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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: FUJIMOTO(Miki) Mrs. Yoshikazu

HOME ADDRESS: Wilson Town Line Road, West Langley, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 12892 SEX: Female AGE: 40

OCCUPATION: Farmer.

(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: Yoshikazu 10518

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Wilson Town Line Road, West Langley, B.C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Chiyoko, (Female) Masako (Female)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Wilson Town Line Road, West Langley, B.C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 10 years, 7 years.

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

R 1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Section 6, Township 12, Lot No. 4 & 5
Murrayville B.C. ~~18-3/4~~ 18-3/4 acres.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: House, (20' x 26') frame, 10 rooms 2 storey,
2 chicken houses 16' x 40' and 16' x 24'. Barn 20' x 20' frame.
1 garage, frame, and working shop 18' x 24'. Woodshed 16' x 30'.
Packing house 12' x 24', two 18' x 12', and one 18' x 12'.

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) \$38.50 per year, payable at Murrayville, B.C.

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Vacant.

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS. Left in her husbands care.
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST. None
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN. Strawberries, raspberries, and fruit trees.

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION. ~~None~~
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS. ~~None~~

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID. None

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE. None

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid) None

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN. ~~None~~

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:
1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS.

My husband will register all belongings left behind.

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. None

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None
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: None

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 28th day of April 1942.

(Signature)

Mieci Irajimoto

Agnes Spurr
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

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INVENTORY OF CHATTELS BELONGING

TO

FUJIMOTO, (Miki) Mrs. YOSHIKAZU # 12892

Which have been left in the care of: H. KELLY,
2607 Wilson Townline Rd. West Langley, B.C.

IN HOUSE MAIN FLOOR

- 1 Table with drawers (H.M.)
- 1 Sm. upholstered stool (H.M.)
- 1 Bed stand
- 1 Sm. Fern. stand
- 1 Sm. Bamboo book shelf
- 1 Shoe box (H.M.)
- 1 Lamp shade
- 1 Medicine chest
- 1 Folding camp cot
- 1 Clothes dryer (H.M.)
- 2 Picture frames
- 1 Arm chair (H.M.)
- 1 Cook stove
- 2 Wooden pails
- 2 Candy pails
- 1 Biscuit tin
- 1 Aluminum dipper
- 1 Ironing board (H.M.)
- 1 ~~6 x 6~~ 6 x 6 Tarp
- 1 Wooden flour bin
- 2 Extension cord
- 1 Towel rack
- 1 Built in cupboard cont. 3 Bake pans (old) 1 Bread board & knife
1 Tea kettle 6 Dishes, 3 Bowls, Glass bowl, Pastry board, egg beater
Flour sieve, Sm. glass vinegar jug, 3 sealers.
- 1 Al. wash pan
- 1 Enamel sink
- 1 Pr. Gumboots
- 1 Fire shovel
- 1 Table (H.M.)
- 1 Wash tub
- 1 Stool (H.M.)
- 1 Pail
- Sm. quan. of school books
- 1 Pr. curtains
- Linoleum on Hall & Kitchen floor (Poor)
- 1 Glass kitchen light fixture
- 1 Heavy iron bar
- 2 Screen doors (in use)
- 1 Bed spring & mattress (H.M.)
- 2 Prs. Old shoes

UPSTAIRS

- 1 Bed (H.M.) & 2 Sm. mattresses
- 2 Sm. tables (H.M.)
- 1 Writing desk (H.M.)
- 1 Sm. chest of drawers
- 1 Sm. cabinet cont. misc. powders etc.
- 1 Kitchen chair
- 1 Heater
- 1 School case (poor)
- Few Crtns. of Books
- 1 Sm. Net with Jar att.
- 1 Book shelf & few books
- 1 Sm. Table (H.M.)

The above articles have been left in my care, and I will be responsible for their safe keeping.

WITNESS

SIGNED

Office of Custodian. *R. M. Anderson*

CONTINUED INVENTORY RE: FUJIMOTO, (Miki) Mrs. Yoshikazu

CONT. UPSTAIRS

- 1 Bed complete & 2 mattresses & 1 Loose spring
- 2 Window screens
- 1 Sml. Fibre mat
- 1 Crtn. Old clothes
- 1 Toy Sewing machine (Broken)
- 1 Sml. shrine in case
- 1 Electric treatment machine
- 1 Metal money box
- 1 Sml. umbrella

BACK PORCH

Cont. nothing but JUNK.

BASEMENT

- 2 Large Jap tubs
- 1 Baby rocking horse (H.M.)
- 8 Jam crates
- 12 Barrel tops
- 1 Old metal incubator
- 4 Sml tubs in use
- 1 1 Gal. oil tin

LEAN TO

- 4 wooden tubs
- 1 Hatchet & 1 D&B. Axe
- 1 Buggy seat
- Sml. quan. fire wood

WOODS & BATH HOUSE

- 1 K. Table (H.M.) cont. 1 axe, 1 X cut saw & 1 Hand saw.
- 3 Sacks of sake bottles
- 1 Sml. hand sprayer
- 1 Fishing rod (poor)
- 1 Enamel wash basin
- 10 Horse shoes (used)
- App. 1 cord of wood
- 1 Old wash boiler cont. egg fillers
- 1 Feed hopper (H.M.)
- 1 Garden rake (poor)

WORK SHOP & STRAGE SHED

- 1 Work bench with H.M. vice
- 1 Sml. table (H.M.)
- 1 Enamel wash basin
- 95 Berry boxes
- 6 " Trays
- 50 Picker tins
- 32 Barrel tops
- 17 Shippin crates loose with lids

CHICKEN HOUSE

- App. 1/2 cord of wood & 1 Frame for a car roof
- Sml. quan. of fish net (Old)
- 25 Ass. boxes

GARAGE

- 4 H.M. Hockey sticks, 1 Pr. rubber boots, 5 Car rims & 8 Wheels
- 2 Buggy rims, 1 Enamel pot & wash basin, 1 X cut saw, 1 Iron bar
- 2 Sml. H.M. Wheel barrows, 2 Benches, 1 Hoe, 1 Pr. Garden shears
- 1 Car pump, 1 Old shovel, 1 Childs rocking horse H.M., 1 4' iron rail

The above articles have been left in my care, and I will be responsible for their safe keeping.

WITNESS

[Signature]
[Signature]

SIGNED

[Signature]

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Nov. 1/43

Our File No. 6642

Full Name FUJIMOTO (M.K.) Mrs. Yoshikazu
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 12892

Male - Female
(check) ☒

Age Feb. 11, 1902

Former Address West Langley B.C.

Date Evacuated May 7/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check) ☒

Present Address Greenwood, B.C.

Married - Single
(check) ☒

Name of Wife _____

Name of Husband Yoshikazu 1919

Name of Mother See

Name of Father See

Names of Children under 16

See husband's sheet

Requested by J. B.

Registered with Custodian
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Farmer. Owner of house & 19 acres - Ford Truck.

File No. 6642

FUJIMOTO, Yoshikazu (Mrs. Miki)

Reg. No. 12392

2607 Townline Road, Langley, B. C.



REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Catalogue No.: S.S.B.(B.C.312 P)

File No.6642

Name: FUJIMOTO, Miki (Mrs.Yoshikazu)

Reg.No.12892

Civic Address: Wilson Townline Rd., West Langley, B. C.

Legal Description: Lots 4 & 5 of West half, South West quarter,
Section 6, Township 12, Map 4084, Municip-
ality of Langley.

Classification: 18.61 acres - 8 acres in poor state of cultivation,
6 acres light to heavy bush, balance swamp land.
Dwelling 20 x 25 - 1½ storey, fair shape,
unpainted, hen houses, garage, workshop, woodshed,
and packing shed in poor shape.

