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BUSINESS

BUREAU POWELL STREET
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE No. 14516 C
EXHIBIT No. 1612/28
DATE 16/2/48
FILED BY M. Z. Hunter

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: KOBARA, Chikanori

HOME ADDRESS: 14th Ave., R.R. # 1, Haney, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 13605 SEX: Male AGE: 40

OCCUPATION: Farmer

(If any business or businesses carried on, state where, under what name and whether carried on by yourself or in partnership with anyone; if partnership, give partner's name.)

EMPLOYER: Self

MARRIED? yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Fuji 8498

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: 14th Ave., R. R. #1, Haney, B. C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Chizuko (F)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: 14th Ave., R. R. # 1, Haney, B. C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 2.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 14th Ave., R. R. #1, Haney, B. C.
Haney, B. C. Roll No. 2523, Subdivision 2 P.t.n.s., S. E. Quarter,
Sec. Lot 32 in the District of Maple Ridge, B. C.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 5 room frame house, 1 barn,
1 garage and 1 wood shed.

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) \$32.00 per year payable at Municipality of
Maple Ridge, B. C. 1941 taxes paid.

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Occupied by owner. Mr. D. Lem-
bark, Haney, B. C. is going to look after house and the key will be
turned over to him when declarant is evacuated. If rented
furniture may be used by tenant.

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: Land Registry Office, New West. I. B. C.

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

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN: Strawberries, (4 acres) and

5 acres of raspberries, and 200 fruit trees, 1 acre of rhubarb.

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: none

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: none

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: none

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: none

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

none

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: none

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

1 kitchen stove, 1 heater, 3 beds, complete with spring and mattresses,

1 sofa, 8 chairs, 3 tables, 2 looking glasses, 1 chest drawers in

1 harrow, 1 big spade, 2 shovels, 6 forks in owner's possession at

R.R.#1, Haney, B. C. and when declarant is evacuated, the above articles

will be left in present location and Mr. Lemberk, Haney, is going to

look after them. 1 plough in owner's possession and to be left in the

wood shed when owner is evacuated under the care of Mr. Lemberk, Haney,

B. C.

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: none5. 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) _____

NOTEM. E. Suzuki
Mr. E. D. Suzuki, 14th Ave., R.R. #1, Haney, B. C. owes \$160.00.for building a greenhouse in 1941 (November)

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

20---\$5.00 War Savings Certificates in owner's possession.8. BANK ACCOUNTS: Bank of Montreal, Main & Hastings, Van, B. C. \$550.00.
Acct. No. unknown. Royal Bank, Main & Hastings, Van, B. C. \$250.00.9. LIFE INSURANCE: Sun Life. \$1,000.00. Policy No. unknown.Beneficiary, wife, Fuji. Policy in owner's possession.10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: none11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: none**LIABILITIES:**1. PERSONAL DEBTS: none2. TRADE DEBTS: none

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

I certify that the above information is true and complete and fully discloses all my property of every description in any protected area in British Columbia and sets forth all my liabilities direct and indirect.

Dated this 9th day of May 1942.A. J. McArthur

Witness

(Signature) Shikanori Kohara

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE _____

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

Nov 18/42

Full Name KOBARA, Chikanori
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 13605

Male - Female
(check)

Age

April 4/1902

Former Address

R.R #1, Naney, BC

Date Evacuated

19/3/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

Lillooet, B.C.

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife Fuji

13604

Name of Husband

Name of Mother TATEYAMA, Iem

Name of Father

KOBARA, Sakayama

Names of Children under 16

Chizuko (F) 25/4/40

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Registered with Custodian
(yes or no)

Yes

Requested By Evelyn Bridson

Additional Information

Farmer

Owner of 14 Acres + Buildings

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Chikanori KOBARA Reg. No. 13605 File No. 8272.

CATALOGUE NO: Sold by Special Arrangement, The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.
BC/64-P. First Offer.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 343 - 14th Avenue, Haney, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Two parts (0.116) of an acre and (13.659) acres of the South East quarter of Section 32, Township 12, as shown and outlined Red on Sketch No. 7680, Municipality of Maple Ridge, D. N. W.

TITLE: Registered in the name of Chikanori KOBARA.

ENCUMBRANCES: None registered. No indication of any unregistered charges.
Vesting Order filed No. 24684, dated August 31st, 1942.

ASSESSED VALUES: Land - \$700.00
Improvements - \$600.00 - \$1300.00. Taxes - \$29.47.

CLASSIFICATION: Fruit Farm with dwelling and out-buildings.
The Custodian's representative reported on September 28th, 1942, that this property had an area of 13.659 acres - 6 acres cleared (rest bush), planted to the following crops: 4 acres strawberries $1\frac{1}{4}$ acres raspberries $\frac{1}{8}$ acre rhubarb, 200 mixed fruit trees.
1 - 1 storey 5 room dwelling 22' x 32' - just fair condition.
1 woodshed 12' x 14' - poor. 1 packing shed 12' x 16' - poor.
1 packing shed 12' x 14' - fair. 1 barn 24' x 26' - poor.
1 toolshed 4' x 5' x 8' high - poor.

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: It appears that Chikanori KOBARA made an arrangement with Mr. Ernest Lemberg, who lived next door, that he was to pick the 1942 crop and pay the Taxes, which was done.
The Custodian gave a lease No. 183, on 5th March, 1943, to Ernest Lemberg for a term of 1 year from 1st January, 1943 to 31st December, 1943. Consideration \$30.00 payable 1st August, 1943. Paid.
Buildings included, space reserved for storing chattels.
Lease handed to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act, August 9th, 1943.

SOLD: To The Director, The Veterans' Land Act for \$672.00 as at 1st January, 1943.
Approval of Advisory Committee - 1st June, 1943.
Funds released to the credit of Chikanori KOBARA as at May 9th, 1944, against which were charges for Registration Fees - \$3.00, Legal Fees - \$15.00, leaving a credit of \$654.00 from said transaction.

transaction.

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In view of the rents for 1943 having been collected by the Custodian, a cheque for \$30.00, covering same, was issued to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act on November 17th, 1943.

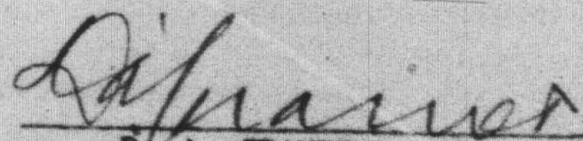
OLD CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

No. 147193-E Chikanori KOBARA declared on his JP Form, signed 19th March, 1942, that the Title Documents were on deposit in the Land Registry Office, New Westminster, B. C.

Certificate of Title No. 169441-E in the name of The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

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

June 13th, 1946.


D. A. CRAMER.

DAC:JS

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S.S. Form No. 49
(Sheet 1)

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Farm Appraisal Report

File No. J.L.246

Land Description 2 Ptns. 0.116 of an ac. and 13.659 ac. of S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 32, Tp. 12. Sk. 7680.

