

8698

FRASER VALLEY

HAMMOND

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. 8678
EXHIBIT NO. 1110-9
DATE OCT 8 1944
FILLED BY K. P. L. H. H. H.

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having property in any ~~particular area~~. The proper administration of this property requires such persons to give full particulars as requested in this form.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: OMURA, Shogo FrankHOME ADDRESS: R.R. No. 1, Port Hammond, B. C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 14373 SEX: Male AGE: 25OCCUPATION: Millhand

(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: Hammond Cedar Co.MARRIED? NoNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: ---ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: ---NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: ---ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: ---AGE OF CHILDREN: ---

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: About 5 acres on R.R. No. 1, Port Hammond, B.C.Details unknownR. w/ Lot 2 Group 1 DL 263 ~~justly with brother 2699~~2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: Eight-room dwelling, garage, woodshed, barn,3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) \$3000 on the dwelling
Details unknown4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) \$54 for 10 acres in 1941, (sold 5 acres since) payable at Maple Ridge5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) None6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Myself at present. Leased to Mr. Lahte, Haney, B. C. Details unsettledcancelled before possession

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS. In safety box, Bank of Montreal

None

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST. Strawberries, raspberries,

See page 1

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION. See page 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. See clause 9

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

None. 1931 Model A truck, 1 ton truck, in custody at Hastings Park

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: None
5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None
6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) None
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) \$100 Victory Bond in safety box, Bank of Montreal
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None
9. LIFE INSURANCE: \$1000 10-year endowment policy in the Sun Life Ins. Co. Beneficiary my mother. Policy in the Bank of Montreal safety box
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: Bank of Montreal, Key in my possession

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS: None

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

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

Dated this 9th day of May 1942.

(Signature)

S. Quinn

W. J. Quinn
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Dec. 7/42.

ur File No. 8698

Full Name OMURA, Shogo Frank
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 14373

☒ Male - Female
(Check)

Age May 20, 1916

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

Date Evacuated 14/8/42

Naturalized - ☒ Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address New Denver, B. C.

859 Shaw Street, Toronto, Ontario

☒ Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife _____

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother (SAKAI) Kiwa #14343

Name of Father Chiyokichi Dec'd.

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by B. McKim

Registered with Custodian Yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Millhand

Owner of '31 Ford "A" 1½ ton truck

65/16

This man was not in the Canadian
Army - his brother S. M. Omura file 8599
was a Private in Canadian Army

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 8698

12th February, 1946

Re: OMURA, Shogo Frank - Reg.No.14373

CHATELS: The above Japanese person registered with the Custodian on May 9th, 1942 at which time he declared no chattels. Shortly before his evacuation on August 14th, 1942 he and his sister called at this office leaving an itemized list of the household and farm chattels which were to be left on the property. Our fieldmen took a complete inventory of the chattels on December 10, 1942 and they were found to be of good quality and all accounted for. The tenant on the property was a very reliable person and she took good care of everything. Although details do not appear on file she made several small shipments of chattels to the owner at his request.

A few items of furniture were removed and sold at an auction on November 25th, 1943 as drawing attraction and were sold for the net sum of \$126.10. The mail box was sold to the postal authorities there for \$2.00. These amounts were credited to the account.

On the property was a Flexired Tractor with some attachments. We had this equipment appraised at a cost of \$15.00 and were informed by the appraisers that the machine had cost \$396.65 in 1937. A Mr. A. Guenter of Chilliwack called at this office with a letter from OMURA dated November 29, 1943 stating he would be willing to sell it for \$425.00. Mr. Guenter agreed to purchase at that figure and on December 7th, 1943 deposited with this office \$400.00 in Victory Bonds and \$25.00 in cash in full payment. The office wrote to the Japanese who requested these funds be sent to him. The bonds were forwarded to him in care of the Bank of Montreal, New Denver, at a cost of 90¢ to him and the balance was remitted by cheque. His acknowledgment of receipt for both is on file.

On March 14, 1944 just prior to his being relocated in the East he was allowed to visit the Protected Area to clean up his affairs. While at the coast he arranged shipment of what furniture he desired sent East and sold the balance to the tenant on the property or neighbors in the vicinity and at that time gave this office a signed statement to the effect that he had shipped or disposed of all his personal property (chattels) in the Protected Area and that the Custodian need no longer be bothered with same. No further action was taken by the Custodian in this connection.

At the time of his evacuation the water pump on the property was worn out and not working and he made arrangements for the purchase and installation of a new one through the Bank at Haney, B.C. This unit was installed in October, 1942 and charges were apparently paid through the Bank as no payments were made from here. The installation of this unit was made at a cost of \$112.50 after the property had been appraised by the Veterans' Land Act and a claim was therefore lodged with that Department for reimbursement in that amount. After submitting evidence to their satisfaction,

EXHIBIT No. 1110-11
DATE OCT 8 1946
FILLED BY K. A. G. H. L. L.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES SUMMARY

MEMORANDUM

To: File 8698 November 3, 1944.
From: Specified Articles Department
Re: OMURA, Shogo - Reg. 14373

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
TRUCK	1931 Ford No. T134 License No. (41) C 6521	\$75.00

Sold to: Pioneer Equipment Ltd. Date: September 2, 1942.
Selling Price: \$100.00.

Marker

Expense of Administration amounting to \$27.26 was deducted from the selling price and the balance of \$72.74 was credited to OMURA's account here on December 28th, 1942.

Details were sent to OMURA on January 15th, 1943.

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

11th February, 1946
WEA:EH

W. E. L. L.

USED CAR APPRAISAL RECORD

NAME T. 134

ADDRESS _____

Paint	\$ 25.00	Make	
Tires <u>2 pairs 2 post</u>	\$ 8.00		<u>Ford</u>
Body & Fenders	\$ 3.00	Body Style	
Glass	\$ 1.00		<u>Hardtop</u>
Top	\$ 1.00	Year	
Nickelling	\$ 1.00		<u>31</u>
Radiator	\$ 10.00	License	
Running Boards	\$ 1.00		<u>66521</u>
Mats & Kick Pads	\$ 3.50	Serial	
Upholstery	\$ 18.00		<u>8A09469</u>
Hardware	\$ 8.00	Mileage	
Motor Expense	\$ 80.00		<u>41326</u>
Transmission	\$ 1.00	Remarks	
Rear Axle	\$ 1.00		<u>No Spare</u>
Universal Joints	\$ 1.00		
Clutch	\$ 1.00		
Steering	\$ 1.00		
Brakes	\$ 1.00		
Tighten Up	\$ 10.00		
Muffler	\$ 1.00		
Sundries	\$ 10.00		
Wash & Clean Motor	\$ 2.00		
Clean Interior	\$ 2.00		
Oil & Grease, Change	\$ 1.00		
Oil & Check Over	\$ 1.00		
Total	\$ 175.50		

Mod. interested in _____ Selling price \$ 75.00

Salesman ✓ Less Repairs \$ _____

Date _____ Appraised by A. J. Jones Allowance \$ _____

For immediate acceptance only.

Rev. Rec. No.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

"MOTOR-VEHICLE ACT."

Licence No. C 6521

Year 1941

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF MOTOR-VEHICLE.

To the Commissioner of Provincial Police, Victoria, B.C.:

Notice is hereby given that the motor-vehicle (Name Ford, style Truck).

the particulars whereof are set forth in Motor-vehicle Licence No. C 6521, B.C., which is attached hereto, has this day
G. W. McPherson, Authorized Deputy of the Custodian, as the vested owner
been transferred by the undersigned of the interest of Shozo Osura in the said motor
vehicle under the provisions of Order-in-Council P.C. 1667 as amended.
to the undersigned Pioneer Equipment Ltd.
(Christian name in full.) (Surname.)

and that the garage or place where the said motor-vehicle will hereafter be kept is at

and that the said motor-vehicle will be used for the purposes of

Dated this 2nd day of September, 1942, at Vancouver, B.C.

Signature of transferor

Place of residence of transferor 506 Royal Bank Building, Vanc'r, B. C.
(Number.) (Street.) (City or town.)

Signature of transferee

Place of residence of transferee

THE PRESCRIBED FEE OF SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS IS ATTACHED HERETO.

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

PHONE PACIFIC 6131
PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. 8698

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

January 15, 1943.

Mr. Shogo OMURA,
Reg. No. 14373,
NEW DENVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Our No. T 134

Re: Motor Vehicles

Your Ford truck

which was surrendered to the Authorities, has been

sold for \$ 100.00

Charges against your car were as follows:

Liens \$

Administrative Expenses \$ 27.26

The Balance thereafter remaining of \$ 72.74

has been placed to your credit in our trust account.

