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JAPANESE SECTION

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FILE NO. ~~4817~~

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

NAME: RIKIZO FUTA
HOME ADDRESS: Cunbrook BC REGISTRATION No. 13021
SEX: male AGE: 80 MARRIED? Yes
OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER:
NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Izunocho ADDRESS: Same
NAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: Genge A. ADDRESS: /
B. Oshon ADDRESS: /
Frank S. 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 14th day of Nov 1942.

WITNESS:

Maymie F. Keale

(Signature)

R.K. Futa

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE January 1/44

File No. 4817

Name FUTA, Rikuzo
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 13021

Male - Female
(Check)

Age Mar. 15, 1867

Former Address P.O. Box 301, Cranbrook, B. C.

Date Evacuated Reg. outside restricted areas. Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address Invermere, B. C.

☒ Married - Single
(Check)

nee
Name of Wife (ITO) Tsuneko #13022

Name of Husband -

Name of Mother Dec'd

Name of Father Dec'd

Names of Children under 16

Requested by Marvel

Registered with Custodian (Yes or No)

Additional Information Retired

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NO.

~~REDA, GORDON, RICHARD, ALAN~~
~~FUTA, RALPH~~

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NAME
FUTA, George Masahide Arthur
FUTA, Rikuzo

FILE NO. 11495
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COMPANY	POLICY NO.	AMOUNT	EXPIRATION			PROPERTY
			MONTH	DAY	YEAR	
Caledonian Insurance Company	<i>Renewed by P.D. # 12304 - Phoenix</i> 697669	\$2,500.	Dec.	11	1943	Nos. 40-54-60 in Blk. C Van Horne St., Cranbrook
Guardian Assurance Co. Ltd.	<i>Renewed by P.D. # 2525851</i> 7514519	\$300.00	March	16	1943	Blk. C Nos. 40-50-54 SS Cor. Clark & Van Horn, Cranbrook
Guardian Assurance Co. Ltd.	<i>Renewed by P.D. # 7577061 - Guardian Assurance</i> 7575981	\$300.00	March	16	1944	Blk. "C", High No. 40-50-54, SW corner Clark Ave. & Van Horne St., Cranbrook.
Phoenix Assurance Co. Ltd.	<i>Cancelled Dec. 22/44</i> 123504	\$2,500.00	Dec.	11	1943	Blk. "C", 154-160 Van Horn Ave., Cranbrook, B.C.
Guardian Assurance Company Limited	<i>Renewed by P.D. # 23152 - Continental</i> 7578061	\$300.00	March	16	1943	Blk. "C", 40-50-54 S.W. corner Clark Ave. & Van Horne St., Cranbrook, B.C.
Continental Insurance Company	<i>Renewed by P.D. # 212416</i> 1183	\$2500.00	Dec.	11	1943	154-160 Van Horne St., Cranbrook (Block "C", Cranbrook City, Plan 662.)
North West Fire Insurance Company	<i>Renewed by P.D. # 212526</i> 212476	\$2,500.	Dec.	11	1943	

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Rikuzo FUTA

Registration No. 13021

Legal Description: Block 14A, 33A, District Lot 5247
Plan 1088, Kootenay District.

This property was in a Provincial Tax sale in
1936 and the Futa's relinquished any right to the prop-
erty. See letter dated June 2nd, 1943 on ~~file No. 11495.~~

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File No. 11493

August 25, 1947

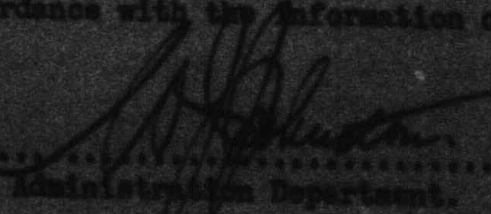
SUMMARY OF LIABILITIES

Re: Mr. Rikuso FUTA
Registration No. 13021

The above-mentioned Japanese did not declare owing any monies in his "J" Form dated November 14, 1942.

Claims, however, were filed against him but as George Masahide Arthur FUTA assumed responsibility for his debts, these matters are dealt with under his File No. 11493.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.


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Administration Department.

WJJ/RMS

OFFICE PHONE 71
RESIDENCE PHONE 380

P. O. BOX 236

Cranbrook Credit Bureau

MAR 21 1942

OFFICE
PARKS HARDWARE BUILDING
BAKER STREET

CRANBROOK, B.C.

J. E. KENNEDY,
MANAGER.

17th. March 1942.

Custodian of Enemy Property,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir,-

Re: R. Futa Japanese Family Cranbrook.

The above family who have been in business in this district for the last forty five years and who are affected by the order making Cranbrook a protected area have requested me to look after their business collecting their accounts receivable and paying their accounts payable.

I do not want to do anything contrary to Government instructions I would like to be advised if I am in order in taking over this work. Would also like to know if permission would be given to dispose of their automobile at a fair market price.

Thanking you in anticipation for a reply at your convenience,
I beg to remain,

Yours sincerely,

John E. Kennedy
John E. Kennedy

MACDONALD & PRENTER

BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS

A. B. MACDONALD, K. C.

R. V. PRENTER

CABLE ADDRESS:
"MACDON"

CODES { A. B. C.
WESTERN UNION

411-14 ROGERS BUILDING,
470 GRANVILLE STREET,

VANCOUVER,
BRITISH COLUMBIA

March 28th, 1942.

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,
Custodian's Office,
675 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

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Re: R. K. Futa.

Dear Sir:-

R. K. Futa and his wife have lived in Cranbrook, British Columbia, for over 40 years. The husband is over 80 years of age and the mother is over 70 years.

They, and now their sons principally, carry on a flour, feed and grocery business at Cranbrook but this is now a protected area and as their car and truck were taken away, it is impossible for them to carry on business.

I have discussed the matter with the members of the Security Commission and they have no objection to these people selling their business as a going concern. Further, the family has an offer to go to Saskatchewan to work on a farm. I have written the Premier of Saskatchewan for any necessary consent. If this is granted the family could move in their car and truck at their own expense to Saskatchewan.

It is perhaps unnecessary and futile to speak of these Japanese as I know them. They have been splendid citizens throughout the years. I would be obliged if you would let me hear from you as to these people being either able to sell their car and truck, or if they moved to Saskatchewan to use it for transportation.

I will appreciate a reply at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

ABM/C.

Arthur Macdonald

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29th April, 1942.

Messrs. Macdonald & Prenter,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. Macdonald

Dear Sirs:

Re: R. K. Futa

Replying to your letter of the 16th inst. styled
re F. K. Futa, I presume you refer to your earlier letter in
connection with R. K. Futa.

In view of the Order of the Minister of Justice of
the 26th February last it would not be possible for the
Custodian to release this car and truck to persons of the
Japanese race and these motor vehicles will be dealt with by
the Custodian along with the others which have vested in him
pursuant to Section 12 of P.C. 1665.

I note from your earlier letter that this family
desires to move to Saskatchewan at their own expense and wish
to move the car and truck there. This is not a matter which
can be dealt with by the Custodian's office but possibly you
could take it up with the British Columbia Security Commission
which is in charge of the evacuation and settlement of the
persons of the Japanese race.

Yours truly,

C. L. Drewry
Manager

CLD:LF

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10th July, 1942.

R. K. Futa, Esq.,
c/o Futa's Grocery,
Cranbrook, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Attached please find enclosed three copies of our "JP" registration form and we would ask that you be good enough to have fully completed, signed and witnessed two copies of this form and that they be returned to us without delay.

