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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: YAMAGA Yasutaro
HOME ADDRESS: R. R. #1, Whonnock, B. C. (26-18th Ave. Haney, B.C.)
REGISTRATION NUMBER 14018 SEX: male AGE: 56
OCCUPATION: Manager of Berry Growers Co-operative Exchange.

(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: Maple Ridge Co-operative Produce Exchange.

MARRIED? yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Fumi

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: same address

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: all over 16

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: ---

AGE OF CHILDREN: ---

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 26-18th Ave. Haney, B. C.
Lots 13 & 14 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ sect. 15, twp. 12, in the District of New Westminster

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 2 storeyed 8 roomed wooden frame dwelling house. 2 barns. 1 garage.

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) \$1500.00 Gardener Fire Insurance Co. (H. Menzies, agent.) on house and furniture.

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) \$36.27 1941 paid at Maple Ridge Municipality

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Declarant wishes to lease property, details unsettled as yet.)

In Safety Deposit Box,

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: Bank of Montreal, Haney

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: none

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN $\frac{1}{8}$ acre strawberry, $\frac{1}{8}$ acre of raspberry

$\frac{1}{8}$ acre of boysenberry

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: See page 1, sec. 1.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE:

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)

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:

In house: 1 piano, kitchen stove, 2 heaters, chestfield set, 4 single beds, 1 double bed, 1 tea table, 2 kitchen tables, 1 roller desk, 2 dressers, 1 sideboard, 1 washing machine, 2 couches, 2 book cases, 1 typewriter, 1 lamp stand, 1 box kitchen utensils, books,
In barn: 1 single disc harrow, 1 spike harrow, 1 horse cultivator, 1 beavie, 2 crosscut saws, 1 set Carpenter's tools, 1 set of garden tools, 2 spray pumps, 1 plough, 3 cord fire wood,

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS

none

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR

CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY

none

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: \$500.00 of \$1500.00 mentioned
on page 1, covers furniture.

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)

\$128.00 K. Nobuto \$25.00 T. Mitani \$100.00 S. Takatsu

\$96.00 N. Yamada, Pitt Meadows. \$47.00 K. Hoshizaki.

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
none

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: none

9. LIFE INSURANCE: Monarch Life Assurance Co., Vancouver Branch.

\$1500.00 Beneficiary, wife, Fumi. Policy in Box at Bank of Montreal,
 Haney, B. C.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: none

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: Bank of Montreal, Haney, B. C.

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: Owe Mrs. M. Storey, Haney, B. C. \$400.00

2. TRADE DEBTS: Owe Maple Ridge Co-operative Union \$80.00

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 27th day of April 1942.

(Signature)

Y. Yamada

W. McInnis
 Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

March 16, 1943.

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS FOUND ON PROPERTY
OF

YAMAGA, Yasutaro #14018
26-18th. Avenue, Haney, B.C.

In house.(downstairs)

- 1 Lge. bookcase cont. books.
- 1 ~~Coat stand with mirror.~~^s
- 3 Window blinds.
- 1 Set of 3 curtains.
- 4 Curtains & drapes.
- 1 Jap. bookstand.
- 2 ~~Heaters.~~¹³
- 1 Dining table. _____
- 1 Wall telephone.
- 2 ~~Kitchen chairs.~~^s
- 1 " table.(round, HM)
- 1 " range "Good Cheer". _____
- 1 Lge. Kitchen cabinet.
- 1 Linoleum rug.(poor) ~~NAILED~~
- 1 ~~Desk.~~^s
- 1 Swivel chair.^s
- 1 ~~Dresser.~~^s
- 1 ~~Linen cupboard.~~^s
- 1 ~~Floor lamp.~~^s
- 1 ~~Dining room table.~~^s
- 1 ~~Morris chair.~~^s

In house.(upstairs)

- 1 Sewing basket.(good)
- 2 Sml. tables.(HM)
- 1 Lge. table.(HM)

In locked room.(upstairs)

- 1 Sml. gramophone & sml. quant. records.
- 1 ~~Lge. ctn. cont. clothes & misc.~~^{Steele}
- 3 ~~Framed pictures.~~^s
- 4 ~~Beds & 3 springs.~~¹³
- 1 ~~Folding bed cot.~~^s
- 2 ~~Doz. lat. sealers.~~^s
- 1 ~~Sml. quant. new paper bags.(tied up)~~^s
- 1 Sml. quantity of misc. text books.
- 1 Sml. quant. of dishes.
- 1 Sml. suitcase.(locked)
- 1 Bow & 2 arrows.
- 2 ~~Kitchen chairs.~~^s
- 1 Arm chair.
- 4 Sml. tables.(HM)
- 1 ~~Sml. hand seeder.~~^s
- 1 Box cont. framed pictures.^s
- 1 Sml. quant. kitchen utensils.^s
- 1 Box cont. sml. quant. carpenters tools.
- 1 ~~Dresser.~~^s
- 1 ~~3gal. stone crock.~~^s
- 1 ~~Wash stand.~~^s
- 1 Ctn. cont. school books.

In woodshed.

- 1 Sml. quant. garden tools.
- 1 Hand pump.(on well)
- 1 Plough.^s
- 1 Hand cultivator.

*Sold by auction 12/6/44
Harry*

SIGNED

J. Maryson.

R E P O R T
ON EVACUATED JAPANESE PROPERTY

File No. _____

MUNICIPALITY: Maple Ridge.

Date: June 5th, 1942.

NAME: YAMAGA, Yasutaro,

REGISTRATION NO. 14019.

ADDRESS: 26, 18th. Ave. Haney, B.C.

PROPERTY:

ACREAGE: 10 $\frac{1}{2}$.

KIND OF CROPS: Strawberries, Raspberries, Boysenberries

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF EACH: 1 $\frac{1}{2}$.

$\frac{1}{2}$.

1/8.

HOUSE:

VACANT:

OCCUPIED Yes. Mrs. YAMAGA. & the
3 Children.

DESCRIPTION 2 Story wooden frame house.

ROOF: Shingle.

SIZE: 26 x 34.

NO. OF ROOMS 8 (8)

CONDITION: Fair.

OTHER BUILDINGS: 2 Barns, Garage, Woodshed.

NAME OF LESSEE OR RENTOR: None. To be looked after by Haney Co-operative
who have power of Attorney.

TERMS:

WATER: Well.

ON:

OFF:

LIGHT:

ON:

Yes.

OFF:

REMARKS:

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS LEFT ON PROPERTY

Located in the house down stairs.

Kitchen stove.

2 Heaters.

Chesterfield, chair and rocker (3 pieces) ?

5 Beds complete

Roll top desk and swivel chair

2 dressers

Homemade side-board (4 cupboards, 3 drawers)

Electric washing machine

sofa 2.

Sanitary couch N.C.

floor lamp

box kitchen utensils

2 homemade bookcases containing books. ✓

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3 warts containing books.

dining-room table ✓

Hall chair coat stand, ✓

Morris chair ?

Gramophone 2. 2

8 Kitchen chairs 2.

Upstairs

Straw trunk
Trunk

In the Barn
Hand cultivator
Quantity of garden tools
Hand plough

Signed:

I. C. Bardwell

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE November 17, 1942.

Our File No. 6660

Full Name YAMAGA, Yasutaro (Mr.)
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 14018

☒ Male - Female
(Check)

Age March 30, 1886.

Former Address B. R. #1, Whonnock, B. C.

Date Evacuated May 14, 1942.

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check) ☒

Present Address 11 Mile Camp, Hope End, B. C.
70 Mile House B.C.

☒ Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife Fumi - Reg. #13949

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother Mine - In Japan

Name of Father Chuzo - Dec'd

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by E. Bridson

Registered with Custodian Yes.
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Farmer. 10 acres, 40 Chevorlet Sedan.

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REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Yasutaro YAMAGA Reg. No. 14018 File No. 6660.

CATALOGUE NO: Sold by Special Arrangement, The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.
BC/201-P. First Offer.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 26 - 18th Avenue, Haney, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 13 of the North West $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 15, Township 12, Map 1973,
Municipality of Maple Ridge, D. N. W. AND
Lot 14 of the North West $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 15, Township 12, Map 1973,
Municipality of Maple Ridge, D. N. W.

TITLES: Both pieces registered in the name of Yasutaro YAMAGA.

ENCUMBRANCES: None registered. No indication of any unregistered charges.

Lot 13 vested under No. 25311, dated 15th January, 1943.
Lot 14 vested under No. 25310, dated 15th January, 1943.

ASSESSED VALUES: Lot 13 - Land - \$400.00
Improvements - \$450.00 - \$850.00. Taxes - \$17.59

Lot 14 - Land - \$400.00
Improvements - \$800.00 - \$1200.00. Taxes - ~~\$22.19~~ \$39.78.
\$2050.00.

CLASSIFICATION: Small Fruit Farm, Dwelling and out-buildings.
The Custodian's representative reported June 5th, 1942, that this property had an area of 10.4 acres of which 2 $\frac{1}{8}$ acres were planted to the following crops: $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres strawberries, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre raspberries, $\frac{1}{8}$ acre boysenberries.
A small portion of the balance of the property is cleared and the remainder is bushland.
1 - 2 storey 8 room dwelling, 1 garage, 2 barns, 1 woodshed.

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: Mrs. Fumi YAMAGA (Mrs. Yasutaro YAMAGA) leased Lot 13 to Herbert Rodenbush on June 30th, 1942, for the term of 11 months from 30th June, 1942, with option to extend lease for 1943. Arrangements to be made with Maple Ridge Co-Operative Produce Exchange. Consideration being \$100.00 paid.
Rental for 1943 and subsequent years - \$100.00. House and buildings included. The term was extended by Collateral Agreement to October 31st, 1943, covering both Lots 13 and 14. Consideration being \$100.00 paid on July 31st, 1943.

Lease and Collateral Agreement was assigned to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act, August, 1943.

It is quite apparent that Lot 14 was considered as being included in this original lease as when the Lease was extended that oversight was remedied. See copy of memo of August 17th, 1943, re this on File, copy of which is attached to summary.

summary.

SOLD:

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To The Director, The Veterans' Land Act for \$1,585.00 as at 1st January, 1943.
Approval of Advisory Committee - 1st June, 1943.

Funds released to the credit of Yasutaro YAMAGA as at May 10th, 1944, against which were charges for Registration Fees \$3.00, Legal Fees - \$15.00, leaving a net credit of \$1,564.00 from said transaction.

In view of the rents being collected by the Custodian up to October 31st, 1943, a cheque for \$100.00 covering same was paid November 17th, 1943, to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

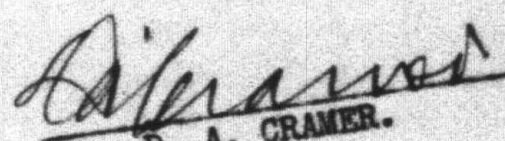
Adjustments to the amount of \$9.60 covering unexpired Fire Insurance Premiums were placed to Yasutaro YAMAGA'S credit.

The following Fire Insurance Policy -
British Empire Assurance Co., Policy No. 42836 - \$1,000.00,
covering on dwelling, was transferred to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

Certificates of Title Nos. 169880-E and 169881-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 4th, 1946.


D. A. CRAMER.

DAC:JS

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MEMORANDUM

File No. 6660.

17th August, 1943.

re: Yasutaro YAMAGA.

Lot 13 & 14 of N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 15 Tp. 12,
Map 1973, Municipality of Maple Ridge.

Lot 13 only is included in Lease to Herbert Rodenbush,
but as Lot 14 adjoins and is improved land it is possible that
this lot was included.

From the renewal application on file the Collateral
Agreement is meant to cover Lots 13 & 14.

Sa. G.
WJI:GF

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 6660

25th June, 1947.

Re: Yasutaro YAMAGA - Reg. no. 14018

The above Japanese declared when registering 27th April, 1942, that he owed a Personal debt of \$400.00 to Mrs. M. Storey, Haney, and a Trade Debt of \$80.00 to Maple Ridge Co-operative Union.

On the 16th March, 1943, YAMAGA authorised payment of the balance of his account at that time to Mrs. Storey, and accordingly on the 12th May, 1943, the sum of \$114.00 was paid to Mrs. Storey, and on the 21st May, 1943, Mrs. Storey advised us she had received \$58.90 from the Haney Garage Ltd., which amount had been owing by them to YAMAGA, and which he in turn had authorised them to pay direct to Mrs. Storey. Permission had been given to Yamaga and the Haney Garage to do this, by the Custodian, on the 19th May, 1943. The balance owing of \$227.10 was paid in full from this office on the 25th June, 1947.

The Maple Ridge Co-operative did not file a claim, and YAMAGA informed us on the 16th March, 1943, that this account had been paid in full.

This file reveals no other liabilities.

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

BA

A. Allen
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MEMORANDUM: File 6660

April 9, 1945.

Re: Yasutaro YAMAGA, #14018

From: F. Matheson

With reference to the 1940 Chevrolet Sedan, this apparently is the car that was turned over to the Haney Garage by Yasutaro YAMAGA.

In May, 1943, a cheque from Haney Garage in the amount of \$58.90 was paid to Mrs. Storey, a creditor of Yasutaro YAMAGA, at the request of Mr. Yamaga.

See letters and memos - December 23, 1942, December 5, 1942, December 10, 1942, March 30, 1943, April 27, 1943, May 21, 1943, and October 11, 1943. ✓

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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 6660

25th June, 1947.