Yours truly,

Specified Articles Department.

RPA:MA
EL

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Detachment

Seizure No. **T 134**

FOR USE WHEN APPLICABLE

EXHIBIT REPORT

EXHIBIT No. **1110-P**DATE **OCT 8 1942**FILLED BY **K A B. H. L.**

Detachment File No.
 Sub-Division File No.
 Division File No. **E 269-0-13-3**
 Headquarters File No.

Detachment
 Sub-Division
 Division **"E"**
 Date

March 11th.

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RE: **OMURA, Shogo, Powerline Rd. Port Hammond, B.C.**On **March 11th**19**42**, 1**H. P. Price RCMP**

MEMBER'S NAME

Came into possession of the following goods by:-

SURRENDER UNDER O.I.C. P.C. 1486

STATE BRIEFLY AUTHORITY, ETC., WHETHER BY SEARCH WARRANT, ETC.

NO. OF PKGS.	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS DETAILS TO BE GIVEN IN FULL
LICENSE NO. MAKE & MODEL SERIAL NO. ENGINE NO. SPEEDOMETER READING CONDITION	(41) G 6521 31 Ford truck CA09469 41326	TIRE NUMBERS 4 appears fair, floor in poor shape
EXTRA EQUIPMENT	Hydraulic hoist on rear	
DESCRIPTION & CONDITION VERIFIED	<i>[Signature]</i> 407027 delivered by Signature of Owner amoru OMURA Japanese Registration No. Handed over to representative of Custodian whose signature in receipt thereof appears hereunder <i>[Signature]</i> March 11/42	
DATE:	<i>[Signature]</i> SIGNATURE OF MEMBER SUBMITTING REPORT	

the sum of \$112.50 was paid to this office to cover the claim and subsequently remitted to OMURA at his request.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES: The above Japanese declared a truck in custody at Hastings Park. This truck was sold by the Custodian in accordance with the attached brown-edged summary which shows the net sum derived was \$72.74.

Although he did not declare so, he was the owner of a radio details of which are outlined in the attached brown-edged summary. It was sold at Auction for the net sum of \$20.95.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE: The above Japanese person declared no accounts receivable. The Provincial Government however refunded \$4.97 to OMURA's credit here being payments made in 1941. The Dominion Government also refunded \$35.56 to be credited here covering 1942 National Defence Tax payments.

BONDS & INVESTMENTS: The above Japanese declared a \$100.00 Victory Bond but this was not brought under control by the Custodian.

Although he did not declare so to the Custodian, according to the records of the Pacific Co-operative Union, OMURA was the owner of shares there. His Unredeemable Share interest is \$690.00 while his Redeemable Share interest was \$270.00. The latter are as follows:

3 - 1937	} Shares received	1937 & 1938 Shares redeemed Mar.22/44	\$60.00
3 - 1038			
2 - 1939		1939 " " Mar.20/45	\$20.00
		(Less account \$1.81)	
3 - 1940		1940 " " Jan.10/46	\$30.00
6 - 1941			
10 - 1942	(Shares received from Pacific Co-operative Union)		

Interest on the share holding totalling \$10.22 has been received by this office to date to OMURA's credit.

According to a memo dated January 10th, 1944 the above Japanese is also the holder of shares in the Hammond Cedar Company. These however were not brought under control by the Custodian.

On December 10, 1945 OMURA wrote to this office requesting us to purchase Victory Bonds with the funds credited to his account here. This matter was arranged and \$2700.00 of Dominion of Canada 3% Bonds due September 1, 1966 were purchased at 101 for \$2727.00 plus interest November 1st - December 17, 1945 \$10.20. (The total purchase price \$2737.20.) OMURA requested these be sent to his credit at the Bank of Montreal, 112 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, Ontario in his letter of February 4th, 1946. This was done on February 9, 1946 and the bank charges amounting to \$3.54 were charged to his account here.

BANK ACCOUNT: The above Japanese declared no Bank Account however from correspondence on file from both the bank regarding a note paid and the payment for a water pump he did have one. In any case it was not brought under control by the Custodian.

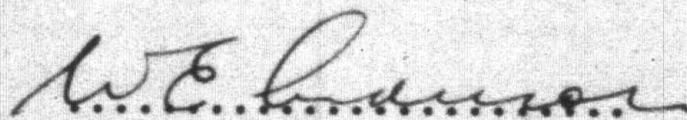
LIFE INSURANCE: OMURA declared he was the holder of a \$1,000.00 Sun Life Insurance policy. This was not brought under control by or administered by the Custodian.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: OMURA declared a Safety Deposit Box at Haney, B. C. This was not brought under control by the Custodian.

This file reveals no other Personal Property assets.

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

February 12th, 1946
WEA:EH



6th February, 1947.

OMURA's \$60.00 worth of Pacific Co-operative Union 1941 shares were redeemed, and together with \$4.12 interest on his shareholding was credited to his account and subsequently forwarded to him.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES SUMMARY

MEMORANDUM

July 29, 1943.

To: File 8698.

From: Specified Articles Department.

Re: OMURA, Shogo Frank - Reg. 14373

ARTICLE

DESCRIPTION

APPRAISED VALUE

RADIO

Emerom?
Philco Mantel Model #206, ✓
Serial No. 2336128.

\$5.00

Sold by Auction 20/12/43 - Vancouver Radio 1.

*J. Matheson
Receipt received March 23/44
SM*

According to a Crime Report from the Provincial Police dated November 17, 1942 the above radio was seized by them from the above Japanese person and subsequently turned over to the Custodian.

It was sold at Public Auction on December 20th, 1943 for the net sum of \$20.95 which was credited to OMURA's account here.

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

11th February, 1946
WEA:EH

W. E. Anderson
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LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 8698

11th February, 1946

Re: OMURA, Shogo Frank - Reg.No.14373

The above Japanese declared no liabilities.

The Bank of Montreal at Haney, B.C. informed us of a debt of \$229.00 belonging to OMURA's deceased father which OMURA had been paying. On February 9th, 1943 the Bank advised that the account had been paid in full on May 18th, 1942.

There was a small debit balance in his account with the Pacific Co-operative Union. The Co-operative satisfied this debit by deducting \$1.81 from the redemption of two 1939 shares and remitting \$18.19 to this office.

This file reveals no other liabilities.

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

February 11th, 1946
WEA:EH

W.E. Carson

File No. 8698

November 30th, 1944

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

Shogo Frank UMURA - Reg. No. 14373

CREDITORS:-

NO CLAIMS ON FILE.

AMcA:ND

NAME OMURA, Shogo Frank

REGISTRATION NO. 14373

FILE NO. 8698

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at 992 Powell, Vancouver, B.C. on December 20, 1943.

Emerson Mantel Radio

\$ 25.00

Total:	(Auctioneer's Fee: 2.50)	\$ 25.00
Less Expenses:	(Advertising: 0.34)	\$ 4.05
	(Moving: 0.21)	
	(Storage: 1.00)	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 20.95

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills.

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Vancouver Radio 1.

Remarks.

NAME OMURA, Shogo Frank.

REGISTRATION NO. 14373

FILE NO. 8698

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Haney, B.C. on November 25, 1943.

Bed, spring, mattress	\$ 18.00
Davenport (settee)	18.00
2 Large chesterfield chairs	54.00
1 Smoker's stand	5.00
Carpet sweeper	4.25
Coffee Table	8.00
Table	5.50
Singer sewing machine	29.00
1 Mantle clock	10.00

Total:

(Auctioneer's Fee: \$15.17
Less Expenses: (Advertising: 2.34
(Moving: 8.14

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$	151.75
\$	25.65
\$	126.10

Members of Custodian Staff Present Mr. J. Moryson.

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Haney 2.

Remarks.

MEMORANDUM

File No.: 8698

Dec. 7th, 1943

To: FILE

From: Mr. Green

Re: Shogo Frank OMURA

Mr. Guenter called today with the two attached letters dated October 29th and November 29th. He has paid us \$425.00, and the sale of the tractor and equipment has been completed, this being the sum authorized by the Japanese owner.



HFG:IF

Dec. 10, 1942.

NOTE

OMURA, Shogo Frank #14373.

RESULT OF INVENTORY AGAINST LIST LEFT BY THE ABOVE.