We trust that you will appreciate the fact that your property vests in the Custodian regardless of whether you register with us or not as from the time you leave the protected area and it would be of great assistance to the Custodian if you would register at this time as it would facilitate the management of your affairs as from the time you have evacuated. On the other hand, if you have already left Cranbrook and if you have left the protected area your business property has already vested in the Custodian, but we would nevertheless appreciate your sending us duly completed registration forms.

For your information we have on file a number of claims which have been lodged with us against either you or your business, which claims are as follows:

1. The Trites Wood Co. Ltd., Michel, B. C. inform us that they hold a mortgage on some of the fixtures in your store.
2. The Swift Canadian Co. Limited, Edmonton, Alberta inform us that their books indicate that you owe them the sum of \$10.03 as of April 4th, 1942.
3. We are informed by the Canadian Credit Men's Trust Association Limited that their client, the Hudson's Bay Company, has a claim against you for \$31.68.

When registering with us we would appreciate your providing us with full particulars of money you owe as well as money owed to you.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

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10th July, 1942.

Col. C. H. Hill,
Officer Commanding, "E" Division,
Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: R. K. FUTA, Cranbrook, B. C.

It has been reported to us that a Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Futa of Cranbrook own one car and one truck and that they desire to move in their car and truck, at their own expense, to Saskatchewan.

We would appreciate your being good enough to ascertain for us whether or not in fact the Futa family went to Saskatchewan, taking with them their car and truck, failing which what disposition was made of the car and truck in question.

Your assistance in clearing up this point for us would be very much appreciated.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LP

39-236

CE-399-1942

1940 Dodge Sedan.

1938 Fargo Truck 1/2 ton.

Engine

B15C 1859

12318960

Serial

9670800

9558079

McDonald)

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
JAPANESE REGISTRATION
"E" DIVISION

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

Our File No. 13021
DIV. FILE No. _____

Vancouver, B.C.
13th July, 1942.

H. G. FILE No. _____

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

Re: Rikuzo FUTA - Jap.Reg.No.13021

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of July 10th,
regarding the above man and family, please be
advised that their address is:

P.O. Box 301,
Cranbrook, B.C.

2. As Cranbrook is not within the
restricted area, it will be unnecessary for
these people to change their place of residence.

3. Referring to paragraph 2 of your letter,
the following is the information required:

Rikuzo FUTA	-	Jap.Reg.No.13021
Mrs. Tsuneko FUTA	-	" 13022
Buaye FUTA (age 27)	-	" 13017
Shoji Francis FUTA (age 23)	-	" 13025
George Arthur FUTA (age 29)	-	" 13026

Father and mother and three sons, all
living at same address.

Yours truly,

R.A. Davidson
Cst.
(R.A. Davidson)

In Charge Japanese Registration.

KD:MW

Government Notice of Feb. 27, 1942
Canada Gazette No. 216 Vol. LXXV of Mar. 4, 1942
G.V.

4817
Your reference
#13021.

July 17th, 1942.

Mr. R.A. Davidson,
R.C.M.P.
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Rikuzo FUTA - Reg.No.13021.

Thank you very much for your letter dated July 13th, and for your kindness in providing us with the present address of Mr. Futa and his family and also for providing us with particulars of the Japanese registration numbers of the five individuals concerned.

Our attention has been drawn to the second paragraph of your letter which states that, as Cranbrook is not within the restricted area, it will not be necessary for these people to change their place of residence. We would be indebted to you for confirming this fact as our interpretation of Government notice of Feb.27th, 1942 which was reproduced in the Canada Gazette #216 of March 4th, 1942, leads us to believe that Cranbrook is within the restricted area and that consequently, it may become necessary for these people to leave their present place of residence. We would very much appreciate your clearing up this matter for us in order that we may make the proper notations on our files covering the family of Mr. and Mrs. Futa.

Yours truly,

R.P. Alexander
Manager.

RPA:PB

11495 and 4817

July 20th, 1942.

Mr. George Puta,
Puta's Grocery,
Cranbrook, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

re R.K. PUTA

Thank you very much for your letter dated July 13th and for the very clear statement with which you have provided us regarding the affairs of your father, and his three sons.

We note that you and your two brothers hold yourselves responsible for the management of this business and, in accordance with your request and in order that the matter may be simplified, it is our intention to confine our correspondence, to as great a degree as possible, to our file covering you, which is our File No. 11495. We therefore ask that you be good enough when writing to us in the future, to refer in each instance to our file No. 11495.

We note the endeavours you are making to settle your affairs, with the assistance of Mr. J.E. Kennedy, and wish to assure you that the Custodian's office has no objection whatsoever to your availing yourselves of the services of Mr. Kennedy under terms agreed by both parties, until such time as you have either registered your assets with us, or have been evacuated, whichever may first occur, at which time the matter is subject to review by this office.

We trust that you will fully appreciate the fact that the entire question of your evacuation rests with the British Columbia Security Commission, and the Custodian's office becomes interested purely in your property and affairs as from the time you are evacuated, or as from the time you register your assets with us.

The purpose in asking you to register at this time is so that we may have a record of your affairs, thereby facilitating our endeavours on your behalf as from the time you and your family are evacuated. Of course,

Mr. George Futa

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20th July 1942.

anything you can do towards settling your affairs in full, if possible, before leaving Cranbrook will be very much appreciated indeed.

We sent registration forms in triplicate to your father on July 10th. We are now enclosing twelve additional registration forms and would ask that in due course you be good enough to arrange to have them completed by or for your mother, and by yourself and your two brothers, sending us two fully completed copies for each member of your family, and retaining the balance for your own use.

We appreciate fully, the work you are doing towards settling your affairs, but if your affairs have not been fully settled at the time you leave Cranbrook please provide us at that time with a detailed statement covering the remaining stocks, remaining accounts receivable and remaining accounts payable.

Yours truly,

R.P.Alexander
Manager

RPA:EB.
Enc.

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July 20th, 1942.

Mr. C.H.Hill,
a/Comm'r., Commanding "E"
Division,
Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re R.K.FUTA

Thank you very much for your letter dated July 14th and for the information contained in it regarding the car and truck seized from the above-named.

We now understand that the Futa family still reside in Cranbrook, B.C., basing our belief upon a letter to us dated July 13th from Constable R.A.Davidson.

Yours truly,

RPA:EB.

R.P.Alexander
Manager

July 20th, 1942.

Mr. John E. Kennedy,
Cranbrook Credit Bureau,
Cranbrook, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

re Mr. R.K. FUTA

Please refer to our letter to you dated March 27th. We observe that the Futa family are still residing at Cranbrook, B.C. and that they have not, as yet, registered their assets with the Custodian's office.

As your letter dated March 17th indicated that the Futas have requested you to act as their agent in collecting accounts receivable and paying their accounts payable, we list as follows claims on our file against the Futas, for your attention:

- (1) Mr. A. Corrie, c/o Trites Wood Co.Ltd., Michel, B.C. informs us that he has a mortgage on several of the fixtures belonging to Mr. Futa and on July 14th states that he has not as yet obtained any satisfaction:
- (2) The Swift Canadian Co.Limited, Edmonton, Alberta, still have outstanding a balance due them of \$10.08 on their claim dated April 21st, and on July 15th confirmed to us that as yet they have received no payments:
- (3) The Hudson's Bay Co., Vancouver, advises that they have a claim against the Futa grocery amounting to \$31.68 which has not been paid. This claim was filed with us through the Canadian Credit Men's Trust Association Limited, Vancouver.

In their letter to us dated July 13th the Swift Canadian Co.Limited state that it is their understanding that you are the local Custodian in Cranbrook. You will, of course, appreciate the fact that you have not received an appointment of this nature; it must be clearly under-

Mr. John E. Kennedy

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July 20th, 1942.

stood that you are apparently acting as a collection and paying agent for the Putas. However, for the completion of our files we would appreciate receiving a statement from you as to the payment of the claims mentioned above.

