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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE SECTION

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having property in any protected area. The proper administration of this property requires such persons to give full particulars as requested in this form.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: MURAI (Kofuji) Mrs. Masazo

HOME ADDRESS: Box 40, Coombs, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 07281

SEX: Female

AGE: 40

OCCUPATION: Housewife

(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: None

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Masazo N.R.

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: now evacuated

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Tsutomu (M), Takako (F), Masaru (M)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: same as above

AGE OF CHILDREN: 10, 4, 2 months.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) None

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

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

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS None
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST None
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN None

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Lived at Honey Bay, B.C. - wooden bunk house,
3 rooms.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Mr. Kagetsu, Honey Bay, B.C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:
Monthly rental of about \$3.00.
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:
In Mr. Kagetsu's Hall, Honey Bay, B.C. *Fanny Bay?*
Singer
Singer Treadle sewing machine, one trunk containing clothing
3 cases kitchen utensils, one box containing footwear, one box containing
lamps, lamps, etc. 2 boxes containing wash basin, buckets, nails
enamel pans, 8 gal. Japanese sauce, pickles, box preserving jars, box
clothing, medicine & sundries, box bedding & cushions, box Festival dolls,
kitchen cupboard, bureau, box provisions, bed & mattress, provision cupboard,
2 wash tubs, 2 tins provisions, single bed, pair steaming pots, empty chest,
4 chairs, broom, mattress, washing boiler, 1 bag rice, 100lbs. flour, one
box provisions, etc
2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS None
3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY None

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY. Declarant understands that Mr. Kagetsu is having these goods insured against risk of fire.

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom)

None

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)

None

8. BANK ACCOUNTS None

9. LIFE INSURANCE: None

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS:

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 20th day of April 1942.

(Signature) *K. Murai*

Geo. J. Hunt
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Aug 27/43.

Our File No. 4716

Full Name MURAI (Kofuji) Mrs. Masazo
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 07281

Male - Female
(check)

Age Jan. 10, 1902

Former Address Box 40, Coombs B.C.

Date Evacuated 1/9/42. Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address New Denver, B.C.
Roseburg, BC act 28/46

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife -

Name of Husband Masazo # 07283

Name of Mother KAWASAKI, Kiyo (Japan) Name of Father KAWASAKI, Yakichi (Japan)

Names of Children under 18 See husband's sheet.

Requested by ECP Registered with Custodian (Yes or No)

Additional Information _____

P.O. Box 431,
Cumberland B.C.
Jan 30/43.

Mr. H.P. Green,
Protection Dept.,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Report on Mrs. Masazo MURAI Reg. # 07281 File # 4716.

1 & 2 Location and Nature of property. Three (3) room dwelling, Deep Bay Logging Camp, Panny Bay B.C. Rent \$3.00 per. month, rent paid to date. Property of Deep Bay Logging Co. House vacant and boarded up.

3 Personal effects shipped out c/o B.C. Security Commission Vancouver B.C. are:-
May 26/42. No's. 3,4,5,7,8,9,11,14,19,24,25,36,37,38, (14 pcs.)
June 24/42. #6 box effects, # 5 sewing machine, #28,34 mattresses, # 35 boiler effects. (5 pcs.)
Balance in Royston Storage R R # I Cumberland B.C.
are as per storage list attached.

4 Insurances. None.

5 Liabilities and personal debts. None.

6 Recommendations. Effects are as listed above, those shipped out and balance as per storage sheet enclosed.
House vacant and boarded up, Property of Deep Bay Logging Co.

This will clean up this party's report to date.

Yours truly

Matt Brown.

Matt Brown.
Custodian Agent.

Mrs. Masazo MURAI Reg. # 07281, File # 4216.

Effects stored in Royston Community Hall R R # I Cumberland
B.C.

1 Box effects. ✓
2 Box kitchen ware. ✓
10 Box effects. ✓
12 Basket effects. ✓
13 Box " ✓
16 cupboard top (glass). ✓
17 " bottom ✓
18 Box effects. ✓
20 Bed spring. ✓
21 Old iron bed ends. ✓
22 Bed rails. ✓
23 Old wire meat safe. ✓
26 2 pails. ✓
27 1 steel camp bed. ✓
29 1 wooden tub. ✓
30 1 box preserves. ✓
33 2 chairs. ✓
No # 1 broom. ✓

See Release April 4 3
sold April 6

18 pieces in all.

Mat Brown

Sold By Auction 23/8/44 - Cumberland

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File Nos. 4716 Kofuji MURAI #07281
 & 15163 & Masazo MURAI #07283

October 28, 1946.

Mrs. Kofuji MURAI signed a declaration to the Custodian on April 20, 1942. She was evacuated on September 1, 1942.

Mr. Masazo MURAI (husband of Kofuji MURAI) signed a declaration to the Custodian on October 28, 1942. He was evacuated on March 15, 1942.

In the two declarations, Mr. & Mrs. MURAI report only chattels.