Not found

1 Mattress.
1- $\frac{1}{2}$ H.P.G.E. A.C. motor. *See to owner*
1 Cedar tool closet.
2-18" picture mouldings.
2-20" " "
1 Cedar cloak. (what is it?)
1 Set of chains for car.
1 Roll #10 black wire.
Tar papers.
Only scythes found are sml.
1 B.S.E.M. scale. (cap. 240#)
2 Gents bicycles.

Mrs. Milne states the following
articles have been shipped

1 Roll $\frac{3}{4}$ " 3 ply hose.
1 Pr. Ice skates.

This is not all, Mrs. Milne says
the Custodians Office has a full
list.

The 1 ton chain hoist, as mentioned on owners list, (attached) may
be the 20' chain & 3 iron blocks found on the premises.

SIGNED

J. Morrison
W. G. Stinson

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Form 346A

EXHIBIT REPORT

No. 773

HEADQUARTERS File No.

SUB/DIV'N. & File No. Vancouver, B.C.

DIVISION & File No.

DETACHMENT & File No. C.I.B.

J.R.#14373

DATE December 14th, 1943.

Re: Shogo OMURA - Port Hammond, B.C.

(Name of File)

On Oct. 17th, 1943

(Date)

P.R. Jefferson, Cst.

(Member's Name)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Handed over by Cst. J. McGeachan, B.C.P. Police, Naney, B.C.

(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. of Exhibits	No. of Packages	Cap. or Size	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1		Emerson Mantel Model Radio, Serial Number BM2336128.

Emerson

FILE 8698

REMARKS: Handed over to the Custodian of Alien Enemy property.

DATE DEC 17 1943

(Signature of Recipient or Witness)

For Custodian.

CERTIFIED CORRECT

P.R. Jefferson, #10559, Cst.

(Signature of Member)

DIVISION: **H**
DISTRICT: **New Westminster**
DETACHMENT: **Haney**



FILE No.
DATE: **17-11-42**

ORGANIZED TERRITORY

MUNICIPALITY OF MAPLE RIDGE

PR. or PCR

Haney
31-7-42

CRIME REPORT

1. REX Vs OMURA, Shogo - Possession of Radio - D.O.C.R. Sec. 4

With reference to the letter of Assistant Commissioner O/G E Division dated the 12th instant, instructing that Radio seized in the above case be turned over to Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

2. I beg to report that the undersigned this date turned over to the R.C.M.P. Vancouver the following described Radio and obtained receipt for same.

Emerson Mantel Model Radio Serial No. EM 2336128.

HQRS. REF.

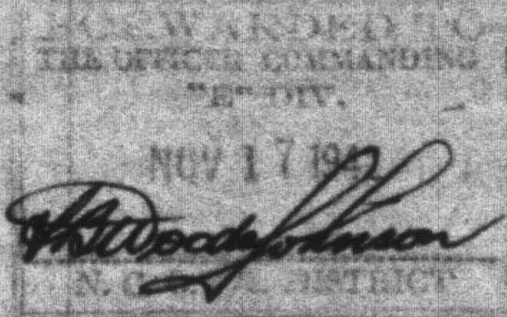
Concluded

**To the H.C.O.1/c
New Westminster District**

J. McGeehan
**J. McGeehan Const Regt #568
1/c Haney Detachment.**

VL. REF.

DIST. REF.



T. REF.

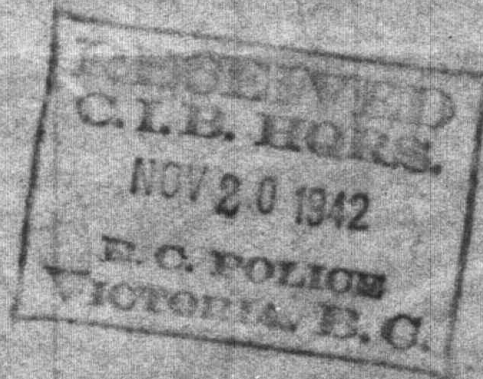
**Commissioner, C.I.B.,
Victoria, B.C.**

FORWARDED, two copies, reference your letter November 9th.

**Your file Ev. Misc.
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19-11-42.

**J. Shirras,
Assistant Commissioner,
Commanding "E" Division.**



DIVISION: "E"
DISTRICT: North Vancouver
DETACHMENT: District Hdqts.,



FILE No.
DATE: 25-11-42

FR. or PCR

DS-2-42

Organized Territory

District of North Vancouver

R E P O R T

Re: SASAKI, Teruhiro - Signature of Camera D.O.C.R.

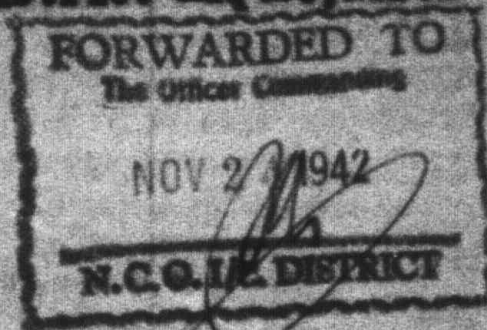
1. Further to the m/n Report and memorandum dated the 18th instant from the Officer Commanding "E" Division, Vancouver and your foot-note thereon; I beg to report that the camera in question was handed to Constable N. Krag, R.C.M. Police, Little Mountain Barracks, Vancouver this date.
2. Receipt obtained and held on file at this office.
3. Extra copies attached for the information of the Custodian of Japanese affairs.

Concluded.

D. Chamberlin

D. Chamberlin, Constable,
District Hdqts., North Vanor.

To The N.C.O. i/c.,
North Vancouver District,
B. C. Police.



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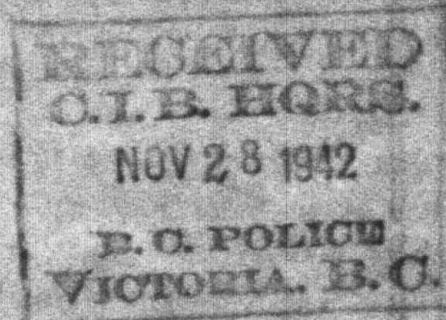
Commissioner, C.I.B.,
Victoria, B.C.

ET. REF.

FORWARDED, two copies, reference your letter of November 9th.
Your file Ev. Misc.
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26-11-42.

J. Shirras,
Assistant Commissioner,
Commanding "E" Division.



(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Shogo Omura

File No. 8698

New Denver B.C.

Reg. No. *19372*

Company Sun Life

Agency Vancouver Agency

Policy No. 2107461

Premium - \$ 40.35

Payable: ☒ Annually, ☐ Semi-annually or ☐ monthly

Month March Day 28

REMARKS:

Letter sent 13 19/43

REG. NO.		NAME			FILE NO.	
14373		OMURA, Shogo Frank			8578	
COMPANY	POLICY NO.	AMOUNT	EXPIRATION			PROPERTY
			MONTH	DAY	YEAR	
The North West Fire Insurance Co.	<i>Renewed by 210081 - Transferred to V.L.A.</i> 193973	\$5,000.	June	1st	1943	No. 2413 on the E. side of Powerline Rd., Ft. Hammond, S.C.
The North West Fire Insurance Co.	<i>Transferred to V.L.A.</i> 210081	\$5,000.	June	1st	1946	No. 2413 on the E. side of Powerline Rd., Ft. Hammond, S.C.

FIRE INSURANCE SUMMARY

The above Japanese person declared insurance coverage of \$3000.00 on his property. Upon investigation it was found that this covered the dwelling alone and had an expiry date of June 1, 1943.

It was renewed at that time for the same amount and the premium amounting to \$48.00 was paid from OMURA's account here.

The property was sold to the Veterans' Land Act as of January 1st, 1943 and upon receiving the assignments of the policies they refunded to OMURA's credit \$48.00 covering the premium of the policy renewal and \$7.04 being the unexpired portion of the original policy.

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

11th February, 1946
WEA:EH

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EXHIBIT No. 1110-10
DATE OCT 8 1948
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REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Shogo OMURA Reg. No. 14373 File No. 8698

CATALOGUE NO: Sold by Special Arrangement to The Director, Veterans' Land Act.
BC/133-P. First Offer.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2341 Powerline Road, Hammond, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: The West $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 2 of the South $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 263, Group 1, Map 1051,
Municipality of Maple Ridge, D. N. W.

TITLE: Registered in the name of Shogo OMURA.

ENCUMBRANCES: None registered. No indication of any unregistered charges.
Vesting Order No. 25080, dated December 10th, 1942.

ASSESSED VALUE: Land - \$ 400.00
Improvements - \$2400.00 - \$2800.00. Taxes - \$38.41.