Thanking you in advance.

Yours truly,

R.P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:EB.

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July 20th, 1942.

Messrs. Swift Canadian Co.
Limited,
Edmonton, Alberta.

Dear Sirs:-

re FUTA. R.K.

July 13th.

Thank you very much for your letter dated

We note that your claim for \$10.08, dated April 21st, is still outstanding. As the Futa family are still residing in Cranbrook, B.C. and have not, as yet, entrusted their assets with us, the Custodian's office has no objection to your taking any steps open to you for obtaining payment.

Mr. Jack Kennedy, whom you mention in your letter, has apparently been appointed by the Futas as their agent for collecting accounts receivable and paying accounts payable. Mr. Kennedy is not the agent of the Custodian and we informed him on March 27th that as far as the Custodian's office is concerned, we have no objection to Mr. Futa making arrangements with Mr. Kennedy in regard to these accounts. We also informed Mr. Kennedy at that time, that once Mr. Futa is evacuated, the matter comes under the Custodian and will have to be dealt with by this office.

Yours truly,

RPA:EB.

R.P. Alexander
Manager

11495 and 4817

July 24th, 1942.

Messrs. Canadian Credit Men's
Trust Association Ltd.,
122 Eighth Avenue West,
Calgary, Alberta.

Dear Sirs:-

re: Futa's Grocery, Cranbrook, B.C.

We have delayed replying to your letter dated June 4th while endeavouring on your behalf to secure additional information regarding the operation of Futa's grocery in Cranbrook, B.C.

We are now in a position to report to you that this particular grocery is still being operated by the three sons of Mr. and Mrs. R.K. Futa. Mr. George Futa in Cranbrook has taken over the management of this business on behalf of his parents who are retired, and who are semi-invalids.

It is our understanding that Mr. George Futa has requested the aid of Mr. John E. Kennedy, Cranbrook Credit Bureau, Cranbrook, B.C., to act as their agent in collecting accounts receivable and paying their accounts payable.

All of the members of the Futa family are still residing in Cranbrook, B.C.; they have not registered their assets with us and as they have not been evacuated their property has not yet vested in the Custodian. We would suggest that you correspond immediately with Mr. Kennedy and with Mr. George Futa. The latter's address is P.O. Box 301, Cranbrook, B.C.

Yours truly,

R.P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:EB.

11495 & 4817

28th July, 1942.

John E. Kennedy, Esq.,
Cranbrook Credit Bureau,
Cranbrook, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: R. K. FUTA

Thank you very much for your letter dated July 24th. The same mail brought us a letter from Mr. A. Corrie stating that he had obtained satisfaction in full in connection with his mortgage on several of the fixtures belonging to Mr. Futa. We understand that settlement was made on July 23rd.

Your comments in connection with the claims made by the Swift Canadian Company at Edmonton and the Hudson's Bay Company, Vancouver have been noted. Both of the firms mentioned will doubtless be getting in touch with you shortly.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

TELEPHONES
OFFICE 71
RESIDENCE 380

P. O. BOX 236

Cranbrook Credit Bureau

122 HANSON AVE.

CRANBROOK, B. C. July 24th. 1942.

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R.P. Alexander, Esq.,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hastings & Granville,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir,-

Re: Mr. R. K. Futa-Your file 4817.

I have for acknowledgement your letter of 20th. instant in the above connection and note your remarks.

With reference to the ^{sett}payable enumerated in your letter I know nothing about No.1 Mr. A. Corrie, Michel. With reference to No.2 and 3 I sent them cheques in April for 50% of their accounts advising them the balance would follow as soon as Futa's outstanding accounts could be collected. As I stated in a previous letter to you collections have been very tough in consequence no cheques have been sent out, nor will any be sent until I get the money.

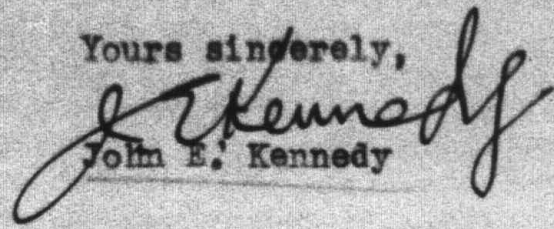
Referring to the last paragraph of your letter I must say the Swift Canadian Co. Limited had some crust to presume I was local Custodian will you kindly ascertain where they got their information? I never represented myself other than what I am, a credit collector in the employ of the merchants in Cranbrook, as stated in your letter I "appreciate the fact" I am what I am.

I was speaking to Geo. Futa yesterday and he advised me that he was mailing his Inventory immediately.

I wish you would kindly advise the Hudson's and Swift's if they want their money any quicker it is up to them to send in one of their high power salesmen to do the collecting.

Again thanking you I beg to remain,

Yours sincerely,


John E. Kennedy

KEEP YOUR CREDIT GOOD — IT IS WORTH MORE TO YOU THAN MONEY

MACDONALD & PRENTER

BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS

A. B. MACDONALD, K. C.

R. V. PRENTER

411-14 ROGERS BUILDING,
470 GRANVILLE STREET,

VANCOUVER,
BRITISH COLUMBIA

August 12th, 1942

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Dear Sir :-

Re: The Futa family - Your file No. 4817.

The writer spoke to you about this family on several occasions, and you were good enough to give him full information and kindly consideration.

The father and mother, and possibly the family, until they become permanently settled, may, with the permission of the local authorities, live at a place north of Cranbrook, B. C. called Invermere. The family will be self supporting. The boys own a car and a truck, and if these are not sold why should not these self supporting Japanese be treated in the same manner, so far as the motor question is concerned, as the Japanese evacuees at Christina Lake? We understand that these evacuees have the use of their cars. Christina Lake is only thirty miles from Trail, B. C.

If the Futas had their car and truck they would not only be self supporting, as the Christina Lake people, but also much farther away from any vital war industry. Indeed it is quite likely that the young people will move to Saskatchewan.

The writer is satisfied that this family of Japanese have an A.I. record.

If our information is correct in connection with the Christina Lake evacuees, is it consistent to deprive a family of almost fifty years standing in the country of the same privilege as has been granted to the Japanese at Christina Lake?

Yours truly,

MACDONALD & PRENTER

Per:

H. B. Alexander Esq.,
Manager,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver. B. C.

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BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS

A. S. MACDONALD, K. C.

R. V. PRENTER

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411-14 ROGERS BUILDING,
470 GRANVILLE STREET,

VANCOUVER,
BRITISH COLUMBIA

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WESTERN UNION

September 11th, 1942.

R. G. Bell, Esq.,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

File No. 4817.

Re: R. K. Futa.

Dear Sir:-

This is the matter that I telephoned you about. I also had several interviews with Mr. Alexander and I am enclosing a copy of this letter so that you may hand it to him should it be necessary.

This family are not yet evacuated. They have a small store in Cranbrook, B.C., but they are disposing of this in order to pay their debts and have some money to look after the father and mother who are approximately 80 years of age, and themselves. None of them want to be a charge on the country in any way.

Until they are actually evacuated they apparently have a right to sell and to receive the proceeds of their property other than cars and radios. I have not studied the regulations but it does seem rather strange that if a Japanese had property worth \$1000. before evacuation and received the proceeds that he is not permitted to sell his car for say the same amount and not receive the same amount which would be used for the same purpose. However, as you state, you may be tied by some regulation. In the meantime, the Dodge Sedan, 1940, B.C.Licence 39-236 -1942, Engine No. D15C1859, Serial No. 9670800, and the Fargo Panel $\frac{1}{2}$ ton truck, 1936, B.C.Licence CE-399-1942, Engine No. 12318960, Serial No. 9551079, are in storage in Cranbrook and of course are depreciating. Would you be good enough to let me know the up-set price on both these vehicles?