The chattels reported by Mrs. MURAI are listed on column one of the Chattel Schedule. Of these items 19 pieces were shipped to her in May and June, 1942.

It would seem that the chattels declared by Mr. MURAI were those remaining after the shipments made to Mrs. MURAI in 1942. If that is so, everything, with the exception of an old bed frame and 2 mattresses have been accounted for. The bed frame was probably found unsaleable and discarded. In regard to the mattresses, Mrs. MURAI had declared 2 mattresses and Mr. Matt Brown reported on January 30, 1943, that these had been shipped to her in June, 1942. If there were only 2 mattresses altogether, then Mr. MURAI must have made a mistake in his declaration or the mattresses were not received by Mrs. MURAI.

All saleable goods, identified as the property of Mrs. MURAI, were sold at Cumberland Auction #1 and Vancouver Auction #63. The net proceeds of these sales amounted to \$28.76, which has been credited to the account of Mrs. MURAI.

On December 27, 1945, Mr. MURAI wrote the Foreign Exchange Control Board in regard to monies belonging to him on deposit with the Sumitomo Bank of Seattle, which he had been unable to obtain. This letter was referred to the Custodian, who advised Mr. MURAI to get in touch with the Alien Property Custodian, Washington, D.C.

Neither of these files reveal any other property of any kind whatsoever.

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

J. MacKinnon
October 28, 1946.

FM

NAME MURAT, Fafaji (Mrs. Hassan)

REGISTRATION NO. 07281

FILE NO. 1734

The following chattels were sold by public
 auction at Cumberland, B. C. on August 23, 1944.

Crock	\$1.50
Bedding	2.25
Kitchen cupboard	10.00
Broom and containers	0.75
Bed spring	7.50
Single bed	5.50
4 Chairs	3.00
Wardrobe and chest of drawers	3.50

Total		\$ 34.00
Less Expenses:	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$3.40)	\$ 6.46
	(Advertising: 1.36)	
	(Moving: 1.70)	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 27.54

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Matt Brown

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Cumberland 1

Remarks.

NAME MURAT, McCull (Mrs. McCull)

REGISTRATION NO. 07283

FILE NO. 4726

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at 772 E. Hastings St. Vancouver, B.C. on April 30th, 1946.

{ Toy Basket	\$	1.50
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Total		\$	1.50
Less Expenses:	(Auctioneer's fee	\$	.22
	(Advertising		.18
	(Moving		.18
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$	1.22

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Vancouver 63

Remarks.

CHattel Schedule

Files Nos. 4716 & 15163

October 28, 1946

Re: Masao & Kofuji MURAI (husband & wife)
#07283 & 07281

Declared
Kofuji MURAI
April 30/42

1 Bx. Fest. Dolls x
1 Bx. Bedding & Cushions
1 Kitchen Cupboard
1 Bureau
2 Beds

2 Mattresses
2 Cs. Kitchen Utensils x
1 Provision Cupboard
4 Chairs

1 Singer Tred. Sew. Machine
1 Trunk of Clothing
1 Case Kit. Utensils
1 Bx. Footwear
1 Bx. Lanterns, Lamps, Etc.
2 Bx. (wash basin, buckets
nails, enamel pans, sauce
pickles)
1 Bx. Preserving Jars
1 Bx. Clothing, Medicine, etc.
1 Bx. Provisions
2 Wash-tubs
2 Tins Provisions
1 Pr. Steaming Pots
1 Washing Boiler
1 Bag Rice
100 lb. Flour
1 Bx. Provisions

1 Broom
1 Empty Chest

Declared
Masao MURAI
Oct. 28/42

2 Gal. Crock - Sold Cumberland #1
1 Bx. Japanese Dolls - " Vancouver #63
1 Bx. Comforters - " Cumberland #1
1 Closet - " "
1 Dresser - " "
2 Bedsteads - 1 old prob. discarded, one sold
2 Springs - Sold Cumberland #1
2 Mattresses - 2 Mattresses were shipped June 24/42
Misc. Household Utensils - 2 Bx. Shipped Apr./43
Closet - Sold Cumberland #1
Chairs - " "

On May 26/42 14 pieces were shipped to Mrs.
MURAI by Mr. Matt Brown

On June 24/42 5 pieces (sewing machine, 2
mattresses, boiler and one box) were shipped
to Mrs. MURAI by Mr. Matt Brown.

The file does not reveal which of the items
listed were in the shipment of May 26/42,
but Inventory of Jan. 30/43 lists the following
boxes; (which cannot be identified on later
shipment or on auction sheets):

3 Bx. of effects
1 Wooden Tub
1 Bx. Preserves
2 Pails

Broom & containers sold at Cumberland #1

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

G. Matheson
OCTOBER 28, 1946.

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 4716

October 28, 1946

Sgt Kofuji MURAI, Reg. No. 07281

This file reveals no liabilities.

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

Matthewson
October 28, 1946.

/TM

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address: New Denver, B.C.