Re: Yasutaro YAMAGA - Reg. No. 14018

CHATELS: The above Japanese registered with this office on the 27th April, 1942, and at that time declared leaving household furniture and farm and carpenters tools on his property at Haney. These were inventoried by our fieldmen on the 5th June, 1942, but at that time, the property was still occupied by Mrs. YAMAGA and children. A piano and electric washing machine which YAMAGA had declared on his J.P. form were not inventoried.

A more detailed inventory was taken on the 16th March, 1943.

On the 5th October, 1943, a honey extractor was sold to F. Daniels by appraisal to F. Daniels and this amount credited to YAMAGA's account.

All saleable goods were removed to auction at Haney on the 15th June, 1944 and sold for the net sum of \$36.81. Our fieldmen when inspecting this property and removing chattels to auction on the 2nd June, made note that a hand cultivator and some garden tools were destroyed when a garage across the road in which they were stored was burnt. Some personal effects are stored at the Buddhist Temple at Haney.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE: The Maple Ridge Co-operative remitted the sum of \$10.77 to this office in favour of YAMAGA, on the 31st August, 1942.

The Provincial Income Tax Department sent in to this office the sum of \$7.20, being a refund of YAMAGA's income tax.

Yasutaro YAMAGA was a member of the Rural Advisory Committee, and was sent direct from this office, the sum of \$202.10 on the 30th April, 1943, for his expenses in this connection.

When registering YAMAGA declared the following accounts owing to him:-

Kazuta NOBUTO - \$128.20. This was acknowledged by NOBUTO as correct, but as he did not have sufficient funds to make full settlement, YAMAGA accepted the sum of \$64.10 in full settlement.

Takejiro MITANI - \$26.00 YAMAGA informed us 9th March, 1943, that debt had been reduced to \$16.00, and Mr. MITANI admitted he owed this amount, but had no funds with which to make settlement. No further action has been taken as MITANI has no funds at this office with which to make settlement.
No settlement made on basis of 16.25% - \$2.60 Jan 4/47.

Soshichi TANAKA - \$100.00 This was admitted by TANAKA as correct, and paid in full by him from his account at this office on the 20th July, 1942.

Nobuo YAMADA - \$96.00 YAMADA admitted this claim was correct but he declared he was unable to pay, no further action has been taken by Custodian

Kazuo HOSHIZAKI - \$47.00 HOSHIZAKI also admitted claim was correct, but had no funds with which to make settlement.

On the 27th October, 1942, YAMADA declared that Ginzo YOSHIDA of Haney, owe

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY (Cont'd)

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25th June, 1947.

him the sum of \$30.00. This was referred to Ginzo YOSHIDA, and he replied 26th April, 1943, that he "was not going to pay", and that YAMAGA knew about it. No further action was taken in this matter by the Custodian, and YAMAGA was advised.

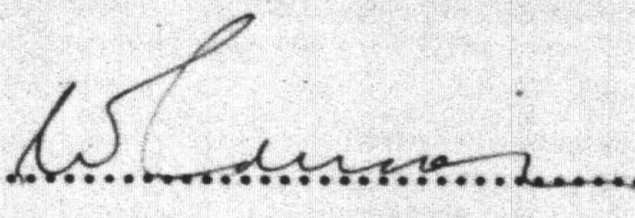
SPECIFIED ARTICLES: YAMAGA evidently turned over his 1940 Chevrolet Sedan to the Haney Garage for sale, and they advised us that they had a small balance to YAMAGA's credit which they wished to send to YAMAGA direct, but as there were debts against YAMAGA, at YAMAGA's request and permission being given by the Custodian, the balance of \$58.90 was sent by the Haney Garage to Mrs. William Storey, on account of YAMAGA's debt to her.

LIFE INSURANCE: YAMAGA declared he had a Monarch Life Assurance policy, but this was not brought under control or administered in any way by the Custodian.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: YAMAGA declared he had a safety deposit box at the Bank of Montreal, Haney, B.C.

This file reveals no other personal property assets.

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

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5th July, 1947.

The Maple Ridge Co-operative Exchange have on their records, a Japanese by the name of Y. YAMAYA who owns 193 shares, and this may refer to Yasutaro YAMAGA, as we have no record of a Y. YAMAYA.

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March 11th, 1943.

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

Yasutaro YAMAGA
Registration #14018

CREDITORS

1. Mrs. M. Storey, Haney, B. C.
2. Maple Ridge Co-op. Union

\$400.00 Devere this paid

~~80.00 Paid~~

DEBTORS

- Norman
1. ✓ Kazuo HOSHIZAKI 5729
 2. ✓ Noburo YAMADA 2946
 3. ✓ Shunsuke TAKATSU 2795
 4. ✓ Takejiro MITANI 1929
 5. K. ONOBUTO 4832
 6. ✓ Ginzo YOSHIDA 5719

47.00 ok but can't pay

96.00 verified, mobile to pay

X 100.00 Paid.

16.00 verified mobile to pay

128.00 128.20

30.00 says not going to pay

AMCA:ND

C. Baker

20.4.43

On Bal 25.97
1.3.44
n.v.

Apprs 15.85.44

No Vacina on wife's file # 6534

29.2.44
n.v.

NAME YAMAGA, Yasutaro

*Original sent
26th July 47.*

REGISTRATION NO. 14018

FILE NO. 6660

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Hansy, B. C. on June 15, 1944.

✓ Plough	\$ 4.00
✓ Hall stand	1.00
✓ Shelves & cupboard	1.50
✓ 4 Chairs	3.00
✓ Bed couch & rocker	9.00
✓ Roll top desk	20.00
✓ Dresser	1.00
Bamboo shelf	1.00
✓ Heater	0.50
✓ Bed & coil spring	0.50
✓ Stretcher	0.50
✓ Armchair	3.00
✓ Shelves	0.75
✓ Seeder	1.25
Tub	0.25
✓ Gramophone	0.50
✓ Electric lamp	1.50
✓ Stand	0.25
Fishing line	0.25
✓ Dresser	3.00
Cooking frame	0.50
Glassware	1.50
✓ Crockery	1.00
Crockery	0.50
Files & book	1.10
Silver dishes	0.25
Mincer	0.75
Bake tins etc.	1.50
Total	
Carried Forward	\$ 59.85

~~Total Expenses~~

\$

~~Net Proceeds~~

\$

~~Amount of cash on hand at present~~

~~Received from Auctioneering firm~~

~~Remarks~~

NAME YAMAGI, Yasutaro

REGISTRATION NO. 14018

FILE NO. 6660

The following chattels were sold by public
 auction at Hansy, B. C. on June 15, 1944.

	Brought Forward	\$ 59.85
-Picture frames etc.		0.60
Wheel		0.75
Root cutter		0.75
Sealers		0.35
Sundries		0.75
2 Iron saucepans		0.50
Dining table		2.00
Bows & arrows & nets		0.50
Paper bags		0.50
Table		0.75
Shelves & 6 Chairs		1.00

Total		\$ 68.30
Less Expenses:	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$6.83	\$ 31.49
	(Advertising: 0.81	
	(Movings: 23.75	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 36.81

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Moryson

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Hansy 8

Remarks

Copy of Auction Sheet returned by Japanese

NAME YANAGA, Yasutaro

REGISTRATION NO. 14018

FILE NO. 6660

The following chattels were sold by public

auktion at Hanay, B.C. on June 15, 1944.

	\$	Reasonable Second-Hand Price
Plough	4.00	\$10.00
Hall stand	1.00	8.00
Shelves & cupboard	1.50	10.00
4 chairs	3.00	8.00
Bed couch & rocker (Parlor Set, Bed couch & 2 chairs to a set)	9.00	50.00
Roll top desk	20.00	35.00
Dresser	1.00	5.00
Bamboo shelf	1.00	2.00
Heater	0.50	5.00
Bed & coil spring	0.50	10.00
Stretcher	0.50	12.00
Armchair	3.00	5.00
Shelves	0.75	2.00
Seeder	1.25	3.00
Tub	0.25	1.25
Gramophone	0.50	3.00
Electric lamp	1.50	
Stand	0.25	.25
Fishing line	0.25	5.00
Dresser	3.00	10.00
Cooking frame	0.50	2.00
Glassware	1.50	5.00
Crockery	1.00	10.00
Crockery	0.50	
Files & book	1.10	5.00
Silver dishes	0.25	2.00
Mincer	0.75	5.00
Total bake tins etc.	1.50	5.00
Total	59.85	211.50
Less Expenses:		
Net Proceeds Credited:		51.50

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Remarks.

*This schedule
is part of the
claim.*

Copy of an auction sheet returned by the Japanese.

NAME

YAMAGA, Yasutaro

REGISTRATION NO. 14018

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The following chattels were sold by public

auktion at Haney, B.C. on June 15, 1944.

Brought forward

\$ 59.85 211.50

Picture frames etc.

0.60 5.00

Wheel Table

0.75 3.00

Root cutter

0.75 1.50

Sealers

0.35 } — 2.00

Sundries

0.75 } — 2.00

2 Iron Saucepans

0.50 5.00

Dining table (extention)

2.00 10.00

Bows & arrows & nets

0.50 3.00

Paper bags

0.50

Table

0.75 2.00

Shelves & 6 chairs

1.00 6.00

248.00

Goodrich Cook range (2 year old)

745.00

6 boxes of encyclopaedia - Book of knowledge & Teachers

35.00

1 ship trunk & containts & 1 book case & full books (both English and Japanese)

30.00

70.00

To substantiate this claim of items attached a correspondence from Custodian

428.00

"Y. Yamaga".

Total

\$ 68.30

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$6.83

\$

(Advertising: 0.81

31.49

(Moving: 23.75

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 36.81 428.00

476.00

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Moryson

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Haney 8.

Remarks.

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Date June 2nd. 1944.

SUMMARY

Name: YAMAGA, Yasutaro #14018

Address: 26-18th Ave., Haney, B.C.

(1) - We have today moved to auction room at Haney, B.C. effects as per enclosed list at a total cost of \$ 22.75 as per attached bill.

(2) - We have also moved the personal effects as per attached list to storage at Budd Temple where they will remain until called for. Cost of moving is included in bill above.

(3) - We have sold to the tenant articles as per attached list at \$ 12.00 for which herewith cheque or cash. *Has kept a statement of moving in bill*

(4) - After the above transactions, the following important shortages were noticed between the original inventory as taken by this office, and the effects accounted for as above:

1 Hand cultivator.

Sal. quant. garden tools, which were burnt up with the

garage across the street, the same day as we moved the

chattels from the house. The garage belonged to a Mrs.

Hagg, and the tools were left with her.

The tenant gave us the following explanation: _____

June 2, 1944.

CHATELS BELONGING TO
YAMAGA, Yasutaro #14018
26-18th Avenue, Haney, B.C.

Now stored in Buddhest Temple, Haney, B.C.(Personal)

1 Steamer trunk.(cont. misc.)
1 Straw suitcase.
1 Bag of clothes.
8 Suitcases.(large & sml.)
26 Boxes.

SIGNED

Monaghan

File No. 6660

YAMAGA, Yasutaro (Mr.)

Reg. No. 14018

26 - 18th Avenue, Whonnock, B.C.



Taken February 23/43 by J.M.

(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name	Yamaga Yasutaro	File No.	6660
		Reg. No.	
Company	Monarch Life	Agency	Vancouver
Policy No.	49431		
Premium - \$	54.10		
Payable:	Annually, Semi-annually or monthly		
Month	September	Day	13

REMARKS:

BC-201-P
BC-2597-B

BC/201-P
BC/2597-B

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S.S. Form No. 43
(Sheet 1)

Farm Appraisal Report

File No. J.L.253

Land Description Lots 13 & 14, S.D. of pt. of NW 1/4 Sec. 15 Tp. 12 Map 1973, N.W.D.
Containing 10.4 more or less. Acres

Owner's Name YAMAGA, Y. Post Office Address R.R. #1, Haney, B.C. Distance 3 miles.

Nearest Rail Point Haney on C.P.R. Distance " "
Market Town " 3 miles or New Westminster 25 miles. Distance " "

Church (give denomination) All denominations Haney Distance " "

Nearest School Public School 1 mile, Haney High, 3 miles Distance " "

State how property was identified: Registered plan, road and adjoining owners.

Roads: State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.
Has approx. 530' frontage on a good gravel road (18th Ave.,) along west bound-
dary and lies in about 1/2 mile south of the Dewdney Trunk Road.

Is this district a good one? Fairly good.

Employment opportunity Fair but limited to 1 or 2 lumber mills and Haney brick-
yard, etc.,

Predominating Nationality and religion: British and Protestant with some Japanese.

Describe Fencing and its condition: Unfenced or negligible. Value \$

Water supply: About adequate from 3 seepage wells in clay, each Value \$
about 20 ft. deep.

BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	28 x 40	Lumber	14	Shingle	22	Post	Fair	\$900.00
Woodshed	20 x 30	"	8	Shake	22	"	Poor	-
Old shed	24 x 40	Rough "	10	Shake	22	"	"	-
Open "	40 x 48	" "	10	"	20	"	Only fair	100.00
Garage	12 x 18	" "	8	Shingle	3	"	"	30.00
GRANARY	x							
	x							
	x							
	x							

Electric light installed in dwelling

Total present day value \$ 1030.00
\$ 750.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm

Is dwelling habitable without repairs? Yes. If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it habitable? Dwelling fairly well maintained and roof re-shingled about 3 years ago. \$

Describe the basement and chimneys: No basement; 2 brick chimneys on brackets.