Registered Owner: Miki FUJIMOTO

State of Title: Clear

Administration & Revenue: Property vacant until Dec.29/42 when
leased by Custodian @ \$12.00 per month. This lease
accrued to V.L.A. as of January 1, 1943.

Sold to The Director, Veterans' Land Act for \$1,629.00 (cash)
as at January 1, 1943.

Title delivered February 8, 1944.

Payment received February 29, 1944.

Chattels: Not involved in property sale but were left on
property pending sale by auction.

Insurance: transferred to V.L.A.

Certified Correct

Whitman
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REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Mrs. Miki (Yoshikazu) FUJIMOTO Reg.No. 12892 File No. 6642.

CATALOGUE NO: Sold by Special Arrangement, The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.
BC/312-P. First Offer.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2607 Wilson Townline Road, West Langley, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lots 4 and 5 of the West $\frac{1}{2}$ of the South West $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 6,
Township 12, Map 4084, Municipality of Langley.

TITLE: Registered in the name of Miki FUJIMOTO.

ENCUMBRANCES: None registered. No indication of any unregistered charges.
Vesting Order No. 24305, dated July 8th, 1942.

ASSESSED VALUE: Lots 4/5 Land - \$ 900.00
Improvements - \$1500.00 - \$2400.00. Taxes - \$39.00.

CLASSIFICATION: Small Fruit Farm, with dwelling and out-buildings.
The Custodian's representative reported on September 21st, 1942, that
this property had an area of 18.61 acres planted to the following
crops: 4 acres strawberries, 4 acres raspberries, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre asparagus,
17 mixed fruit trees.
1 - $1\frac{1}{2}$ storey 10 room dwelling, 1 chicken house, 1 garage and workshop
1 woodshed, 1 packing house.
House in poor condition out buildings in fair condition.
6 acres bushland, balance of property run-down and overgrown with weed.

HISTORY OF
ADMINISTRATION: This property was leased by The Custodian on 29th December, 1942.
Term 1 year from 1st January, 1943, to 31st December, 1943. Consider-
ation being \$144.00. 3 month's rent - \$36.00 to be paid on the 1st
January, 1943, the balance to be repaid at the rate of \$12.00 per
month until the balance of \$108.00 has been repaid.

Lease handed to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act, July 24th, 1943.

SOLD: To The Director, The Veterans' Land Act for \$1,629.00 as at 1st
January, 1943.
Approval of Advisory Committee - 1st June, 1943.

In view of the rent up to June 30th, 1943, having been collected by
the Custodian a cheque for \$96.00 covering same was paid to The
Director, The Veterans' Land Act, 17th November, 1943.

Funds released to the credit of Miki FUJIMOTO as at March 19th, 1944,
against which were charged Registration Fees - \$3.00, Legal Fees -
\$15.00, Arrears of Taxes - \$44.73, leaving a net credit of \$1,566.27

\$1,566.27

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from said transaction.

Certificate of Title No. 166957-E in the name of The Director,
The Veterans' Land Act.

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

February 5th, 1946.

D. A. CRAMER.

DAC:JS

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NAME
FUJIMOTO, Mrs. Isoburo

FILE
NO. 6642

COMPANY	POLICY NO.	AMOUNT	EXPIRATION			PROPERTY
			MONTH	DAY	YEAR	
Providence Washington Insurance Company	<i>Transferred to N. L. S.</i> 69996	\$745.00	July	21,	1946	Lot. 4 & 5 Section 7, 1/2 of S.W. 1/4 Twp. 12, Municipality of Langley B. C.

FIRE INSURANCE SUMMARY

The above Japanese declared no fire insurance coverage.

The Custodian placed \$745.00 coverage on the building on the the property in accordance with valuation of Gibson of Langley Prairie and paid the premium of \$15.65 to cover the policy until July 21st, 1946.

As the Veterans' Land Act purchased this property as of January 1st, 1943 the insurance was assigned to the Veterans' Land Act who refunded the premium of the insurance in full to the credit of FUJIMOTO.

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

WEALED
May 20, 1946

W E Anderson

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 6642

Re: FUJIMOTO, Miki - Reg. No. 12892
(Mrs. Yoshikazu FUJIMOTO)

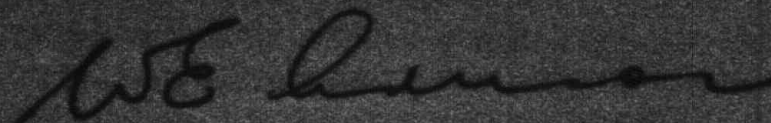
The above Japanese declared no liabilities and her file reveals none with the exception of a \$40.00 advance received from the Department of Labour which sum was repaid in accordance with FUJIMOTO's letter of January 19th, 1945.

\$80.00 was sent to FUJIMOTO, \$40.00 being a monthly remittance and \$40.00 for the repayment of the advance. The latter \$40.00 was returned to FUJIMOTO's credit here by the Department of Labour as FUJIMOTO had repaid the advance to the Supervisor at Greenwood direct.

This file reveals no other liabilities.

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

WEA:EH
May 20, 1946



File No. 6642

April 7, 1948.

REAL PROPERTY MEMORANDUM

Re: Miki (Mrs. Yoshikawa) FUJIMOTO
Registration No. 12892

Veterans' Land Act transaction.

One Real Property only, being:

Lots 4 and 5 of the West half of the South West
quarter of Section 6, Township 12, Map 4084,
Municipality of Langley.

Assessments:

Lot 4 and 5 Land.....	\$900.00
Improvements..	1500.00
TOTAL	<u>\$2400.00</u>

Taxes: \$39.00

Sold to Director, Veterans' Land Act for \$1,629.00.

Claimant's Valuation: \$6,185.00.

Relative documents attached to Claim File.

VJJ/HMS

.....*A. J. Hunter*.....

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SOLDIER SETTLEMENT and VETERANS' LAND ACT

File No. 20/2127
(JL-222)

Vancouver, B.C.

FEB 29 1944

A.G. Duncan Crux, Esq.,
Randall Building,
535 West Georgia St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Fujimoto, Michi

Dear Sir:-

Re: Lots 4 and 5 of W¹ of SW¹
of Sec. 6, Tp. 12, Map 4084.
MUNICIPALITY OF LANGLY

I beg to acknowledge receipt of Duplicate Certificate of Title No. 166957E of the New Westminster Land Registry Office for the above parcel of land in the name of The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

Included in the Veterans' Land Act cheque for \$ 22,924.11, in favour of The Secretary of State, forwarded to you and dated February 8th, 1944, is the amount of the purchase price in full of the above land arrived at as follows:-

Purchase Price	- \$	1,629.00
Less arrears of taxes to January 1st, 1943,	- \$	44.73
Amount paid to Secretary of State	- \$	<u>1,584.27</u>

Will you kindly acknowledge receipt of the purchase price by signing the receipt on the duplicate hereof and return it to me.

Yours truly,

W.K. Chandler

WKC/W

W.K. Chandler,
LEGAL ADVISER.

RECEIVED Cheque covering the purchase
price in full of the land above described.

FEB 29 1944

Date

Solicitor for
The Secretary of State

R E P O R T
ON EVACUATED JAPANESE PROPERTY

File No. _____

MUNICIPALITY: Langley B.C.

Date: Sept. 21/42.

NAME: FUJIMOTO (Miki) Mrs. Yoshikazu.

REGISTRATION NO. #12892.

ADDRESS: 2607 Wilson Townline Rd. West Langley.