CLASSIFICATION: Small Fruit Farm, Dwelling and out-buildings.
Custodian's representative reported December 10th, 1942, that
this property had an area of 4.995 acres all cleared, planted
to the following crops: $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres strawberries, $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres rasp-
berries, 18 fruit trees (mixed).
1 - 2 storey 8 room house, 1 - 4 room shack, $1\frac{1}{2}$ storeys,
1 small shed, 1 packing shed, 1 garage and bath house.

HISTORY OF
ADMINISTRATION: This property was leased by the Custodian to Mrs. Florence Milne
on 14th December, 1942, for the term of one year from 1st
September, 1942 to 31st August, 1943. Consideration - \$180.00,
payable \$15.00 monthly, first payment 1st September, 1942 and
thereafter on 15th of every month.
Buildings included except one room in the S. W. corner of the
upstairs part of dwelling for storing chattels.

SOLD: To The Director, The Veterans' Land Act for \$2,955.00 as at
January 1st, 1943.
Approval of Advisory Committee - 1st June, 1943.

In view of the rent being collected by the Custodian up to 31st
July, 1943, a cheque, covering same, in the amount of \$105.00,
was paid to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act, November 17th,
1943.

Funds released to the credit of Shogo OMURA as at 5th June, 1944,
against which were charges for Registration Fees - \$3.00, Legal
Fees - \$15.00, leaving a net credit of \$2,937.00 from said
transaction.

transaction.

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Adjustments to the amount of \$7.04 covering unexpired Fire Insurance Premiums, were placed to Shogo OMURA'S credit.

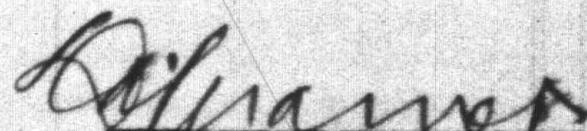
The following Fire Insurance Policy -

The North West Fire Insurance Co., Policy No.201081 - \$3,000.00, covering on 1½ storey dwelling, was transferred to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

Certificate of Title No. 171301-E, in the name of The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

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

January 17th, 1946.


D. A. CRAMER.

DAC:JS

File No. 8698

OMURA, Shogo (Mr.)

Reg. No. 14373

2413 Powerline Road, Hammond, B.C.



Picture taken Feb. 24/43
by J.M.

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S.S. Form No. 49
(Sheet 1)Farm Appraisal ReportFile No. J.L. 5Land Description W¹ of Lot 2, Op. 1, D.L. 263, Map 1051, Mun. of Maple Ridge.Containing 5 acres more or less. AcresOwner's Name OMURA, Shogo Post Office Address R.R. No. 1, Hammond, B.C.Nearest Rail Point Hammond on C. P. R. Distance 1 1/2 milesMarket Town Hammond 1 1/2 mls., or New Westminster 16 mls. DistanceChurch (give denomination) All denominations Distance " "Nearest School Hammond 1 1/2 mls., Haney High 3 1/2 Distance " "State how property was identified: Map location, road and corner posts.Roads: State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.
Has approx. 200' frontage on good gravel road at South and lies in about 200 yards from Lougheed Highway.Is this district a good one? Yes, closely settled area of small holdings.Employment opportunity Fairly good.Predominating Nationality and religion: British & Protestant but Japanese largely in the immediate neighbourhood.Describe Fencing and its condition: 4 wire at North; otherwise unfenced. Value \$Water supply: Adequate domestic supply obtained from a 15' well. Value \$ on brothers' 5 acs. adjoining & pumped by electric pump to dwelling. (included land value.)

BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	26' x 36'	lumber	24'	shgl	3 yrs	cement wall	good	4000.00
Packing shed	24 x 48	"	8'	"	15 "	cement block	fair	100.00
	X							
BARN	X							
	X							
BARN	X							
	X							
GRANARY	X							
	X							
	X							
	X							

Total present day value \$4100.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm \$2600.00

Is dwelling habitable without repairs? Yes If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it habitable? Dwelling modern in every way except no bathtub installed.Describe the basement and chimneys: Full cement basement & hot air furnace. Brick chimney to ground.No. rooms downstairs? 4 Upstairs? 4 How finished Lath & Plaster throughout.Are buildings painted? Yes Condition of paint goodDistance from nearest bush 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
4.0	level or slight slope to west.	Good chocolate loam 8"	clay	2 acs. Straws - average 1 " Raspas. " 1 ac. Asp. & Tulips	100.00	400.00
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.						
1.0	Level	good loam 8"	clay	clear stumps and scrub bush.	150.00	10.00
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	

Total value of Land \$410.00

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$2600.00

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

Total value of farm \$3010.00

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:
 Farm in very good condition & tillage. Been occupied by this Japanese
 family for 15 years and developed by them from bush.

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

Noxious weeds: Land clean and fairly free from noxious weeds.

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

Municipality of Maple Ridge.
 \$60.13 on 2 Lots, recently subdivided.
 (Approx. \$40.00)

Date: May 8th, 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 7th day of May, 1942.

Inspector's Signature

"J. D. PATTERSON"

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

Remarks: Farm in good production and condition with a first-class modern city home except that water is pumped in from a well and there is only a wash-bowl and toilet in the bathroom. Following the usual Japanese custom the family evidently prefer an outside bath-house. There is also a well kept lawn with ornamental trees, shrubs and flowers in front of the house. However, the value of the latter in my opinion, in relation to the productive value of the property and its surroundings is \$2600.00 or a total of \$3000.00 in round figures for the place.

I am informed that a similar small holding adjoining at East with an older house on it, belonging to K. Ito, was sold recently for \$3000.00 cash.

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

Slopes gently West from a flat ridge into which it rises again towards the N.E. corner so that approx. 2 acs. is a good fertile sandy loam and the remainder chocolate loam on clay. Cultivated area on latter is fairly well underdrained with cedar and tile.

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

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

2 acs 1st & 2nd crop straws. - Good condition.	\$
1 ac. Raspberries - Fairly "	"
" Asparagus & Tulips " "	"
Included land value.	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
Total \$	\$

Amount fruit trees add to value of farm \$.....

OMURA, Shogo
J.L. 5.

Diagram of Property

W₁ of Lot 2, Gp. 1, D.L. 263, Map 1051, Mun. of Maple Ridge.

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*Diagram insert
to be attached*

Following careful review of this appraisal report, it is my opinion that the present
value is \$ 3000.00

Date 13th May, 1942.

(SIGNED) I. T. Barnet.
District Superintendent.

Shogo OMURA

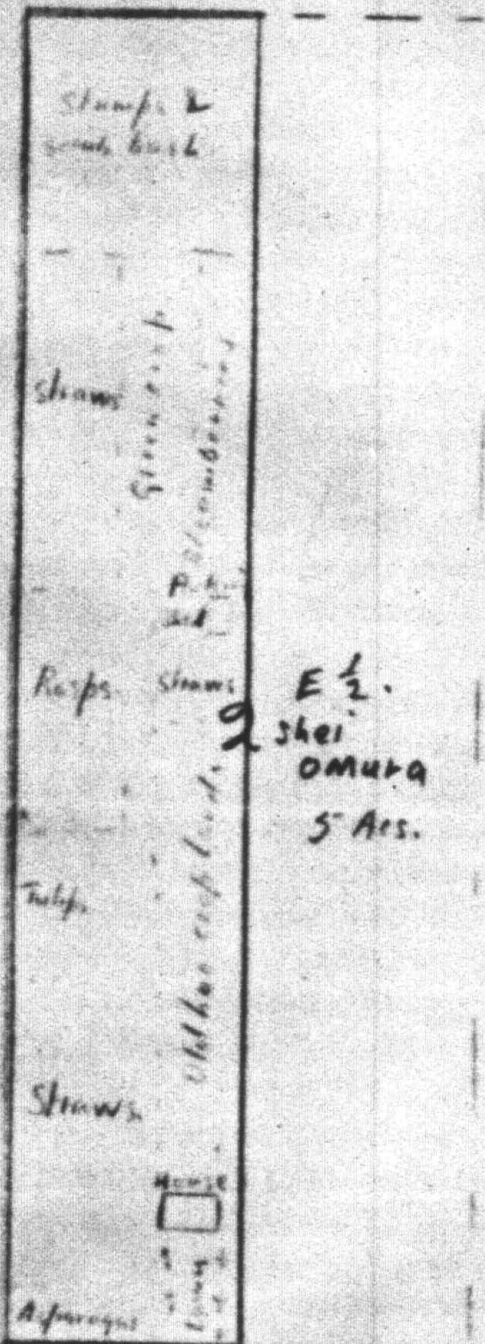
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width of lot 2 61.00 ft. 26.00

Map 1051 Maple Ridge

Scale 300' = 1 inch



Good Gravel Rd. (Hunter Road)

This sheet to be
inserted on BC/153-P
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R E P O R T
ON EVACUATED JAPANESE PROPERTY

File No. _____

MUNICIPALITY: MAPLE RIDGE.