No. rooms downstairs? 4 Upstairs? 3 How finished Shiplap and paper.

Are buildings painted? No. Condition of paint

Distance from nearest town Unexposed.

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	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
9.50	Level or slight slope south.	Clay loam 6" to 8".	Clay	1 1/2 acs. straws and rasps. Apart from home garden bal. old seeding and sod.	\$90.	\$855.00
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, stones, drainage, etc.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	NATURE OF RECLAMATION NECESSARY	RECLAMATION COST PER ACRE	VALUE PER ACRE
0.90	Slight slope south.	Clay loam 6" to 8".	Clay	Clear light scrub and heavy stumps.	\$150.	\$10. 9.00
Area Unsuitable for Cultivation.						
	CHARACTER OF LAND E. G. HILLY, SWAMPY, ROCKY.		NATURE OF TIMBER IF ANY AND WHETHER MARKETABLE		VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE	
10.40						

Total value of Land \$ 864.00

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$ 750.00

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

Total value of farm \$ 1614.00

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:
In fair condition but out-buildings poor and land largely in old seeding
or sod. Has been occupied by the owner for about the last 22 years.

State most suitable type of agriculture for farm bearing in mind the district's limitations, if any.
Diversified farming in conjunction with some outside employment.

Noxious weeds: Some thistle and couch grass in spots.

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

1942 Taxes \$39.78.

Municipality of Maple Ridge.

Date: 10th 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 4th day of June 1942

Inspector's Signature

"J. D. PATTERSON"

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

Farm Appraisal Report

YAMAGA, Y.

Remarks: Property fairly well located about 3 miles east of Haney on a good side road in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south of the Dewdney Trunk Road. Consists of two adjoining 5.2 acre lots or 10.4 acres. The owner, Yamaga, managed the local Japanese fruit shipping association; consequently his farm was used mainly as his home and most of the land is in old seeding or sod.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

REMARKS: re general lie of land, fertility of soil, irrigation, drainage or dyking and reclamation. Level or slight slope south and situated about one mile north of Kanaka Creek. Fairly fertile clay loam soil though thin in places and not as good on the average as that further south.

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

NIL.

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

Approximately one acre strawberries, only fair \$ condition.

quarter acre raspberries, fairly good \$ condition.

About 50 mixed fruit trees, only fair condition. \$

\$

\$

\$

\$

\$

\$

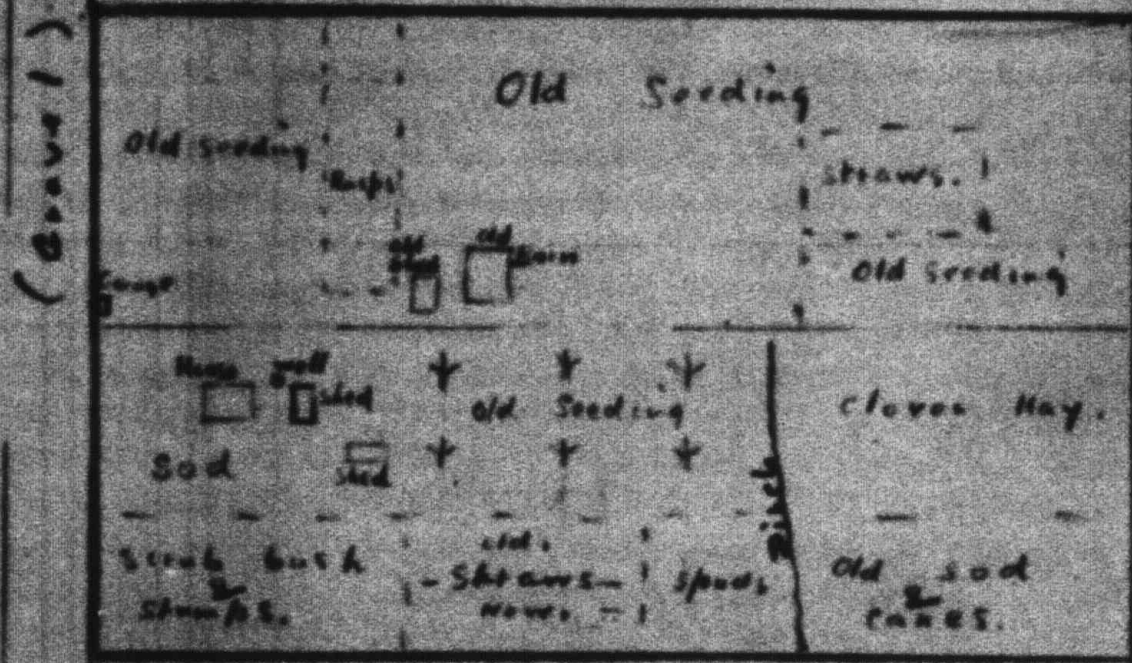
Total \$

Amount fruit trees add to value of farm \$

Scale 200' = 1 inch

Diagram of Property - In Red. Y. Yamaga property.

Lots 13 & 14, Sub. Div. of Pt. of N.W. Sec. 15 T. 12. Map 1973 R.M.D.
cont'g 10 & acs. more or less.



15
S. Shimaji property.

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Y. Imada property

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Y. Imada property

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Following careful review of this appraisal report, it is my opinion that the present

value is \$ 1600.00

Date 15th June 19 42

"I. T. BARNET"

District Superintendent.

File
✓
6660✓

Extract from Lease.

File #6534.

Drawn by James M. Campbell.

Lessor: Mrs. Fumi YAMAGA.

Lessee: Herbert RODENBUSH.

Date: 30th June, 1942.

Term: 11 months from 30th June, 1942, with option to extend lease for 1943, arrangements to be made with Maple Ridge Co-op. Produce Exchange.

Consideration: \$100.00, paid. Rental for 1943 and subsequent years \$100.00.

Property:

Land: Lot 13, N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 15, Tp.12, N.W.D.
Municipality of Maple Ridge.

House: Included, also buildings.

Chattels:

Extract from Lease.

File #6660

Drawn by James M. Campbell.

Lessor: Mrs. Fumi YAMAGA

Lessee: Herbert RODENBUSH

Date: 30th June, 1942.

Term: 11 months from 30th June, 1942, with option to extend lease for 1943, arrangements to be made with Maple Ridge Co-op. Produce Exchange.

Consideration: \$100.00 paid. Rental for 1943 and subsequent years \$100.00.

Property:

Land: Lot 13, N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 15, Tp. 12, N.W.D.
Municipality of Maple Ridge.

House: Included, also buildings

Chattels: no Schedule of Chattels in Lease.

Term extended by Ball's
Agmt to Oct 31/43
100.00 July 31/43

Term Ball's agmt
to Oct 31/43
given Aug 16/43

See renewal application
as to Lot 13 & 14

Mr. Alexander.
Custodian E.A.P.
Royal Bank Building
Vancouver, B.C.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION
RECEIVED
OCT 30 1942

McMullen
11 mile Camp.
Hape B.C.
Oct 27th 1942.

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Re- GINZO Yoshida of HANEY

Dear Mr. Alexander:

I presume you remember me as I have met you several times during this spring at Haney and Mission. In the month of March the above named person being a member of the Maple Ridge Coop Haney asked me cash advance as his family was starving. yet the coop (lives manager) could not finance ~~so~~ neither the Bank will not lend. I obliged him lending my pocket money sum of \$30⁰⁰ with verbal promise to pay me by the Crop. According to Mr. Ralph Yoshida one half of Crop payment is still suspended and will be paid to him sooner or later as Pacific pays the amount to Maple Ridge Coop through your office.

At the time I left Haney I did not report it ^{to you} as I took his word to pay me back as soon as Crop money received. Will you kindly write to him (Slocan?) ask him about this \$30⁰⁰ claim, if he denies, well O.K. if he says pay, then protect my claim.

Thanking you for your trouble.

Yours Truly.

Y. Yamaga 6660

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4th December, 1942.

Reeve S. Mussallem,
Haney, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Yasutaro YAMAGA.

We understand you are holding the proceeds of sale of subject Japanese car, and we ask that you kindly let us have your cheque to cover any amount due him from you, giving us at the same time full details. Please make your cheque to the order of the Custodian of Enemy Property.

Thanking you in advance for your co-operation,
we are

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

RDR:GF



S. MUSSALLEM, President

Richardson
G. MUSSALLEM, Sales Manager

Chevrolet
Oldsmobile
Pontiac
Buick

HANEY GARAGE LIMITED

HANEY. B.C.

Phones 9 and 15
Residence 29 and 112

December 5th, 1942.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION
RECEIVED
DEC 8 1942

Dept. of Secretary of State,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Gentlemen:

Re: File No. 6660.

I understand from Mr. McPherson that
if Mr. Yamaga does not do anything that we
would be allowed to pay Yamaga direct.

Yours truly,

S. MUSSALLEM.

SM/M

*see 10/12/42
23/12/42*

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February 3, 1943.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
11 Mile Camp,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to that portion of your letter dated January 29th, for which please accept our thanks, expressing your concern in connection with an article which appeared in the January 23rd issue of the Vancouver Sun to the effect that all Japanese property will be sold by the Custodian.

There has been no change in policy. The facts are that the Custodian has, under certain circumstances, been authorized by an Order in Council increasing previous powers of "protect and administer" to include power of sale, but there is nevertheless no change in the Custodian's policy. The power of sale has been exercised by the Custodian to date only in connection with motor vehicles and fishing vessels.

I am referring to Mr. Richardson that portion of your letter in connection with the Maple Ridge Berry Growers and have asked him to report to you briefly in this connection.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA

6399, 6660
4840, 5284

February 3, 1943.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
11 Mile Camp,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to that portion of your letter dated January 29th, for which please accept our thanks, indicating that Mr. Soshichi Tanaka may be holding a letter addressed by Mr. Nario Fujita to his brother, Mr. Yoshiya Fujita, requesting Mr. Yoshiya Fujita to act on his behalf in connection with property at Haney, in which both Mr. Nario Fujita and Mr. Soshichi Tanaka are interested.

In accordance with your suggestion, we have written in this connection to Mr. Soshichi Tanaka.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA

6660

February 3, 1943.

MEMORANDUM - MR. RICHARDSON

Attached is the file together with file No. 4840, and in the latter you will see letter dated January 29th from Mr. Yasutaro Yamaga.

Would you be good enough to send Mr. Yamaga a brief report covering "collection of notes due crop sellers, September 1, 1942."

RPA:MA

6660

4th February, 1943.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
11 Mile Camp,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Referring to that portion of your letter of the 29th ultimo, wherein you state your concern relative to the collection of notes due crop sellers, September 1st, 1942, we have to advise that if your reference is to post dated cheques issued by the Pacific Co-Operative Union, that months ago a letter was sent by this office to all holders of post dated cheques, requesting that these cheques be sent into the Custodian to be dealt with by him on behalf of the individual Japanese concerned. We have received a considerable number of these cheques, and in many cases have been successful in obtaining payment.

May we suggest that if you should run across any of your people who are holding cheques of this nature, kindly advise them to send them in to this office immediately for our attention.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

RDR:GF

Mr. A. McAlister.
Claim Dept.
Custodian Office
506 Royal Bank Bldg
Vancouver, B.C.

Hope, B.C.
March 9th 43.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 10 1943
File No.	6660
Ans.	A. mca
Referred	M. Ellis

Dear Sir:

out to J

Mr. T. Mitani Emerson Man,
wrote to me in regard to amount owing to me, he
claims the amount was \$16.00 instead of \$26.00
as he paid \$10.00 to my wife which was right.

Kindly alter the amount in my report accordingly. Also, Mr. Takatsu claims he has
paid my account through Mr. H. Menzies of Naney
to your office which I knew nothing about it.

I asked Mr Menzie twice last summer
about TAKATSU and K. Nobuto's property but
failed to get answer.

I understand you are kindly endeavoring
to collect those ~~credit~~ credit account for me and
I would be doubly obliged if you would
let me know how my claims stands now.

Thanking you in anticipation

Yours Truly

Y. Yamaga
Reg # 14,018

C. Bal # 1111⁹⁷100


10.3.43

March 11th, 1943.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration #14018,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We have for acknowledgment yours of the 9th instant and contents have been duly noted.

In accordance with your request for information as to how your claims now stand, we give below the present position:-

(1) Shunsuke Takatsu reported by you in your registration form as owing \$100.00. This has been paid to this office.

(2) Kazuo Hoshizaki reported by you in your registration form as owing \$47.00. This man has been written to but we have not yet received his reply.

(3) Nobuo Yamada reported by you in your registration form as owing \$96.00. We have sent him a notification and when we receive his reply you will be notified.

(4) Takejiro Mitani reported by you in your registration form as owing \$26.00 but your letter of March 9th, 1943 has altered this to \$16.00. We were advised by Mitani that the amount owing was \$16.00 but that he is unable to pay as he has no funds.

(5) K. Nobuto - You reported on your registration form that this person owed you \$128.00. We have not been able to locate this person so kindly supply us with full first name and his last or present address, also his occupation, in order that we may endeavour to trace him.

(6) Genzo Yoshida - You reported this debt of \$30.00 as owing to you in your letter of October 27th, 1942. He was written to on November 9th, 1942 but he has not yet replied.

Mr. A. McBlister,
Claim Dept
Custodian Office,
Vancouver, B.C.

Hope, B.C.
MAR 16 1943
Rec'd MAR 17 1943
File No. 6660
Referred McBlister

Dear Sir -

Please accept my sincere
thanks for your recent letter giving
me account in detail.