PROPERTY: Sm. Farm.

ACREAGE:

KIND OF CROPS: Straws. Rasps. Asps. Mixed Fruit trees.

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF EACH: ^{4.} ^{4.} ^{1/2.} 17.

HOUSE: 1 1/2 story. VACANT: ⁴es. OCCUPIED

DESCRIPTION: Wooden frame dwelling. ROOF: Shingle.

SIZE: 20' x 25'. NO. OF ROOMS 10.

CONDITION: Good but unpainted.

OTHER BUILDINGS: Chicken House. (16'x40') Garage and workshop. (18'x24')
Woodshed (16'x30') Packing house. (18'x12').

NAME OF LESSEE OR RENTOR: None.

TERMS: None.

WATER: Well. ON: OFF:

LIGHT: ⁴es. ON: no. OFF:

REMARKS: House finished outside with cedar siding, No paint. Inside has been papered and plastered but now in poor condition. Buildings in general just fair, property in run down and over grown with weeds. LOCKED & BOARDED

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS LEFT ON PROPERTY
See attached List.

*See list of inventory
signed by M. Kelly
Dec 20/42*

Signed:

R. M. Anderson.

Farm Appraisal Report

File No. JL-332

Land Description Lots 4 & 5 of W¹/₂ of SW¹/₄, Sec. 6, Tp. 12, Map 4084, N.W.D.

Containing 18.61 Acres

Owner's Name FUJIMOTO, Miki Post Office Address Fort Langley, B.C.

Nearest Rail Point Fort Langley, B.C. Distance 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles

Market Town New Westminster, B.C. Distance 14 "

Church (give denomination) Various at Fort Langley Distance 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Nearest School Fort Langley Distance 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

State how property was identified: Map, L.R.O. sketch, & surveyed road, also corner post.

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

Is at corner of Topham & Townline Roads, latter gravelled, former a grav. trail.

Is this district a good one? Yes.

Employment opportunity About area in fruit season. In mills & peat bogs at town area.

Predominating Nationality and religion: British; none predominating.

Describe Fencing and its condition: West, South and Ely. fence Value: Ino. in land.

Well near house. Nailed up in preparation for
valuation of owner; could not examine it. Also soft water tank by house.

BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	20 x 26	Lumber	12'	Shkl.	Old	Posts	Fair	1100.00
ADD'L.	20 x 24	"	12'	"	"	"	"	
Shed	18 x 30	"	8'	Shks.	"	"	Poor	30.00
new Shed	18 x 24	"	8'	"	"	"	"	20.00
Garage	14 x 40	"	8'	"	"	"	"	70.00
new Garage	14 x 16	Split Cedar	7'	"	"	"	"	15.00
		with 2 lean-to add'l no-all very poor shape						
Shed	18 x 20	Lumber	8'	Shks.	Old	Posts	Poor	15.00
5 very split cedar shelters scattered over place have no								
sale value, not added value to farm.								
	x							
	x							

Electric lighting established.

Total present day value \$ 1250.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm \$ 1000.00

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

Describe the basement and chimney: No basement; brick chimney on bracket.

No. rooms downstairs? 6 Upstairs? 4 How finished Matched lumber

Are buildings painted? No. Condition of paint

Distance from nearest bank 50 yards, across road.

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

ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	CROPS AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
8.08	Hilly 8.05 ac.	3" to 15" clay loam	Sandy clay & clay	Strawberries; Raspberries; Legumes & Blackberries; Asparagus. Mostly poor shape.	60.00	483.00
Area which can be cultivated without cost other than for breaking.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL		VALUE PER ACRE	
Area which can be cultivated after a reasonable amount of clearing timber, stumps, drainage, etc.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	NATURE OF RECLAMATION NECESSARY	RECLAMATION COST PER ACRE	VALUE PER ACRE
1.16	North slope 1.16 ac.	10" loam	Sdy. clay	Very light scrub	10.00	50.00
4.9	South slope 4.9 ac.	15" clay loam	Clay	Heavy clearing (Carries some value as fuel supply)	125.00	20.00
Area Unsuitable for Cultivation.						
	CHARACTER OF LAND E. G. DULY, SWAMPY, ROCKY.		NATURE OF TIMBER IF ANY AND WHETHER MARKETABLE		VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE	
4.3	Swamp 4.3 ac.		None		nil	

Total value of Land \$ 639.00

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$ 1000.00

Total fruit trees add to value of farm (for use in orchard districts only) \$ 20.00

Total value of farm \$ 1659.00

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

Has been well farmed until this season. Owner has apparently not put out any effort this season, to keep the place in shape. Has only heed part of the strawberry crop, and the cane fruits are untended and full of thistles. Is still there, but doubtless will soon be evacuated.

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

The nature of this place is such that it should be continued as a fruit farm.

Noxious weeds:

Canada thistles.

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

Municipal & School - \$39.00.
Langley Municipality - Murrayville, B.C.

Date: 18th June 1942.

Place: New Westminster, B.C.

I certify that the above report is based on a personal examination of the whole farm made on the 18 day of June 1942.

Inspector's Signature

"B.C. WORMWORTH"

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

JL-552 - H. FUJIMOTO

Farm Appraisal Report

Remarks: The soil on this farm is excellent, and it would be one of the best in the area were it not for the fact that the railway and a swamp (see diagram) divide it into 3 strips, thus adding difficulty to cultivation, as well as restricting the acreage to a point that makes it equivalent to a small unit. This has an adverse effect on the price per acre of the cultivated and cultivable land. The swamp runs along the side of the farm and it is noted that some of the neighboring farmers owning swamps, have tried to bring it into cultivation. Difficulty of draining would appear to be the reason.

The owner is still in residence, but from the appearance of the place, he has not devoted his time in the usual way of the Japanese, toward keeping it into shape. The same fruits are had with Canada strawberries and only the latter strawberries are had, and being picked. There are 6 tiny roof shelters of split cedar, which I do not consider of any real value, though they do represent some work on the part of the owner. They are old and erected in a slanted manner.

I have only been able to put 50% value on the farmhouse as it is old and in poor shape, requiring extensive repairs, as well as a thorough renovating.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

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

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE

ORCHARDS, SMALL FRUITS, ETC.

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

	Present Value
19 varied fruit trees add a base value of	\$ 20.00
Other existing crops are:-	\$
Strawberries ----- 4 ac.	\$
Raspberries ----- 2.1 ac.	\$
Black & Logan ----- 0.4 ac.	\$

Some of the land shown as "no crop" is stated by the owner to be Asparagus, but it appears to have disappeared in the weeds, and is not now in evidence. Neither do the above acreages agree with the owner's statement of acreages, as he like other Japanese, estimates his acreages by the number of plants set out, instead of by measurement.

Total \$

Annual fruit trees add to value of farm \$

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 6642

Re: FUJIMOTO, Miki (Mrs. Yoshikazu)
Reg.No.12892

CHATELS: The above Japanese registered with the Custodian on April 28, 1942 and declared at that time that her husband would register the chattels left behind. She was evacuated on May 7, 1942. Her husband (File No.10588) was not evacuated until August 20, 1942 and he registered no chattels either then or when he registered in June 12, 1942.

Our fieldmen inspected the property on Sept.21, 1942 and found it to be vacant but locked and boarded up. They took an inventory of the chattels at that time which were considerable but of low value.

The property remained vacant until December 29, 1942 at which time the property was leased to Mr. Nicholas Kelly. Our fieldmen on December 30, 1942 called on Mrs. Kelly and had her sign that she would be responsible for the chattels as shown on our inventory. Our fieldmen state that only the main items were checked by her.