Date: Dec. 10, 1942.

NAME: OMURA, Shogo Frank

REGISTRATION NO. 14373.

ADDRESS: 2413 Powerline Rd., Hammond, B.C.

PROPERTY:

ACREAGE: 1.495

All cleared.

KIND OF CROPS:

STRAWS. RASPS. FR. TREES.

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF EACH:

1½.

2½.

18 mixed.

HOUSE: 2 Storeys.

VACANT:

OCCUPIED: Yes, by Mrs. Milne.

DESCRIPTION: Frame, cedar siding, painted white, full cement basement.

ROOF: Shingle.

SIZE: 30 x 36

NO. OF ROOMS: 8.

4 US & bathroom & linen closet
4 DS & kitchen nook.

CONDITION: EXCELLENT.

OTHER BUILDINGS: 4 room shack, 1½ storeys; 16' x 24' (poor)
Sml. shed 6' x 12' (poor) Pack. shed 22' x 48' (fair)
Woodshed 12' x 16' (fair)

Garage & bathhouse comb. 22' x 28' (good, modern building)

NAME OF LESSEE OR RENTOR: Mrs. Norman Milne.

TERMS: \$15.00 per month.

WATER: Electric pump & tank.

ON:

OFF:

LIGHT: Yes.

ON: Yes.

OFF:

REMARKS: All rooms finished nicely with plaster.

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS LEFT ON PROPERTY:

SEE ATTACHED LISTS

Signed:

J. Mayson
W. A. Stinson

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22nd September, 1942.

Mr. Shogo Frank Omura, #14373,
New Denver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Tractor.

We understand from the tenant of your farm that the magneto and crank are missing from your tractor. It appears that these items were taken off the machine by you in order to make the machine unusable. We would appreciate your informing us where these items can be located, as the tractor is necessary for the proper operation and care of your farm.

Trusting you will let us have this information as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

WEA:GF

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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R.R.I.

Hammond,

B.C.

Sept. 30th 1942

To The Custodians,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver,

8698 — 14373

OMURA, Shogo F.

Dear Sirs,

Please find enclosed \$15.00 for the rent
on Mrs. Omura's fruit farm during September.

There is an old sewing machine here
which Miss Omura said was not in good
working order. A friend of mine was in a
few days ago & said she would like to buy
it & fix it up if Mrs. Omura would like
to sell it at a reasonable price. Miss Omura
said they had been going to buy a new one.

Yours truly

Florence K. Milne
(Mrs. Norman Milne)

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OFFICE OF THE CUSTOMS
JAPANESE SECTIONRECEIVED
OCT 1 1942Custodian of the Enemy Alien Property,
Vancouver B.C.

New Denver B.C.

Oct 1/42.

Dear Sir,

In reply to the letter I received regarding our tractor. I would like to inform you that we have not rented the land nor the farm implements.

I have heard from our tenants that you have rented our house for (\$5.00) fifteen dollars a month which I would consider very low for a house of its standard.

As for the furniture we have left for the use by the tenants upon their ability of taking care were dining room suite composed of:
 1 table, 6 chairs, 1 buffet, 1 china cabinet
 2 couches, 1 chesterfield blue, 1 blue arm chair, 2 green arm chair, 1 coffee table, 1 lamp table, 1 end table, 1 chesterfield table, 1 smoke stand, 1 book case
 4 ferneries, 2 bureau, 1 chiffonier,
 1 double bed and 4 springs, 1 single bed and spring, 3 table lamp, 1 standard lamp and curtains for kitchen and

bedrooms on the second floor, and
odd rag rugs^{4.00}. All the rest of
the furnitures and kitchen wares
were locked in one room up stairs
not to be used by tenants. I
would like to see that it is kept.

I had had a permit to return
to our house after it had been
occupied by the tenants and found
that very many articles which had
been locked away were being used.

I would like to remind you
that the said property is owned by
a Canadian-born Japanese who
still has the status of a Canadian
citizen, though it may be in your
power to do as you see fit with the
property of a Japanese national.

Yours truly,
Shozo Omura.
per.
S. Omura.

New Denver, B. C.
Oct 4/42.

Dear Mrs. Milne,

I have been informed from my sister that you are now occupying our home in Port Hammond which I trust that you will be kind enough to take exceedingly good care of our premises during our vacation period and avoid any deterioration.

There are few articles which I would like to have them shipped here they are as follows;

- 1 - 50' rubber covered utility extension lamp (electric)
- 1 - roll rubber hose
- 1 - Columbia table model gramophone
- 1 - album of record
- 1 - Victor phonograph record player

If you have dismantled the pumping unit I would like to have the $\frac{1}{2}$ h.p. electric motor shipped here also and if possible all the electric motors. There are 1 - $\frac{1}{4}$ h.p. General Electric motor and 1 - $\frac{1}{6}$ h.p. General Electric motor with generator made up as a charging unit in the upstairs garage building.

I suppose it would be quite a task to have them packed up so in that case if you should enquire Mr. Edwin Hauka a Finnish neighbour 2nd house from the highway I think he will be kind enough to lend you the hand or any other person whom you think is advisable.

Also please forward me the flight charges

Trusting that you will be kind enough
to do so.

I am, Yours very truly,
S. F. Omura.

P.S.

If you should get any person to help you pack
up the article, please forward me the names of the
person.

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October 7th, 1942.

Mr. Shogo Frank Omura,
Reg. No. 14373,
New Denver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We received your letter dated October 1st and are somewhat surprised at your attitude expressed therein. When you and your sister Shime called at this office prior to evacuation we told you we would obtain a tenant who would properly care for the house and chattels and also do their best for the farm. We have obtained a woman highly respectable and careful who will be made responsible for all of your belongings, at the rate of \$15.00 a month which is three times the rental you had intended to accept.

We have instructed Mr. Ison to carry on the work of the farm as suggested by yourself, planting approximately three acres of rye and will do everything in our power to see that it is properly cared for and operated. However, in all fairness to your own property, we would appreciate your informing us where the missing parts from the tractor are located and as Mr. Ison will not be able to do the work at all times it will be necessary to have someone else to do it.

We have received an offer to purchase the old sewing machine which was left in the basement of the dwelling-house and we would appreciate your advising us if this machine is for sale and, if so, for what price. Apparently your sister Shime informed Mr. Milne that the machine was not very good but Mrs. Milne thinks that she could have it repaired if she could buy it reasonably.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson.
Farm Department.

WEA/EM

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1st December, 1942.

Mr. Shogo Frank Omura,
Registration No. 14373,
New Denver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

On October 7th we wrote you asking for certain information, but as yet you have not given us the courtesy of a reply.

Kindly inform us if your old sewing machine left in the basement of the dwelling house is for sale, and also we would appreciate your informing us as to the whereabouts of the missing portion of your tractor.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

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January 27th, 1943.

Mr. Shogo Frank OMURA,
Registration #14373,
New Denver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

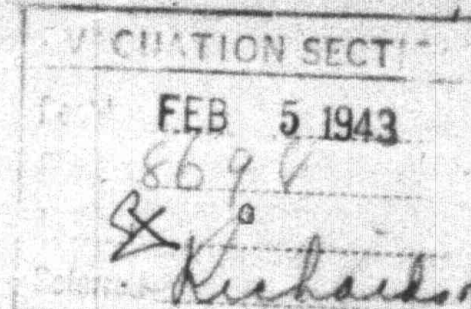
We have had an inquiry regarding the selling of your property including the ten acres owned by yourself and Shel Omura. We, therefore, ask that you kindly let us know the minimum cash price you will accept for the ten acres, the buildings, farm equipment including the tractor, and essential household furnishings.

A prompt reply would be appreciated.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

ADR/EM



File # 8698

New Denver, B. C.,
February 1, 1943.

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

Dear Sirs:

In answer to your inquiry of January 27th inst., we wish to state that the properties mentioned, namely: the ten acres, the buildings, farm equipments--including the tractor, and any of the household furnishings stored or otherwise, are not for sale now or at any other time.