Your paragraph (5) K. Nobuto
KAZUTA, Nobuto, resided at Albion,
now evacuated to New Denver
or vicinity of Slocan. I hear
he is logging up there.

Under circumstances I do
not expect to get any payment
from him. But understanding
was that Mr Hal Menzic of
Haney is to sell his property
at Albion, and pay my portion
12800 to you. Evidently Nobuto's
property is not sold yet.

Will you get in touch with
Mr Menzic and ask about
this property, I am afraid

That the original owner might
have foreclosed on him for default
of balance payment, then I
will be out of luck.

In connection with my debt
account I still owe Mrs Storey
400.00 → Maple Ridge Coops \$800.00
had been paid.

No claim
filed by
Maple Ridge
only

If it is not too much to ask
you, kindly pay all the credit
balance \$14.97 to Mrs Storey
Mrs Wm Storey, HANEY, B.C.

I will try to pay her up
as she was very generous to
me.

Thanking you for
your service and protection.

Yours Truly

Y. Yamaga

P.S. (6) Gingo Yoshida will have half
of the crop money when Pacific pays
to you, then please deduct with
his consent. 11.25.



S. MUSSALLEM, President

G. MUSSALLEM, Sales Manager

Chevrolet
Oldsmobile
Pontiac
Buick

HANEY GARAGE LIMITED

• HANEY, B.C. •

Phones 9 and 15
Residence 29

March 30th, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 31 1943
File No.	
Ans.	<i>See</i>
Referred	<i>Anderson</i>

Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Your File No. 6660.

Please be referred to yours of December 10th last. Mr. Yamaga called in today to make a settlement of a little account which I owe him. He is of the opinion that it would be quite satisfactory to you if we do so. Will you please let us have your reply. It is a trivial matter really and we would like to have it straightened out.

Yours truly,

S. Mussallam
in

S. MUSSALLEM.

SM/M.

see 23/12/42
7/4/43

6660

7th April, 1943.

Mr. S. Mussallem,
Haney, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Yasutaro YAMAGA.

In reply to your letter of March 30th, we ask that if you have any funds to the credit of subject Japanese at your office, that you remit the full amount to this office and let us have a detailed statement of the account.

Trusting we will have your usual co-operation,
we are,

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

WEA:GF

*see 31/3/43
24/4/43*

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April 21st, 1943.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 16th of March, 1943 to hand,
for which we thank you.

Kazuta NOBUTO - \$128.20

The information you supplied in your letter under reply has enabled us to locate the man against whom you have this claim. We find that he had reported this debt as owing by him to you in his "JP" registration form. He showed the amount as \$128.20. We are writing him in this connection.

With regard to writing Mr. Hal Menzies. We think that it would be more satisfactory if you dealt with Mr. Menzies direct as you know the circumstances connected with the case and we have not got them on file and transacting this business through this office only leads to unnecessary correspondence. We ask you, however, to advise us if you succeed in getting a settlement from Mr. Menzies direct. From the file we see that he has evidently taken over the Nobuto farm but the money that the Custodian is holding on behalf of Nobuto is not sufficient to look after the claims against him.

8719 Ginzo YOSHIDA - \$30.00

We wrote to Yoshida and included your claim among several others against him. He replied dealing with the other claims but did not mention your claim. He has been written to again in this connection but up to this date we have not received a reply from him. We suggest that it would be a good thing for you to deal with him also direct. We have no funds belonging to Yoshida. Mr. Yoshida's address is:- Registration No. 13754, Lemon Creek, Slocan, B. C.

We have noted that the Maple Ridge Co-Op. Produce Exchange claim has been settled, and we will communicate with Mrs. Storey regarding her claim against you.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

AMCA:ND

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April 21st, 1943.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
Hogo, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Nobuo YAMADA, Reg. No. 14370 - \$96.00

We submitted the above claim to YAMADA for
payment and he has replied as follows:

"Received your letter of the 11th inst. The
amount you mention must be correct for I have utmost
faith in Mr. Yamaga. But I cannot pay the amount
as I am only making fifty dollars a month and have
to pay for board as well as keep my wife."

Under the circumstances there is little more
that we can do at the present time, but shall keep the
claim on file, and should funds become available and
applicable it will receive our early attention.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

BRD:DE

6660

April 22nd, 1943.

Mrs. Wm. Storey,
Haney, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Yasutaro YAMAGA
Registration No. 14018

We have been informed by the above named Japanese that he owes you \$400.00. We have not had a claim lodged by you against him so we are writing to ask you to please confirm that Yamaga owes you this money, as we require that for our records.

We might also say that Yamaga has asked us to send you some money which he has at his credit with the Custodian, amounting to a little over \$100.00, as a part payment.

We would like to hear from you on this matter, at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

AMcA:ND

The Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
Vancouver B.C.

Haney B.C.
April 24 / 43

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 26 1943
File No.	6660
Ans.	
Referred	Mr. Alister

Dear Sir - File no. 6660

In reply to your letter of Apr. 22nd
re. Y. Yamaga. This is to inform you that
Mr. Y. Yamaga does owe me \$4.00. When last
I saw Mr. Yamaga he informed me he had a
credit with you of over \$100 and that I
would be receiving a payment shortly of
\$114. and that he expected to have a further
payment this year.

yours truly
Mrs. Wm Storey

6660

28th April, 1943.

Mr. S. Mussallem,
Haney, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Yasutaro YAMAGA.

We do not appear to have received a reply to our letter of April 7th regarding funds that you might have to the credit of subject Japanese, and now ask that you give this matter your preferred attention.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

WEA:OF

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27/4/43

Mr. F. G. Shears.
Acting director Advisory Committee.
Office of Custodians
506 Royal Bank Building.
Vancouver, B. C.

11 mile, Camp. Hope, B.C.
April 27th 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 29 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	Shears

Dear Mr Shears:

It is almost one month since I came home and neither I hear from you nor from Mr Kimura. I am wondering what is happening with the case and where is Mr Kimura, all I know is a vigorous protest being raised among property owners as I first anticipated.

Now, Mr. Shears I thought it might be better to present my expense voucher if the case suspend so long. I put in at the rate Mr. McPherson told us, kindly correct if it is not right. Re-Mussallum account with me I asked you to see a letter of release be sent to him (file no 6660) to pay me direct. please let me know if this was done.

The amount due me approximately \$50⁰⁰ according to Mr Mussallum, I would like to receive it as my revenue in the road camp is not enough to support my family.

Thanking you in Anticipation
I am, yours Truly,

Y. Yamaga. (14018.)

6660

30th April, 1943.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration #14018,
11 Mile Camp,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 27th instant.

We are still waiting for further advice from Ottawa re the disposition of Japanese properties outside of the Greater Vancouver area and this is the reason that there has been no occasion to call the Rural Committee together.

I expect to leave here at the end of next week and will be seeing Mr. McPherson. Possibly on my return there may be some more definite information available.

I enclose herein cheque for \$202.10 in your favour covering your account for expenses as a member of the Rural Advisory Committee under Judge Whiteside.

In regard to the amount due to you by Mr. Mussallen, I find that our office has recently written to Mr. Mussallen asking him to remit any amount which he may owe you to us.

27/4/43
7/4/43

While the amount involved is small, it is our policy that collection should be paid to this office so that we can take care of any debts owing to others. In your case there appears to be a debt owing by you to a Mrs. Storey of \$400.00 and a notation that you desire this to be paid.

It might be well therefore if you will advise Mr. Mussallen that you wish any amount he has to your credit to be forwarded to us.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Acting Director.

FGS/PWH
encl.

6660

May 14th, 1943.

Mrs. Wm. Storey,
Haney, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 24th ultimo,
we have pleasure in enclosing herewith our cheque No. 3167
for \$114.00, as part payment of your claim of \$400.00 against
Yasutaro YAMAGA.

This represents all the money which we have
at Yamaga's credit in this office, at this date. Kindly inform
us if he pays you any other money direct in order that our records
may be kept up-to-date in this respect.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

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Encl.

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May 19, 1943.

Mr. S. Hussallam, President,
The Haney Garage, Ltd.,
HANEY, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA will be handing this letter to you. In accordance with the wishes of Mr. YAMAGA, the purpose of this letter is to authorize you, following straightening out as between you and Mr. YAMAGA the matter of your account, to issue a cheque for the amount which would have become due to Mr. YAMAGA not to Mr. YAMAGA but, at the request of Mr. YAMAGA, the cheque is to be made payable to Mrs. William Storey of Haney. Mr. YAMAGA, who will be giving you a receipt for the amount of the cheque, will then be handing the cheque himself to Mrs. Storey as he plans to call on her also and naturally desires the satisfaction of personally meeting his own obligations.

It is agreed as between Mr. YAMAGA and this office that in order that our records may be complete, he will be advising us of the amount of the cheque handed by him to Mrs. Storey.

In your letter to us dated May 4th you indicated that the matter had not been straightened out yet but we trust that with Mr. YAMAGA's assistance you will be successful in reaching a settlement satisfactory to both parties during the course of Mr. YAMAGA's visit with you.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

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Haney B.C.

May 18/43.

Dept of the Secretary of state
Office of the Custodian
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir. File # 6660.

This will acknowledge receipt of
cheque # 3167 for one hundred & fourteen dollars
on y. y. amaga account thanking you
for same.

yours truly
Miss Wm Storey.

San. W.S.

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172 80
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EXAMINATION SECTION
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File No. 6660 Haney B.C.
Referred McAlister May 21st /43

Mr. A McAlister
Custodian Office, Claims Dept.

Dear Sir -

This is to inform you that Y. Yamaga has given me a cheque for \$58⁹⁰ to be placed to his credit, on the account still due me. This cheque was issued by the Haney Garage Lt. Haney B.C. in favor of Y. Yamaga.

yours truly
Mrs. W. Storey

me 19/5/43

HAMILTON READ & PATERSON
HAMILTON READ E. L. PATERSON, M.A.
BARRISTERS AND
SOLICITORS

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Ans.	
Referred	<i>Alexander</i>

CODES | A. B. C.
| MORSE & HEAL
| WESTERN UNION

1011-1014 ROGERS BUILDING
470 GRANVILLE STREET.
VANCOUVER, B. C.
CANADA

June 17th, 1943

R. P. Alexander, Esq.,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Kamimura and Yamaga

It is necessary for us to communicate with K. Kamimura and Y. Yamaga at Camp 15 or at a lumber camp between Camp 15 and Hope. The writer saw Yamaga on Monday last the 7th instant but could not see Kamimura as he had been taken to the hospital at Camp 15. Yamaga informed the writer that he would not get any mail for at least a week after it was mailed. It would appear it would be in contravention of regulations for us to communicate with Yamaga or any other Japanese by handing mail to, say a truck driver, but at the same time it is very unfortunate if we cannot get mail to either Kamimura or Yamaga under a week and then possibly a further week goes by without receiving a reply.

Is it possible for us to communicate with either of these Japanese without having the delay caused apparently by the opening of mail. The letters to be written by us and the replies would be strictly business in reference to the operations of the lumber camp before mentioned. It is of course possible for us to interview either of these men at Camp 15 or at the lumber camp but the distance is 115 miles and is expensive not only in gas and tires but also in time and this waste should, we think, be avoided.

May we hear from you at your earliest convenience.?

Yours truly

HAMILTON READ & PATERSON

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June 29, 1943.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
Tashme, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: The late Mr. Toshio FUKUDA

Thank you very much for your letter dated June 23rd.
Receipt is acknowledged of the Japanese will signed by the late Mr.
Toshio Fukuda and witnessed by Tomozo Fukuda and Sadakichi Abe, together
with your translation of same.

I am referring this to Mr. K. W. Wright, Legal Counsel to
the Custodian, and you may expect to hear in due course as to the steps
to be taken to clear title to the land in Port Hammond, title to which
still remains in the name of the late Mr. Toshio Fukuda.

In the meantime, would you please send us information as
to the date and place of Mr. Toshio Fukuda's death.

Yours truly,

R. F. Alexander,
Manager.

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File No. 6660

Property: Yasutaro YAMAGA.

Lessee: Herbert Rodenbush.

Amount: \$100.00

C A N A D A
Department of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section

PAYMENT ORDER.

To ... *Pacific Co-op Union*
Address ... *Vancouver, B.C.*

I HEREBY ASSIGN AND TRANSFER TO THE CUSTODIAN the sum of *\$100.00*
One hundred /100 Dollars out of monies now due and
accruing due or that at any time hereafter may be due in respect to the
proceeds of:- *Fruit shipments*

to be paid to the Custodian at Vancouver, British Columbia, AND for so doing
this will be your full authority.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this *13th* day of *July*, 1943.

SIGNED, SEALED, and DELIVERED
IN THE PRESENCE OF

Signature: *Imoyton* } *H. Rodenbush*
Address:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

RECEIPT of the above order acknowledged this day of, 1943.

Signature

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July 16, 1943.

Mr. Yasuteru YAMADA,
Registration No. 14018,
Tashme, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: The late Mr. Toshio FUKUDA

Please be advised that we have placed in the hands of Mr. J. H. Streight, Official Administrator, New Westminster, the matter of probate of the will of the late Toshio Fukuda. Mr. Streight indicates that the will may be a valid one and that in that case everything would go to the widow, Mrs. Tsugiko Fukuda. Mrs. Fukuda may, therefore, expect to hear either from us or from Mr. Streight in due course either direct or through you.

Yours truly,

R. F. Alexander,
Manager.

RP:MA

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August 19, 1943.