Containing 13.775 Acres

Owner's Name Chikanori - Kohara

Post Office Address Haney, B.C.

Nearest Rail Point Haney, B.C.

Distance 3 miles

Market Town New Westminster, B.C.

Distance 26 "

Church (give denomination) Haney - All Denominations

Distance 5 "

Nearest School Haney, B.C.

Distance 5 "

State how property was identified: Map location and corner posts.

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DATE

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

Has direct access to 14th Avenue; poor gravel road in this section.

Is this district a good one? No, but included in co-operative marketing.

Employment opportunity Very limited in this locality.

Predominating Nationality and religion: Immediate neighbours, Japanese.

Describe Fencing and its condition: Short fence on east.

Value \$

Water supply: From well

Value \$

Electricity: No power available - no light installed.

BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	24 x 30	Frame	1 st.	Shgle.	15	Wood	Poor	\$ 400.00
Shed	12 x 12	"	1 "	"	15	"	"	15.00
	x							
BARN	24 x 27	"	1 "	Shake	12	"	"	30.00
	x							
BARN	x							
	x							
GRANARY	x							
	x							
	x							
	x							
	x							

Total present day value \$ 445.00

\$ 400.00

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? Poor type of buildings but will serve the purpose for a time with only

minor repairs.

Describe the basement and chimneys: No basement; brick chimney to ground.

No. rooms downstairs? 4 Upstairs? Nil How finished Wood

Are buildings painted? None Condition of paint -

Distance from nearest bush Approximately 30 yards.

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

Cultivated Land

BC/64-P
BC/3052-B

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ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
4.51	Level	Sandy loam 12" to 15"	Gravelly	Mixed small crops	\$50	225.50
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
2.5	Level to undulating	Sandy loam 12"-15"	Gravelly	Clearing, stumping breaking.	\$150 to \$175	\$10
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	
6.765	Rolling, creek bottom and banks too steep to work.			A small cordwood value	\$5	

Total value of Land \$ 284.32

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$ 400.00

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

Total value of farm \$ 684.32

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:
Property not occupied - land is in weedy condition and growth indicates a low state of fertility.

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

Noxious weeds:

Some Canada Thistle and Couch grass, and numerous less serious weeds.

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

Maple Ridge Municipality
Improvements assessed at \$600.00
Land " " \$700.00 - Taxes 1942 - \$29.47.

Date: June 10th, 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 9th day of June 1942.

Inspector's Signature

"D. DODDING"

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

Farm Appraisal Report

Remarks: This is a poor type of farm in an outlying location. The soil is quite light, showing gravel in spots, and also larger float stones throughout the cleared land. The general topography of the land is such that comparatively little extension can be carried out.

The buildings are of poor type and structure, but will be serviceable for a time. The property is rented to E. Lemberg for the duration for the payment of the annual taxes, and to keep the land clean this year he plowed and seeded to clover with a nurse crop of grain 2.29 acres and will similarly treat the old strawberry plot when the few berries are picked.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

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

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

ORCHARDS, SMALL FRUITS, ETC.

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

			Present Value
<u>CROPS</u>			\$
Strawberries - old	-	.72	\$
Raspberries - fair	-	1.03	\$
Grain seeded to clover	-	2.29	\$
Old Garden and buildings		.47	\$
		4.51	\$
<u>Might be Cleared</u>	-	2.5	\$
<u>Waste Land</u>	-	6.765	\$
		13.775	\$
			Total \$

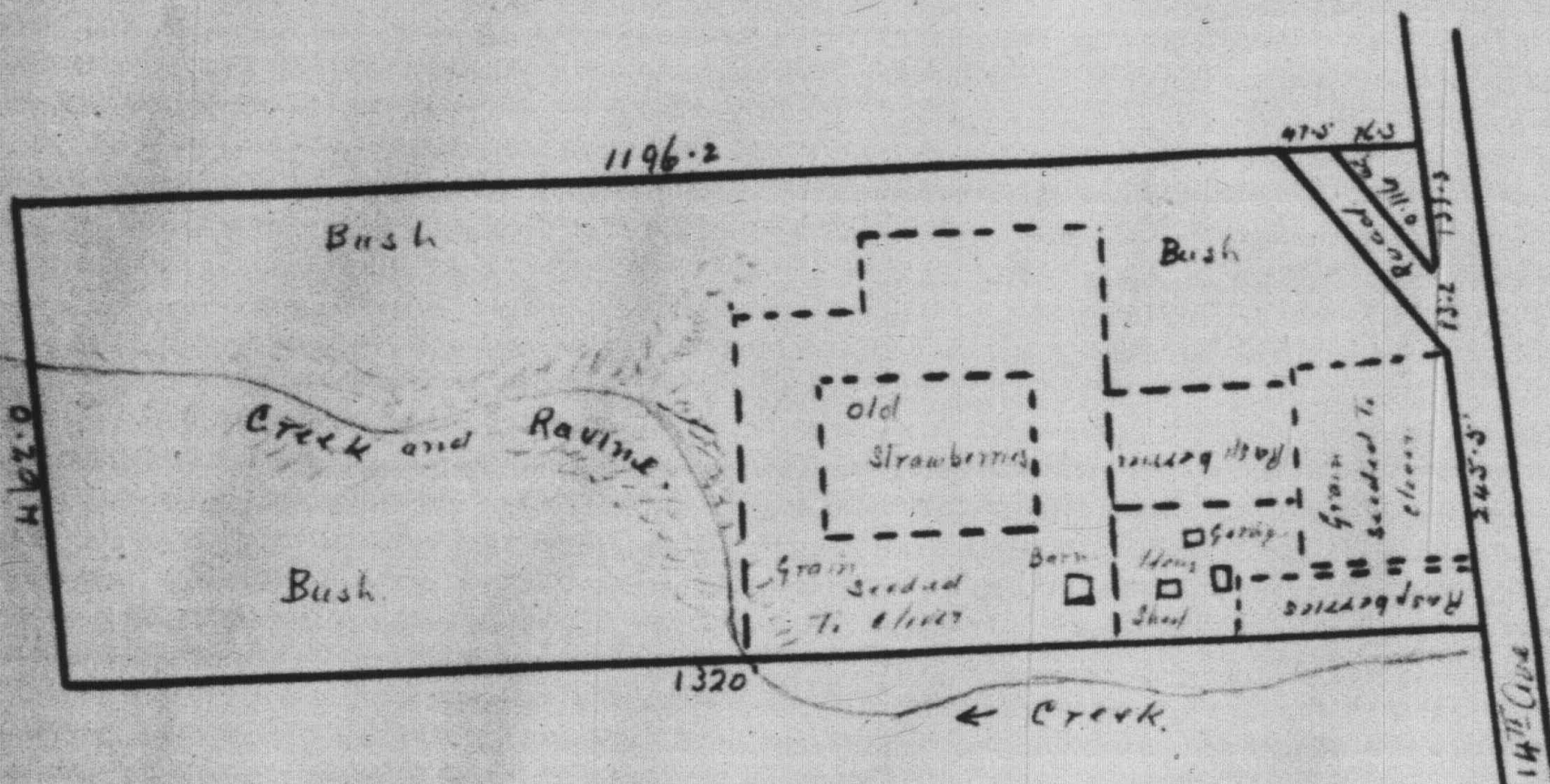
Amount fruit trees add to value of farm \$

Diagram of Property

2 (m. - out of area. and - 13.659 ac. of SE 1/4 Sec. 32 Tp 12. Sketch - 1600.
Chikanori Kohara.