As we left the property in your care for protection only, we would appreciate very much if you will kindly ignore any future candidate for purchase of the same.

Thanking you for your service, I remain,

Yours truly,

SFO/MN

S. F. Omura
S. F. Omura
Reg. No. 14373.

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February 9, 1943.

Mr. Shogo OMURA,
Registration No. 14373,
New Denver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Attached please find our cheque No. 1720 payable to your order and amounting to \$72.74, the receipt of which we would appreciate your acknowledging by return mail.

You will also find attached a statement of your account with us, from which you will observe that you have a remaining credit balance with us of \$19.97.

Upon reviewing our file in connection with your affairs, we find that we have received no reply from you to repeated letters we have sent to you in connection with your tractor and more particularly regarding the present location of the missing parts of your tractor, i.e. the magneto and the crank. Your reply at this time is solicited.

We also anticipate receiving shortly a reply from you to our letter dated December 1st in connection with your old sewing machine, and a reply from you to our letter dated January 27th in connection with your land, buildings, and farm equipment.

The present remittance is sent to you in response to the request embodied in your letter dated January 28th.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

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New Denver, B.C.,
February 15, 1943.

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

Dear Sir:

We have received your cheque No. 1720 in amount of \$72.74 as a payment for the Ford Truck.

Also, in answer to your inquiries of the previous letters, we have already mailed to you on February 1, 1943, stating clearly the terms which we had placed the properties under your custody. We believe that the answer is already in your hand. Otherwise we shall again inform you.

Yours Truly,
S. D.amura.

reg. # 14373.

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23rd March, 1943.

Mr. Shogo Frank OMURA,
Registration No. 14373,
New Denver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your letter of the 19th March,
we enclose herewith our cheque in the amount of \$30.00,
being payment on account of funds which we hold to
your credit. Kindly acknowledge receipt of this remit-
tance.

Yours truly,

H. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

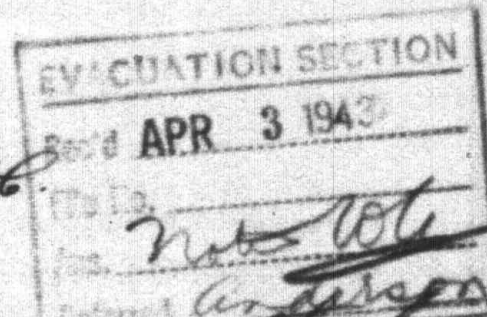
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Encl:

File # 8698.

New Denver, B.C.,
30th March, 1943.

Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Rogers Bldg., Vancouver, B.C.
Dear Sirs:



We desire to call your attention
again to your past due account for
the payments of the rental on our
house at Port Hammond, B.C., more
particularly described as, St. 1/2 of Lot
2, of Lot # 263, Group 1, N. St. District,
Map 1051, a letter of which was
mailed to you several weeks ago. We
shall appreciate receiving your check in
payment of this account by return
mail, and also the 1% Income Tax Re-
fund 1st. six months 1941 which amounts to
\$4.97.

Yours truly,
L. F. Emura
reg. # 14373.

New Denver, B. C.,

25th May 1943

EVACUATION SECTION	
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Ans.	
Referred	Johnston

Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Sect.,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The fire insurance of our house at
Port Hammond, B. C. will expire at 1st
June 1943. Will you please renew the
insurance and forward us the policy. The
value of the house to be insured is \$5000.00.

Also, we would appreciate if you will
kindly pay our 1943 tax out of revenue
and forward us the receipt.

We will pay all deficit amount if
any, upon receipt of your letter.

Yours truly,

S. G. Omura.

reg. 14373.

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29th May, 1943.

Mr. Shogo Frank OMURA,
Registration No. 14373,
NEW DENVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: North West Fire Policy No. 193973

The above numbered policy expires on June 1st next. It covers to the extent of \$3,000.00 on your dwelling located at No. 2413 on the North side of Power Line Road, in the Municipality of Maple Ridge. I have instructed McGregor, Johnston & Thomas, General Agents for the North West Fire Insurance Company, to renew this policy without change.

In looking through your file I see that you still have household furniture and other chattels stored in the dwelling covered under the above numbered policy and also that there are other buildings on your property, including a Garage, Woodshed and barn.

Kindly advise me by return mail if you would like to have the renewal policy extended to cover any other building or buildings and the chattels on your property and if so, how much do you wish to carry on each?

Yours truly,

S.M. Gibson,
Insurance Department

SMG:FM

File # 8698.

New Denver, B. C.
9th Sept, 1943.

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

EVACUATION SEC	
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File No.	8698
Ans.	10th
Referred	K. Richardson

Dear Sir:

We have previously sent you a letter requesting you to pay the 1943 taxes on our properties, described as E $\frac{1}{2}$ & W $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 2, Sec. 263, Twp. 12, Mun. of Maple Ridge, No. 2413, Power Line Road.

We would appreciate if you will please send us the receipt of the taxes and also the statement. In case of any shortage of fund we will forward to you upon receipt of your letter or statement.

Yours truly,
S. H. Omura
reg. # 14373.

DOMINION DRAG SAW COMPANY LIMITED

PARK, ESTATE AND GOLF COURSE EQUIPMENT

OFFICE AND SALES ROOM
119-121 MAIN STREET
VANCOUVER, B.C.
CABLE ADDRESS DRAGSAW

TELEPHONE
PACIFIC 9825

October 14, 1943

"WORTHINGTON"
Gang Mowers
Tractors
Greens Mowers
"COOPER" Power Mowers
"SHAWNEE CLIPPER"
Power Greens Mower
"GRAVELY"
Power Mowers
Tractors
"HARDIE" Power Sprayers
"W.W." Compact Grinders
"WILDER-STRONG" Spike Discs
"THOMPSON" Fertilizer Spreaders
"SPRINGFIELD" Lawn Sweepers
"ECONOMY" Sprinklers
"VAUGHAN"
Drag Saws
Flex-Tred Tractors
"BOOMSTICK" Boring Machines
"ELLINGSEN" Logging Jacks
Golf Course Maintenance
Equipment
"From Tee to Green"

Custodian of Enemy Property
675 W. Hastings St.
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention: Mr. Anderson

Dear Sir:

With reference to our conversation last week re appraising Flex-tred Tractor at Hammond, B.C. which was sold to K. Omura.

The writer went up to Mrs. Milne's place and found the tractor there but it is in very poor shape. (She claims that the magneto on this tractor is her own property) and in order to put this machine in working condition it would need a new magneto, the clutches overhauled and the engine overhauled.

We found the plow and discs at Mr. D. O. Balzer, R.R.#1., Hammond, B. C. but could not locate the cultivators or extension wheels although both Mrs. Milne and Mr. Balzer claim they were around the place.

As this Tractor stands with the implements we would appraise same at \$175.00.

Enclosed please find our bill in this connection and trust this is the information you require.

Yours very truly,

Dominion Drag Saw Co., Ltd.

G. Chambers

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EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd OCT 15 1943

File No.

Ans.

Referred

see file 4524

Council
wa.

% Big Bend Lumber Co.,
Nakusp, B.C.

27th Nov. 1943.

File behind name

7-12-43

Mr. A. Guenter,
Chilliwack, B.C.

Dear Mr. Guenter,

Received your letter of 23rd November
which I am thanking you. Also from the firm
in Vancouver

The letter states that since they haven't any
used tractors they cannot quote the price. The
new tractors are not available for the duration
excepting for the parts.

I have been considering sometimes for the price.
Prior to evacuation there were several persons who
offered me \$400 cash. At that time I did not
consider any offer having intention of keeping the
tractor.

Since then the prices on all commodities and
machineries have risen considerably and by judg-
ing various items, \$425 in Victory bonds
would be the lowest price I can possibly make.

Hoping to hear from you again and thank-
ing you for those literatures.

Yours very truly,
S. H. Omura.

% Big Bend Lumber, Co.
Makusp, B. C.

~~29th~~ Oct. 1943.

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memo 7-12-43

Mr. A. Guenter,

R.R. 1, Chilliwack, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Wanted small garden tractor.

I have a Vaughan Flexited 6 H.P. garden tractor in good condition. It has a steering clutches for controlling individual tracks. The engine is air cooled type continuous running.

Equipment included are as follows:

1- 10" mold-board plow.

1- 8 blade 12" disk with step for riding.

1- 5 prong cultivator.

1- set outboard extension rims.

Price complete with above equipment
\$495.00 in cash. at present stored at
farm in Maple Ridge.