S. Mussallen, Esq.,
President,
Honey Garage Ltd.,
Honey, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Yasutaro YAMAGA

In reviewing our file covering the affairs of Mr. Yasutaro Yamaga we find that we do not appear as yet to have received from you a statement covering your account with Mr. Yamaga and we ask that by return mail you forward to us a detailed statement covering sales proceeds of the car in question and disposition made by you of said proceeds including the cheque for \$58.90 issued by you in the latter part of May.

We look forward to receiving this information from you without fail.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

KPAMHA

all 21/6/43
19/5/43
11/10/43

6660 Y. YAMAGA.

J. N. reports value at best.

#20-25 refused P.O. Box 874. Hope, B.C.
to authorize Sept 17th 1943.

Dear friend:

Glad to hear from you and
I presume your family and friends
in Haney are doing well.

Yes, I left a 4 flame honey
extractor in my home, and glad
to sell you for \$10⁰⁰.

Originally it cost \$30⁰⁰, so
I think it \$10⁰⁰ be fair price.

If you wish to take it, pay
it to Mr. Briggs who will put
it to deposit in Bank of Montreal
account of Mrs. F. YAMAGA (please
show this letter and ask him to do so.)

Best regard to all old P.T.A.
friends. Yours very truly
Y. Yamaga.

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October 5, 1943.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration #14018,
P. O. Box #874,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of
September 17th in regards to the four-flame
honey extractor which you were proposing to
sell for the sum of \$10.00.

This amount is much too low and we
have therefore disposed of it for you at the
value of \$25.00, and this amount has been
placed to your credit.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green.
Protection Department

HFG/MFP

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

PHONE PACIFIC 6131
PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. 1929
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505 ROYAL BANK BLDG.,
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE
VANCOUVER, B.C.

March 14th, 1944.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
P. O. Box 874,
Hope, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd MAR 17 1944
File No. 1929, 6660
Ans.
Referred A. Dusenbury

Dear Sir:

re: \$26.00 (\$16.00) - Takejiro MITANI, Reg. No. 13742

We reported to you on the 27th January last that MITANI
stated that your claim against him should be \$16.00 and not \$26.00.

As we have not received any reply from you we shall assume
that what he says is correct, and shall alter our records accordingly -
making the claim \$16.00 as he states.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury
B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

BRD:DE

In answer above:

This is to authorize the Custodian to alter
my claim against Takejiro, Mitani. to read as \$16.00
instead of \$26.00

11 mile point Hope, B. C.
March 16th, 1944.

J. Yamaga

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March 27th, 1944.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
11 Mile Point,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: \$47.00 - Kazuo HOSHIZAKI

We submitted the above claim to HOSHIZAKI some time ago and have now received his reply. He admits owing the account but states that he cannot pay at this time. We quote from his letter as follows:

"As for the rest of the debts I expect to pay up soon after this war is over and I get settled down."

In view of what he says we shall be unable to effect collection at this time. His address is:

Registration No. 14368,
Slocan, B.C.

should you wish to write to him about your account.

In the meantime we shall take no further action but shall be obliged if you will inform this office if you and he come to any settlement.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

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March 30th, 1944.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
11 Mile Point,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: \$16.00 - Takejiro MITANI

The above claim is now admitted as correct by both you and MITANI. However, he apparently is unable to pay, as he says in reply to another claim as follows:

"Owing to my ill health I am unable to work. My only way of living is from the maintenance I am receiving. Therefore I'm very sorry but at present I cannot in any means give settlement."

In view of the foregoing we shall leave the adjustment of this claim to you to be arrived at with MITANI, and this office will take no further action.

His address is:

Registration No. 13742,
c/o Mr. P. Kyle,
Dominion City, Man.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

BRD:DE

Mr. B. R. Dusenbury
Claim Dept.
Custodian office
506 Royal Bank Bldg;

P.O. Box 874.

Hope B.C.

Mar 30th 1944.

Your file $\frac{5-729}{6660}$

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Received Dusenbury	

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter dated 27th,
inst, regarding my account with K. Hoshizaki,
would say that there seems no hope collecting
from him at present.

I understand he owned a farmland at
Pitt Meadow and the same has been sold by
the custodian. While he admits indebtedness to
me, can't you collect from the money ~~from~~
out of the property ~~money~~ sale? Only debiting
him \$47.00 and credit the same to me, etc?

Most of my claims reported to you are in
same condition, I appreciate their present circumstances
and that is (collect from property money) the only way to collect.
Please let me know that can't be done. Yours Truly
Y. Yamaga.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN**

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

File No. 6660

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Reg. No. 14018

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
P.O. Box 874,
Nanaimo, B. C.

MAY 30 1944

Dear Sir:

26 - 18th Avenue, Nanaimo, B. C.

Re: Lot 13 of the North West quarter of Section 15, Township 12,
Map 1973, District of New Westminster, C. of E. 50984.
Lot 14 of the North West quarter of Section 15, Township 12,
Map 1973, District of New Westminster, C. of E. 50986.

You have previously been advised that a sale of lands in rural districts was entered into between this Department and The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

Due to the size of this transaction, the arrangements for same and the completion of the transfer have taken a considerable time. Negotiations were started in the early part of 1943 and were based upon valuations made by qualified appraisers and on the basis of a sale effective as at January 1st of that year. This means that the 1943 revenues from the property were for the benefit of the purchasers, but that taxes, fire insurance and other operating charges were assumed by them.

The following is a statement showing the sale price and adjustments:

Sale price of above described property	\$ 1585.00
Add:	
Unexpired insurance premium as at January 1st, 1943	2.60
	\$ 1594.60

Less:

Tax arrears to December 31st, 1942	\$
Registration fee	6.00
Encumbrance—Principal	
—Interest	\$ 6.00
Net proceeds of sale	\$ 1588.60

This amount has been placed to your credit and a statement of your account is endorsed hereon showing the present balance on our books. A small amount for legal fees in connection with the conveyance to the Veterans' land will be charged later.

Yours truly,

F. G. SHEARS,
Director.

1963	Jan. 1	Balance Brought Forward	Debit	Credit	Balance
				\$ 117.97	\$ 117.97 Cr.
		Credit re Sale of Property		1568.60	
		Land Registry Office C. of R. (2)	2.00		
May 13		Mrs. Wm. Storey on a/c	116.00		
Oct. 5		Sale of Honey Extractor		25.00	
				<u>\$ 116.00</u>	<u>\$ 1731.57</u>

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F. G. Shears Esq,
Acting director,
Custodian Office,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

P.O. Box, 8744
Hope, B. C.
June 9th, 1944

EVACUATION SECTION	
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File No.	
Ans.	15/6
Referred	Shears

Dear Mr, Shears;

I am in receipt of your report
and account in regard to ~~the~~ the sale of my pro-
perty in Haney, B. C.

We left some chattels in the house in
the property now occupied by P. Rodenbush and
family.

The chattels include "Good Cheer" range,
crockery, extention table etc, while I believe
were registered at your office before evacuation.

Besides these we left a lot of books
Japanese and English, also pictures, all of
sentimental value to our family, Mr, Rodenbush
is using our range, table & crockery.

I would like to know what is your policy
in regard to chattels of market value or can we
dispose of them ourselves.

My wife and daughter wish to make a
visit to Haney to pick up articles of value to
no one but ourselves.

Kindly let me know if that is possible.

With my best personal regard,

I remain,

yours truly,

Y. Yamaga

See inventory
16-2-43
✓ See memo in
23-5-44
✓ No
Show answer to
Mr. Shears

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June 14th, 1944.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Reg. No. 14018,
P. O. Box 874,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Shears has asked me to answer yours of June 9th dealing particularly with your belongings left in Haney.

Our usual procedure is to sell at auction, all furniture and effects other than those of a strictly personal, sentimental, or religious nature. In all cases, very good prices are received.

As the insurance on your chattels expires on June 11th, we have instructed our representative to move them to auction as promptly as possible. We expect soon to hear that this has been done and that articles of a strictly personal, sentimental, or religious nature have been stored in the Haney Buddhist Temple.

It is difficult for this office to arrange for evacuees to visit the protected area and we are afraid, therefore, that your wife and daughter will not be able to come to Haney.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

HFG:IF

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8th July, 1946.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Reg. No. 14018,
P.O. Box 874,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Kasuta NOBUTO - Reg. No. 13490

Some time ago you filed with this office a claim against the above Japanese for \$128.20. This account has been acknowledged by the debtor as being correct. The Custodian is desirous of making settlement of Nobuto's liabilities, but find that funds available for distribution to his creditors are not sufficient to pay the account in full.

Please advise if you are willing to accept 50% of your claim in full settlement.

Yours truly,

W.E. Anderson,
Administration Dept.

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30th July, 1946.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
P.O. Box 874,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Kasuta NOBUTO - Reg. No. 13490

We wish to advise that we have today transferred to your account at this office, the sum of \$64.10, in full settlement of your claim against the above Japanese, on a 50% pro rata basis.

Yours truly,

W.E. Anderson,
Administration Dept.

WEA:HA

Copy for
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Re: Kasuta ROBUO - Rec. No. 13490

W.E. Anderson, Esq.,

This is your authorisation to settle my claim against
K. Robuto above mentioned for \$128.20 at 50% payment in full settlement.

"Y. Yamaga" #14018
P.O. Box 874, Hope, B.C.

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Ans.	Anderson
Referred	

Haney, B.C.,
July 3rd 1947

Department of the Sec'y of State
Office of the Custodian
Jap. evacuation section,
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sirs - In reply to your letter of
June 26th re - Y. Yamaga. your letter
is correct in regard to this account
No payments have been made by Y. Yamaga.
I shall be pleased to receive this balance
\$ 227.¹⁰

Thanking you for your letter,
I am,

yours truly

Mrs. Wm Storey.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT
Treasurer IMMACA - Ref. No. 14018

File No. 6660

25th June, 1947.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1944	Balance as per statement sent 30th May, 1944		\$1615.57	
July 5 1945	Net proceeds auction sale, Haney		36.81	
Apr. 23 1946	Legal fees in connection with conveyance of property	\$15.00		
Aug. 7 1947	By Kazuta NOBUTO, full settlement of claim on 50% basis		64.10	
June 25	To Balance of account owing to Mrs. Wm. Storey	227.10		
		<u>\$242.10</u>	<u>\$1716.48</u>	<u>\$1474.38</u>

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5th July, 1947

REGISTERED

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
P.O. Box 874,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Your file has now been reviewed and we are enclosing herewith Custodian cheque in the amount of \$1474.38, which sum represents your credit balance at this office at the present time. For your information we are also enclosing a statement of your account showing entries made since the one sent to you 30th May, 1944, with details of your property sale.

We note that you still have the Title document of this property in your possession, and we request that you forward it to this office as soon as possible as it has been cancelled at the Land Registry Office.

As previously advised the following accounts have been admitted by the Japanese as correct, but we have been unable to make collection on your behalf to date:-

Takejiro MITANI	\$26.00
Nobuo YAMADA	96.00
Kazuo HOSHIZAKI	47.00

If payment of any of these claims is made at some future time, you will be advised and the funds forwarded to you.

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.

Please also advise us when replying, if you are a shareholder in the Maple Ridge Co-operative Exchange, and the amount of your holding.

Yours truly,

Office of the Custodian.

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Haney B.C.

July 8th 1947

Dept of the Sec'y of State
Office of the Custodian
Jap. Evacuation Section

EVACUATION SECTION	
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Returned	H. Allen

Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sirs - I received your
cheque for \$ 227.10 in settlement of
the amount owing me by Y. Yamaga

Thanking you -

I am,
yours truly
(Mrs.) Wm Storey

File #6660

The Office of Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hasting & Granville Sts,
Vancouver, B. C.

P. O. Box 874	
EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUL 19 1944
File No.	
Ans.	<i>W. J.</i>
Referred	

Dear Sir;

I received your letter dated 5th, inst. containing a cheque of which I am sorry I have to return to you.

In this opportunity I wish ^{to} register my resentment regarding method of disposal of my property.

In your letter you mentioned that you have sent to me a statement up to May 30th, 1944, which did not reach to me.

Since I left the major portion of my household and farm chattels vested in the Custodian, I would like to know how they were disposed of.

Will you kindly send me a copy of the statement of my account up to May 30th, 1944.

In regard to my interest in the Maple Ridge Co-operative Produce Exchange, I am a shareholder but do not remember correctly, and I would suggest you look into the share book of the Co-op which is in your possession.

Yours truly,

Y. Yamaga
Y. Yamaga,

P. S. Also please send me a detailed statement of auction sale at Haney which you netted 36.81 for my chattels. *Y. Y.*

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26th July, 1947.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
P.O. Box 874,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your undated letter received 19th July,
we enclose herewith copy of our statement sent to you 30th May,
1944, which upon receipt we are sure you will recall having already
received. We also enclose copies of auction sale sheets.

According to the books of the Maple Ridge Co-operative
there is a record of a "Y. YAMAYA" having shares, but as you did not
declare shares in this Co-operative when registering with the Custodian,
we were anxious to make sure you were the shareholder in question.

Yours truly,

Office of the Custodian.

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12th August, 1947.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Registration No. 14018,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 31st July, please be advised that at the time your chattels were moved to auction and sold, a number of boxes of personal articles, suit cases, and a steamer trunk were moved to the Buddhist Temple in Haney, and are stored there. Due to the large quantity of goods stored, we are unable to make shipment at the present time.

With regard to the McLary range, this was not declared by either your wife or your daughter, but we are looking into this matter further and will advise you.