Our fieldmen in June 1944 called at this property with a view of removing the saleable chattels to auction. They found however no chattels of any value left there and the property vacant. Upon making enquiries among the neighbours they ascertained that Kellys had thrown most of the goods out and burnt considerable. They also found out that Kellys were somewhere up the coast at a fish cannery. They were traced to Skeena River and down to Nanaimo and although several letters were written no success was obtained in obtaining a statement from the Kellys.

Nothing therefore was recovered and no value from chattel liquidation was obtained.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES: This file reveals no Specified Articles owned by the above Japanese however her husband's file reveals ownership of a motor vehicle, radio and camera and are reported on his file.

This file reveals no other Personal Property assets.

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

WEA:EH
May 20, 1946

W E Hanson

File No. 6642

April 8, 1942.

PERSONAL PROPERTY MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Hunter.

Re: (Mrs.) Miki FUJIMOTO
Registration No. 12892

Mrs. Fujimoto is only claiming loss on a portion of goods which were inventoried by us and signed for by the tenant, Mrs. Nicholas Kelly.

Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Fujimoto declared chattels, although Mrs. Fujimoto stated in her JP Form dated April 28, 1942, that "My husband will register all belongings left behind." On June 12, 1942, he declared "...I have no property of any kind whatsoever in any protected area in British Columbia."

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Kelly moved from the premises prior to the time we called to make arrangements for removing the chattels to Auction. At that time nothing of any value remained and our efforts to communicate with these people have been unavailing.

It is within the range of possibilities that the Kelly's were in communication with the Fujimotos.

Mr. and Mrs. Fujimoto are Japanese Nationals. Their two sons over the age of 16 were interned during the War. We have Mr. FUJIMOTO recorded as a difficult character.

Note: Memorandum November 30, 1942, re Wireless key found on the property.
Note attitude re Claims and toward Department of Labour.

WJJ/HMS

.....*M. Hunter*.....

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS BELONGING

TO

H.M. means Home-made

FUJIMOTO, (Miki) Mrs. YOSHIKAZU # 12892

Which have been left in the care of: N. KELLY.

2607 Wilson Townline Rd. West Langley, B.C.

IN HOUSE MAIN FLOOR

- 1 Table with drawers (H.M.) ✓
- 1 Sml. upholstered stool (H.M.) ✓
- 1 Bedstead
- 1 Sml. Fern. stand
- 1 Sml. Bamboo book shelf
- 1 Shoe box (H.M.) ✓
- 1 Lamp shade
- 1 Medicine chest
- 1 Folding camp cot
- 1 Clothes dryer (H.M.) ✓
- 2 Picture frames
- 1 Arm chair (H.M.) ✓
- 1 Cook stove
- 2 Wooden pails
- 2 Candy pails
- 1 Biscuit tin
- 1 Aluminum dipper
- 1 Ironing board (H.M.) ✓
- 1 ~~6' x 6'~~ 6 x 6 Tarp
- 1 Wooden flour bin
- 1 Extension cord
- 1 Towel rack
- 1 Built in cupboard cont. 5 Bake pans (old) 1 Bread board & knife
- 1 Tea kettle 6 Dishes, 3 Bowls, Glass bowl, Pastry board, egg beater
- Flour sieve, Sml. glass vinegar jug, 3 sealers.
- 1 Al. wash pan
- 1 Enamel sink
- 1 Pr. Gumboots
- 1 Fire shovel
- 1 Table (H.M.) ✓
- 1 Wash tub
- 1 Stool (H.M.) ✓
- 1 Pail
- Sml. quan. of school books
- 1 Pr. curtains
- Linoeum on Hall & Kitchen floor (Poor)
- 1 Glass kitchen light fixture
- 1 Heavy iron bar
- 2 Screen doors (in use)
- 1 Bed spring & mattress (H.M.) ✓
- 2 Prs. Old shoes

UPSTAIRS

- 1 Bed (H.M.) & 2 Sml. mattresses
- 2 Sml. tables (H.M.) ✓
- 1 Writting desk (H.M.) ✓
- 1 Sml. chest of drawers
- 1 Sml. cabinet cont. misc. powders etc.
- 1 Kitchen chair
- 1 Heater
- 1 School case (poor)
- Few Grtns. of Books
- 1 Sml. Net with Jar att.
- 1 Book shelf & few books
- 1 Sml. Table (H.M.) ✓

The above articles have been left in my care, and I will be responsible for their safe keeping.

WITNESS

[Signature]

SIGNED

[Signature: Mrs. G. Kelly]

Office of Custodian. *[Signature]*

Dec 20/45

CONT. UPSTAIRS

- 1 Bed complete & 2 mattresses & 1 Loose spring
- 2 Window screens
- 1 Sml. Fibre mat
- 1 Crtn. Old clothes
- 1 Toy Sewing machine (Broken)
- 1 Sml. shrine in case
- 1 Electric treatment machine X
- 1 Metal money box
- 1 Sml. umbrella

BACK PORCH

Cont. nothing but JUNK.

BASEMENT

- 2 Large Jap tubs
- 1 Baby rocking horse (H.M.) ✓
- 8 Jam crates
- 12 Barrel tops
- 1 Old metal Incubator
- 4 Sml tubs in use
- 1 1 Gal. oil tin

LEAN TO

- \$ 4 wooden tubs
- 1 Hatchet & 1 D?B.Axe
- 1 Buggy seat
- Sml. quan. fire wood

WOODSHED & BATH HOUSE

- 1 K. Table (H.M.) Cont. 1 axe, 1 X cut saw & 1 Hand saw.
- 3 Sacks of sake bottles
- 1 Sml. hand sprayer
- 1 Fishing rod (poor)
- 1 Enamel wash basin
- 10 Horse shoes (used)
- App. 1 cord of wood
- 1 Old wash boiler cont. egg fillers
- 1 Feed hopper (H.M.) ✓
- 1 Garden rake (poor)

WORK SHOP & STRAGE SHED

- 1 Work bench with H.M. Vice
- 1 Sml. table (H.M.) ✓
- 1 Enamel wash basin
- 95 Berry boxes
- 6 " Trays
- 50 Picker tins
- 32 Barrel tops
- 17 Shippin crates loose with lids

CHICKEN HOUSE

- App. 1/2 cord of wood & 1 Frame for a car roof
- Sml. quan. of fish net (Old)
- 25 Ass. boxes

GARAGE

- 4 H.M. Hockey sticks, 1 Pr. rubber boots, 5 Car rims & 8 Wheels
- 2 Buggy rims, 1 Enamel pot & wash basin, 1 X cut saw, 1 Iron bar
- 2 Sml. H.M. Wheel barrows, 2 Benches, 1 Hoe, 1 Pr. Garden shears
- 1 Car pump, 1 Old shovel, 1 Childs rocking horse H.M., 1 4' iron rail

The above articles have been left in my care, and I will be responsible for their safe keeping.

WITNESS

Shan

SIGNED

Mrs G. Kelly

V. B. Anderson

MEMORANDUM

File No. 6642

December 28th, 1944

To: Mr. Green

From: Mr. Iverson

Re: FUJIMOTO, Miki (Mrs. Yoshikazu)
2607 Towline Road - Langley.

Do you think we should go any further in tracing the Kellys who were the original leasees on this property?

Mrs. Kelly signed an inventory of effects found on the premises, under date of December 30/42, but she seems to have been behind in her rent and vacated sometime after our letter dated July 23/43. It appears from the correspondence there was nothing left on the premises when it was visited prior to making arrangements for removing the chattels.

Gossip amongst the neighbours indicates that the Kellys threw most of the goods out and burned the rest. Looking over the inventory however, it would not appear that there was very much of value. We did 'catch-up' with the Kellys at one time, but they have since faded away, as we did not receive any reply to our correspondence.