Scale 200' = 1"



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

value is \$ 600

Date 13th June 19 42.

"I.T. BARNET"

District Superintendent.

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SOLDIER SETTLEMENT and VETERANS' LAND ACT

BC/64P
File No. (JL-246)

Vancouver, B.C.

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

KOBARA, Alikanori

Dear Sir:-

WKC Re: Two parts (0.116 of an acre) and
13 (30.659 acs) of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 32,
Tp. 12, shown Red on Sketch 7680.
MUNICIPALITY OF MAPLE RIDGE

I beg to acknowledge receipt of Duplicate
Certificate of Title No. 169441-E of the New Westminster
Land Registry Office for the above parcel of land in the
name of The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

Included in the Veterans' Land Act cheque
for \$ 20,576.21, in favour of The Secretary of State,
forwarded to you and dated March 14th, 1944, is the
amount of the purchase price in full of the above land
arrived at as follows:-

Purchase Price	- \$ 672.00 ✓
Less arrears of taxes to January 1st, 1943,	- \$ -
Amount paid to Secretary of State -	672.00 ✓

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

Yours truly,

W.K. Chandler

W.K. Chandler,
LEGAL ADVISER.

WKC/W

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

APR 28 1944

Date

Solicitor for
The Secretary of State

Canada

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

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

File No. 8272
Reg. No. 13605

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Mr. Chikanori KOBARA,
Lillooet, B. C.

MAY 30 1944

Dear Sir:

Re: 14th Avenue, R. R. #1, Nancy, B. C.
S.W. 1/4 of Maple Ridge, Two parts (0.116) of an acre and (13.659) acres
of the S.E. 1/4 of Sec. 32, Township 12 as shown and outlined red on
sketch No. 7680, Dis. of New Westminster, C. of B. 50105.

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	\$ 672.00
Add:	
Unexpired insurance premium as at January 1st, 1943	672.00
Less:	
Tax arrears to December 31st, 1942	\$ 3.00
Registration fee	3.00
Encumbrance—Principal	
—Interest	3.00
Net proceeds of sale	\$ 669.00

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.

\$51.21	\$720.21	CR \$669.00
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50.21

Cheque to you

July 23

1961 Income Tax refund

June 18

Land Registry Office C/E

\$ 1.00

Credit re Sale of Property

Jan. 1

\$669.00

1962

Debit

Credit

Balance

FIRE INSURANCE SUMMARY

File No. 8272.

Chikamori KOBARA -- Reg. No. 13605.

The above named Japanese declared on his JP Form,
signed 19th March, 1942, that he carried no Fire Insurance
on his property. This was found to be correct.

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

June 13th, 1946.


D. A. CRAMER.

DAG:JS

LIABILITY SUMMARY

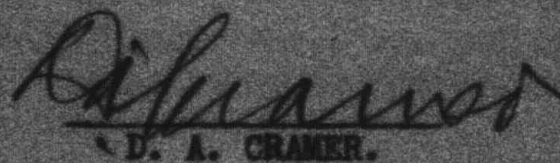
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Chikanori KOBARA - Reg. No. 13605.

The above named Japanese declared on his JP Form, signed 19th March, 1942, that he had no Personal or Trade Debts, and we can find no evidence of any claim having been filed against him.

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

June 13th, 1946.


D. A. CRAMER.

DAC:JS

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

4th January, 1947

File No. 8272

Re: Chikanori KOBARA - Reg. No. 13605

CHATELS: Chikanori KOBARA registered with this office on the 9th May, 1942, at which time he declared leaving on his property at Haney, a number of household goods and a few farm implements. Our fieldmen inventoried the property on the 28th September, and it is noted that the articles listed were of poor quality. A copy of the inventory was sent to KOBARA for signature, and was returned by him signed on the 28th November, 1942. The goods were removed and sold by public auction in March and April 1945, for the net sum of \$16.59.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE: A cheque in the amount of \$51.21, being refund of income tax for 1941 was sent in to this office to KOBARA's credit by the Department of National Revenue. KOBARA wrote in to this office asking that we collect a refund of \$21.00 from his 1940 Income Tax return. The Dept. of National Revenue informed us that there was a refund of \$9.88 owing to him, but had no record of any further amount due KOBARA. Upon receipt of the \$9.88 no further action was taken.

KOBARA when registering with this office, declared he had \$160.00 owing to him by Masaru EBISUZAKI. EBISUZAKI informed this office that the claim was against his wife and had been reduced to \$71.00. On the 27th December, 1946, KOBARA informed this office that his claim against the EBISUZAKIS had been paid in full.

BONDS & INVESTMENTS: KOBARA declared he had some War Savings Certificates in his possession but these were not brought under control by the Custodian.

LIFE INSURANCE: He also declared a \$1000.00 Sun Life Insurance policy but this was not brought under the control or administered in any way by the Custodian.

BANK ACCOUNT: KOBARA stated he had two accounts one at the Bank of Montreal, and one at the Royal Bank of Canada, both at Main & Hastings, Vancouver. These were not brought under control by the Custodian.

This file reveals no other personal property.

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

W.E. Harrison
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R E P O R T
ON EVACUATED JAPANESE PROPERTY

File No. _____

MUNICIPALITY: MAPLE RIDGE.

Date: Sept. 28, 1942.

NAME: KOHARA, Chikanori.

REGISTRATION NO. 13605.

ADDRESS: 343-14th. Ave., Haney, B.C.

PROPERTY:

ACREAGE: 13.659 6 acres cleared, rest bush.

KIND OF CROPS: Straws. Rasps. Rhubarb. Fr. Trees.

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF EACH: 4. 1 $\frac{1}{4}$. $\frac{1}{8}$. 200.(mixed)

HOUSE: 1 Storey. VACANT: Yes. OCCUPIED

DESCRIPTION Frame. ROOF: Shingle.

SIZE: 22 x 32. NO. OF ROOMS 5.

CONDITION: Just fair.