S. H. Omura. ve

File no. 8698

% Big Bend Lumber Co.,
Makusp, B.C.,
December 15, 1943.

Canada
Department Of The Secretary Of State,
Office Of The Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Wancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 21 1943
File No.	8698
Ans.	22/12
Referred	Green

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of December 8, 1943, advising me the selling of my tractor and the equipment to Mr. A. Guenter, of Chilliwack, B.C., at the price of \$400.00 in Victory bonds and \$25.00 in cash.

Since I have a sound banking facilities here, will you please send me the \$400.00 in bonds and \$25.00 in cheques to the above address, in your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,
S. H. Oshida,
reg. # 14373.

File 8698

New Denver, B. C.,
January 31, 1944.

Secretary of State Canada,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Department,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 3 1944
File No.	8698
Ans.	
Referred	Anderson

Attention: Mr. R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

Dear Sir:

On January 17, we had sent you a letter
requesting for the statement since February 8,
1943, in connection with the rental of our house
at Hammond, B. C..

We would appreciate receiving an early
reply to the above request.

Yours truly,

S. F. Omura

S. F. Omura.

Reg. # 14373.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 3 1944
File No.	8698
Ans.	<i>[Signature]</i>
Referred	<i>[Signature]</i>

File 8698

New Denver, B. C.
January 31, 1944. *Out to Anderson*

Secretary of State Canada,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Department,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. H. F. Green.
Protection Department.

*Sent
see letter
Feb 1st 44*

Dear Sir:

Regarding your letter of December 22, 1943,
we have forward you on January 15, 1944, a letter
requesting you to remit us immediately the \$100.00
in Victory Bond, as according to your usual practices.
Also, if there should be no objection from the
Security Commission, to have the rest of the bonds
amounting to \$300.00 and \$25.00 which is in cash,
sent to us in your earliest convenience.

Since the letter was not returned by the Post
Office we must presume that you have received it.

It may be possible that you have overlooked
the matter, but we hope this will be a sufficient
reminder and that you will oblige us with a remit-
tance without further delay.

Please disregard this letter, if you have
already forwarded the remittance.

Yours truly,
S. F. Omura
S. F. Omura.

Reg. # 14373

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 18 1944
File No.	8698
Ans.	
Referred	

File # 8698.

New Denver, B. C.
February 15, 1944.

Canada
Department of Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section
Royal Bank Building
Vancouver B. C.

Dear Sir:

We received the Bonds, expected on our
tractor, to-day, through the Bank of Montreal
New Denver, B. C., as listed:

H0721552 - \$50.00	H0721556 - \$50.00
H0721553 - \$50.00	H0721557 - \$50.00
H0721554 - \$50.00	H0721558 - \$50.00
H0721555 - \$50.00	H0721559 - \$50.00

With thanks.

Yours truly,

S. F. Omura

S. F. Omura.
Reg. Number 14373

EVACUATION SECTION	
Date	FEB 10 1944
File No.	8698
Ass.	7A2
Referred	Green

File #8698.

New Denver, B. C.,

February 7, 1944.

CANADA
Department of the Secretary
of State
Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section
Royal Bank Building
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We acknowledge your cheque for \$25.00
attached with your letter of January 25, 1944,
with thanks.

Yours truly,

S. F. Omura

S. F. Omura,

reg. #14373

FILE NO. 8698

March 14, 1944.

THIS IS TO ADVISE THE CUSTODIAN THAT I HAVE DISPOSED
OF ALL MY PERSONAL PROPERTY AND I HAVE NO LONGER ANY-
THING IN THE PROTECTED AREA FOR WHICH THE CUSTODIAN
NEED CARE.

Shogo Frank Omura
Shogo Frank OMURA.
Registration No. 14373.

Your File No.



In reply quote File No.

SUBJECT: /

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 23 1944
File No.	
Ans.	<i>GN</i>
Referred	<i>Maister</i>

July 31st 1942

Haney B.C.

Receipt for Radio Seized in case of REX Vs OMURA, Shogo.
Defence Canada Regulation 4.

One Emerson Radio Mantel Model Serial No. HM2336128.

Model HM206.

J. McGeachan
J. McGeachan Const i/c
B.C.P. Police
Haney B.C.

File # 8698

34 Classic Ave.
Toronto Ontario

April 12, 1944

Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section
Royal Bank Building
Vancouver B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
APR 18 1944	
Rec'd	
File No.	8698
Ans.	WV
Referred	Anderson

attention of Mr. H. E. Anderson

Dear Sir:

I had left in your office the following shares of the Pacific Co-operative Union, Hazelton, B.C., now redeemable to me at par value:

3 shares of 1937 at \$10. per share - \$30.00

3 " " 1938 " \$10. per share - 30.00

Total amount \$ 60.00

I presume that you have now exchanged these shares to currency as I had previously requested. Will you please send me the amount as soon as possible. I am in daily need of cash at this time.

Yours truly,

S. H. Omura,

reg. # 14373.

Dr 105⁰⁰

File # 8698

34 Clarrie Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario
May 9, 1944.

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

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 15 1944
File No.	8698
Ans.	W
Referred	Anderson

attention of Mr. H. E. Anderson.

Dear Sir:

We acknowledge with thanks,
your letter of April 21, 1944
with cheque attached in the
amount of \$60.00.

Yours truly
S. H. Omura

ny # 14373.

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July 8, 1944.

The Director,
Veterans' Land Act,
518 Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Shogo Frank OMURA.

Subject Japanese was evacuated from his property at Hammond, B. C., August 14, 1942. After his evacuation he had installed on his property a new electric water pump at a cost of \$113.00. Arrangements for the installation and payment for this equipment were made through Ernie's Garage of Hammond and the Bank of Montreal at Haney. This fact can be confirmed by the above parties and the tenant.

As this installation took place after your appraisal we would appreciate being reimbursed in the amount of \$113.00.

Yours truly,

W. E. Anderson,
Farm Department.

WEA/EG

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Your File BC/133P

July 19, 1944.

Soldier Settlement & Veterans' Land Act,
518 Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. I. T. Barnet,
District Superintendent.

Dear Sir:

Re: Shogo Frank OMURA.

In reply to your letter of July 11th, we wish to advise you the the claim for \$113.00 covers the cost of an electric pumping unit only. Your appraisal report will no doubt point out the fact that the old pump on the property was worn out and not in use. This can be verified by your Mr. McKay.

The writer personally inspected this property early in 1942 and states this fact. If it is necessary to produce a statement from the bank and from the mechanic who installed the unit, as well as a statement from the tenant, we will do so and forward them to you.

Yours truly,

W. E. Anderson,
Farm Department.

WEA/EG



CANADA

SOLDIER SETTLEMENT AND VETERANS' LAND ACT

YOUR FILE NO.

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BC/133P

PLEASE QUOTE

518 Rogers Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.,
August 8, 1944.

Attention: Mr. Anderson

The Custodian of Enemy Property,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Rec'd	AUG 9 1944
File No.	
Ans.	<i>Wra</i>
Referred	

Dear Sir:

Re: Shogo Frank OMURA

I wish to thank you for your letter of July 19th regarding the electric pumping unit supposedly purchased for the above noted property. The appraisal made on the 7th May 1942 by Mr. J. D. Patterson clearly states that water was obtained by means of an electric pump and consideration of this was taken when deciding on making a bid for the property.

If a new pump has been put in since that time I would ask that you be good enough to explain what happened to the one that was in use when the appraisal was made. If it is found that it was necessary to exchange the old electric pump for a new one before the sale was actually made by the Custodian to this Department, I take it that there will be no great difficulty about arranging for payment although advice should have been given to this office at the time.

Yours truly,

I. T. Barnett
District Superintendent
Per - *[Signature]*

AB:MN

8698

BC/133P

August 15, 1944.

Veterans' Land Act and
Soldier Settlement of Canada,
518 Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Shogo Frank OMURA.

We thank you for your letter of August 8th and would advise that while the appraisal on this property was made May 7, 1942 the new electric pump was installed in late October of that year, which was prior to the time of your department's interest in administration. The old pump, which was dismantled according to our fieldman, was located in the garage on the property, together with a worthless selection of old automobile parts, and it can no doubt be found there as all household chattels in which we were interested have been removed from the property.

We would appreciate receiving your cheque in due course as this matter will clean up our file.

Yours truly,

W. E. Anderson,
Farm Department.

WEA/EG

File No. 8698

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd SEP 26 1944	238 Huron St.
File No. 8698	Toronto Ont.
Ans. 106A	
Referred Anderson	Sept. 18, 1944.