Futa wants to know if he can sell direct to a Cranbrook dealer who would pay him or give him security before evacuation. But if this is not permitted, why not

let Futa make a good sale and if necessary the proceeds could be held by the Custodian until such time as the regulation may be changed.

I can quite understand complete confiscation of Japanese assets and also the prevention of Japanese having the use of cars or trucks but it does seem rather strange to differentiate between a dollar received for one class of property and a dollar received from another class. I would be obliged, therefore, if you would consider this matter and take it up with the appropriate parties.

When the time comes for the Futas to be evacuated from the restricted area, the father and mother intend to move to a district in British Columbia approximately 100 miles north of Cranbrook. I have found out that there is no objection to their living in this District of Windermere. The boys intend to go east to Saskatchewan and are presently arranging for this if and when evacuated.

The principal reason of course that the boys wanted the car and truck was to save the cost of transportation. However, I can see that the actual use of the car by Japanese would possibly cause considerable resentment and publicity.

Possibly the Futas in any event will be able to assist in the sale of their motors.

I will appreciate a reply at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

Macdonald and Prenter.

ABM/C.

Per

A. B. Macdonald
Per L.P.C.

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November 3, 1942.

MacDonald & Prenter,
Barristers & Solicitors,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. A. B. MacDonald

Dear Sirs:

Re: Rikizo FUTA

We were informed verbally today by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police that they anticipated evacuating from Cranbrook, B. C., within the course of the next two or three days, all individuals of the Japanese race presently residing in Cranbrook.

It is our understanding that Mr. Rikizo K. Futa, our file No. 4817, Mrs. Tsuneko Futa, our file No. 11492, Mr. Buaye Futa, our file No. 11493, Mr. Francis Shoji Futa, our file No. 11494, and Mr. George Arthur Futa, our file No. 11495 have all completed JP registration forms and that said JP registration forms are being held by you.

This is to ask that you kindly forward to us relative JP registration forms covering all five of the individuals mentioned above, by return mail, in order that the Custodian's office may, without undue delay, administer and protect any assets of the Futa's remaining in the Protected Area.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA

File No. 4817

5th November, 1942.

MEMO - MR. WILLIAMS

Attached you will find File No. 4817, together with registration form covering the three Puta brothers. I would like to make the following suggestions:

1. That the affairs of the Puta Grocery be handled under File No. 11495.
2. That a note be placed in File No. 11493 and a similar note in File No. 11494 to the effect that said individual's interest in the partnership in question is dealt with under File No. 11495.

I am trying to get a "No Property" declaration for File No. 11492 and No. 4817.

A study by you of File No. 4817 will probably indicate the feasibility of recognizing the appointment by the Putas of John E. Kennedy of Cranbrook as the Japs' agent for collecting funds.

In so far as the appointment of an agent to administer the property is concerned I naturally leave this matter in the hands of the Administration Department but would make the suggestion that Beale & Elwell of Cranbrook, if given a clean bill of health locally, might be the answer.

A brief study of the file indicates the probability of the Putas getting out of debt within a reasonable time through rental income from the Union Oil Company and through collections from Mollaur and other creditors.

RPA:LF

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Have known the
for years
RPA

4817

5th November, 1942.

Messrs. Macdonald & Prenter,
Barristers and Solicitors,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Rikiso FUTA

Thank you very much for your letter dated November 4th and for the statements attached thereto representing registration by George Masahide Arthur Futa on behalf of himself and of his two brothers in respect of their interest in the partnership known as Futa's Grocery.

On July 20th Mr. George Futa was supplied with twelve additional registration blanks with the request that he and his two brothers and his parents register their assets with us individually but we now learn from your letter that the Futas have apparently failed to comply with our request in this connection.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

4817 & 11495

9th November, 1942.

George Puta, Esq., #13026;
c/o Puta's Grocery,
Granbrook, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Messrs. Macdonald & Prenter have provided us with registration forms dated July 25th, signed by you on behalf of your two brothers and yourself.

Our records indicate that attached to our letter to you dated July 20th we sent you sufficient registration forms to enable your father, mother and your brothers to register separately. We are, however, accepting registration provided by you as sufficient to cover the interest of your two brothers also and will be dealing with the matter of the Puta's Grocery under our File No. 11495.

As it is possibly the case that your parents do not have any property in their own name we are enclosing two yellow "No Property" declaration forms and if they are applicable, we ask that they be signed by your parents and returned to us as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

11495 & 4617

11th November, 1942

Messrs. Beale & Elwell,
Granbrook, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Mr. George Fute, the Manager of Fute's Grocery of Granbrook has registered with us his affairs in partnership with his brothers, Frank Shaje and Duaye John.

We note on the "JP" registration form that your firm is referred to in connection with a mortgage on a property situated on Block "C" in townsite plan #669, Granbrook, B.C. in which this family are interested.

The Custodian's office has been charged with the duty of looking after the property of persons of the Japanese race who have been or are to be evacuated from the protected areas in British Columbia.

We are suggesting that you may be in a position to assist the Custodian with regard to the property of Japanese persons in your district and in particular to the present case under review. The Custodian desires to make sure that the property left by these persons in your district is receiving proper supervision and that it will be protected from loss or damage.

We would be glad if you would write us as soon as possible indicating your willingness to act in this capacity, giving us a complete report as to the nature of the property, where it is located and how it is being safeguarded. It would be appreciated if you would indicate in your letter how this property might best be administered.

We are enclosing copy of the "JP" form referred to above and we will be glad if you will write us regarding this case after you have investigated, giving full particulars of all property which you find, the steps which you have taken to protect the property and your recommendations regarding same.

With regard to the matter of remuneration for doing this work on our behalf, the Agents' initial investigation and report is usually about \$10.00 but this depends entirely on the necessary work which has been done and the responsibility assumed.

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Collections from properties which have been leased or rented are subject to a 5% Real Estate collection charge.

We would appreciate a reply from you in connection with these matters as soon as it has been possible for you to investigate and report to us.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Manager.

FGS/PSH

Encl.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
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Cranbrook, B.C., December 9, 1942.

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:- Attention / Mr. S.M. Gibson.

Your File No. 4917 & 11495- Futa.

We now have pleasure in enclosing copies of the existing insurance covering the Futa Block "C", Cranbrook, B.C., which we trust will be found in order. Caledonian Policy No. 697669, premium \$29.75 becomes effective on December 11th for a term of one year. We presume the premium is taken care of by your Department out of revenue. Guardian Policy No. 7514519, matures on March 16th. Loss on both policies is payable to Mrs. M.F. Beale, Mortgagee, as to the building only.

Yours very truly,

Beale & Elwell

MLP.

Enc.

per *Marjorie F. Beale*

11495

& 4817

December 12, 1942

Messrs. Deale & Elwell
Cranbrook, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: George Arthur FUTA

We are in receipt of your letter of the 5th inst. with enclosures, as enumerated, for which we thank you.

It is noted that there will be no rentals to report until 1943 from the Union Oil Company and the Shypitka lease.

Re: Accounts Receivable: In view of Mr. Kennedy being Judge of the Small Debts Court there, we desire that you act as collector of these outstanding accounts, remitting all collections to this office in due course. If it is not possible for you to act, you might recommend someone else.

Re: Accounts Payable: For our files, you might verify if possible the payments to Union Packing Company and Woodland Dairy by George Futa.

Re: Futa Truck Sale: We are writing direct to Mr. George Futa in this mail regarding funds received from this sale which have come to hand.