OTHER BUILDINGS: Woodshed 12' x 14'(poor) Packing shed 12' x 16'(poor)
Packing shed 12' x 14'(fair) Barn 24' x 26'(poor) Toolshed 4'x5'x8' high.
NAME OF LESSEE OR RENTOR: None. (poor)

TERMS:

WATER: Well. ON: OFF:

LIGHT: ON: OFF:

REMARKS: House is poorly finished inside and shabby outside. Kitchen is very poor. All outside buildings are in poor condition. House was found with doors locked, and windows securely fastened.

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS LEFT ON PROPERTY

See attached lists.

Note:

Mr. E. Lemberg, who lives next door to 2844-27th. Rd., Haney, B.C., says he had permission from the owner to pick this years crop, which he has done, if he paid the taxes, this also has been done.

Mr. Lemberg is not interested in this farm for 1943 as he wishes to lease the property of YONEYAMA, Rikizo. at 2844-27th. Rd., Haney, B.C., which he has already applied for to the S.S.B.

Chattels mentioned on the "JP" which are missing:

- 1 Harrow.
- 1 Big spade.
- 6 Forks.(only 3 found)
- 2 Mirrors.(only 1 found)

Mr. Lemberg said that KOHARA took some tools with him, but is not sure of how many or what.

Signed:

J. Morison
W. A. Stinson

Sept. 28, 1942.

INVENTORY OF CHATELS LEFT ON PROPERTY
OF

KOHARA, Chikanori
#13605.
343-14th. Ave., Haney, B.C.

In the house.

Cook stove & poker.
Wooden Jap. tub.
1 Lunch kit.
2-5gal. Stone crocks. (1 cont.
ctn. of cotton batten.)
2 Crockery bowls.
8 Sake bottles.
Sml. quantity of dishes.
Coffee percolator.
Few Kitchen utensils.
Sml. fish weighing scale.
2 Sml. tables. (HM)
1 Hoe.
2 Manure forks.
1 DB Axe.
1 Trowel.
1 pr. Child's rubber boots.
Lge. pr. scissors.
17 Berry trays.
Spindle cont. heavy twine.
1 Peavey.
Sml. brush hook.
300' 1/2" cable, with 2 blks. & 3 hooks.
Galv. wash tub.
Ctn. (cont. old clothes)
Ctn. (cont. Jap. tub)
120# Berry wire.
1 Dish pan.
2 Lanterns.
Sml. cooler.
2 Lge. Jap. tubs.
1 Screen door.
5 Kitchen chairs. (1 is Broken)
High chair.
Heater & 2 poker.
Dresser.
2 Lamps.
Cupboard. (HM)
Kitchen table. (HM)
Sml. roll 2" belting.
2 Beds & 3 mattresses, with
2 blankets & 1 quilt.
1 Bed & spring.
Wash stand.
1-1# ctn. Rotex Insect Powder.
Sml. quantity of old clothes.
2 Boxes. (cont. old clothes)
Platform scale.
Baby's crib.
Sml. shrine.
Couch.
2 Linoleum rugs.

In the woodshed.

Cross cut saw. (no handles)
15 Berry trays.
1 Sml. scythe.
Baby's chair.
1 Mattock.
1 Hoe. (no handle)
1 Potato fork.
1 Lge. barrel.
1 Wheelbarrow.
1 Cord wood.
50-18' poles. (old)

In Packing shed.

10 Berry trays.
1 Bent shovel.
Cross cut saw. (no handles)
Galv. wash tub.
Baby buggy. (poor)
2 Benches.
2 Water pails.
20# Lime.
Stone boat. (HM)
Lge. Milk can.

In the barn.

1 Scythe blade.
1 Bed & spring. (poor)
10# Berry wire. (on spool)
Sml. quantity chicken wire & misc.
1 Wheel barrow.
3 Ladders. (HM)
1 Step ladder. (HM)

Signed

J. Morrison
J. W. Stinson

File #8272

Name: Chikanori Kobara

Reg. #13605,

Address- 343-14th Ave, Haney, B.C.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
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LIST OF CHATTELS LEFT ON PROPERTY

In the House

~~Cook stove & poker~~ §
Wooden Jap. tub
1 lunch kit
2-5gal. Stone crocks (1 cont. cot. batton)
2 crockery bowls
8 Sake cottles
~~Sml. quantity of dishes~~ §
Coffee percolator
Few kitchen utensils
Sml. fish weighing scale.
2 sml. tables (HM)
~~1 hoe, 2 manure forks~~ §
~~1 DB axe, 1 trowel~~ §
1 pr. child's rubber boots
Lge. pr. scissors
17 berry trays, 1 peavey
Spindle cont. heavy twine
Sml. brush hook
30' cable, with 2blks&s hooks
Galv. wash tub, 120# berry wire
Ctn. (cont. old clothes
(cont. Jap. tub)
1 dish pan, 2 lanterns §
Sml. cooler, 2 lge Jap tubs
1 screen dor, high chair
~~5 kitchen chairs (1 broken)~~ §
Heater & 2 pokers
~~Bresser, 2 lamps~~ §
Cupboard (HM)
Kitchen table (HM)
Sml. roll 2" belting
2 beds, 3 mattresses, with 2 blankets
and one quilt
1 bed and spring, wash stand
1 ctn. Rotex Insect Powder
Sml. quantity of old clothes
2 boxes (cont. old clothes)
~~Pl. form scale, baby's crib~~ §
Shrine, couch, 2 linoleum rugs.

In the Woodshed

Cross cut saw (no handles)
15 berry trays
1 Sml. scythe
~~Baby's chair~~ §
1 mattock
1 hoe (no handle)
1 potato fork
1 large barrel
1 wheelbarrow
1/2 cord wood
50-18' poles (old)

In Packing Shed

10 berry trays
1 bent shovel
Cross cut saw (no handles)
Galv. wash tub
Baby buggy (poor)
2 benches
2 water pails
20# lime
Stone boat (HM)
Large milk can.

In the Barn

1 scythe blade
1 bed and spring (poor)
~~10# berry wire (on spool)~~ §
Sml. quantity chicken wire & misc)
1 wheelbarrow
3 ladders (HM)
1 stepladder (HM)

*I sold by auction 17/3-24/3-5/4/42
Haney 14*

This represents all my chattels remaining in any protected area of British Columbia.

Confirmed:

Date Nov. 28th 1942 . . . Signed Chikanori Kobara . . .

Please sign and return one copy to the Custodian.

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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTIONRichardson
Haney B.L.

October 13, 1942

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Dear Sir,

Re: Chikanori Kohara

In reply to your letter of October 6th I wish to inform you that there is no written agreement between Mr. Kohara and myself.

I promised to look after his place only while he was working in the mill. Since he did not return, we picked the crop and paid the taxes.

As I live quite a distance from Mr. Kohara's place, it would be acceptable if the custodian took it over.

Enclosed you will find the receipt for the taxes.

Yours truly,
E. Lemberg

File No. 8272

Date April 5, 1945.

SUMMARY

Name: KOBARA, Chikanori

Address: 14th 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 \$ 8.12 as per attached bill.