It may be mentioned that we sent a copy of this inventory to the Japanese for signature.

WJL:LM

1) J. declared 28/4/42 her husband would require belongings; he did not do so (28/4/42) his file not marked relevant, except in so far as indicating him as a difficult character

2) Duplicate IP (used as work sheet by Feldman) bears in RMA's on Sec's writing "nothing value" - perhaps after Kelly's left

3) Just got after Kelly's; inventory must have been worth something - on Feldman recall of prior value

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June 27th, 1944.

REGISTERED MAIL

Mr. Nicholas Kelly,
c/o Carlyle Cannery,
Skeena River, B. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: FUJIMOTO (Mitsi) Mrs. Yoshikazu.

In checking over the property which formerly belonged to the subject Japanese and tenanted by you under lease up to December 31st, 1943, we observe that you had accepted the care and storage of all the chattels left on this property.

There is a considerable list of goods, the inventory of which was taken by our field men, and when we went to remove same, in the process of liquidating Japanese effects, there was nothing left on the premises.

We shall expect you to explain this discrepancy, and advise us where the goods may be found, or in the alternative, we are prepared to take legal process against you for the value. Please let us have an answer without delay.

Yours truly,

W.J. Iverson
Protection Department

WJI/ML

FILE No. 6642

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

30th May, 1945

Mrs. MIKI FUJIMOTO - Registration No. 12892

DATE	PARTICULARS	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE
1944				
	Balance as per statement sent to you 12th Apr. 1944		\$1580.27	
Oct. 21	Cheque to you	\$100.00		
1945				
Jan. 25	Reimbursement for payment made	40.00		
Jan. 25	Remittance for Dec. & January	80.00		
Feb. 22	Cheque to you	40.00		
Mar. 2	Cheque to you	40.00		
March 20	Refund of amount paid on account of allowances to evacuees		40.00	
March 26	Cheque to you	40.00		
April 14	Cheque to you	40.00		
April 23	Legal fees	25.00		
May 1	Cheque to you	40.00		
June 1	Cheque to you	40.00		
June 26	Cheque to you	40.00		
Aug. 11	Cheque to you	195.00		
Aug. 31	Cheque to you	55.00		
Oct. 4	Cheque to you	55.00		
Oct. 29	Cheque to you	55.00		

 55.00

\$875.00

\$1620.27

Forward

\$715.27

File No. 6642

30th May, 1946.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PARTICULARS</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
1945				
Dec. 1	Cheque to you	\$55.00		
Dec. 28		55.00		
1946				
Feb. 15	Part remittance Feb. 1946	15.27		
March 6	Cheque to you	200.00		
May 1	Cheque to you	300.00		
		<u>\$625.27</u>		
			<u>\$745.27</u>	
				<u>\$120.00</u>
May 30	Remittance of balance of funds to Mrs. MIKI FUJIMOTO	<u>120.00</u>	<u>\$745.27</u>	
				<u>CR. MTL</u>

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

Rec'd NOV 24 1944
File No. 10578
Ans. *W. Shears*

ADDRESS ALL
COMMUNICATIONS
TO THE
CUSTODIAN'S OFFICE
PLEASE REFER
TO
FILE NO.

Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa, Ontario.

November 21, 1944.

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

Dear Mr. Shears:

Re: Yoshikazu FUJIMOTO

I am attaching hereto correspondence received under
date of November 20th from the Department of External Affairs
concerning the above party. It would be very much appreciated
if you would let me have a report on this matter.

Yours very truly,

F. Carroll

Miss F. Carroll

FG.

Department of
External Affairs

COPY

Our file: 3464-N-40

Ottawa, November 20, 1944.

To: The Custodian, Department of the Secretary of State,
Ottawa.

Enclosed is a copy of a note of November 13th from the Spanish Consul General in charge of Japanese interests regarding Yoshikazu FUJIMOTO. We sent a copy of this note to the Deputy Minister of Labour and I enclose a copy of a letter of November 18th from the Deputy Minister.

Before we write the Consul General, would you be good enough to let me know whether it is open to Mrs. Fujimoto to arrange for you to pay money to her husband out of the proceeds of the sale of Mrs. Fujimoto's property.

(Signed) W. H. Wershof

for Under Secretary of State
for External Affairs.

DEPUTY MINISTER OF LABOUR
OTTAWA

COPY

November 18, 1944

Under Secretary of State
for External Affairs,
East Block,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Attention: Mr. M. Werahof

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of November 15th, enclosing copy of letter from the Consul General of Spain, concerning a complaint of Mr. Y. Fujimoto, a Japanese national, resident at Greenwood, B.C.

According to the records of the British Columbia Security Commission, this man has been a source of constant trouble in Greenwood. He has consistently refused to work and support his family, although pronounced physically fit by the Commission doctor and by two independent doctors outside of the Commission to whom he was sent by Mr. Collins for examination. In consequence, while Fujimoto's family were in receipt of maintenance from the British Columbia Security Commission, Fujimoto himself was not a recipient of maintenance.

Early this year, property in the Fraser Valley which was registered in the name of Mrs. Fujimoto, was sold by the Custodian's Department and the proceeds of sale placed to Mr. Fujimoto's credit with the Custodian. On receipt of advice from the Custodian's office by the British Columbia Security Commission that these funds had been placed to Mrs. Fujimoto's credit, Mr. Fujimoto and the children were also removed from maintenance and they were in receipt of monthly remittances from the Custodian for the support of the family. It will be seen, therefore, that Fujimoto has not been in receipt of maintenance for some considerable time and as his medical reports confirm the fact that he is still physically fit for work there can be no question of his reinstatement on maintenance.

Regarding his request that monthly remittances be made to him from his wife's account with the Custodian, this is, of course, a matter for arrangement between Mrs. Fujimoto and himself, as the Custodian would only make such remittance to him on receipt of instructions from Mrs. Fujimoto.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) A. MacNamara.

CONSULADO GENERAL DE ESPAÑA
No. 793 J.104

COPY

Montreal, 2, P.Q. November 13, 1944.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have been in correspondence with a Japanese national, Yoshikazu FUJIMOTO, Reg. No. 14419 of Greenwood, B.C. He states that he, together with his wife and two daughters, were on maintenance until June of 1943. Subsequently he received a monthly cheque of \$40.00 from the Custodian's office until October of this year when a cheque for \$32.58 reached him together with a letter indicating that this was the last remittance from his account.

The attitude of the British Columbia Security Commission in Greenwood is said to be that they could do nothing to help him in any way. He also mentions that his wife has with the the Custodian an account containing the proceeds from a sale of property.

Claiming that he is physically unfit, he requests that his maintenance payment be resumed, or that monthly remittances be made to him from his wife's account with the Custodian.

As I am not in a position to say whether or not the statements made by the above-named are true, I should be very much obliged if you would be good enough to make an investigation into his case. If the claims are proved to be well founded, and if it is possible and you have no objections, would you kindly take the measures that you consider adequate in this case.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

"COUNT OF MORALES"

Consul General of Spain in charge
of Japanese interests.

The Under Secretary of State
for External Affairs,
Ottawa, Ontario.

30th May, 1946.

REGISTERED

Mrs. Miki FUJIMOTO,
Registration No. 12892,
85 Murray Street East,
Hamilton, Ontario.

Dear Madam:

We wish to acknowledge your letter of the 10th May, and we take this opportunity of giving you a brief summary of our administration of your affairs.