Yours truly,

Office of the Custodian.

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Ans.	<i>[Signature]</i>
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The Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Hope, B. C. *ans to Shiro*
July 31st, 1947.

Dear Sirs;

I am in receipt of your letter of 26th inst, including statement and auction sale sheets, for which I thank you very much.

Upon checking I found lot of things I left are not listed in the auction sheet. Among many things I would like to know what become of a cooking range "McLary" same as new is not listed in the auction sale.

Also a book case with glass door, two set of encyclopaedia, the book of knowledge was one of them, many other books in both languages English & Japanese.

It was once said that the Custodian will not (or can not sell) books and things of sentimental nature and keep them in the Buddhist temple or some place where the property is not subject to sale.

Could you give me any information regarding disposition of books, if it is kept in safe storage or burned.

I believe my daughter listed this range in the report to the Custodian when she left home under Fumi Yamaga's name (my wife).

Thaking you for kindly attention,
Yours truly,

N. Yamaga

P. S. All of us were told by the Custodian officers in charge to accept these chattel list that the Custodian is to protect our property and safe keep our chattels. This made us leave lot of small things in a room. *N.Y.*

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9th January, 1948.

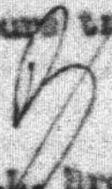
Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Regn. No. 14018,
P.O. Box 874,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Your undated letter addressed to the Secretary,
Japanese Claims Investigation Commission has been handed to us for
attention.

We are therefore enclosing a statement of your account
covering the period, 20th July, 1942 to date, together with copy
of Custodian's letter to you of 14th June, 1944.

Yours truly,


M. J. Brown,
Office of the Custodian.

MJB:HA
Encls. (2)
C.C. to Mr. A. Watson,
Secretary of Commission.

YASUTARO YAMADA

File No. 6560
Reg. No. 14018

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1942 July 20	Transfer from account Shinsuke Takatsu			
August 31	Sent in by Maple Ridge Co-Op		100.00	
October 29	1 1/2 wage tax refund		10.77	
			7.20	
1943 January 1	Credit re Sale of Property			
May 13	and Registry Office - Certificate of Encumbrance	2.00		1,588.60
October 5	Mrs. M. Storey - on account	114.00		
	Sale of Honey extractor		25.00	
1944 July 5	Proceeds Auction Sale		36.81	
1945 April 23	Legal fees re sale of property	15.00		
1946 August 7	K. Ichino - claim paid		64.10	
1947 July 7	Mrs. H. Storey - balance claim paid	227.10		
July 21	Cheque to you	1,474.38		
	Cheque returned and re-credited			
			1,474.38	
		\$1,832.48	\$3,306.86	

CR \$ 1,474.38

Accounting Department
January 9th, 1948

COPY

File No. 6660

June 14th, 1944.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Reg. No. 14018,
P.O. Box 874,
Hope, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Shears has asked me to answer yours
of June 9th dealing particularly with your belongings
left in Haney.

Our usual procedure is to sell at auction,
all furniture and effects other than those of a strictly
personal, sentimental, or religious nature. In all cases,
very good prices are received.

As the insurance on your chattels expires on June
11th, we have instructed our representative to move them to
auction as promptly as possible. We expect soon to hear that
this has been done and that articles of a strictly personal,
sentimental, or religious nature have been stored in the Haney
Buddhist Temple.

It is difficult for this office to arrange for
evacuees to visit the protected area and we are afraid,
therefore, that your wife and daughter will not be able
to come to Haney.

Yours truly,

H.F. Green
Protection Department.

HFG:IF

Mr, Secretary P. O. Box, 874,
Japanese claim Hope, B. C.
Investigation
Commission,
Courthouse, Vancouver, B. C.

M.L.P.

6660

Dear Sir;

According to your recent circular to the claimant I enclosed a copy of my letter written to Mr, Shears Custodian office.

I lost the answer from him which I would like to show the Commissioner Bird. Kindly obtain a copy of his answer from Custodian office, my file number is 6660.

Also I wish to get an itemizwd statement of my account as at January 1st 1943 which showed in the enclosed statement Balance brought forward \$117.97 I want to know what made this amount.

Kindly return these papers with the copies you obtain for me.

Thanking in anticipation,

I am, Yours truly,

Y. Yamaga
Y. Yamaga.

To be heard in Kanetoo ps.

6660

February 21, 1948.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Reg. No. 6660,
Box 874,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The shares of the Maple Ridge Cooperative Produce Exchange have now been redeemed and it will be necessary for all certificates to be sent in to this office before distribution of the funds can be made.

Please forward to us any shares you may be holding in the above Cooperative, both in your own name and in the names of any other Japanese. We have been advised by several Japanese to apply to you for these certificates.

Yours truly,


C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

CHR/fm

Attention Mr. Reed.
Office of Custodian,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

P. O. Bx, 874,
Hope. B. C.
Feb 24th, 1948.

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Dear Sir;

I am in receipt of your letter regarding shares of Maple Ridge Co-op Produce Exchange and here I am sending share certificates of my own.

I can not understand those people who think I am holding their shares as I had to leave Haney ahead of most of them.

I recollect that some grower member owed some money to the Co-op and had to evacuate without paying debt, but left their share certificate with the Co-op office as security.

If this is the case you will find shares among documents you have taken over from the Co-op office in Haney.

Surely I had no time to take ^{even} my own valuables at the time with me, as my own has been kept in the safety box in the Bank of Montreal, I was able to get them later.

I never held other member's share personary but remember there were some held as security.

Hoping this explanation meet your approval,

Yours truly,

N. Yamaga

193 shares

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March 4, 1948.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Reg. No. 14018,
Box 874,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter enclosing Certificates covering 259 Shares in the Maple Ridge Co-operative Produce Exchange, and enclose our cheque for \$246.57 covering redemption of 193 Shares of the above Co-operative Exchange.

As stated above you enclosed in your letter 259 Shares, but Certificate #253 for 33 Shares was transferred to S. SHIMOJI on February 28, 1935, and Certificate #4, in the name of T. YAMANE, for 33 Shares was erased from the register in October, 1930.

Deducting these 66 Shares from the 259, there still remains 193 Shares in your name, for which we are enclosing cheque in payment.

When acknowledging receipt of this cheque in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, will you please confirm that the above statement is correct?

Yours truly,



C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

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Your File #6660
Register #14018.

P. O. Box, 874,
Hope, B. C.
March, 6th, 1948.

Attention Mr. Reed.
Custodian Office,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hasting St, W.
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir;

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter containing a cheque in amount of \$246.57 covering redeemed share of the Maple Ridge Co-op Produce Exchange at Haney, for which I thank you.

In regard to Certificate #4, and #253, I do not recollect why they were in my safekeep but I do remember that when T. Yamane, went back to Japan, I bought his share and secured that certificate as he was my nephew.

As to transfer of #253 to S. Shimoji, my nephew-in-law who lives P. O. Vermette, Manitoba. as I must have instructed my accountant to change name in the book, so you may remit 33 shares to him.

It may so happened that #4 being converted to #253 then #4 certificate should have been surrendered, however, if the total number of shares balances without 33 of #4 certificate we take it as cancelled.

Referring to your letter dated 5th, July 1947, also my undated letter answering to your letter, I wish state that I have presented my case before the Commissioner Bird and now I am prepared to accept the cheque for my credit balance at your office.

I enclose herewith please find the certificate of TITLE on lot 13. N.W. 1/4 sec 15. TP 12. that I held.

Yours very truly,

Y. Yamaga

1474 38
Cheque held

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March 9, 1948.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Reg. No. 14018,
Box 874,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:

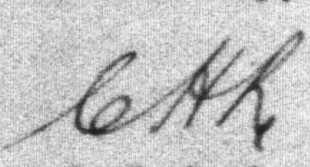
We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 6th instant, enclosing Certificate of Title No. 146749E, covering Lot 13, Northwest Quarter, Section 15, Township 12, Map 1973, D. N. W., Municipality of Maple Ridge.

Also we have noted your remarks in connection with the Shares of the Maple Ridge Co-operative Produce Exchange.

We attach hereto Custodian cheque in the amount of \$1,474.38, which represents the balance of your account with this office, and which amount was returned by you in your undated letter received July 19, 1947.

Kindly acknowledge receipt in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

Yours truly,


C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

CHR/fm
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File # 6660

Att: Mr. C. H. Reed
Office of Custodian
506 Royal Bank Building.
Hasting St.
Vancouver B.C.

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Dear Sir -

This is to acknowledge receipt
of your letter dated 9th inst. containing
your cheque in the amount of \$1,471.38
which represents the balance of my account
with the Custodian office for which
I thank you.

Yours Truly

Y. Yamaga
#14018.

Att, Mr, C. H. Reed,
Custodian Office,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

P. O. Box, 874,
Hope, B. C.

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Dear Sir;

Re- Maple Ridge Co-op Share

6988/13620. Mrs, Kiku, Ikeda. of North Kildnan, Manitoba
sent to me today two share certificates #717-45 shares 12392
and #614-42 shares asking me to redeem it. Paid to Treasury April 13/48

6964/13885 Keichi Ikeda her husband has repatriated
sometime in 1946. and left these shares to her.

I am enclosing herewith please find the
above numbered certificates for which kindly forward
share money to Mrs, Kiku, Ikeda. North Kildnan, Man.

8672/13772 I also received a letter From Mr, Makiji, Kajiura, Remitted April 9/48
c/o Tregunno Farm, St. Catharin, Ontario, stating
that the Custodian notified him that his name is not
found in the share book as he claimed 156 shares.

Mr, Kajiura was one of the promoters of the
Co-op and has been member of the Board of directors
for many years.

Although he admits that he has lost these
share certificates during the evacuation, also another
Co-op member D. Kitagawa, has lost his share certificates. Remitted April 9/48

These men, in my knowledge were very good
co-operator and would like to see that they will be
able to receive share money which they are entitle
to, through some legal means.

Would you be good enough to advise me if there
is any way to satisfy the Government that they are the
owners of certain shares and receive the money.

I remain, Yours very truly,

Y. Yamaga
Y. Yamaga,
Secretary

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May 12, 1948.

Mr. Y. YAMAGA,
Box 874,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Maple Ridge Co-operative Produce Exchange Shares

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your undated letter, enclosing certificates covering eighty-seven shares of the above Co-operative, in the name of Keichi IKEDA.

These shares have been redeemed, and the money was paid to the Dominion Government Treasury Office for remittance to IKEDA in Japan. Had we known that these shares had been turned over to Mrs. Kiku IKEDA, we could not have forwarded to her the redemption money without a letter of authority from her husband. Keichi IKEDA was the owner of ninety-seven shares, but certificate #678 for ten shares has not yet been received by us.

Regarding Makiji KAJIURA, this Japanese was the owner of 156 shares. These shares were redeemed and the proceeds sent to KAJIURA on April 9, 1948. We have on our files a letter from him acknowledging receipt of the money.

Regarding Denichiro KITAGAWA, 159 shares of the Maple Ridge Co-operative Produce Exchange were redeemed for this man and the proceeds sent to him on April 7, 1948. We have a receipt on our files from KITAGAWA for the money.

We have at no time refused payment to any Japanese for the redemption of certificates which have been lost or destroyed. We simply ask them to sign an undertaking that should these shares come into their possession at a future date, they will forward them to the Custodian's Office without delay.

Yours truly,

C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

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December 10th, 1948.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Reg. No. 14018,
Box 874,
Hope, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing, herewith, copy of letter dated February 16th, 1948, which we received from Mr. Takeo Fujishige, relative to shares in the Maple Ridge Co-operative Produce Exchange and we would ask you to please forward these Share Certificates to this office at your early convenience, as they have been redeemed and the proceeds are presently in the hands of the Custodian.

Mr. Takeo FUJISHIGE states he is the owner of these shares and, if such is the case, the funds held by us in this connection will be forwarded to him.

The particulars regarding these shares are as follows:

Cert. No. 47 - 36 Shares	Cert. No. 482 - 21 Shares
Cert. No. 199 - 20 Shares	Cert. No. 604 - 13 Shares
Cert. No. 296 - 18 Shares	Cert. No. 708 - 6 Shares

Your early attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

W. J. Johnston
Office of the Custodian

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Re: Y. YAMAGA - 14018

In English:

- 1 Book on Labour Organization
1 " " Religion Astray
1 " " Christian Science & Christianity Compared
1 " " A Lamp to the Path
1 " " May Christians Dance
1 " " Thrift
1 " " Farmers Guide
1 " " John Wesley's Life
1 " " Biblical History
1 " " Dante
1 " " God in British History
1 " " An Apostle to Youth
1 " " The Golden Treasury
1 " " Jungle Tales of Tarsan
1 " " International Route to the Sea
6 School Textbooks

In Japanese:

23 books

Pamphlets from "Far Eastern Review"

W. J. Hunter

WJJ/jb

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16th November, 1949.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
Regn. No. 14018,
Box 874,
Nepes, B.C.

Dear Sir:

We wish to advise that on the 15th November, 1949,
we shipped to you prepaid, by express, one box and one carton,
the contents of which we have noted.

Please acknowledge receipt of the goods forwarded at
your early convenience.

Yours truly,

W.J. Johnston,
Office of the Custodian.

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W. J. Johnston Esq
Office of Custodian
Royal Bank Building
Vancouver B.C.

70 Mile House, B.C.
Dec 5th /49

Dear Sir -

This is to acknowledge receipt of
two parcels of books you have forwarded
to me for which I thank you.