(2) - We have also moved the personal effects as per attached list to storage at none 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 \$ none for which herewith cheque or cash.

(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:

Moved everything that we could find, had no J. P.

The tenant gave us the following explanation:

Lives on another property, he says a platform scale was stolen.

NAME KOBARA, ChikanoriREGISTRATION NO. 13605FILE NO. 8272

The following chattels were sold by public

auction at Haney, B. C. on 17/3 - 24/3 - 3/4/45.

	Clothes line	\$ 0.75 ✓
✓ 19.	Cable and block	4.00 ✓
	Sundries	0.35 ✓
21	Galvanized pan etc.	0.50 ✓
24	Kettle and pan	0.50 ✓
4.	2 crocks	1.00 ✓
	Box of glass	0.25 ✓
	Sundries	0.25 ✓
✓ 12-13-14	Tools	1.00 ✓
30	Box stove ✓	3.00 ✓
51	Plough	2.00 ✓
52	Harrow	6.00 ✓
✓ 43-44-45-46	Tools	2.25 ✓
	Chains	1.00 ✓
41.	Cot	0.50 ✓
23/24	3 Chairs and high chair	0.50 ✓
31	Dresser	2.50 ✓
33	Dresser ✓	1.25 ✓
35	Berry wire ✓	1.00 ✓

	<u>Tools</u>	<u>much</u>
	1.00	75
	2.25	35
	2.25	25
		1.00
		<u>2.60</u>

Total

(Auctioneer's Fees \$ 2.86
 Less Expenses: (Advertising 0.50
 (Movings 2.65

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$	28.60
\$	12.01
\$	<u>16.59</u>

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Moryson

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Haney 14.

Remarks.

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May 13th, 1943.

Mr. Chikanori KOBARA,
Registration No. 13605,
Lillooet, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Masuzo EBISUZAKI
Reg. No. 13787

With reference to the claim of \$160.00 which you lodged with the Custodian against the above named. We wrote to him and he replied that your claim had been reduced to \$71.00, and was against his wife.

We have not got sufficient funds at the credit of the above named to take care of the long list of claims against him. We, therefore, suggest that you contact him direct and if you are successful in collecting please advise this office. His address is Tashme, B. C.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

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P. S. Please advise us if his statement that your claim is now \$71.00 is correct in order that we may correct our files.

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June 18, 1943.

Norman Lee, Esq.,
Inspector of Income Tax,
Department of National Revenue,
739 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Chikanori OBARA

We have received cheque No. 4419 dated April 1, 1943 amounting to \$51.21 payable to the order of Chikanori Obara, cheque having been drawn by the Income Tax Division of the Department of National Revenue on the Receiver General of Canada, Ottawa.

We presume that this cheque may have reference to an Income Tax refund for 1941.

Unfortunately, we are and have been unable to trace the identity of the individual of the Japanese race in question and appeal to you for your assistance in aiding us in identifying the individual concerned.

If at all possible, would you kindly provide us with information as to Mr. Chikanori Obara's previous address and the name of his employers during the period of his employ to which the present refund refers. Any assistance you can give us in this connection will be very much appreciated indeed.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:LA

When reply received,
see File No. 8972
"Chikanori KOBARA"

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July 5, 1943.

Mr. Chikanori KOBARA,
Registration No. 13605,
Lillooet, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that we have received for you from the
Income Tax Division of the Department of National Revenue a tax refund
of \$51.21 which has been credited to your account with the Custodian.

There was some delay in identifying this remittance due
to the fact that it was sent to us originally in the name of Chikanori
Obara and not in the name of Chikanori Kobara.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA

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July 16, 1943.

Mr. Chikanori KOBARA,
Registration 13605,
Lillooet, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Fire Insurance

With reference to your property described as being located on the S.E. 1/4 of Sec. 32, Twp. 12 in the Municipality of Maple Ridge, and at present under lease to Earnest Lemberg.

According to information given by yourself, you have not been in the habit of carrying Fire Insurance on the buildings located on this property and as far as I can tell, you made no arrangement with Mr. Lemberg in connection with Fire Insurance protection.

Under these circumstances we will not place Fire Insurance unless you wish us to do so. Please advise us if you wish insurance placed and if so, how much do you want to carry on each building.

Yours truly,

S. M. Gibson,
Insurance Department

SMG:JDS

Don't follow up

6th August, 1943.

Your Reference FJ

Mr. Norman Lee,
Inspector of Income Tax,
Department of National Revenue,
739 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Mr. Chikanori OBARA or
Mr. Chikanori KOBARA,
Police Registration No. 13605

Further to our letter dated July 22nd in connection with the application filed with you on April 27th, 1941 by Mr. Chikanori KOBARA for a tax refund of \$21.00. Please note that in a letter today received from Mr. Chikanori KOBARA, the refund claimed refers to the year 1940.

We would appreciate your advising us as to the status of Mr. Chikanori KOBARA's claim and if said claim is in order, when we may anticipate receiving payment on his behalf.

Mr. Chikanori KOBARA (also known as Chikanori OBARA) was a lumber grader previously in the employ in Port Alice, B.C. of the B.C. Pulp & Paper Company Limited.

Yours truly,

R.P. Alexander,
Manager

RPA:FM

cc - Mr. Chikanori KOBARA

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August 26, 1943.

Mr. Chikanori KOBARA,
Registration No. 13605,
c/o Jones' Dairy,
Lillooet, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Income Tax Refund

You will recall that we were successful in obtaining for you a refund cheque for \$51.21 from the Income Tax Division of the Department of National Revenue which we understand had reference to your 1941 National Defense Tax. This amount was credited to your account and we forwarded to you \$50.21 on July 24th.

Previously you told us that you wished us to aid you in getting a refund of \$21.00 in connection with your Income Tax for 1940. Mr. Norman Lee, Inspector of Income Tax in Vancouver, states that they have just been successful in finding your 1940 return which shows that you only earned \$296.24 in two months with the B. C. Pulp & Paper Company of Port Alice which shows National Defense Tax deductions of \$2.88 and we will be obtaining this refund for you.

Did you work for any other company during 1940 which would make up your claim for a refund of \$21.00?

Please send us this information and in order that we may intelligently aid you, please provide us with a copy of your claim of \$21.00, a copy of your return for 1940 and any other information which you have will be of assistance to us. Upon hearing from you we will take up the matter again with the Department of National Revenue on your behalf.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA

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October 12th, 1943.

Norman Lee, Esq.,
Inspector of Income Tax,
Department of National Revenue,
739 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Chikanori OBARA (or KOBARA) - Reg. 13605.

With reference to your letter of the 26th August,
we have received a reply from the above Evacuee, which reads
as follows:

"Regarding the Income Tax Refunds of \$9.88 and
\$21.00, I had sent in claims for these amounts to the
Income Tax Office at Cumberland while still in Vancouver.
But I received no reply.