You registered with this office on the 28th April, 1942, and real property at Langley, which you declared you owned, at that time became vested in the Custodian. Your husband was not evacuated until late summer in 1942, and it would appear that he either harvested or sold the crop on the premises before leaving. Our records reveal that your property was not rented by this office until the 29th December, 1942, and therefore no rentals accrued to your benefit here, in view of the fact that your property was sold as of the 1st January, 1943, to the Director of Veterans' Land Act, in accordance with the policy of liquidation decided upon by the Canadian Government. Full details of the sale were sent to you on the 13th April, 1944, from which you will have noted that the net proceeds were credited to your account here. Legal fees amounting to \$15.00 in connection with the conveyance of the property were later charged to your account.

No chattels were declared by either yourself or your husband, but when inspecting the property, our fieldmen inventoried a few that had been left there. In June 1944, when our fieldmen called at the property with a view to liquidating your chattels they found the property vacant, and all chattels which may have been of sale value missing, apparently either stolen while the premises were vacant or by the previous tenant. Considerable efforts were made to locate the previous tenant, but were unsuccessful, and it is doubtful whether any recovery could be made in any case, as identification of the items would be practically impossible. Nothing therefore was obtained from liquidation of your chattels.

Attached hereto is a statement of your account at this office since the date one was last sent to you, and the attached cheque in the amount of \$120.00 represents the full remaining credit balance as shown thereon.

It would appear that we have accounted for all the property of every kind left by you in the Protected Area which vested in the Custodian, and in order that you may confirm this and acknowledge the cheque, we are enclosing a stamped addressed envelope for your convenience in replying.

Yours truly,

W.E. Anderson,
Administration Department.

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506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

27th November, 1944.

Miss Carroll,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Miss Carroll,

Re: Yoshikazu FUJIMOTO

Referring to your letter of the 21st instant and to copies of letters from the Consul General of Spain and from Mr. MacFarlane, Department of Labour.

The only credit balance to the account of the above Japanese was an amount of \$224.47, proceeds of a sale of a car.

Very considerable correspondence was carried on in regard to a debt of \$30.27 which he owed to the W.S. Rogers Co., Ltd., for hay supplied for feed. This account was finally paid and the balance of the funds have been remitted in monthly payments of \$40.00, a final payment being made in October for \$32.58.

His wife's property has been sold realizing \$1,581.27 and on October 19th an amount of \$100.00 was remitted to her.

In regard to funds which we have to the credit of Japanese who are residing in any Interior Housing settlements our present policy is to remit any amount which may be recommended by the British Columbia Security Commission. As Mrs. Fujimoto is residing in the Interior Housing project at Greenwood, and we have no record of any debt, we are prepared to remit to her any amount which the Security Commission may desire us to send from time to time until her credit is exhausted.

An order from Mrs. Fujimoto to pay any sum to her husband would also be honoured by this office if the Security Commission had no objection to the money being sent to him. A letter dated October 11th from Mrs. Fujimoto in which she asks for \$100.00 to be sent to her reads in part:

"I would like you to understand what a dire position we are in, as my husband is unfit for any kind of labour"

WGS/PM

F. G. Shears,
Director.

Yours truly,

The \$100.00 referred to above was sent in response to
this letter.

Wm Carroll

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12th December, 1944.

George Collins Esq.,
The British Columbia Security Commission,
Dick Building,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Yoshikazu FUJIMOTO

I have had certain correspondence with Ottawa regarding representations made to them by the Consul General of Spain.

I have advised Ottawa that Mr. Fujimoto does not now have any credit on our books. I also stated as follows:

"In regard to funds which we have to the credit of Japanese who are residing in any Interior Housing settlements our present policy is to remit any amount which may be recommended by the British Columbia Security Commission. As Mrs. Fujimoto is residing in the Interior Housing project at Greenwood, and we have no record of any debt, we are prepared to remit to her any amount which the Security Commission may desire us to send from time to time until her credit is exhausted.

An order from Mrs. Fujimoto to pay any sum to her husband would also be honoured by this office if the Security Commission had no objection to the money being sent to him."

I have today received a reply stating that the Custodian should be prepared to make payment to Mr. Fujimoto upon receipt of a proper order from Mrs. Fujimoto without referring the matter to your commission.

A letter written by the Department of External Affairs to the Consul General reads in part as follows:

"Regarding Fujimoto's request that monthly remittances be made from his wife's account with the Custodian, an order from Mrs. Fujimoto to pay any sum to her husband would be honoured by the Vancouver office of the Custodian."

WPA/PAH

F. G. Shears,
Director.

Yours truly,

I presume that you will have no further comments to make in regard to this matter and that we will be guided by any orders which we receive from Mrs. Fujimoto.

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Mr. Smithson
13th July, 1943.

Gibson Real Estate,
LANGLEY PRAIRIE,
B.C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Mrs. Miki (Yoshikazu) FUJIMOTO

The above named Japanese is owner of property described as Lots 4 and 5 of the West $\frac{1}{2}$ of the S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 6, Township 12, and being No. 2607 on Wilson Townline Road, in the Municipality of Langley.

The assessed value of all improvements on the property is shown as \$1500.00. The property is under lease at the present time to Nicholas Kelly, whose post office address is given as R.R. #1, Milner, B.C.

If you are prepared to entertain an application for fire insurance on this risk, we would like you to inspect the property at your first opportunity. The buildings on the premises include a $1\frac{1}{2}$ story frame house, reported to be in good condition, a chicken house 16 x 40, a garage and workshop 18 x 24, a woodshed 16 x 30 and a packing house 18 x 12.

I wish to hold down the amount of insurance to be placed to the minimum requirements and I do not wish to have insurance placed on any building unless that building really warrants protection.

Following your inspection, kindly hold us covered for amounts that you think proper and contact us immediately for final instructions.

I am attaching hereto copy of our form letter No. 102 in which you will find general instructions with reference to writing insurance on Japanese property for this office.

If you are not prepared to accept this risk will you please let me know by return mail so that we may make other arrangements.

Yours very truly,

Aug. 2
SMG:PM
Enc.

S.M. Gibson,
Insurance Department

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November 2, 1944

Mr. P.W. Reimer,
R.R. #1,
Milner, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: MIKI FUJIMOTO

We have been trying to obtain some information relative to some personal belongings of the above named Japanese, which were left at 2607 Townline Road, Langley.

After the Japanese left, the farm was tenanted by Mr. Nicholas Kelly, who in a recent letter stated that you could give us some information as to the location of these chattels.

Mr. Kelly left the farm last year and when our fieldman visited the place it was empty. Any information you can give us will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

W.J. Iverson
Protection Department

WJI:LM

DEC - 2 1947

VLA

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

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

N 332
Pr 312P 1440A
Sum. 24

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

(1) NAME Fujimoto Miki (RCMP) Reg. No. 12892
(Print) Surname Given Name

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address R.R. #1, Milner, B.C.

(3) Present Address 156 Cannon St. West, Hamilton, Ont.

(4) REAL ESTATE
(a) Street Address (if any) Langley B.C.
City or Municipality Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)

Lots 4 and 5 of the West half of the South
West quarter of Section 6, Township 12, Map 4084,
District of New Westminster, Co of E. 50049.