Yours truly,

G. D. Wilson
Administration Department

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Cranbrook, B. C., December 19th, 1942.

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B. C.

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Dear Sirs:- Re: Your file No. 11495 & 4817, George Futa.

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 12th.

Re: Accounts Receivable. We will do our best to make some collections of these accounts, but, as we said before, they are a pretty hopeless lot left, the best having been collected.

Re: Accounts Payable: We reported to you that George advised on November 28th that cheques were going forward to the Union Packing Company and Woodland Dairy. We received a letter from the Woodland Dairy, dated December 10, 1942, as follows:
"Enclosed you will find a statement of the account of T. Futa with our firm, and we understand you are handling this account now.

We would appreciate having a cheque to cover this account at your earliest convenience."

Statement as follows:	Account rendered	Balance	95.78
	Nov. 2/42	Debits #17510	80.26
			136.04
	Nov. 3/42	by Cash	35.78
			<u>\$100.26</u>

We wrote to George Futa and received his reply of December 16th as follows:

"Have your letter of December 12.
Thank you for all your efforts and news, etc.
About Woodland Dairy account, I'm surprised they wrote you at all, but under the circumstances I expected as much.
You see, I had sent cheques to all, but I did not receive the money for my stock, I sold to Kelly Douglas Co., and as a result I went short of funds, at the bank.
Now, my trouble is this:
The head man of K.D.Co. in Vancouver apparently took it all on himself and kindly passed the cheque for the goods to the Custodian. He never even consulted me or the Cranbrook office.
As I understand it, I was free agent until I moved, as to rent, sale or disposal of anything I had. I wrote Hubert Neily just now and bawled him out, for all the good it does. He's doing all he can.
I had written Woodland Dairy on December 1st explaining the situation to him (Credit Manager).
I made application to the Custodian for release of a sum of money, so I'll send them the \$100.26 as soon as I get it. They can't get it much sooner anyway.
I hope you will write and explain Woodland Dairy that the funds are forthcoming and that they will be fully protected in any event.
That is the only account left.
If I had some personal money left, I'd certify the cheque and send it on at once.
The amount I asked for was \$750.00 but since the Kelly Douglas money got sidetracked, I'll have to ask for another \$750.00 ~~xx~~ (724.45) the exact amount of the goods. Hope you'll back up my request.
It cost us \$473.30 to move up here and settle down. Our pay cheques will be small this next pay day as Ba has been sick and Frank hurt his hand. I've only worked 4 or 5 days.
Will be using the money for food bills, rent, etc., and also to finance the taking out of prop timber after the first of the year."

Crantbrook, B.C., December 19, 1942.

Department of the Secretary of State.

Re: File 11495 & 4817- Futa.

We have no idea what arrangements you have regarding the funds of these people, but since the stock was sold before they left Crantbrook and as you stated that they could do as they pleased before leaving, we think George Futa's request for the funds from the sale of stock should be granted but advise him that the Woodland Dairy account must be paid out of it.

We are writing to ask George for his receipt from the Union Packing Company, so that we can verify the payment of this account, as requested.

Yours very truly,

Beale & Elwell

MLP.

per *Margaret F. Beale*

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Cranbrook, B.C., January 18th, 1943.

The Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Rikuzo K. Futa and George A. Futa,
Your File Nos. 4817 & 11495.

Referring to your letter of January 9th, we have written Mr. George Futa to find out if he paid the Woodland Dairy account, which was the last one outstanding. We note that you will consider sending further funds to George when this is confirmed.

Regarding the loan from the Imperial Bank of Canada, Cranbrook, B.C., we spoke to the Bank Manager, who advised that this loan was made to George, that it has stood at \$650.00 since 1939; that the bank holds Sun Life Insurance policy for \$1,000.00 taken out by George and that George is keeping up the premiums.

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 14th enclosing cheque for \$2.50, for which we enclose receipt.

Re: Union Oil Ltd., rental. We enclose rental forms and our cheque for \$284.63. We may say that the Union Oil rentals had been ear-marked for payment on the mortgage, and we trust that you will be able to let us have a cheque on account of this. The principal stands the same, \$263.37. Interest to January 31st is \$10.53. We realize, of course, that part of these funds have to be held for taxes.

We enclose assessment notice for Lot 4 & half of 5, Block 92. George thinks that if an appeal were made the assessment might be reduced, but we do not believe it would as the lots in the district are all set as to assessment value. The taxation method here is on the full land assessment and on half the value of the improvements.

Yours very truly,

Beale & Elwell

per *Margie F. Beale*

MLP.
Enc.

Copy for File 4817

MEMORANDUM

File No. 11495

January 22nd, 1943

To: Mr. Milson

From: Mr. Green

Re: FUTA, George Arthur

File herewith was routed to me and it appears that all the store equipment declared is satisfactorily covered since it is included in the lease to the Shypitkas. I cannot, however, see any reference on file to the personal furniture declared. This may have been left with the Cranbrooke Cartage Company (as per "JP") or in the care of the Shypitkas, who are apparently occupying the house as well as the store.

Would you kindly mention this matter to Messrs. Beale and Elwell when you next write? If you are not writing to them in the near future, perhaps you would be so good as to return the file to me and I will see to it.

HFG:IF



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Granbrook, B.C., January 26th, 1943.

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:- Your File No. 4817 & 11495,
Re: Rikuzo K. Futa and George A. Futa.

Referring to your letter of January 9th and our reply of the 18th, we have now heard from George Futa with regard to the Woodland Dairy Ltd. account, \$100.26, and enclose his letter.

In your letter of the 9th you state that when all the accounts payable have been taken care of you will consider sending more funds to G.A. Futa. As you will note from George's letter, his mother has been seriously ill and the funds he received from you from the sale of the motor cars will probably be required for emergency, it might simplify matters if you would make a cheque payable to the Woodland Dairy Limited for \$100.26, forward this cheque to us and we will see that it is forwarded and receipt obtained.

Regarding the assessment notice mentioned, we telephoned the Government Office and they advise that the Futas have no interest in the property mentioned.

We have written to the persons on the list of accounts receivable, but we have very little hope. Where we knew that the party was in receipt of steady wages we asked them to make payments rather than have the necessity of a garnishee. They are a pretty poor bunch.

We have not kept a copy of the enclosed letter of Mr. Futa. We trust that a satisfactory solution of the incoming funds will be found, as well as the funds on hand.

Yours very truly,

Beale & Elwell

per *Margie F. Beale*

MLP.
Enc.

Invermere, B.C.

Jan. 22 1943/

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Dear Mrs. Neale,

I have your letter and was glad to hear from you.

First, regarding the assessment notice, I really am not sure what property that indicates. As near as I can make out it is a piece of land included in our old pasture land up past Kootenay Orchards. This land is reverted back to the Government, or I should say will revert back when the next Provincial Tax Sale comes up. There has been no taxes paid on that pasture land for many years. However you may check up on it the next time you go up to the City Hall.

I am still puzzled about the misunderstanding the Custodian's office has about our accounts payable. They must either mistrust me greatly or are not clear on our status at the time we left Cranbrook. I am sure that I made it clear that I was co-operating with the authorities in every way to simplify all our affairs. This included the payment of accounts, taxes, rentals and any obligations I had outstanding. As you know, I paid all accounts with the cash I had on hand a few days before I left Cranbrook, and I explained to you that I was a little short to cover the Woodland Dairy account. The only reason I was short was because the money from Kelly Douglas Co. was held up by the Custodian. All in all I had very little in the way of correspondence or orders from the Custodian before I left Cranbrook. However, I have a letter, way back last summer, from a Mr. Alexander, who indicated that I had complete freedom in the

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disposal of our affairs till we move away. I acted on this information when I sold the stock in trade in order that I may have funds to move with and to supplement any amount I may be short in discharging my other obligations.

I still have not paid Woodland Dairy yet as I am waiting for the cheque Kelly Douglas left with the Custodian. I have made several requests for it but have had no reply.

However, as I have the \$450.00 that the Custodian sent me from the sale of motor cars, I could pay Woodland Dairy. I had hoped to hold the money for emergency particularly with regard to medical care for mother who may need an emergency operation at any time. She has been seriously ill since Christmas.

To sum up the whole thing, it means just this, I presume. In their endeavour to keep everything straight, the Custodian's office has hindered me greatly in the discharging of my obligations. The only creditor I have not paid must think me a fraud by now. I mean Woodland Dairy, who have always had the best of confidence in me. I am not bragging but I feel that my word has never brought reproach and I feel that I should be allowed to discharge my obligation the way that I promised. You have heard of no other bills?

Will you please make the request again that the cheque from Kelly Douglas be sent me immediately? You may forward this letter if you wish. You might ask that all my funds be sent to me and let me look after all affairs provided I supply you and the Custodian a full statement of our affairs quarterly. The monies are no good to the custodian but will be of benefit to me and to this community. The weather conditions have made it impossible to earn much the last two months and these funds I request will go towards supplementing our living expenses.

You have the order to the Union Oil Co. to collect the rent so I'm sure the Custodian's office will see that the mortgage will be discharged.

Jack Price is the man that is janitor at the Armories. Hope you collect some of them.

Sincerely

George Luta

"COPY"

4817 & 11495

January 28, 1943

Messrs. Beale & Elwell,
Cranbrook, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Rikuzo K. PUTA &
George Arthur PUTA

We are in receipt of your letter of January 18th enclosing rental cheque from the Union Oil Ltd. for \$284.63.

As requested, we are forwarding you our cheque for \$10.53, being the interest on the Mortgage held by you to January 31st, 1943. Will you please see that we are supplied with 1943 tax statements when they are issued.

We note that all the Accounts Payable of the Putas have been paid with the exception of the Woodland Dairy, amounting to \$100.26, and if this has not been paid, will you kindly instruct George A. Puta to pay it from the \$350.00, which we are today sending to the Imperial Bank of Canada, Invermere, for his credit. 11 P

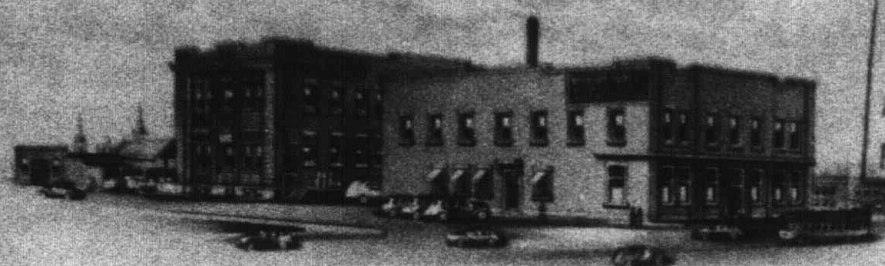
In regard to the loan made by the Imperial Bank of Canada, Cranbrook, to George A. Puta for \$650.00, would you be kind enough to advise us if the cash surrender of the Life Insurance policy is sufficient to pay this debt, and if not, what steps George Puta proposes to take in regard to liquidating the loan.

Yours truly,

G. D. Milson
Administration Department

GDM/GH
Enc.

CABLE ADDRESS
WOODLAND
EDMONTON



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Ans.	
Referred	<i>W. J. Zapey</i>

W. J. Zapey
SECRETARY-TREASURER

WOODLAND DAIRY LIMITED

EDMONTON, ALBERTA
CANADA

Feb. 6th., 1943.

Mr. G. D. Milson,
Administration Department,
Office of the Custodian,
506 - Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir :

We today received a cheque for \$100.26 being payment
in full of the account of Futa's Grocery, Cranbrook, B. C.

Yours truly,

WOODLAND DAIRY LIMITED.

W. J. Zapey
W. J. Zapey,
Secretary-Treasurer.

E:K



Grantbrook, B.C., March 5th, 1943.

The Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B.C.

RE: RIKUZO K. FUTA & GEORGE FUTA
File No. 4817 & 11495.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE COLLECTED TO FEBRUARY 28, 1943.

R.W. Chenus	on account	\$5.00
Cox, R.F.		.72
Doyle, J.	" "	1.00
Gauthier, Steve	" "	5.00
Kludash, Fred	" "	5.00
Ratcliffe, W.	" "	5.00
Tidy, Chas		13.03
Robertson, Mrs. J.	" "	<u>10.00</u>
		41.75
Less Cost of postage on letters		<u>1.08</u>
Cheque attached		<u>\$ 40.67</u>

*Collection commission deducted
from Apr. collections. See Apr. 9th statement.*

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Granbrook, B.C., April 9th, 1943.

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B.C.

RE: RIKUZO K. FUTA AND GEORGE FUTA
FILE NO. 4917 & 11495.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE COLLECTED, March 1st to 31, 1943.

Govalcine, John	in full	\$5.30	
Shaw, Fred	on account	2.00	
Shellenberg, H.	" "	2.20	
Kludash, F.	" "	5.00	
Chenun, R.W.	" "	5.00	
Gauthier, S.	" "	5.00	
Boyle, J.	" "	<u>1.00</u>	\$25.50

Collection charge 15%-

February Collections	5.70	
less postage chgd.	<u>1.08</u>	5.62

Mar. collections	<u>3.82</u>	<u>9.44</u>
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Remittance	<u>\$16.06</u>
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*Please file
4817*

Agent; Beale & Elwell, Cranbrook, B.C.

Month of April, 1943

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE- R.K. & G.A. FUTA

FILE NO. 4817 and 11495, Reg. No. 13025.

Steve Gauthier on account \$2.00
less 15% collection charge .30
\$1.70

*FUTA, Geo
File 11495 Reg 13026
Payment of acct owing to
Futa Grocery*

Rye road

COLLECTIONS OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

DURING MAY, 1943

for G. & R. E. Futa, Your file #4817 & 11495, Reg. No. 13025

Charles McDowell on account \$29.70

F. Kludash " " 5.00

S. Gauthier " " 2.00

\$36.70

Less collection charge Northern
Credit & J. Kennedy 9.80

Less Collection charge Beale
and Elwell 1.05

10.85
\$25.85

File 4817

4817 & 11495.

May 31st, 1943.

Corp'n. of the City of Cranbrook,
Cranbrook, B. C.

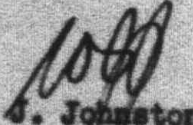
Dear Sirs:

Re: Rikuso FUTA - Reg. No. 13021 &
Hashida (Geo.) FUTA - No. 13026.

Tax notices have been received by this office relating to Blocks 14A and 33A, D.L. 5247, Plan 1008, Kootenay District, for Rikuso and Tsunoka FUTA, Cranbrook, B. C. We have been advised that neither Mr. and Mrs. Futa nor their three sons have any interest in this property whatsoever and we would appreciate your confirming the information which we have received.

Thanking you herein, we are

Yours very truly,


W. J. Johnston,
Administration Department.

WJJ/P.

*Reply on # 11495 - ignore Tax
dated June 2/43*

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Ans.	<i>Johnston</i>
Referred	

Cranbrook, B. C.
June 2nd, 1943

W. J. Johnston, Esq.,
Administration Department,
Department of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
7506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Hastings & Granville
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Rikuzo FUTA - Reg. No. 13021 &
Masahide (Geo.) FUTA -No. 13026

Replying to your favour of May 31st., file #4817 & 11495, relating to Blocks 14A and 33A, District Lot 5247, Plan 1008, Kootenay District, I have had this matter up with the Provincial Assessor, and he states that these properties together with some others were in Provincial Tax Sale in 1936, and that the Futas relinquished any right to the property. However, in registering title in the name of the Crown, these two parcels were omitted, and it became necessary for the Provincial Assessor to put them back on the Tax Roll and allow them to remain for four years, when they will revert to the Crown.

We copy our School District Roll from the Provincial Assessor's roll in December each year and this accounts for these properties being assessed by us for the year 1943 school taxes. However, we have made notation that the property is in process of being sold for taxes and we will be obliged to write off the 1943 taxes as there is no point in the Province paying taxes to the School District and allowing it to accumulate on their roll.

You may therefore ignore the tax notices issued by us covering these properties.

Yours truly,

F. W. Burgess

City Clerk

FWB/M

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May 20th, 1944.

F. W. Burgess, Esq.,
Collector,
City Hall,
Cranbrook, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Blk. 14A, 33A, D.L. 5247
Plan 1058 K. D.

We are in receipt of the tax notices for the current year in connection with the above mentioned property, formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. Rikuza FUTA.

In your letter dated June 2nd 1943, you stated that these Japanese had no further interest in this property and, therefore, these tax notices will be ignored by us.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Johnston,
Administration Department.

WJJ/HMS

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11493,
4517

August 26th, 1944.

Mr. Julius Holloway,
Cranebrook, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We were advised by Messrs. Beale & Elwell on March 6th, 1943, that a Chattel Mortgage dated July 3rd, 1925 was given to you by Mrs. Tumeco PUTA in connection with certain fixtures and equipment belonging to her. Mrs. Beale also stated that Mr. George Puta had paid interest at ten per cent to January 31st, 1943.

Please advise us fully by return mail regarding this matter in reply to the following questions:

1. Has the Mortgage been paid in full? If not, how much is owing, and at what rate of interest?
2. How is the Mortgage secured and to whom do you look for payment?
3. Is the Mortgage on all fixtures and furniture on the Puta's property in Cranebrook? If not, on what portion of same does it cover?
4. Has the Mortgage ever been registered, and is it still registered?

A prompt reply to this letter will be appreciated and if possible, please enclose a copy of said Chattel Mortgage for our file.

Yours very truly,

E. J. Johnston,
Administration Department

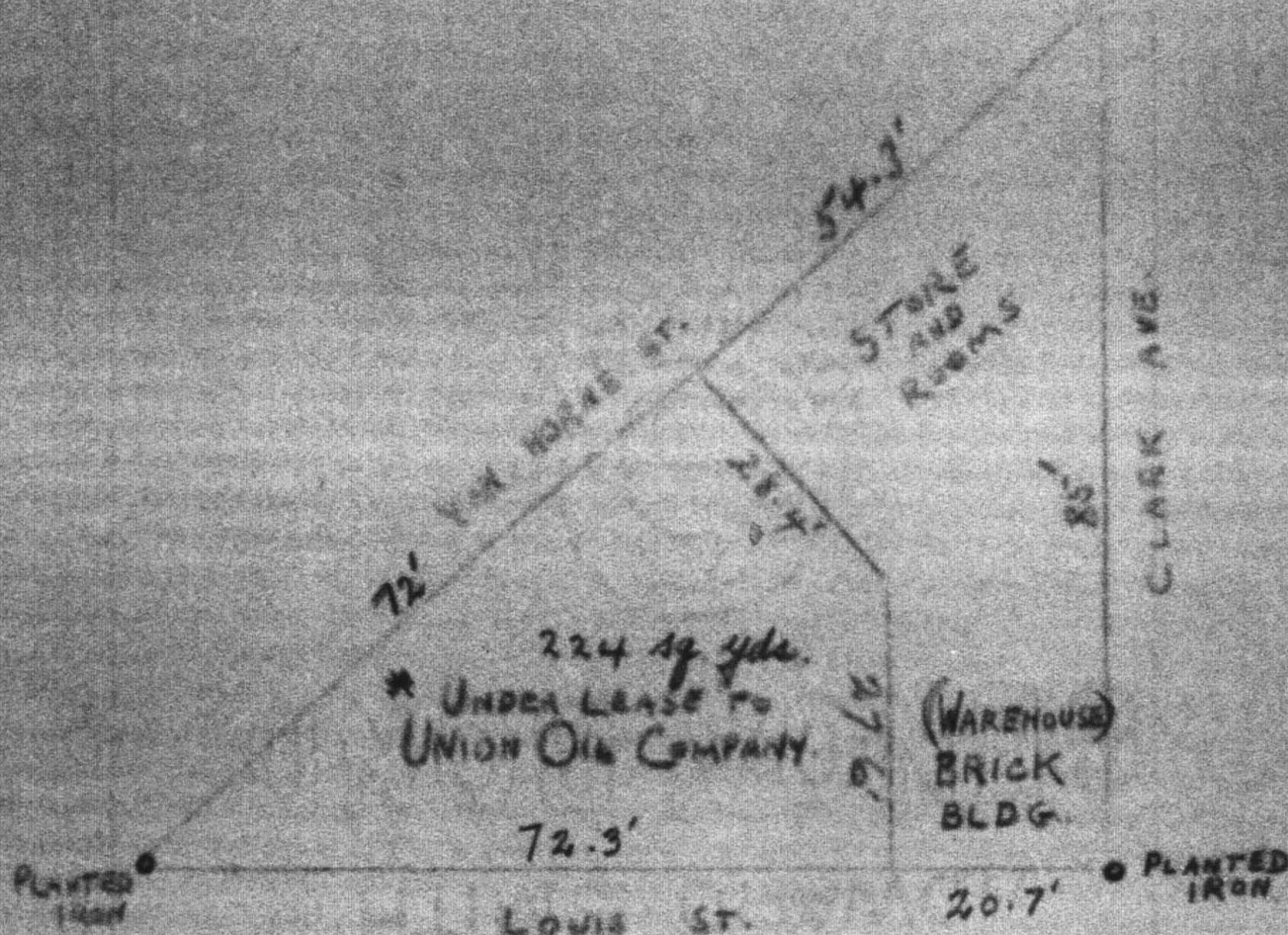
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MEMORANDUM ----- To: Mr. F. G. Shears.

Particulars of Lease made between Mrs. Teunaka Futa, Lessor, and the Union Oil Company of Canada Limited, Lessee, dated 16th day of July, 1940. (See last paragraph of Page 2)

The portion of Block "C", Greenbrook City, Plan No. 669, demised unto the Union Oil Company is shown in the following sketch:



* Term of Lease: Five (5) years from September 1, 1940, with option to renew for a further period of 5 years.

Payment: \$60.00 per month. Note: Reduced to \$50.00 per month with consent of Mr. George Futa. Union Oil Company pays \$300.00 semi-annually in advance.

Stipulations:

1. The lessor agreed to remove (and did remove) the existing building on the demised premises, leaving only the foundation. Note: The building (Service Station) erected by the Union Oil Company was built over and extended beyond this foundation.

2. The Union Oil Company agreed to erect a gasoline Service Station at a cost of not less than \$5,000.00. The Company did erect a service station but the actual cost is not known. The valuation at this time is approximately one-half of that amount. The equipment, including pumps, etc. installed by the lessee to remain their property and may be removed at termination of the Lease or any renewal thereof. The buildings, however, erected upon the demised premises shall not be removed at the end of the term but shall then become the property of the lessor.

3. The Lessor pays taxes on the land and the Lessee pays taxes on the improvements. The Lessee pays for repairs. Proviso for re-entry by lessor on non-payment of rent or non-performance of covenants. Lessee to keep buildings on demised premises fully insured and re-erect if destroyed by fire. Lessee may assign or sub-let.

4. "The Lessor, on behalf of herself, her heirs and executors, covenants with the lessee, its successors and assigns, that the lessee shall during the continuance of this lease or any renewal thereof have an option of purchasing the land herein demised for the sum of Forty-five hundred (\$4,500.00) dollars, less any unexpired rent which may have been paid by the lessee in advance and upon payment of the said sum of Forty-five hundred (\$4,500.00) dollars, she will sell and convey the premises hereby demised to the lessee or its assigns, free from encumbrances. In the event of such sale there shall be no reservation to the lessor of any right to the use of a portion of the basement, as herein provided.

5. During the currency of this lease or any renewal thereof, the lessee agrees to allow the lessor the use of the basement under the building on the demised premises as at present excavated, except the south-westerly eight feet of the said basement, and will allow the lessor access to the said basement provided that the lessor shall have no claim for any damage which may result to the said basement or to any articles at any time therein due to building operations of the lessee or the use of the said property as a gasoline service station or garage, and the lessor will indemnify the lessee against any claim in respect of any such article.

6. And the lessor covenants with the lessee that in the use of the said basement or her ingress and egress thereto and therefrom, she will in no way interfere with the use or operation by the lessee of the demised premises and the buildings thereon by the lessee as herein intended or provided, and it is agreed that the lessee shall have access to and use of the portion of the said basement, the use of which is permitted by the lessor hereunder for the purposes of carrying on building operations and for any necessary supports, bridges, walls or other structures necessary in the construction of the buildings to be erected by the lessee or in the carrying on of the business of the lessee or its sub-lessee or assignee.

7. And the lessor doth hereby for herself, her executors and her assigns covenant with the lessee that if the lessee or its assigns shall be desirous of renewing the lease of the said premises for the further term of five years from the expiration of the said term hereby demised and of such desire prior to the expiration of the said last mentioned term give to the lessor, her executors or assigns, or leave at her last known place of abode in Canada one calendar month's previous notice in writing and shall not then be in default in the payment of rent hereby reserved or in the observance and performance of the several covenants and agreements of the lessee herein contained, she, the lessor, her executors or assigns will renew this demise for the further term of five years at the same monthly rent and under and subject to the covenants, provisions, and agreements as are herein contained other than this present covenant."

Mr. Rikuzo PUTA and Mrs. Tsuneko PUTA, whose respective ages are approximately 82 and 75, settled in Cranbrook nearly 50 years, and are very favourably known. They owned a general store and feed business which for many years was carried on by their three sons. The eldest son, George H. Puta was the Manager and, prior to evacuation, the father, mother and other two sons agreed to leave the entire handling of their affairs with George. His file, therefore, for convenience, is the main file and all revenues and expenditures are entered in his account with the Custodian, No. 11495.

The property known as Block "C" is registered in the names of the 3 sons as follows:

George PUTA, Reg. No. 13026, File No. 11495
Busye John PUTA, Reg. No. 13017, File No. 11493
Frank Shoji PUTA, Reg. No. 13025, File No. 11494.

The Lease, however, was given by Mrs. Tsuneko PUTA, (the mother), Registration No. 13022, File No. 11492, as she was the registered owner in July, 1940. Title was transferred to the 3 sons in Aug. 1941. There is no formal assignment of the lease on file.

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Administration Department.

File No. 11496

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September 18th, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. F. C. Shears

FROM: Mr. W. J. Johnston

I am attaching hereto the Inventory of Store Equipment which I sent to Mr. Jack M. Falkins and which he has returned with the advice that this equipment is the same as the "Furniture, fixtures and equipment" which he offered to purchase for \$1,200.00.

This Inventory is also the same as shown in the Lease given to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shypiths, the present tenants of the store and rooms at the Corner of Van Horn Street and Clark Avenue, with the exception that 1 Cheese Cutter and Case, \$15.00, and 1 Coal Heater "Alberts", \$10.00, are also shown in the Lease.

The Valuations shown on the attached list are the same as agreed to in the Lease and as they total approximately \$2,000.00 it would seem that the present valuation made by Mr. Kennedy is rather low.

I would also like to point out at this time that there is a Chattel Mortgage against this equipment for the sum of \$100.00, and the holder of same, Mr. Julius Mallor, claims it is registered at the Court House in Cranbrook. I have written for a verification of this statement. Mr. George Fute has admitted the existence of the Mortgage which bears interest at 10%, same being paid to June 30th, 1944.

Before disposing of the above-mentioned equipment I believe it would be well to interview Mr. W. A. Walton of the Union Oil Company, and ascertain if his firm would consider purchasing the entire property known as Block "C". In the event that they did acquire the property they could then make their own arrangements with the Shypiths.

Mr. Walton's phone number is Marine 0411.

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August 26th, 1944.

Mr. Jack H. Falkine,
Real Estate & Insurance,
Crumbrook, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: German Artillery FUTA - Reg. No. 13026.

We are enclosing herewith copy of a letter
we have written today to Mr. Julius Heller in connection
with the Chateaus on the Futa property.

We would appreciate your contacting Mr.
Heller and assisting in the forwarding to our office the
requested information as expeditiously as possible.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Johnston,
Administration Department.

WJ/P.
Encl.

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August 26, 1944.

Mr. Jack B. Falkins,
Real Estate & Insurance,
Cranbrook, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: George Arthur FUTA - Reg. No. 13026.

We are enclosing herewith in duplicate, copies of lists of Chattels which were sent to us at the time the Futas were evacuated from Cranbrook.

The store equipment was rented to Mr. Paul Skypitka with the store but we are uncertain regarding the disposition of the furniture.

Please advise us if all the furniture is still on the premises and state whether or not Mr. Skypitka is using same in his living-quarters. We would also like to know if any other furniture or equipment is stored on any portion of Block "C". Is Mr. Skypitka using the warehouse on the property, and is there another small building adjoining same?

In connection with your offer to purchase the furniture, fixtures and equipment, we would ask you to kindly check the enclosed lists and advise us exactly on what chattels are included in your bid of \$1275.00. Please return one list with notations.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Johnston,
Administration Department.

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File 4817

MEMORANDUM

File No. 11495

August 6, 1941.

To: Mr. F. G. Shears

From: Mr. W.J. Johnston

Re: Block "C", Plan 669, City
of Cincinnati, Ohio.

With reference to our conversation yesterday, I wish to advise you that I telephoned Mr. H.A. Walton of the British American (Union) Oil Co. this morning, regarding the Service Station erected by the said Company on the above-mentioned property and, in reply to my questions, I obtained the following information from him:

1. (a) The Contract in connection with the erection of the building, including grading the land and excavating for the tanks, called for the expenditure of \$3,400.00.

(b) The equipment, consisting of two steel underground tanks, two service pumps, an air compressor and a hoist, cost approximately \$2,000.00.

2. The Oil Company bought Fata's license to sell gasoline and oil before the erection of the Service Station. Fata's pump and equipment were removed and their whereabouts are unknown.

There is no other gasoline Service Station equipment on Block "C" other than that owned by the Oil Company.

3. In the event that the Oil Company does not exercise its option to purchase that portion of Block "C" occupied by it, all the above-mentioned equipment listed in paragraph 1 (b) would be removed and only the bare building would be left.

4. Mr. Walton said, at the close of our conversation, "I'll tell you one thing, Skypita will never get that corner where we are."

W.J. JOHNSTON
ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

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