"I have no copy of my claim for the \$21.00, so
I'd appreciate very much if you would communicate and take
the matter up with the Income Tax Office at Cumberland if
this should be possible on your part. If the above claim
should be worthless, would you kindly send me the \$9.88
which can be definitely obtained."

It would be appreciated if you would go into this
case again and let us have your cheque for the refund to which
your records show him to be entitled.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,
Administration Department.

See Sept 28/43
RGB/P.

PHONE PACIFIC 6121

PLEASE REFER TO

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

506 ROYAL BANK BLDG.
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE
VANCOUVER, B. C.

6th January, 1946.

REGISTERED

Mr. Chikanori KOBARA,
Registration No. 13605,
c/o H. Sigale & Co.,
Lumby, B.C.

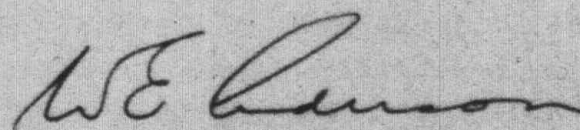
Dear Sir:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 27th December, 1946, and have made note that the money owing to you by Masuzo EBISUZAKI has been paid in full. No further action will be taken on your behalf in this matter.

Your file has now been reviewed and we are enclosing herewith Custodian cheque in the amount of \$670.59, which sum represents your full remaining credit balance at this office. The only entries made in your account since the statement sent to you 30th May, 1944, with details of your property sale, are a debit of \$15.00 for legal fees in connection with the conveyance of your property and a credit of \$16.59 from the sale of chattels by public auction.

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

Yours truly,



W.E. Anderson,
Office of the Custodian.

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VALUELESS

M L BROWN

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FOR MESSENGER

Phone 26

18/2/48

By? Hunter

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May 4, 1948.

Mr. Chikanori KOBARA,
Reg. No. 13605,
c/o F. Barnes,
Lumbly, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We beg to acknowledge receipt of certificates covering forty-nine shares of the Maple Ridge Co-operative Produce Exchange.

The register shows that you were the holder of fifty-nine shares, but you did not send in certificate #551 for ten shares of the above Co-operative.

We attach hereto Custodian cheque in the amount of \$745.96, which is the balance of your account at this office, and represents the redemption of fifty-nine shares at the rate of \$1.27755 per share (\$75.37) and the amount of our cheque sent to you on January 6th, 1947, for \$670.59, which cheque was returned by you in your letter received by us on January 30th, 1947.

Kindly acknowledge receipt, and forward to us the certificate mentioned above if it is still in your possession.

Yours truly,

C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

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October 6th, 1950.

Mr. Chikanori KOBARA,
c/o Mr. F. Barnes,
Lusby, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission
Case No. 145

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians, Release executed by yourself covering the award recommended under the above Commission, for the sum of \$1,034.99.

Cheque for \$980.12 is enclosed herein, and the sum of \$54.87 has been paid to the Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians for legal fees as authorized.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"
PART 1, REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927, CHAPTER 99.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

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

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Vernon, B.C.,
February 16th, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
CHIKAMORI NOBARA.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

20 APPEARANCES:

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

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

A. WATSON, Esq., Secretary.
D.J. HANDFORD, Esq., Official Interpreter.
G. HAMBLETON, Esq., Official Reporter.

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In Chief.

MR. McMASTER: No. 11 on the list, my lord, Kobara.

THE COMMISSIONER: This will be Case No. 145.

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CHIKAMORI KOBARA, the claimant herein,
being first duly sworn, testified
through the Interpreter as
follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

10 MR. McMASTER: My lord, I would appreciate having some
direction from your Lordship as to the wisest pro-
cedure in these cases where -- as I think in this
one -- the claim made is from the basis the man
worked on in figuring it out, without necessarily
thinking in terms of real market value or without
any experience.

THE COMMISSIONER: The value to him, is that what he has
done?

20 MR. McMASTER: That is about it, my lord, and it is
possible, I think, and he has said in his statement
which I will file, that the value is \$2500.00 but
I wouldn't want him to be precluded, if we should
be able to lead expert evidence to show that the value
is greater than that, from any greater value.

Now is it more convenient, my lord, if I
apply to amend the claim subject to further amend-
ment if we have evidence showing greater value,
or is it more convenient to leave it this way and
to let the man's statement express what would be
a minimum.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Well, I don't know whether convenience
makes very much difference unless Government

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In Chief.

counsel is going to be put at any disadvantage,
your idea being that the claim of \$3200.00 as
you are presently instructed, appears too high.

MR. McMASTER: The \$4700.00, you see, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: \$4700.00.

MR. McMASTER: I see he has got the crop in. That would
have to be abandoned. The \$3200.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: The \$3200.00. Well, what is in your
mind -- a subsequent amendment to increase the
value?

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MR. McMASTER: Well, my lord, I could do one or two
things: I might now amend, in correspondence to
the value he is going to give, to show a value of
\$2500.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: In lieu of \$3200.00.

MR. McMASTER: In lieu of \$3200.00. But if I find
expert evidence that said to me \$3200.00 is
a proper value, I then would have to apply to
amend again, I suppose.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: You had better leave it as it is,
and if the evidence falls short of establishing
the claim, why, it will be reduced to the amount
that can be proven.

MR. McMASTER: Very well, my lord. I would apply,
however, to amend by striking out the claim for
the crop as not being within the terms of
reference.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, all right, proceed.

MR. McMASTER: Might I have the claim form, please.

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My lord, here is another one of these

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In Chief.

declarations where the claimant signs up
besides "The Dominion of Canada" instead of down in
the proper place.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is all right, as long as the
signature is there.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Is that your signature on this claim
form and did you make this declaration?

THE WITNESS: A: Yes.

10 MR. McMASTER: I am filing the Soldier Settlement
appraisal on behalf of my learned friend, my lord,
as Exhibit 1.

(APPRAISAL MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. HUNTER: The real property statement was Exhibit 1,
was it?

MR. McMASTER: No, the Soldier Settlement appraisal
form.

Q Witness, did you instruct me to draw this statement
with regard to your real property?

THE INTERPRETER:
A Yes.

20 Q And is that your signature on it?

A Yes.

Q Are the contents of that true to the best of your
knowledge and recollection?

A Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I file that as Exhibit 2, my lord.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

MR. McMASTER: My lord, you will notice from Exhibit 2
that this property is situated three miles from
Honey, B. C. There were about 13-3/4 acres,
30 7 of which were in cultivation and crop. The

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property was purchased in 1940 for \$950.00 at which time only half an acre was cleared. The buildings which were on the land when the man evacuated were on the land at that time although he made some improvements to them. In 1935 and '36, he planted three hundred mixed fruit trees which he says cost him about \$55.00. With regard to the buildings you will notice under that heading that he made certain improvements to the buildings and did certain repairs. Then his statement is that he did not live on the premises from October, 1941, until evacuation, as he went to Port Alice in October, '41, intending to return to the farm in the spring and he was prevented from doing so by evacuation. He says that he left the premises in good condition and they appeared to be so when he saw them just before evacuation. Then he refers to the appraiser's report and says, "Note that while the appraiser says the buildings were in poor repair, he also says, 'will serve the purpose for a time with only minor repairs'." He disagrees with the amount in the appraiser's report as to the cleared and cultivated portion and also referring to the appraiser's statement with regard to the land and the creek that runs through it, he says that "While the creek bed could not be cultivated, the land on either side once cleared would be suitable for growing berries." In his opinion the land was excellent for strawberries and there was very little land which was stony. I would

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draw attention, my lord, that in Exhibit 1, the appraiser's report, he does not appear to place any value on these fruit trees.

Q Witness, did you instruct me to draw this statement with regard to your personal chattels?

A Yes.

Q Is that your signature on the statement?

A Yes.

10 Q And are the statements contained therein true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I file that as Exhibit 3, my lord.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

MR. McMASTER: Now, my lord, again the claimant has not set forth all of his chattels but he has set forth a fair number of them on the back of the statement and he says that the whole of his chattels including those that are set forth there were worth \$350.00 in his opinion, as a fair market value. I drew
20 attention to the "H.B." at the foot of the front page of that statement, that the claimant was married in 1931 and when he bought the house in 1934, and for a number of years afterwards, they acquired furniture and equipment so that the furniture and equipment was not very old. Referring to the statement on the back, my lord, he shows the various dates that these items were acquired.

He says that when he went to Port Alice that he arranged for his neighbour, Mr. Lemberg, to keep an eye on his house and when he returned
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he found everything as he had left it. You will recall in his real property claim he had said that he went to Port Alice in October '41 and returned just before evacuation.

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"I did not have time to make any arrangement with him when I was evacuated, but presumed he would keep an eye on things when I filled in my J.P. Form. He had not said he would and I believe he advised the Custodian that he would not do so. The Custodian took an inventory on September 28th, 1942, and I believe everything for which I am claiming is on that inventory."

So I don't think any serious problems arise there, my lord.

Now, my friend has asked me to file the Custodian's analysis of personal property claims as the next exhibit.

(ANALYSIS OF CLAIM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

MR. McMASTER: Your witness, Mr. Hunter.

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MR. HUNTER: It is submitted, my lord, that this real property was sold for its fair market value. As far as the personal property is concerned, which was sold, it is submitted it was sold for its fair market value. Insofar as the items which were not sold and for which the claimant appears to be making a claim are concerned, it is submitted that his values are exorbitant and that in most cases there was no value at all.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Is this a case of lost property or property which could not be sold?

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In Chief.
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MR. HUNTER: It is a case, my lord, according to this analysis, of property which was simply not sold.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, that is to say it wasn't lost, it was available to be sold but wasn't sold, is that it?

MR. HUNTER: Yes, that is what the analysis states, my lord, and I am only going on my information because there are columns to show whether it was sold or not.

10 MR. McMASTER: My lord, if I might speak to that. I find it most difficult to find if, when the Custodian says, "Not sold, he means that these things weren't any good. There is a column that says, "Abandoned", "No account, theft, etc.". Now when he just says, "Not sold", it is certainly most misleading to us. We may be doing a lot of work for no purpose whatsoever; he may still have the goods.

THE COMMISSIONER: It would be very much more helpful
20 if it were made clear, Mr. Hunter.

MR. HUNTER: I quite agree, my lord, and that is why we were trying to 'phone down earlier this morning in connection with another claim for the very same reason. The person who made them out didn't give a satisfactory explanation of why they were not sold. Obviously if they were abandoned they should be under "abandoned", and similarly with theft.

THE COMMISSIONER: Well, possibly in relation to this
30 claim, once you get further instructions, you may

be able to amend the claim before we leave
Vernon. I think it would be desirable that that
be done.

MR. HUNTER: I quite agree, my lord, particularly so
in this case because the majority of the stuff
was not sold, apparently.

10 It is further submitted, my lord, that the
tenant, according to the instructions of the
claimant, had the right to use the furniture and
that any loss or damage sustained by reason of the
tenant so using the furniture is something for which
the Custodian is not responsible.

MR. McMASTER: Would my friend advise me what tenant
he is referring to, my lord?

THE COMMISSIONER: There is a reference to somebody
keeping an eye on the place, but I do not observe
any reference to a tenancy.

MR. HUNTER: There was a lease here, I see, my lord.
I don't know who the tenant was. Here it is,
20 No. 183 on the 5th of March, 1943, to Ernest
Lambert, for a term of one year from the 1st of
January, 1943, to the 31st of December, 1943.

THE COMMISSIONER: That would be the Custodian's tenant.

MR. HUNTER: Yes, my lord, but what I am pointing out
is that on the J.P. form the claimant gave
specific instructions that if the property is
rented, the furniture may be used by the tenant.
In other words, it may be rented furnished.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, I appreciate that. Are you
saying that in those circumstances the Custodian

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Cross-Exam.
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would not assume the responsibility for damage
done by the tenant or loss which had been occasioned
by him.

MR. HUNTER: Yes, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: It puts the evacuated person in a
pretty awkward situation, doesn't it?

MR. HUNTER: I don't think so, my lord, if he states
that it may be rented furnished.

10 MR. McMASTER: But, my lord, my point is this, that my
friend says this tenancy was made in 1943 after
the property had been sold, that is after the
real property had been sold. Now, surely, when the
man said, "You can rent my property, and rent the
furniture or fixtures with it", he wasn't talking
about after it was sold. As long as my friend
identifies it, I realize it is a matter for argu-
ment, but I want to know what tenancy he is
talking about.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: In any case you are relying on a
tenancy that was made after the sale to the
Director of the V.L.A.

MR. HUNTER: After the formal date, my lord, yes, although
it was before the actual contract was made if your
Lordship will recall.

THE COMMISSIONER: March, '43, yes. Well, they can't
have it both ways. I think you might take
time to reconsider that defence.

30 MR. HUNTER: Well, my lord, at this stage I want to
have every defence possible. I don't want my
friend to come along and say that I have taken

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Discussion.

him by surprise at some later date.

THE COMMISSIONER: No. I think he will probably take some satisfaction out of that defence. Any cross-examination?

MR. HUNTER: I will just make sure -- I don't think there is anything else.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. HUNTER:

Q Is this your signature, Mr. Kobara?

10 A Yes.

Q And this J.P. form was completed in accordance with information that you gave?

A Yes.

Q And you signed it on the 9th of May, 1942?

A Yes.

MR. HUNTER: I file that, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: Exhibit 5, is it?

THE CLERK: Exhibit 5, my lord.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

20 MR. HUNTER: It seems to be a straight question of values, my lord, aside from the chattels, my lord. I will try to get some information as to the meaning of that "not sold".