Date: April 10, 1943

To: The Secretary of State, acting in his capacity as Custodian, Vancouver, B.C.

I, MURAI, Kofuji (Mrs.), Police Registration No. 07281

hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property stored at Community Hall, Royston Lumber Co. Ltd. Cumberland, B.C.

in possession of Custodian

and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to such property.

Description of Property:

Box #1 Kitchen goods and utensils
Box #2 Kitchen utensils

Math Brown Esq
Ship when convenient - usual
Changon 11/5 to 11/6
less 2 1/2 to 3
PC Security Com
Q53
May 13-43

Original Address: Fanny Bay, B.C.

Date Evacuated to Vancouver: April 15/42

Date Evacuated to Present Address: Sept. 5/42

Number in Family - 12 years and over 4

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old 8

Number in Family - under 5 1

Total Number in Family - 13

I agree to pay all charges as required by the British Columbia Security Commission.

APPROVED:
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: [Signature] Claimant Signs Here

G-165-A

Q53
Evacuation
Vancouver
5/13/43

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File this please

To the Secretary of State acting
in his capacity as Custodian.

I MURAI, Mrs. M., Police
registration No. 07281, hereby request you to
release to me the under-noted property stored at
Deep Bay Logging Co., Fanny Bay, B. C.
and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to
such property.

Description of Property:

12 pieces in No. 1 storage

1 " " " 4 " #38

14 pieces shipped by Matt. Brown Ltd.
2/5/42 via Vancouver Barge

Dated this 18th day of May 1942.

Mrs. M. Murai
(Japanese sign here)

Approved

J. A. Rose

B. C. SECURITY COMMISSION

NOTE:

The Custodian is advised that the B.C. Security Commission will pay transportation charges up to 1,000 pounds (which amount includes the free baggage allowed by railroad company on tickets), and any charges over this amount will have to be for the account of the individual Japanese evacuee.

To the Secretary of State acting
in his capacity as Custodian.

I MURAI, M., Police
registration No. 07221, hereby request you to
release to me the under-noted property stored at _____

FANNY BAY, B. C. Japanese Hall Mr. Matt Brown.

and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to
such property.

Description of Property:

No. 6 box	Buckets & Basins.
No. 15	Sewing machine.
No. 28 & 34	Two mattresses.
No. 35	Boiler.

Total 5.

Dated this 12th day of June 1942.

M Murai

(Japanese sign here)

Approved

Amasa Kase
B. C. Security Commission.

NOTE:

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A/13, 4716, 6569,
5996, 6128, 8003,
10421, 11800, 11845.

October 30, 1942.

Mr. Matt Brown,
P. O. Box 431,
Cumberland, E. C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 13th instant enclosing a list of the Japanese whose "JP" forms we did not send you.

We wish to report on each case as follows:

File #4716. Mrs. Masazo (Kofuji) MURAI. Reg. #07281. Personal property only was declared by this party and it has had both your attention and the attention of our Protection Department. ✓ ✓

File #6569. Mrs. Yoshio (Jitsuko) MURAKAMI. Reg. #07360. Nothing but personal property was declared by this party and this matter has had the attention of both you and our Protection Department.

File 5996. Mrs. Nobushige (Tomo) YOSHIDA, Reg. #06975. This "JP" form was sent to you on May 5th last according to our records.

File #6128. Mrs. Yoshitaka (Yoshiye) TAKASHIMA, Reg. #06891. This party made declaration on our form "J" which is used in cases where evacuees have no property whatsoever to be left in the Protected Area. We note that the personal property of this woman is handled through the husband's file, #8003.

File #8003. Yoshitaka TAKASHIMA, Reg. #06880. The "JP" form in this instance was not sent to you as this man owns real estate in another district and the matter of personal property has been handled by you and it is not necessary to send you a copy of the "JP" form in this connection.

Lot 23 File #4716 June 4, 1945.

CUMBERLAND AND DISTRICT STORAGE AND SALES

PERSONAL AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS, ETC.

To.
I, the undersigned, Office of Custodian
of....Vancouver, B. C.....have stored my personal goods, as listed, in
care of Matt. Brown, Cumberland, B. C. The listed goods are stored at the owner's
risk, which will be properly taken care of, as to any regulations, Dominion or Provincial,
under the evacuation orders.

No. of Packages:

1

MARAI M.

Registration No. 07281

Agent
Witness

Matt. Brown

Matt. Brown, Agent

P. O. Box 431

Shipped Freight Prepaid to Vancouver, B. C.,
for Future Storage.

1 Basket Dools, etc #12 20 lbs.

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October 28, 1946.

Mrs. Kofuji MURAI,
Reg. No. 07261,
ROSEMERT, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Attached hereto is Custodian cheque for the sum of \$28.76, representing all the funds standing to your credit with this office.

These funds are the net proceeds from the sale of chattels identified as your property sold at auction by the Custodian.

As no property identified as yours remains under the control of the Custodian your account with this office is being closed.

Yours truly,

P. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

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