✓ Yours Truly

Y. Yamaga

File No. 6660

October 4th, 1949.

Re: Y. YAMAGA - 14018

The following is a list of the books found in a carton belonging to the above named Japanese in storage:

In English:

- 1 Book on Labour Organisation
- 1 " " Religion Astray
- 1 " " Christian Science & Christianity Compared
- 1 " " A Lamp to the Path
- 1 " " May Christians Dance
- 1 " " Thrift
- 1 " " Farmers Guide
- 1 " " John Wesley's Life
- 1 " " Biblical History
- 1 " " Dante
- 1 " " God in British History
- 1 " " An Apostle to Youth
- 1 " " The Golden Treasury
- 1 " " Jungle Tales of Tarsan
- 1 " " International Route to the Sea
- 6 School Textbooks

In Japanese:

23 books

Pamphlets from "Far Eastern Review"



WJJ/js

27th April 1949.

To: Mr. Shears

From: Mr. Braidwood

- storage plan has been
bungled.

Case No. 64 Y. Yamaga.

We show \$135 worth of goods removed to storage. Can you advise
me of the present location of same.

In inventory of things in Buckhart Temple Yancy
there are no goods under this man's name
However there is a long list of unidentified
goods including books - and set of
Book of Numbers

File No. 6660

MEMORANDUM

14th Nov. 1949.

TO: Mr. J.A. Macdonald

FROM: Mr. W.J. Johnston

Yasutaro YAMAGA - Regn. No. 14018
Case No. 64

Claiming \$6.00 for books in storage.

The following books in Custodian storage are being shipped to Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA today:-

1 carton containing 24 Japanese books mostly hard covered.

Biblical History
Labour Organization
God in Br. History
Thrift
May Christians Dance
Lamp to the Path
Christian Science (S-Back)
Christendom Astray

1 carton containing:

Algebra
English Grammar
Diary 1930
Geography
Eastward to the Sea
Jungle Tales of Tarzan
Hymn Book
Golden Treasury
School Song book
Scout book
2 School atlases
21 Note books
4 Japanese books
Loose Leaf Notes.

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C.c. to Mr. Good

W.J. Johnston.....

MR. B. GOOD

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(3 copies)

Re: Case No. 64 - Yasutaro YAMAGA . File 6660

Mr. Yamaga has made a claim for the following goods which Mr. Moyyson reported on June 2, 1944 were removed to storage in Buddhist Temple, Haney, B. C.

1 Steamer Trunk (cont. misc.). Straw suitcase, 1 bag of clothes,
8 suitcases (large & small), 26 boxes.

In Ex.#1 Yamaga states he is not claiming on the trunk but advises that the Trunk contained good quality chinaware, etc., for which his is claiming \$30.00. (Trans. 5 says it was "special fancy chinaware". ..china plates & dishes.

There is no statement on file revealing that the books were moved to the above storage but Custodian letter of August 12, 1947, to Mr. Yamaga advised that a number of boxes of personal articles, suitcases and steamer trunk were moved to the Buddhist Temple in Haney and stored there.

This Japanese is claiming:

6 boxes of encyclopaedia - B&N; of Knowledge & Teachers	- \$35.00
English & Japanese Books	55.00

Trans.4 - States he had religious and philosophic books in both English and Japanese; that some of the textbooks were in sociology and economics; that he had many collected in regard to coloured people in the United States, the Negro race, and in religion and some old studies of the Bibles; that they were relatively current textbooks

REAL PROPERTY:

Lot 13 of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 15, Tp. 12, Map 1973, Maple Ridge, D.N.W.
 Lot 14 of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 15, Tp. 12, Map 1973, Maple Ridge, D.N.W.
 Address 26- 18th Ave., Haney.

	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>S.S. B. Appraisal</u>	<u>V.L.A. Purchase</u>	<u>Claimant's Valuation</u>
Land	\$ 800.00	\$864.00		\$2200.00
Improvements	<u>1250.00</u>	<u>750.00</u>		<u>1500.00</u>
	\$2050.00	\$1614.00	\$1585.00	\$3700.00
			Less purchase price	<u>1585.00</u>
			Claim	<u>\$2115.00</u>

A 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ acre small fruit farm, having a dwelling, a garage and 3 sheds.
 Sold to the V.L.A. for \$1585.00 as at 1st January, 1943, with approval
 of the Advisory Committee, 1st June, 1943.
 Leased for \$100.00 per annum.

PERSONAL PROPERTY:

In making his claim for chattels, YAMAGA has placed his own valuation
 on the copy of the auction sheets sent to him by the Custodian, and has
 added a kitchen range and books.

The range was inventoried by our field representative, and was prob-
 ably left with the tenant. Regarding the steamer trunk and books,
 these were moved to storage at Haney Buddhist Temple.

YAMAGA in his claim states that he could not locate his chattels
 when he visited the Buddhist Temple August 30, 1947, as the place had
 been entered and ransacked.

His file does not indicate that goods were stolen from the Temple,
 however, the Buddhist Temple file indicates that the building had been
 forcibly entered as early as 2nd December, 1942.

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"
PART 1. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 92.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION.

B E F O R E
(THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE H.I. BIRD, COMMISSIONER)

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Kamloops, B.C.

February 10th, 1946.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
YASUTARO YAMAGI.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

20 APPEARANCES:

J.W.G. HUNTER, Esq., appearing for the
Dominion Government.

R.J. McMASTER, Esq., appearing for the
Claimant.

A. WATSON, Esq., Secretary.
G.H.R. UPTON, Esq., Official Interpreter.
T.P. HORROBIN, Esq., Official Reporter.

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Y. Yamaga,
In Chief.

YASUTARO YAMAGA, the claimant herein, being
first duly sworn, testified as
follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

Q Mr. Yamaga, is this your signature on this claim
form, and did you swear that declaration?

A Yes, sir.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, I would like to draw attention
to an error on the claim form in the subtraction
on the front page, an error of \$100.00. The amount
claimed should be \$100.00 less.

THE COMMISSIONER: \$2115.00.

MR. McMASTER: Yes; and, my lord, I would ask to strike
off the range which appears on the claim for
chattels in the sum of \$45.00, which is claimed,
I believe.

THE COMMISSIONER: A cook range, is that it?

MR. McMASTER: Yes, my lord.

Q Now, witness, did you ask Mr. Leckie to prepare a
statement with regard to your personal chattels?

20 A Yes, sir.

Q And did you give him the information that is contained
in that statement? A: I did.

Q Would you be good enough to sign it, please?
Are the statements contained therein true to the
best of your knowledge and recollection?

A Yes, sir.

MR. McMASTER: I file that as an exhibit, my lord.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

MR. McMASTER: On behalf of my learned friend I would
30 file the claims analysis, my lord, as Exhibit 2.

(CLAIMS ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

10 MR. McMASTER: I draw your Lordship's attention to Exhibit 1, if I might. At the left hand margin of the exhibit, you will see letters of the alphabet appearing, my lord, and referring to "C", "D" and "E", I think your Lordship will find these are the only items which the Custodian says did not come into his possession or were not disposed of, shall I put it that way, after I took out the stove that I asked to drop. The explanation with regard to these goods is set forth in the description of the storage of the goods. The items above were removed, apparently, to the Buddhist Temple and subsequently in August, 1947, the claimant went with the Custodian's agent, Mr. Anderson, to the Temple and none of the other items could be found, that is "C", "D", and "E", the books, the steamer trunk, and the bookcase and some books.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: But they were sent there by the claimant?

MR. McMASTER: By the Custodian.

THE COMMISSIONER: By the Custodian.

MR. McMASTER: Yes, that is my understanding.

Q Witness, these items of books and the steamer trunk packed with a quantity of chinaware and bookcase which were stored according to your statement in the Buddhist Temple in Hany, were they stored by yourself or by the Custodian's representative?

A By the Custodian's representative.

30 Q Who advised you they were stored there?

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A Yes.

Q Now with regard to the china that was packed in this steamer trunk, I take it from your statement you are making no claim for the steamer trunk itself but for the china that was packed in it?

A Yes.

Q What was the type of chinaware that you had packed in that trunk? A: My wife had certain fancy china plates and dishes and she had it packed in the trunk with her old clothing to protect them from breaking.

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Q And this wasn't chinaware which you used at the table every day? A: No.

Q It was special fancy chinaware? A: Yes.

Q Do you know the exact quantity that she had packed in the trunk? A: I don't swear, but my wife told me there are over \$50. or \$60. worth. We take half price on them and put it down at \$30.00, I remember.

20 Q Yes. Now, witness, did you instruct Mr. Leckie to prepare a statement with regard to your farm land?

A Yes, sir.

Q And is this the statement which he prepared, and did you give him the information?

A Yes.

Q Would you be good enough to sign the statement, please?

A Yes, sir.

Q The contents of this form with regard to your farm land, are they true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

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A Yes.

MR. MONASTER: I file that as the next exhibit, my lord.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

MR. MONASTER: My lord, before I proceed with the farm land, I wonder if I might have the claim form, please.

Q Witness, attached to your claim form are these orange coloured sheets, showing certain items sold at auction. From whom did you receive those?

10 A The Custodian.

Q Are the items referred to in these sheets, to the best of your knowledge, your property?

A Yes.

Q And on the right hand side of these sheets there appear some figures in pencil?

A Yes.

Q Did you put these figures on?

A I did.

Q Do these represent in your opinion the fair market value of the various items appearing on these sheets?

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A Yes, sir.

Q And these items which are written in in pencil at the end of the sheets, are these the same items that are referred to on Exhibit 1 which we filed with relation to your personal property?

A Yes.

Q Where is this property of yours situated, Mr. Yamaga?

A At Nancy. On 18th Avenue at Nancy.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is in the Village of Nancy, is it?

30 A The Municipality of Nancy, yes.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, you will notice from the statement that the property was purchased some time ago as bushland and the claimant has put in a considerable amount of work improving the property. In the statement at the foot of the page he states the basis of his disagreement with the appraisal which was made and for his own appraisal which I don't think I need to read, my lord.

10 Q Do these values which you have set forth on the statement with regard to your farmland represent the fair market value at the date the Soldiers Settlement Board took it in your opinion, witness?

A Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: Now when was this land sold by the Settlement Board?

MR. McMASTER: Well, my lord, it was taken over in this general scheme of things. Actually the sale took place in June, 1943, and allegedly the adjustments were made back to January 1st, 1943.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: The appraisal was made in 1943?

MR. McMASTER: No, in 1942, between June and August, I think.

MR. HUNTER: They were all made between May and August.

THE COMMISSIONER: There could not be much possibility in any of these properties of any considerable appreciation between evacuation and appraisal.

MR. HUNTER: There shouldn't be. A great many of the Japanese were still on their properties, my lord, when they were appraised.

30 MR. McMASTER: Q: Now, witness, at the time you left

Y. Yamaga,
In Chief.

your property, did your wife on your behalf enter into an arrangement, that is a rental arrangement, with a Mr. Rodenbush? At the time you and your family were evacuated, did your wife, on your behalf enter into a rental arrangement with a Mr. Rodenbush?

A Yes.

Q Do you recognize her signature on that document?

A Yes, that is her signature.

THE COMMISSIONER: What significance has that?

10 MR. McMASTER: It is just the fact, my lord, that some provision was made to get someone there. It wasn't just left vacant until such times as the Custodian took over. I don't think I need file the lease. It is a Soldier Settlement Board lease form. I would ask my friend to be good enough to produce a map he has in his file of the property.

Q Is that a picture of your premises, Mr. Yamaga-- of your house?

A: Yes, sure, the south side, yes.

20 Q South side?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: The document produced from the Custodian's file states this was taken February 23rd, 1943.

(PHOTOGRAPH MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

THE COMMISSIONER: Just before you go on with your cross-examination, would you announce your defence, Mr. Hunter?

MR. HUNTER: I am sorry, my lord. The defence will be that the real property was sold for its fair market value; also that the personal property sold was
30 sold for its fair market value. We may have to

Y. Yamaga,
In Chief.
Cross-Exam.

submit, my lord, of the items which we did not find and for which a claim was made that the values for these items are exorbitant.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. HORTON:

Q Mr. Yamaga, I understand that you were on the rural advisory committee and did a very good job -- a great deal of very good work, is that right?

10 A Well I have been sitting there on two or three meetings.

Q How long were you with that committee?

A About one month, I remember.

Q And then what? You resigned, did you?

A Yes.

Q And when you were on that committee, did you go out and look at any properties?

A I did.

Q Did you look at your own? A: No.

20 Q That is when you went out with the others and looked at properties, did you inspect your own as well as others?

A: Custodian's office give us a list of 17 properties representing our district, north and south Fraser Valley.

Q Yes. A: Which we went around and saw and appraised.

Q And when you went out there who was with you, by the way?

A: Mr. Menzies and Mr. McKenzie of New Westminster. Mr. Menzies is from Nanay.

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Q Yes, I knew him, and Mr. McKensie, was it?

A Yes, from New Westminster.

Q Just the three of you? A: Yes.

Q How long did that take?

A About three or four days, if I remember.

Q How many did you look at a day?

A 17 parcels.

MR. McMASTER: All together.

MR. HUNTER: Q: Yes. You can't be sure whether it was

10 3 or 4 days?

A I can't be sure.

Q Now when you were out there looking at these 17, did you look at your own property as well?

A No.

Q That wasn't one of the 17? A: No.

Q And you didn't look at your own property?

A Not mine.