THE COMMISSIONER: I have noted that as something that may be amended later.

MR. McMASTER: That is all.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

Vernon, B. C.,

February 18th, 1948.

(PROCEEDINGS RESUMED PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT)

MR. HUNTER: My lord, there is a question outstanding in connection with this case. The chattel analysis showed a number of items not sold. If I may refresh your memory with this document, my lord. (Document handed to Commissioner).

THE COMMISSIONER: I remember it in a general way.

10 MR. HUNTER: The answer to that is attached in that wire which is attached to that, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: Well supposing you file this telegram if counsel for the claimant is content.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, I think Mr. Shears read it to me. I have forgotten it.

THE COMMISSIONER: It reads, "RE C KOBARA CHATTELS ANDERSON STATES GOODS UNSOLD WERE ABANDONED AS VALUELESS". The goods not sold are numerous. They are marked as an "X" in the right hand
20 column of Exhibit No. 4 in this case.

MR. McMASTER: Well, my lord, do I take it then that my friend is raising as his defence that all these goods marked "X", not sold, in this case, were abandoned because they were valueless?

MR. HUNTER: That is correct, my lord.

MR. McMASTER: Very well, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right, I will note that.

MR. HUNTER: I would suggest, my lord, that that go in as part of the other exhibit in this case.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: It can go in as part of Exhibit 4.

Discussion.

Now perhaps in terms of this evidence you may wish to call some additional evidence from Kobara.

MR. McMASTER: I will have to take a look at the file and see.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes. If you wish to do so, you can let me know, or let the Secretary know later and it can be put on the list for a subsequent day.

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

Gordon Hambleton
"G. HAMBLETON"
Official Reporter.

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DEFENCE BRIEF

Chikamori KOBARA

File No. 8272

Case No. 145

VERNON
16 Feb. 48

V.L.A. Deal

Claims:

1. Land and Buildings
2. Chattels

Claim 1:-

Land & Buildings 3,200.00 Sold for 672.00 Claim 2,528.00

Trans. P.3 Claim as amended to exclude crop.

Trans.P.5 claimant disagrees with appraiser's statements.

Claimant was away from the farm, working at Port Alice for parts of 1940 and 41 and was there previous to evacuation in 1942.

Submission: Real property sold for fair market value, a straight question of values, aside from the chattels.

loading app. ✓

Claim 2:-

Chattels

350.00

Goods value \$133.75 - Part Auctioned for 28.60
96.25 - Abandoned ✓
103.50 - Recorded now missing
7.50 - No record
Unable to distribute amounts.

Left with agent

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This claim has been thoroughly examined and checked with both the J.P. Form and the yellow form Exhibit 3, with the following results:

J.P. Declaration

All items accounted for except:

3 Tables) These were not found when our field men
2 Looking glasses) took inventory neither are they enumerated
1 Spade) on Exhibit 3 by claimant.
2 Shovels)
All goods declared were left in care of Mr. Lemberg by claimant.

*Pallet and
iron saw all Salv*

Claim Exhibit No. 3 \$236.50

Although a number of the articles claimed for on this exhibit were not declared on J.P. form, everything that was found on the property was inventoried.

1 Spray machine (not declared)	claim	\$5.00	
1 Post Hole digger (ditto)	claim	2.50	
"No record at any time"			\$ 7.50

The platform scale was reported by the tenant as stolen, but as it was left in his care by claimant, Custodian is not responsible (not declared but inventoried)

"Left with Agent"

9.00

The following articles were not worth the cost of removing for purposes of sale.

Cook Stove (declared)	Claim	25.00
3 Rice Tubs (not declared but inventoried)	"	3.00
80 Berry trays (not declared only 17 inventoried)	"	6.00
2 Lamps (not declared but inventoried)	"	1.25
Beds & Mattresses (declared)	"	51.00
Lino (not declared but inventoried)	"	10.00

This lino probably fixed to floors

"Abandoned"

96.25

The following were removed and sold by Auction

2 5 gal. stone crocks (not declared but inventoried) Sold For Claim

		1.00	3.50
Cable & blocks	(do)	4.00	22.50
Berry wire	(do)	1.00	8.50
Chairs	(declared)	.50	5.00
Heater	(declared)	3.00	9.00
Dresser (not declared but inventoried)		1.25	2.50
Dresser	(declared)	2.50	8.00
Sofa	(declared)	.50	3.00
Wash Tubs	(not declared but inventoried)	.50	1.50
Plough	(declared)	2.00	12.50
Harrow	(declared)	6.00	10.00
		<u>22.25</u>	<u>86.00</u>

Tenant claims that Kobara took some tools away. The Auction Sheet shows two entries for "tools" totalling \$3.25, but as no details are given it is impossible to say whether all or part of the following were sold for \$3.25. Our field man states "moved everything we could find". It may be that the tenant wore some of them out so that they were not worth removing to the auction rooms.

TOOLS

4 Hoes	(not declared 2 inventoried)	5.50
3 Peavies	(" 1 ")	8.00
3 Cross Cut Saws	(not declared 2 inventoried)	12.00
These were without handles		
2 Small Scythes	(not declared 1 inventoried)	3.50
2 Mattocks	(" 1 ")	2.50
2 Forks	(declared)	1.75
2 Wheelbarrows	(not declared but inventoried)	1.50
1 Barrel	(" " " ")	3.00

3.25 37.75

Auction

<u>25.50</u>	<u>123.75</u>	<u>123.75</u>
		<u>236.50</u>

The above takes care of claimant's detailed claim. In addition, the following undeclared articles were removed and sold at Auction.

Clothes line	.75
Sundries	.35
Kettle and pans	.50
Box of Glass	.25
Sundries	.25
Chains	1.00

Total realized at Auction Sale	<u>3.10</u>	<u>28.60</u>
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Claimant stated on "JP Form" that chattels would be left on the premises and Lemberg would look after them. Lemberg had permission from claimant to pick 1942 crop if he paid taxes. This was done. The lease granted by Custodian for 1943 was in the nature of a continuation of the owner's agreement with Lemberg.

RWN/mw

Name of Claimant

KOBARA, Chikamori

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REAL PROPERTY									
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	
					672	918.12			918.12 ✓
PERSONAL PROPERTY									
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear							
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column		
NETS									
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price	Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing			Percentage Total Award to Total Claim	Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing	Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price		
MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS									
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price		
70.50	25.85	7.75	36.66%	279.50	109.12		116.87 ✓		
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION									1034.99 ✓

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October 6th, 1950.

Mr. Chikanori KOBARA,
c/o Mr. F. Barnes,
Lunby, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission
Case No. 145

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians, Release executed by yourself covering the award recommended under the above Commission, for the sum of \$1,034.99.

Cheque for \$980.12 is enclosed herein, and the sum of \$54.87 has been paid to the Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians for legal fees as authorized.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

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