(c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):

(i) Farm ☒ Type of business small fruits
(ii) Residence ☒
(iii) Business ☒
(iv) Any other type of property (describe) _____

(d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.) sole owner

(e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):

(i) Land \$ 4400
(ii) Buildings \$ 1785

(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) \$ _____

(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) \$ 15912.73

(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account \$ 4603.73

(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv)) \$ 11308.99

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation At own place

(b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.) House, basement, bath house, wood shed, workshop, chicken house, garage

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation stored in the various buildings and the doors boarded and nailed

(over)

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

was made the question should be answered "in no one's care")

1/4 No ones care

(e) Itemized description of personal property, which is the subject of the claim:

Item	Estimated Value
2 Tables, stove, chair, 3 beds heater	32.00
W. kitchen, 2 pans, copper wash boiler, wash tub	15.00
95 berry boxes, 64 berry trays	25.00
axe, 3 crosscut saws, hand saw, rake, fork, spade, hoe	30.00
5 cords wood	30.00
2 white barrels, garden shears and pump, shovel	10.00
7. scythe, 2 ladders	7.50
25 lbs. fish net	12.50
chicken feeder	2.00
glass light fixture, extension cords	1.00

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

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

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

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

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

DOMINION OF CANADA

of (see also)

1. Risk Factors

in the

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

DECLARED before me at the

of the

This 25 day of

A.D. 1947.

A Commissionner etc.

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INDIAN ACT"
PART I, REVENUE STATUTES OF CANADA 1927, CHAPTER 22.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

REPORT

(THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE H.I. HIND, COMMISSIONER)

Toronto, Ontario,
May 21, 1942.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

MR. WILL FOUNDER

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

APPEARANCES:

J.M.C. DUNN, Esq.,

appearing for the
Dominion Government.

E.A. DUFF, Esq.,

appearing for the
Claimant.

A. WATSON, Esq.,

Secretary.

MR. G.J. HANFORD,

Official Interpreter.

A.C. VEITCH, Esq., C.S.B.,

Official Reporter.

Mrs. R. Pajante
In-Chief.

Mrs. R. Pajante, the claimant herein,
being first duly sworn, testified through
the interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. BEST:

Q. Now Mrs. R. Pajante? A. Yes.

Q. The claimant is this matter? A. Yes.

MR. BEST: I think, my lord, with your permission
we may save time here. The claimant's husband
is familiar with the claim and speaks English.

THE COMMISSIONER: Very well.

MR. BEST: I will prove the signatures if I may and
call him.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. BEST: Q. Is that your signature? A. Yes.

Q. And was that form prepared upon your instructions?

A. Yes.

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A. Yes.

MR. BEST: Mr. Pajante, will you please come forward?

ROBERTA Pajante, being first duly sworn,
testified as follows:

THE COMMISSIONER: Ask Mrs. Pajante to stand up for
a moment, Mr. Best.

MR. BEST: Certainly, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: Mrs. Handford, ask Mrs. Pajante
if she desires her husband to support her claim
by his testimony.

THE INTERPRETER: The claimant says yes, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right, proceed.

J. Fajardo
De-Chief.

RENEW EXAMINATION BY MR. BENT:

Q. I produce the real estate farm, farm land, as
Exhibit No. 1. A. Yes.

(PARTICULARS OF REAL ESTATE, FARM LAND,
MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

Q. Mr. Fajardo, you are the husband of Mrs. Fajardo,
the claimant in this case? A. Yes.

Q. And I understand that your wife owned and you
operated a small farm near Fort Langley, British
Columbia. Is that correct?

A. Yes.

Q. And it is on that farm which you are claiming,
that is the real estate part of your claim?

A. May I have the last question?

Q. It is on that farm for which you are making the
claim? A. Yes.

Q. Thank you. Have you a copy of the appraisal?

A. (No visible answer).

(SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BOARD APPRAISAL,
MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2)

THE COMMISSIONER: Ask him if he has seen this document,
the Soldiers Settlement Board appraisal.

THE WITNESS: Was this made by the Custodian?

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

Q. Did you not receive a copy of that document?

A. Yes.

MR. BENT: You have not that copy with you to-day.

MR. BENT: I am beginning to think they were wasted.

THE COMMISSIONER: It looks like it.

MR. BENT: I wonder if I may just have it, for the
court. Thank you.

Q. Now, Mr. Fajardo, in the appraisal which was

1 made of your farm it is suggested that in the
2 year 1942, when the appraisal was made, "The
3 place had been well-farmed until this season.
4 The owner has apparently not put out any effort
5 this season to get the place in shape." Is that
6 true? A. Yes.

7 Q. Why was that?

8 THE COMMISSIONER: Q. Why did you not cultivate the
9 farm in 1942?

10 A. It was cultivated in 1942.

11 MR. HUNT: Q. Do you say you cultivated as much of
12 the farm in 1942 as you normally did?

13 A. There is no change in the degree of cultivating
14 the land up to the time I was evacuated.

15 MR. HUNT: He was evacuated early in May, my lord.

16 THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

17 MR. HUNT: The reason I have asked these questions is
18 that according to the appraisal which was made,
19 June 16, 1942, there is a statement, "He is still
20 there but doubtless will soon be evacuated." That
21 is on page 2.

22 MR. HUNT: Ask him.

23 MR. HUNT: Q. When were you evacuated?

24 A. I am not quite certain but I believe it was the
25 20th August.

26 MR. HUNT: That is odd.

27 THE COMMISSIONER: August 20?

28 MR. HUNT: I was going by his statement on the
29 analysis. When did he leave his farm?

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Q. When did you leave the farm?

1 A. At that time.

2 Q. In August, 1945?

A. Yes.

3 MR. HUNT: Q. Now, Mr. Pagano, apparently there
4 were several small chaisers around your fire
5 hills of split cedar. For what were they used?

6 A. It was used to protect the crops as they were
7 picked.

8 MR. HUNT: Just one further explanation, my lord.

9 THE COMMISSIONER: Yes?

10 MR. HUNT: Q. At the bottom of your claim, Mr.

11 Pagano, this has been added, I notice:

12 "Eighty cords of firewood left beside camp

13 "valued at \$3,300. One hundred cords of

14 "firewood on uncleared land valued at \$500,

15 "approximately."

16 Now, that was not apparently put in your original
17 claim. Is it your intention to add that to your
18 claim?

19 A. The previous statement was submitted according to
20 what the Custodian had on record. He thought that
21 he had to submit a statement as the Custodian had
22 made it up but he thought of this afterwards and
23 this was added later.

24 THE COMMISSIONER: You will observe that a claim was
25 made on the chattel claim for five cords of wood,
26 Item No. 5 on the back of the claim sheet.

27 MR. HUNT: For \$50, yes.

28 Q. Do you intend that this cord wood that you are
29 claiming for now was the wood which you claimed for
30 on the back of the form originally? Is that the

1 same wood?

2 A. The first was left in the woodshed and the other
3 was corded and piled up outside.

4 MR. BEST: If I may explain, in his chattel claim he
5 still has that five cords of wood. I did not
6 want to clarify it. I perhaps had better move,
7 with your permission, asking permission to add
8 that item.

9 THE COMMISSIONER: I would not be disposed to grant it.
10 Obviously the firewood was in his mind at the
11 time the claim was filed. Even though the
12 amendment were granted I would not be greatly
13 impressed by the fact that he comes forward at
14 this late date with a claim for a large quantity
15 of wood which he had never mentioned before.

16 MR. BEST: Thank you, my lord.

17 THE COMMISSIONER: Does the J.P. Form mention this
18 cord wood, Mr. Hunter?

19 MR. HUNTER: Nothing is declared at all, my lord.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: Nothing at all.

21 MR. HUNTER: No.

22 MR. BEST: Q. Mr. Fujimori, in relation to your claim
23 for personal chattels, you are claiming \$165 for
24 certain chattels, including tables, and chairs,
25 and beds and so on. Where were these chattels
26 left at the time of evacuation?

27 A. What we used in the house was left inside the
28 house and what was used outside was left in the
29 shed.

30 Q. I am producing a letter addressed to Mrs. Yoshikawa

I. Fujimori
In-Chief.

Fujimori, dated October 6, 1942, from the Custodian

Do you know whether that letter was received by

Mrs. Fujimori?

A. I want it translated.

MR. SMITH: What is it? Perhaps I can help you.

MR. SMITH: It is a letter from the Custodian asking

him to acknowledge a long list of chattels.

MR. SMITH: Let me see it.

MR. SMITH: It is much more complete than what he is

asking for. I do not think it will be necessary.

I notice the list of chattels for which you

are claiming is not nearly as complete as the

list that was provided for you by the Custodian.

I take it that you either received these other

goods or you are satisfied with the sale price.

Is that correct?

A. There was nothing sent to me from the Custodian.

Q. I think it is obvious that this is the list the
claimant is claiming on; in any event, the fact
that there was none acknowledged by the Custodian
it does not matter.

Are left all these goods on your place, the
ones for which you are claiming?

A. As I needed the cash I sold certain things,
little items.

Q. Now, I think you understand what I mean. You
made out this list in the office yesterday. I
would like you to tell me if the list here, if
these goods were left on your farm or whether
you sold them?

1. They were left in my house. I evacuated first.

MR. BAKER: The personal chattels statement states that these were all on the inventory sent to him by the Custodian. If that is so they were listed by the Custodian and found there.

MR. BAKER: My friend stated that there was no list given the Custodian.

THE WITNESS: As I was evacuated first my children was moved behind sold things gradually.

THE COMMISSIONER: I am wondering whether it might not be better if this claim were to stand down for a little while and give the man an opportunity to compose himself. You might ask him if he wishes to retire for a short time and we will go on with another claim.

THE WITNESS: It is all right.

THE COMMISSIONER: Very well.

MR. BAKER: It is submitted, my lord, that the real property was sold for its fair market value.

It is submitted that the claims made for personal property are exorbitant.

THE COMMISSIONER: Now, has any statement of personal property been put in yet?

MR. BAKER: Yes, my lord.

MR. BAKER: I do not think it has been filed.

(PARTICULARS OF PERSONAL CHATTELS,
NAMED EXHIBIT NO. 3)

MR. BAKER: Insofar as the real property is concerned, my lord, the assessed value was, land \$900, improvements \$1,500, a total assessment of \$2,400.

This property was sold to the Veterans Land

Examination
F. Fujimoto
Cross-Examination

See Tab A1, 629.

EXAMINATION OF MR. HUSTON

Q. Is that a photograph of your farm house and if so what is the building shown in the background?

A. Yes. It is taken from the south side. It is a chicken house. The small building on the left is a chicken house.

Q. Thank you.

I tender this as Exhibit No. 4.

(PHOTOGRAPH, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4)

Q. Your wife was evacuated before you were? Is that correct?

A. She was evacuated first.

Q. She was evacuated in the beginning of May?

A. The 7th or 8th of May.

Q. That, of course, is correct, as it was shown on the analysis, because after all it was your property. It was the witness who was evacuated later.

THE CUSTODIAN: Yes.

MR. HUSTON: What happened here is that so far as the chattels were concerned Mrs. Fujimoto declared in her J.P. declaration, "My husband will register all my belongings later." Then, when the husband left he signed one of these short forms declaring that he was leaving no property whatsoever within the protected area. The Custodian visited the property later and found a considerable amount of property there, of personal property which was

J. Perkins
Grand Juror
Birmingham.

1 contained in an inventory, a rather long inventory,
2 and it is from that inventory the claimant is now
3 making her claim.

4 The property was vacant for some considerable
5 length of time. Eventually the Custodian leased
6 the property and at that time the lessee signed
7 one of these inventories stating that she would
8 be fully responsible for all the property on the
9 place, although I think her agent, from what I
10 can gather from the book, was of the main items
11 only. Later on that tenant left without giving
12 any notice and when the Custodian visited the
13 property to remove the chattels for sale every-
14 thing was gone. Neighbourhood stated that this
15 tenant had turned out to be very unfortunate
16 and had been observed throwing away some of the
17 chattels and also burning some of them. While
18 that, of course, was winter I think, from what I
19 can gather, from reading the file, many of them
20 were far from valuable. The inventory alone
21 shows that. Many of the things are shown as
22 "poor", or something like that.

23 THE COMMISSIONER: In any case, the Custodian put in
24 the tenant and it was during that tenant's
25 occupancy that the loss occurred?

26 MR. JUSTICE: I do not think there is any question but
27 that this is well within the terms of reference
28 and that a recommendation should be made. It is
29 entirely a question of how much, my lord.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

1 MR. HUNTER: That is, insofar as the personal property
2 is concerned, my Lord. There are no questions.

3 An analysis was prepared but as it shows
4 everything stolen I do not think there is much
5 point in filing it.

6 THE COMMISSIONER: No. I quite agree.

7 Q. Mr. Fajardo, did you understand the statement
8 just now made by counsel?

9 A. No.

10 THE COMMISSIONER: Tell him, Mr. Hunter, who is
11 acting as counsel for the Government, has informed
12 us that the Custodian leased the property to a
13 tenant; he also gave the tenant permission to
14 use all of your personal property in the house.

15 THE WITNESS: That is, the Custodian?

16 THE COMMISSIONER: Yes. Counsel now tells us that the
17 tenant apparently destroyed or carried away all
18 of the chattels and in those circumstances
19 Government counsel contends that an award should
20 be made in favour of the claimant, the amount of
21 the award being such sum as I determine the goods
22 were worth at the date of your evacuation.

23 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

24 THE COMMISSIONER: Have you anything further?

25 MR. HEST: No. That is all, thank you, my Lord.

26 THE COMMISSIONER: That is all, Mr. Fajardo.

27
28 (PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINCE DUE)

29 I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and
30 accurate transcript of the proceedings herein.

A.G. VITCH
"A.G. VITCH"
Official Reporter.

DEFENCE BRIEF

(Mrs.) Niki FUJIMOTO

File No. 6642

Case No. 1075 ✓

Toronto, Ont.
21 May 48
V.L.A. deal.

REAL PROPERTY CLAIMS

1. Real Property claim

\$6,185.00

Appraised at

\$1,659.00

Sold for

\$1,629.00

Witness: Wormworth, Appraiser ✓

Ex.1 Real Estate Statement

Ex.2 S.S.B. Appraisal

Ex.3 Photograph of house.

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

2. Chattel Claim

\$165.00

All lost, destroyed, or stolen.

Witnesses: S. Carlsen ✓
R. W. Anderson ✓

Trans.7: Claims for personal property exorbitant.

Trans.10: Claim within terms of reference, and a recommendation should be made. It is entirely a question of how much. In this connection attention is directed to remarks on "Inventory of Chattels" on file from which one would assume that the articles were of little value.

RWN/mw

Name of Claimant FUJIMOTO, Miki

Case 1073

Custodian File 6642

REAL PROPERTY										Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village		Total	
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total		
					1629.	736.18			736.18	
PERSONAL PROPERTY										
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear								
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column			
NETS										
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price		Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing		Percentage Total Award to Total Claim		Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing		Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price	
MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS										
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Applica-tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price			
			40%	165.00	73.90		73.90			
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										632.08

6642

March 16th, 1951

Mrs. Miki FUJIMOTO,
280 Britannia Ave.,
Hamilton, Ont.

Dear Sir: ~~Sir~~ Madam:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 1075

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee
on Japanese Canadians, our form of Release which has been
executed by yourself covering the award recommended under
the above Claims Commission for the sum of ... \$ 832.08.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$ 736.26
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 95.82
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears
Director

FGS:EK
Encl.