Q Now the values which you have placed on these chattels of yours, Mr. Yamaga, as reasonable second-hand prices, have you ever done any auctioneering?

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A No.

Q Have you ever done any selling of second-hand property?

A: No.

Q Now when you come down to these textbooks, particularly on sociology, have you ever tried selling those second-hand?

A: No.

Q Would you agree when I say that while textbooks cost a great deal when you buy them new, when you go to sell them you get very little for them?

30 A I never sold them. I bought, but I never sold.

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Q Do you think I would be wrong when I say that.

A That may be so.

Q Now when you were on the committee, did you know what price the Soldier Settlement Board or what value they had placed on your property?

A I did not.

Q You didn't know at that time?

A No. I was working on the other properties and my own personal property didn't concern me at all as far as my duty was concerned.

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Q No, but I was wondering whether that information came to you about your own property while you were on the committee there?

A No.

Q You never knew about it?

A: No.

MR. HUNTER: My lord, in view of the fact that Mr. Yamaga was on the advisory committee, it may be necessary to have him called later to verify some things that did occur on that committee. And I should like, if necessary, to reserve the right to call Mr. Yamaga later and have him there to give any information that might be helpful.

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THE COMMISSIONER: That would be your privilege. You would then call him as your witness. You perhaps have an advantage in having him under cross-examination now.

MR. HUNTER: No, I am not trying to decimate Mr. Yamaga.

THE COMMISSIONER: I appreciate that, Mr. Hunter.

There can be no question of your right to call him subsequently.

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MR. HUNTER: I think that is all.

THE COMMISSIONER: Just as you would call any other witness.

MR. HUNTER: I just didn't want it to be claimed that this was my chance where it may be in connection with something entirely different.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes. I think we must treat witnesses called in respect of specific claims as witnesses on those claims only, and not witnesses before the Commission for general purposes.

MR. HUNTER: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: Having regard, my lord, to the fact that my friend may call Mr. Yamaga again as his witness, I perhaps don't need to spend much time on re-examination. I would like to perhaps cover one or two points in case my friend changes his mind.

THE COMMISSIONER: Don't count too strongly on that.

RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

20 Q Witness, what is your occupation, or what was your occupation aside from farming?

A I was manager of the Berry Growers Shipping Organization in Nanay.

Q And in that connection did you have occasion to visit and observe a large number of farms owned by Japanese persons in the Fraser Valley?

A Yes. Besides looking after our own Co-operative Association, I worked long years, mostly winter time, and organized the berry growers in various districts and urged them to join the B.C. Berry

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Growers Federation all over the Fraser Valley, that is in order to sell all B.C. berries through one channel.

Q Yes.

A: In that experience I came in contact with the leaders in the various districts who has some problem about price of land or clearing up, or one thing and another, so I do know something about local condition of the various districts of the Fraser Valley.

10 Q Witness, would you suspect it may have been by reason of that knowledge that you were invited to sit on the Advisory committee to the Custodian?

THE COMMISSIONER: I think it is fair to say the Custodian probably got him because he was a qualified man.

MR. McMASTER: Q: You have mentioned Mr. Mensies. Who is Mr. Mensies?

A He is a friend of mine and his business is a real estate business in Haney.

20 Q Does he have a fairly wide knowledge of properties in the Fraser Valley?

A He has, to my knowledge.

Q And Mr. McKennie, who is he? A: He was a real estate man in New Westminster, having an office in New Westminster--a real estate man.

Q And you and Mr. McKennie and Mr. Mensies were requested by the Custodian to act on the Committee. When was that, 1943 or 1942?

A 1943.

Q In what month in 1943?

30 A I think it was March, 1943.

Q You were requested, the three of you, to make appraisals of 17 pieces of land?

A Yes.

Q And the Custodian gave you the descriptions of these lands, that is the legal description?

A Yes.

Q And did the three of you make independent appraisals?

A Yes.

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Q With regard to the 17 appraisals of land and the variation, what variation was there between your appraisals, Mr. Mensies' appraisals, and Mr. McKennie's appraisals? A: Well, usually we take the same car and go to the same places and then we go around and look at buildings and property, soil, location, and we evaluate by ourselves, and at night at the hotel we compare our prices.

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It was a very amazing thing to see the variation of three of our prices as being very close to each other, and I recall to my memory that my price and Mr. Mensies were very close. We thought it was both living in the same district, and both have knowledge of the market price sold and paid in the same district, and Mr. McKennie was a little lower because he was in the New Westminster District.

MR. HUNTER: I don't wish to object to this, because I am very interested in hearing it but I am wondering whether it is relevant to this case, or better to have it in a general way sometime.

THE COMMISSIONER: Well, it is most interesting.

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There is this about it, that one would still have to

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keep in one's mind in evaluating that evidence that probably few of us who are human are not likely to err in respect of the value of something of our own that has gone.

MR. McMASTER: Yes, my lord. The only reason I pursued it is my friend introduced it. It wasn't my intention to pursue it.

THE COMMISSIONER: I won't stop you if you wish to go on.

MR. HUNTER: I am thinking of the transcript, my lord.

10 I don't think my friend wants it all on this particular file. If he is going to continue with this gentleman, then I think he would rather have it in some other way.

THE COMMISSIONER: Do you desire it for this particular case, Mr. McMaster?

MR. McMASTER: I do in dealing with this particular case. I don't think I have any objection and I might say in this respect it would appear to me that evidence which is given in any particular case --

20 THE COMMISSIONER: -- has an application?

MR. McMASTER: --should have application generally. I don't think one would be restricted from using it in a general application in this type of proceeding.

Q You just suggested, Mr. Yamaga, in some instances Mr. McKennie's valuations were lower and you express an opinion for the reason for that, which was because he was engaged in the real estate business in the city of New Westminster?

A Yes.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Q: And was not so familiar with rural

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conditions, that is what you mean?

A Yes.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Now, witness, can you advise us with regard to these 17 cases in approximate figures whether they were greater or less than the appraisal by the Soldiers Settlement Board?

A Very much different.

Q Yes; how much difference in your recollection?

A I can't give you the figure, but just rough figure.

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Our average appraisal was higher than Municipal assessed value and Municipal assessed value was away higher than the Soldiers Settlement Board appraisal.

THE COMMISSIONER: Q You are now speaking of Soldier Settlement Board appraisals made by the Board for its own purposes, not in connection with the 750 appraisals with which the Custodian is concerned, is that right? You see, the Soldier Settlement Board have for years been in that farm land business?

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A Yes.

Q In respect to the remark you made just now, are you relating it to their appraisals generally, or to particular appraisals made, particularly in relation to the lands that were at one time held by the Custodian?

A: Your Lordship, I understand the Soldier Settlement Board has figured on these particular 17 appraisals that we went over.

MR. McMASTER: He is referring to the 17 appraisals, my lord.

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THE COMMISSIONER: I see. These were Japanese properties.

MR. McMASTER: Yes. I think my friend will admit there were 17 of the appraisals involved in the 750 sold.

MR. HUNTER: These 17 are all set forth in the Public Accounts Committee records which have been published and accurate figures can be given which apparently the witness cannot remember.

10 MR. McMASTER: Q: Now, witness, my learned friend asked you as to whether you had left the committee advising the Custodian?

A Yes, I did resign.

Q Would you advise my lord as to why you left that committee?

20 A: I attended two meetings, sitting with Soldiers Settlement Board and Custodian officials, discussing about the price and it was a very low price, in fact lower than Municipal assessed value for tax purposes; so I protested for the interest of the owner and the Soldiers Settlement Board was firm in the price they offered which was in my mind an unfair price, and the meeting had a tendency to dispose of Japanese property at that price because they had orders from Ottawa it had to be disposed of, and Soldier Settlement Board sit tight in certain prices and Custodian was going to sell it. So I myself couldn't agree to it, so I tendered my resignation to the chairman.

Q Was this before or after you had been engaged by the Committee to make these appraisals of the 17 pieces of land?

30 A: After.

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MR. McMASTER: That is all, my lord.

MR. HUNTER: May I re-cross exam, my lord?

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

RE-CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. HUNTER:

Q Did you give those reasons which you have just alleged as your reason for resigning when you resigned?

A: Yes.

Q How did you give them? Did you give them in writing?

10 A Yes.

Q To whom?

A: The chairman, Judge Whiteside.

Q And in that resignation you gave those reasons which you have just given now?

A Yes.

Q You are sure of that?

A Yes.

Q Absolutely sure of it? A: I am sure.

Q Did you give the same reasons at the meeting where you resigned? The letter was written some time after, wasn't it -- the formal letter of resignation?

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A The same night; yes, I mailed it to the chairman.

Q Did you give these same reasons at the meeting when you resigned?

A Well I protested and I didn't agree with the attitude of Custodian to sell at that price.

Q And did you say, "Gentlemen, because of my objection to the way you are handling this property, I am resigning", or did you just resign?

30 A I just resigned.

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Q How many of those properties did you actually appraise yourself -- just the 17?

A Well, it was asked by Gustafson to appraise those 17 particular parcels.

Q Yes, I know about those 17, but was that the only time you went out appraising them?

A Yes, and other time I went around and look and see the condition of the Japanese property.

10 Q Now of those 17, or on those 17, isn't it a fact that your appraisals were almost uniformly higher than the other two? A: Yes.

Q And that Mr. Menzies' were lower than yours, generally speaking? A: Yes, just a little bit.

Q And Mr. McKennie's were still lower?

A Yes.

Q Wasn't that the way it went, Mr. McKennie was the lowest, then Mr. Menzies next, and yours the highest? A: Yes.

20 Q Is that the way? A: Yes.

Q Did you disagree with the policy of sale or just with the price? A: Price.

Q You agree the properties should be sold as a matter of policy, did you?

A Well I couldn't say anything against the policy because it is a Government order, but the price named was unfair to the owner. That is what I thought myself.

30 Q But don't you remember the Committee while you were still making a recommendation -- don't you

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remember the Committee, while you were still on it,
making a recommendation to Ottawa for a policy of
sale?

A: Well that is the meeting
I attended.

Q You agree with the policy of sale providing the price
was fair, didn't you? A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, I hesitate carrying this on
because I can see it could go on indefinitely, but I
would like to know by what right my friend carries on
re-cross examination without a re-examination.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Because in your re-examination you
were introducing an entirely new subject, that is
why I let him go on.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, I submit I wasn't.

THE COMMISSIONER: He did not object to it at the time.

MR. McMASTER: I don't want to carry on with it indefinitely,
but there are two questions I would like to put to
this man.

THE COMMISSIONER: Go ahead.

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RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

Q You stated, witness, and is this correct, that you
took the attitude with regard to the sale of
this property that it had been ordered by the
Government?

THE COMMISSIONER: Now, just a minute. This man is
your witness. Do not tell him what you wish him
to say.

MR. McMASTER: I am sorry, my lord.

30 Q Would you just repeat what your attitude was with

regard to the policy of sale of Japanese farm property?

A Well I myself thought under the War Measures, Ottawa ordered the disposal of Japanese properties. I myself thought it must be done but price and method, without consent, or discussion with owner, wasn't fair enough.

10 Q Now with regard to the difference between the valuations of yourself and Mr. Mensies, did you state whether that difference was much or small?

A Well it was very small.

Q Yes, and with regard to the valuations made by Mr. McKensie and Mr. Mensies, did you state what the difference was there?

A Not very much. Just about the same difference as my price and Mr. Mensies.

20 Q Yes, and in giving the recommendation or the report to the committee, did you each report your respective valuations, or how did you make your report on those 17 pieces of property?

A Well I don't remember exactly what I have done, but I presume we averaged and struck up an average price of the three of ours.

Q An average appraisal for the three?

A Yes.

MR. HUNTER: If the witness doesn't remember, I don't see much point in drawing some conclusion.

MR. McMASTER: That is all, my lord.

(Witness aside)

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(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

J. P. Harrobin
"T.D. HARROBIN"
Official Reporter.

BRIEF

Notes in Defence

Yasutaro YAMAGA

File No. 6660

Case No. 64

Kamloops, B. C.
February 10, 1948.

V.L.A. Deal

- Claims: 1. Land and Buildings
2. Chattels

Claim 1. Land \$2200.00

Sold for:

appraised
~~claim~~

Buildings 1500.00

\$3700.00

\$1585.00

~~\$2115.00~~

Robinson appr.

Claim 2. Chattels \$383.00

Sold for:

249.00

Auction

\$68.30

27%

135.00

Stored

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Transcript - Page 11: *revised* Mr. Hunter ~~received~~ the right to call YAMAGA later to verify some things that occurred on the advisory committee.

Submission:

Real Property sold for fair market value.
Personal Property sold for fair market value.

Of the items which were not found and for which a claim was made the prices are exorbitant.

RWN/CH

*Received 50 from
62 50
add 6*

Name of Claimant **YAMAGA, Yasutaro**

Case

64

Custodian File

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<u>REAL PROPERTY</u>										
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		
					1585	1539.41			1539.41	✓
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>										
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear								
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column			
<u>NETS</u>										
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price		Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing		Percentage Total Award to Total Claim		Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing		Apply % ratio to Claim		Deduct Custodian Sale Price
<u>MISCELLANEOUS CHATELS</u>										
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price			
215.00	68.30	20.49	31.33%	92.50	28.98		49.47 ✓			
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										1589.58 ✓

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October 12th, 1950.

Mr. Yasutaro YAMAGA,
70 Mile House, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 64

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 ... \$1,688.88.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$1,617.62
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 71.26
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

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1 encl.

F.G. Shears
Director