director provides in Section 8 that the
burden of proof that any sale is not a violation of those
regulations should be upon the person who claimed that
the sale was not subject to that Order-in-Council.

It would appear to me that the Pacific Co-
operative Union should have no trouble in establishing the
fact that they are not a Japanese company and that the sale
did not require the approval of the Director of Soldier
Settlement if the sale did not fall within the scope of
the Order-in-Council. Certainly I cannot advise the Director
that he should assume the duty, which seems to be placed
upon the Registrar, of deciding whether the Pacific Co-
operative Union does or does not constitute a Japanese
Company.

Yours truly,

W.K.C. W.

WKC/W

Legal Adviser.

JAMES M. CAMPBELL
BARRISTER SOLICITOR
NOTARY

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MR. ALEXANDER
Your file 4419

MISSION CITY, B. C. Sept. 25th, 1943

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

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	SEP 27 1943
File No.	4419
Ans.	Sept 16/1943
Referred	M. G. D. H. H.

Dear Sir -

Re Juro TAJIRI

You will recall from the file herein that Lots 15, 16 and 21 of the South West of Section 20, Township 17, Map 905 was purchased by Pacific Co-operative Union from Tajiri and sold to Steve Terepocki.

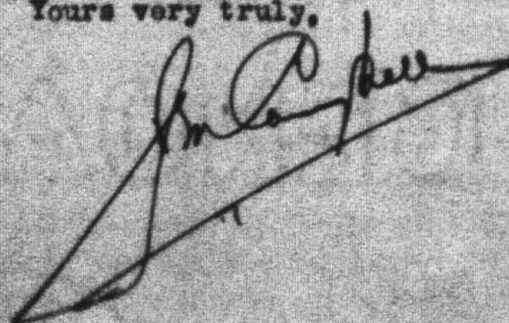
Terepocki has now paid for the land and a Deed has been given to him by Pacific Co-operative Union. On endeavouring to register this Deed the Registrar of the Land Registry office at New Westminster refers me to a Dominion Order-in-Council passed June 29th, 1942 under which the consent of the Soldiers Settlement Board is required to the sale of land by certain companies set out in the appendix thereto, which includes Pacific Co-operative Union. I have no way of locating this Order-in-Council, but I have no doubt you have a copy of it. I do not think, however, that it refers to Pacific Co-operative Union in the sense in which the Registrar of the Land Registry office takes it. Would it not meet the requirements of the case if you notified the Registrar, or send me a letter addressed to the Registrar, stating that in this particular case the Custodian and the S.S.B. have no interest in the matter, the deal having been completed prior to the evacuation of the Japanese.

If you have a copy of that Order-in-Council I would like to have it, so that I can get the mind of the Registrar set at rest regarding future dealings by Pacific Co-operative Union. I believe it will refer

to companies which are controlled by Japanese and this is certainly not the case with the Pacific Co-operative Union, Japanese being only creditors.

Anything you can do in this connection will be greatly appreciated, as you can understand my difficulty in trying to explain to Terepoki why I cannot immediately give him Title.

Yours very truly,



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March 15th, 1944.

Mr. H.L. Brown,
B.C. Security Commission,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Kazuki TAJIRI, Reg. No. 04090

We are in receipt of your letter of the 13th inst., with enclosure of copy of letter from Mr. A.S. Russell, Lethbridge, dated March 7th, 1944, relative to the above party.

We assume from Mr. Russell's letter that Juro TAJIRI, Registration No. 13455, is the maker of the note, and that Kazuki TAJIRI, Registration No. 04090, is the endorser, or co-maker, of same. The face of the note being \$315.00.

The post-dated cheque of the Pacific Co-operative Union for \$638.01 (not \$666.01 as in his letter) was credited to the account of Juro TAJIRI, Reg. No. 13455, on the 22nd of February, 1943. Certain approved accounts have since been paid from this amount, and there is now a credit balance of \$284.23. It will be seen, therefore, that there is not sufficient balance with which to pay this claim of \$315.00 in full, even if that is the intention of Mr. Russell's letter.

Kazuki TAJIRI, Reg. No. 04090, account shows a debit balance of \$1.00. However, his property has been sold to the Director of Veterans Land Act, and will, in due course, show the result of that sale.

Briefly the foregoing is the situation, and if either or both of them wish to authorize us to make settlement of \$315.00 to Hideoji MURAI from their respective accounts, when in funds that are applicable, we shall be glad to give the matter every attention, after having received your approval.

Thanking you and Mr. Russell for the attention given to this matter, we remain,

Yours truly,

S. A. Rusenbury,
Claims Department.

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March 15th, 1944.

Mr. Mineji MURAI,
Registration No. 07606,
Sandon, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: \$315.00 - Kazuaki TAJIRI, Reg. No. 04090

We received your letter of the 8th inst. relative to the above claim.

Your letter is rather confusing. You says: "I am writing few lines to ask you kindly to send me the money Mr. J. Tajiri of Mission owes to me." You have previously stated that Kazuaki TAJIRI owed you the above sum of \$315.00. Your registration form refers to Kazuaki as owing you this amount, and does not mention J. TAJIRI.

You also says: "Your last letter tells me that you would send me the money as soon as there is credit in Mr. Tajiri's account." We do not find any record on the file of our having said anything of that nature in any of our letters to you.

✓ It seems from your letter of the 8th inst. that perhaps both Kazuaki and Juro, his father, had signed the note for \$315.00, which you state was burned. Please advise if this is correct.

You state that Mr. TAJIRI wrote to you asking you to get the money from us. Which TAJIRI wrote to you?

If either one, or both of them, wish us to pay you any of their funds that are on hand with the Custodian, or that may come to their credit on our books, they will have to write to us asking us to do so. On receipt of such a letter, or letters, we shall give the matter prompt consideration.

Their respective addresses are:

Juro TAJIRI, Reg. No. 13455, c/o Mr. Jack Koopke, Picture Butte, Alta.

Kazuaki TAJIRI, Reg. No. 04090, Lethbridge, Alta.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

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2 Copies
for 1531/10/43

Nagasaki Tajiri #04050
Picture Butte, Alta
April 9, 1944.

Custodian

506 Regal Bank Bldg,
Hastings & Granville,
Vancouver B.C.

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R.R.D.

Secretary

Dear Sir,

Re. Minaji Murai.

I am writing this for my dad and myself, as my dad cannot write, authorizing the custodian to pay Ma Murai the sum of \$15.00 from my dad's account and the (w) remainder from my own as soon as the proceeds from my land is received.

Yours truly,
N. Tajiri.

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Weds signature

J. Tajiri

4419

25th November, 1946.

To the Members of
The Mission Japanese Farmers' Association.

Dear Sir:

Re: Mission Japanese Farmers' Association

Distribution of funds in the hands of the Custodian
belonging to members of the above Association is now being made.

A cheque in the amount of \$55.89 is being sent to each
person shown on a list of members of the above association which
was certified by a Committee consisting of:

Shingo KUNIMOTO
Bunjiro SAKON
Ichijiro UYEMURA
Minoru KUDO

and which list was sent to each member on the 31st May, 1946.

Cheque in your favour for this amount is enclosed herein.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FCS/PMH

Name of Claimant **TATINI, Jure**Case **752 - WITBORAM**

Custodian File

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<u>REAL PROPERTY</u>											Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village				
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			
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>											
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear									
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson 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				
<u>NETS</u>											
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
<u>MISCELLANEOUS CHATELS</u>											
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	Applica- tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price				
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION											