

File # 5034

S. Peters
Dept. of Labour
Japanese Division

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ST. PETERS

Box X
Garden B.C.
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Dear Sir.

On Jan 15th 1946 I have received the
sum of \$100 in part remittance for
the sale of my property at Steveston B.C.
As it has been a considerable length of
time since my first remittance I
would appreciate if could send me the
balance due to me, and if under certain
circumstances you cannot forward the balance
I have inform you.

Yours truly

S. Yoshida

By # 02102

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BUREAU HASTINGS PARK
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE No. 5035

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: TOKAWA, Inosuke,
HOME ADDRESS: 865 East Cordova St. Vancouver, B.C.
REGISTRATION NUMBER 05705 SEX: Male. AGE: 55
OCCUPATION: Labourer.

(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: Self.

MARRIED? Yes.

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Tsuru, 12647

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Same as above.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Minoru. (M) Arata. (M) Toru. (M) Osamu. (M)
Haruno (F) Kikuko (F) Kazuku (F)
13073 (dead)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Same as above.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 27; 21. 19. 14. 23. 18. 13.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are)

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable)

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed)

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS:
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST:
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN:

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 865 East Cordova St. Dwelling house.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: George F. Jacobs & Co. 245 East Hastings St
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:
Monthly rental \$13.00 paid up to end of March 1942.
4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: None.
5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)
None. (Still living there.)

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:
10-Tables, 1-Desk, 1-Tailors Sewing Machine (Singer) 1-Shesterfield
2 Chairs, 1- Bureau, 6- Beds complete, 1-Box Carpenters tools, 1-Icebox
1-Kitchen stove, 3- Heaters, 2 Gas plates, 2- Oil stoves, 15-Kitchen
100 Gramophone records, 1- Kitchen cabinet, 1-Box Kitchen utensils,
4- Carpets, 1- Wardrobe, 1-Box Chinaware, 17- Pictures & frames.
1- Bookcase & books, All located at 865 East Cordova St.
2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS
3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: _____
5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: _____
6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) _____
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) _____
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: _____
9. LIFE INSURANCE: Prudential Life Assurance Co, Vancouver. \$500.00
Payable to his wife Tsuru Tokawa. In owners possession. Policy# not known.
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: _____
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: _____

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: Dr. G.F. Strong, 925 West Georgia St. Vancouver.
Family Doctor. amount not known.
2. TRADE DEBTS: _____

I, the undersigned, hereby voluntarily turn over to the Custodian all my property in the protected area as set out above, excepting fishing vessels, deposits of money, shares of stock, debentures, bonds or other securities, if any.

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)

Inosuke Tokawa

J. C. Bardsell

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE _____

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Our File No. 5038

Full Name TOKAWA Inosuke

Date July 24/42

Registration No. 05705 (Surname in Block Letters)

Former Address 865 E. Cadova St., City Male - Female (check)

Age July 19, 1886

Date Evacuated 24/9/42

Present Address New Denver B.C. Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National (check)

☒ Married - Single (check)

August 15/47

Name of Mother (mi SHIMIZU) Tami Name of Wife Tami #03864
Names of Children under 16 Yumiko (M) Jan. 17/28
Kazuko (F) Nov. 13/28

Requested by EEG Registered with Custodian (Yes or No)
Additional Information Labourer in box factory

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 5035

August 14, 1947.

Re: Inosuke TOKAWA, Reg. No. 05705

This file reveals the following liabilities:

1. Dr. G. F. Strong - \$40.00
2. Kamijira MATSUBA - \$1,192.97
3. Provincial Hospital (T.B. Unit) - \$228.00 a/c Tora TOKAWA } children of
\$228.00 a/c Kikuko TOKAWA } I. TOKAWA
4. B. C. Security Commission - \$75.00

1. TOKAWA reported a debt owing to Dr. G. F. Strong, 925 West Georgia Street, amount unknown. On December 30, 1942, a bill was received from Dr. Strong in the amount of \$40.00 for services rendered to Miss Haruno TOKAWA. TOKAWA acknowledged this claim in letter of February 28, 1943, but stated that he was unable to pay. Dr. Strong was advised of this on March 10, 1943, and given TOKAWA's address.
2. On July 30, 1942, a claim in the amount of \$1,192.97 was filed against TOKAWA by Kamijira MATSUBA. TOKAWA stated in his letter of February 28, 1943, that he did not owe this amount and had an account book to verify his statement. This information was passed on to MATSUBA on March 8, 1943, and he was given TOKAWA's address.
3. On February 5, 1943, we received two accounts in the amount of \$228.00 each from the Collector of Institutional Revenue, covering expenses incurred by the hospitalization of Kikuko and Tora TOKAWA (son and daughter). TOKAWA acknowledged these claim in his letter of February 28, 1943, but stated that he was unable to pay. The Collector of Institutional Revenue was advised of this on March 10, 1943. A notation on the Claims Department Summary, signed "D" (Dusenbury) dated April 29, 1944, states that the B. C. Security Commission paid \$217.50 on each of these amounts, according to a report from Mr. McKee's office. The Balance of \$228.00 was written off per McKee.
4. On February 2, 1943, a claim was filed by the B. C. Security Commission for the recovery of the sum of \$75.00, this amount being for funeral expenses paid by the Commission in connection with the burial of Miss Haruno TOKAWA (daughter). The Commission was advised on February 19, 1943, that the files of Mr. and Mrs. TOKAWA did not indicate any assets whatsoever, and TOKAWA stated in his letter of February 28, 1943, that he was unable to pay this claim.

This file reveals no other liabilities of any kind.

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

Frances May
August 14, 1947.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 5935

August 14, 1947.

Re: Inosuke TOKAWA, Reg. No. 05705

This man signed a declaration to the Custodian on April 20, 1942. He was evacuated on September 24, 1942.

CHATELS

In his declaration he reported a large amount of furniture and a few miscellaneous chattels left at 865 East Cordova Street. Mr. TOKAWA was informed on May 11, 1943, that these premises had been visited and our investigators had been told that TOKAWA had disposed of his personal belongings prior to his evacuation. He was asked to confirm the fact that he had no property in the protected area. TOKAWA replied on May 21, 1943, that he had sold his furniture prior to his evacuation, and stated that he had left about a dozen boxes at the home of Mr. Hideo MATSUYAMA (File XI 1201), 840 Cordova St. Mr. Spain's memo of May 25, 1943, states that all chattels left at 840 Cordova St. were moved under the name of MATSUYAMA, and it is probable that TOKAWA's goods were mixed with his. However, auction sheet dated March 14, 1945, shows that some chattels were moved from 840 Cordova St. and sold under the name of Inosuke TOKAWA. It is quite possible that the goods sold were packed in about a dozen boxes, and this sale would account for the boxes declared. The net proceeds of the sale amounted to \$24.98 and this sum was remitted to TOKAWA on August 15, 1947.

In his letter of May 21, 1943, TOKAWA also stated that he had left the family Buddhist Shrine at the Japanese Buddhist Church, 600 Block, Cordova. This shrine is not listed among those in storage and there is nothing on file to indicate that a shrine identified as the property of TOKAWA was ever found.

LIFE INSURANCE

TOKAWA reported a \$500.00 Life Insurance Policy with the Prudential Life Insurance Company. This item was not brought under the control of the Custodian.

This file reveals no other property of any kind.

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

Frances May
August 15, 1947.

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CHattel Schedule

DECLARED, April 20, 1942,
841 S. Serrano St.

SOLD

OTHER
DISPOSITION

13 tables
1 desk
1 millers' sewing machine
1 chesterfield
2 chairs
1 bureau
6 beds, complete
1 box carpenter's tools
1 kitchen stove
3 heaters
2 gas plates
2 oil stoves
13 kitchen chairs
100 gramophone records
1 kitchen cabinet
1 box kitchen utensils
4 carpets
1 wardrobe
1 box chinaware
17 pictures and frames
1 bookcase and books

Our investigators visited these premises and were informed that all chattels were disposed of by Japanese prior to evacuation. This information was passed on to TOKANA, who replied on May 21/43 that he had sold his furniture prior to evacuation.

DECLARED in letter of May 21/43
left at home of Hideo MATSUYAMA,
840 Serrano St.

SOLD, March 14, 1945
(goods removed from
840 Serrano St.)

About a dozen boxes

lacquerware
box of dishes
box of dishes
box of dishes
box of dishes
2 plates
2 plates
2 plates
1 plate
rice steamer

Mr. Spain's memo of May 25/43 states that all chattels at this address were moved under the name of S. MATSUMA, (File Int. 1201) and it is probable that TOKANA's goods were mixed with his.

DECLARED in letter of May 21/43
left at Japanese Buddhist Church
600 Black Serrano

Buddhist Shrine

No record.

Francis May
August 14, 1947.

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



CANADA

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd FEB 3 1943

File No. 2072, 2253, 10149

Ans.

Referred *McAlister*

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

155 BURNARD STREET,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

2nd February, 1943.

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

Dear Sir:

Attention Mr. McAlister,
Claims Department

We wish to make claim for recovery of the sum of \$75.00, being for funeral expenses paid by this Commission in connection with burial of Miss Haruno Tokawa, No. 03979, who died in our Hastings Park Hospital December 8th, 1942.

Miss Tokawa was the daughter of Inosuke Tokawa, No. 05705 (father) and Tsune Tokawa, No. 03984 (mother), both of whom are now resident in New Denver.

Yours very truly,

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

M. L. Brown
M. L. Brown,
Secretary.

DWS:MF

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February 19th, 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. Inosuke TOKAWA,
Reg. Nos. 05705 and 03984,
New Denver, B.C.

Dear Sir and Madam:

The following claims have been lodged against
you with the Custodian:

1. Dr. G.F. Strong
2. B.C. Security Commission
3. Provincial Hospital
4. Kamejira MATSUBA

\$40.00	a/c Haruno	admits - pay
75.00	"	"
228.00	a/c Toru	"
228.00	a/c Kikuki	"
1192.97	Destor disputes	
1763.97		

No. 1 is mentioned in your J.P. form filed here,
but does not state the amount.

No. 2 is for funeral expenses paid by the Commission
in connection with the burial of Haruno TOKAWA.

No. 3 is a hospital account for Toru and Kikuki.

No. 4 is MATSUBA claim.

We shall be obliged if you will let us have your
answer regarding these claims, and what the prospects are
for payment by you.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

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EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 4 1943
File No.	5085
Ans.	BRD
Referred	McWhister

New Haven, BC
Feb. 28, 1942

Mr. G. McWhister,
Claims Department,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of the 19th inst. and coming to the point, I am sorry to say that it is impossible for me to pay those claims of \$1, 2 and 3. In fact we just manage to get along having our three meals a day. If things should get better for us, we shall do our best to clear those debts.

In regards to the Matsuba's claim, I

I do not owe them the said amount.
In fact - they owe us a bit. I have
the account book to verify this
statement.

I hope you will look into this
matter.

yours truly
J. S. Lawa

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May 11, 1943.

Mr. Inosuke TOKAWA,
Registration #05705,
New Denver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

In your registration with the Custodian
you declared chattels at 865 East Cordova Street.

Our investigators visited the address
given and were informed that you had sold or other-
wise disposed of your personal belongings prior to
your evacuation, and we therefore assume that you
have nothing remaining in the restricted area of
British Columbia requiring our protection.

If this is correct, please sign and return
the attached copy of this letter for our record.

Stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed
for this purpose.

Your prompt reply is requested.

Yours truly,

Geo. B. Spain.
Protection Department.

GBS/KFP
Enc.

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd MAY 25 1943

File No. 2735

Ans.

Referred

Spain

New Haven B.C.,

May 21/43

Dear Sir -

Received your letter
stating about our personal belongings.
We've sold our furnitures but before
we evacuate there, we left about
dozen boxes at Mr. Hideo Masuyama
of 740 Cordova St. E. & the family
Buddhist Shrine at Japanese
Buddhist Church at 600 Block Cordova
St. so will you please look
these thing up. We appreciate
your kindness very much.

Yours truly,
Shosuke Iokawa

File Nos. 5035 and 1201

May 25th, 1943.

MEMORANDUM

TO: FILES

FROM: MR. SPAIN

Mr. Tokawa claims that he left "about dozen boxes at Mr. Hideo Matsuyama 240 Cordova St."

All chattels at this address were moved to 604 under the name of S. Matsuyama, File No. 1201, Inventory #165, and it is probable that Tokawa's goods were mixed and moved together with those of Matsuyama.

Geo. B. Spain.

GBS/MFP

NAME TOKAWA, Inosuke

REGISTRATION NO. 05705

FILE NO. 5039

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at 792 Powell St., Vancouver, B. C. on March 14, 1945.

Lacqueware	\$ 1.00
Box of dishes	3.75
Box of dishes	3.00
Box of dishes	2.75
Box of dishes	7.00
2 Plates	2.75
2 Plates	2.75
2 Plates	2.75
1 Plate	3.25
Rice steamer	2.00

Total	(Auctioneer's Fees \$ 3.10	\$ 31.00
Less Expenses:	(Advertising 0.62	\$ 6.02
	(Moving 2.32	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 24.98

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Vancouver 42.

Remarks. *no inventory - see J.P.*

MEMORANDUM

File # 1201
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April 24th, 1946.

TO: Mr. W. J. Johnston
FROM: W. F. IVERSON

Re: Hideo MATSUYAMA
Wife (Mrs. Otajiro) HIGUCHI
Isamu TOKAWA

Re: Effects of other Japanese left in a/o Hideo MATSUYAMA.

The goods of Hideo MATSUYAMA have now been liquidated and the following persons may have an interest in their proceeds.

Mrs. Hoyo HIGUCHI on February 16th, 1943 requested the shipment of

Kitchen utensils
Rice in box
Shoyu sauce
Ladies winter & summer coat & all wearing
apparel in boxes.

She claimed these were left in her son-in-law, Hideo MATSUYAMA'S place, 840 Cordova Street East.

The Department of National Defense on April 27th, 1943 advised that MATSUYAMA refused to agree to the release of the foregoing to Mrs. HIGUCHI.

Prior to this time, November 27th, 1942, MATSUYAMA'S goods were removed from 840 Cordova Street to Nampa Temple, 604 East Cordova St.

Mr. Fisher (BOCC) reported on May 12th, 1943 that he could not find any of Mrs. HIGUCHI'S effects except the Shoyu sauce.

Mr. Spain, in a memorandum of December 6th, 1945 and February 12th, 1946 advised that all clothing under the name of MATSUYAMA was given to war salvage and any of Mrs. HIGUCHI'S utensils would be included in the sale of MATSUYAMA'S effects in the absence of identification. These were sold under date of March 14th, 1945 and March 29th, 1946.

Isamu TOKAWA on May 21st, 1943 claimed that he left about a dozen boxes at 840 E. Cordova Street (Hideo MATSUYAMA)

Mr. Spain on May 25th, 1943 stated that these were probably mixed with MATSUYAMA'S goods which were removed to 604 Cordova St. E.

Before closing Internee File 1201, you will no doubt wish to clear up the foregoing interests (if any).

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August 15, 1947.

Mr. Inosuke TOKAWA,
Reg. No. 05705,
New Denver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is Custodian cheque in the amount of \$24.98. These funds represent the proceeds from the sale of chattels identified as your property.

No funds remain to your credit with this office. No property identified as belonging to you remains under the control of the Custodian. Your account is therefore being closed.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

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enc. (1)

14th January, 1949.

Mr. Inosuke TOKAWA,
Regn. No. 05705,
New Denver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

We duly received your letter of the 9th December, 1948, and in reply wish to advise you that 2 framed pictures listed in your name were forwarded to you prepaid on the 10th January, via Canadian Pacific Express.

Any further goods which we may be able to identify as belonging to you will be forwarded to you at a later date.

When said parcel is received by you please acknowledge receipt of same for our records.

Yours truly,

W.J. Johnston,
Office of the Custodian.

WJJ:HA

File No. 5035

New Denver, B.C.
December 9, 1948

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 16 1948
File No.	5035
Ans.	
Referred	

Mr. W.J. Johnston
Office of the Custodian
Dept. of the Secretary of State
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of November 24th re personal goods belonging to myself. Please send any articles or items in my name, including the two framed pictures.

There is also a shrine belonging to us which measures around 1' x 30" x 16" (this measurement is not accurate) the outside painted black and the inside, gold. Some of the articles inside it are:

- 2 prs. stands (black & gold)
- 2 prs. smaller stands
- 1 chime
- 1 pr. Japanese candle sticks (stands)
- 1 pr. small china stemmed cups (like small sherbets)
- 1 triangle cloth mat

It will be greatly appreciated if the above could be packed carefully.

There is also a trophy won by my son in either basketball or lacrosse. Also please send our photographs.

All the above, any other items you may find belonging to myself may be sent to "Inosuke Tokawa, New Denver, B.C."

Yours very truly

Inosuke Tokawa
Inosuke Tokawa

24th November, 1948.

Mr. Inosuke TOKAWA,
Regn. No. 05705,
New Denver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Personal goods now in Custodian storage include two framed pictures listed in the name of Inosuke TOKAWA.

If these items belong to you and you wish to receive them, please inform the Custodian on or before the 31st day of January, 1949, giving your full name and address for shipment.

Failing to hear from you by the above date, the Custodian will assume that you have no interest in these goods and will dispose of them at his discretion.

In addition to the goods listed as belonging to yourself and others, there are various unidentified shrines, kotos, trophies, photographs and papers, which will be abandoned as of no value unless evidence of ownership is submitted to the Custodian on or before the 30th of June, 1949.

We enclose a stamped, addressed envelope for your reply.

Yours truly,

W.J. Johnston,
Office of the Custodian.

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File No. 5035

EVACUATION SECTION	
Recd	JUN 27 1948
File No.	5035
Ans.	
Forwarded	<i>Johnston</i>

New Denver, B.C.
June 21, 1949.

Mr. W.J. Johnston
Office of the Custodian
Dept. of the Secretary of State
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

On December 9, 1948 I wrote you
regarding my personal goods which were
still in your hands.

I received the two framed pictures
but I have not received the other articles
such as the shrine, trophy, and some photo-
graphs.

Could you please look into this
matter and send the above remaining goods
as soon as possible?

Yours very truly,

Inosuke Tokawa

Inosuke Tokawa

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March 31st, 1950

Mr. Inosuke TOGAWA,
Reg. No. 05705,
New Denver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The Custodian has today paid to Hideo Matsuyama all funds to his credit with the Custodian.

If you have any claim upon him for chattels left at 840 East Cordova Street, Vancouver we would advise you to contact Mr. Matsuyama direct at 856 Powell Street, Vancouver, B. C.

With regard to your personal belongings Mr. Brown is making a search in the warehouse and will advise you at a later date.

Yours truly,



G. H. Reed
Office of the Custodian

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