Canada
Department of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section.
Attention of Mr. L. Anderson

Dear Sir:

Re. the Master Automatic pumps # 3536D

I have received the word from Mrs. Milne that the Soldier Settlement Board and the Custodian have agreed in purchasing the pumps.

As you already understand that this pump was installed after we had evacuated from our home, you had sanctioned the selling of the pump to Mrs. Milne, therefore we are asking you the price of \$113.50 which is the total cost of the pump at the time of installation.

I would appreciate your early remittance of the amount.

Yours truly
S. F.amura
reg. # 14373.

File # 8698

238 Huron St.

Toronto, Ont.

Nov. 20, 1944.

Canada, Dept. of Secretary of State.

Office of the Custodian

Japanese Evacuation Section

Vancouver, B.C.

attention of Mr. H. E. Anderson

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith through registered mail "Certificate #1012 for two shares of the Capital Stock of Pacific Co-operative Union, shares number 2233 and 2234, valued at \$10.00 per share. Will you please redeem the shares and send the amount to me in your earliest convenience.

I also understand, that the Pacific Co-Operative Union of Mission City has sent to your care my 142 shares, particulars as follows:

Ten shares, Certificate #2145, shares number 56965-74 valued at \$10.00 per share.

I would appreciate your forwarding the shares with the amount as mentioned.

#2145 in full.

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non-redemptible

Yours truly,

S. R. Omura

reg. # 14373.

EVACUATION SECTION

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ROR OR

Richardson

File # 8698

238 Huron St
Toronto Ont
Dec. 11, 1944

Canada
Dept. of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section
Vancouver B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION
DEC 15 1944

8698
RDR
Richardson

Attention of Mr. R.D. Richardson

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of
November twenty-fifth attached with
a Custodian Cheque in the amount
of \$112.50 from the sale proceeds of
pressure pump complete, which I
thank you.

Yours truly,
S. R. Omura
reg. # 14373

File # 8698

238 Huron St.,
Toronto, Ont.,
Dec. 23, 1944

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

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 28 1944
File No.	8698
Ans.	
Referred	Anderson

Attention of Mr. H. E. Anderson

Dear Sir:

On November 20, 1944, I have sent to you through registered mail # 838 Toronto, "Certificate # 1092 for two shares of the Capital Stock of Pacific Cooperative Union, Mission City B.C. shares number 2233 and 2234" valued at \$10.00 per share, requesting to redeem the shares and send me the amount in currency at your earliest convenience.

To this date, I have not received any reply concerning this matter. Since the shares were forwarded through registered mail, I presume they are already in your hand.

Please give this matter your prompt attention and send me the amount immediately.

Yours truly,

S. J. Omura. reg. # 14373.

File # 8698

238 Huron St.,
Toronto, Ont.
Dec. 26, 1944.

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

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 2 1945
File No.	8698
Ans.	ROR OR
Referral	Richardson

Attention Mr. R. D. Richardson

Dear Sir:

I have received your reply of December 19, 1944 acknowledging the receipt of my share certificate No. 1012 for two redeemable shares in the Pacific Co-operative Union, which I thank you.

Will you please send me the amount immediately, I am in much need of cash at this time.

Reason. On December 13, I punctured my left thumb with an electric drill. Since then I am laid off from work.

Remit \$100

Dr Blee 2842.04

Claims Nil

Yours truly,

S. G. Omura.

reg. #14373.

File # 8698

238 Huron Street,
Toronto 5. Ont.,
January 22, 1945

Canada
Dept of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section
Vancouver B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 26 1945
File No.	8698
Ans.	
Referred	Richardson

Attention of Mr. R.D. Richardson

Dear Sir:

I thank you for your reply of
January 2, attached with the Custodian
cheque in the amount of \$100.00.

Referring to the Share Certificate
No. 1012 of the Pacific Co.-operative Union, will
you please place the proceeds to the credit of
my account in your trust, immediately after
its redemption and kindly notify me of
the day of which it was redeemed.

Yours truly,
S. G. Omura

reg. # 14375.

6698, 6699, 6701

June 29th, 1945

R 105704, CHINA, S.,
24 Gladwin Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Sir:

We have your communication which is undated and note your desire to acquire certain property in the District of New Westminster.

The lands referred to have been sold to the Director, Veterans' Land Act, and your request will be a matter which the Director must determine when the time arrives for an allotment of properties to discharged soldiers. We understand, however, that this may not take place until after the conclusion of hostilities.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson
Farm Department

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ON ACTIVE SERVICE

B105704 Pte. OMURA, S.
S-20 M.P.O. 1106,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

July 17, 1945.

Original in file 1699
Dept. of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian.

Dear Sir:

Re: Your file No. 8698, 8699, 8701.

I have your communication of June 29th, 1945, reg. the property in the District of New Westminster.

It is referred to have been sold to the Director, Veterans' Land Act, this has been done without my consent, as a owner of the said property I would like to have more confirmed statement made.

You have stated in your letter that when the time arrives for an allotment of properties, this must be determined by the directors, in my case I must ask you once again that the said property is not for sale in which case, the property rightfully belongs to its owner.

This must not be taken into consideration on the bases of allotment to discharged soldiers.

This matter should be taken into immediate action, and not after the conclusion of the hostilities as stated in your letter.

Sir I would be glad to hear from you immediately and also whom, I should contact, in the Dept. Director of Veterans' Land Act.

Yours truly,

"Pte. Omura S. M."

8699 - 8698 copy

July 26, 1945.

B 105704, Pte. OKURA, S.,
S-20, M.P.O. 1106,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of the 17th instant in which you refer to our letter of June 29th written by our Mr. R.D. Richardson. Your letter has come to my desk for reply. Your previous letter, received on June 15th, mentioned a change in your status and I presume this refers to the fact that you are now a Private in the Canadian Army.

You have been advised that under a policy of liquidation authorized by the Canadian Government, your property was included in a sale of a group of properties to the Director, The Veteran's Land Act and that this sale was effective as at January 1, 1943. These properties are now registered in the name of the Director and the Veteran's Land Department is therefore the only department which can now deal with the property which you formerly owned.

I notice that Mr. Richardson stated that it was his understanding that the Director is not allotting properties to discharged soldiers until after the conclusion of hostilities. This is a matter however, which is entirely outside of the jurisdiction of this office. You asked whom you should contact in that Department and I would suggest that you address any communication you may wish to make to Mr. I. T. Barnett, District Superintendent, Soldier's Settlement and Veteran's Land Act, 518 Rogers Building, Vancouver.

As far as this Department is concerned, we note the protest which you have made in regard to the sale of your property, and your letter will remain on our files as an indication of your opinion, and, in the event of this matter being reopened at a later date and claims are being considered, our records will then be available.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS:AS

File # 8698

859 Shaw St.,
Toronto, Ont
Dec. 10, 1945

Canada
Dept. of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section
Vancouver, Canada.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 14 1945
File No.	8698
Ref.	
Referral	Anderson

Dear Sir:

Will you please exchange my
credit balance of \$2760.23 in your
trust into Victory Bonds and forward
the bonds to me as soon as possible.

Yours truly,
Shogo Frank Omura
reg. # 14373

File # 8698.

859 Shaw Street,
Toronto, Ont.

Feb. 4, 1946.

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

EVACUATION SECTION	
REC'D	FEB 9 1946
FILE NO.	8698
ATTN.	
REFERRED	Anderson

Dear Sir:

Re: 9th Victory Bonds

Will you please forward the 9th
Victory Loan Bonds amounting \$2700.00,
which you have purchased in accordance
with my letter of December 10, 1945, to
the Bank of Montreal, 112 Spadina Ave.
Toronto, Ontario.

I have had interview with the
managers of the bank as formentioned.

Yours truly,

Shogo Frank Oomura
reg. # 14373.

8698

February 19, 1946.

Mr. Shogo Frank OMURA
Registration No. 14373
859 Shaw Street
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your letter of
February 4th, we have today forwarded to your
credit at the Bank of Montreal, 112 Spadina
Avenue, Toronto, \$2,700.00 Dominion of Canada
3% Ninth Victory Loan bonds due September 1st,
1966, numbered as follows:

2 x \$1000 No.s P.7 E018839/40
1 x \$ 500 No. P.7 B0226614
2 x \$ 100 No. P.7 A955307/8

Yours truly,

WEA:DMcI.

W. E. Anderson
Administration Department

14th March, 1946.

REGISTERED

Mr. Shogo Frank OMURA,
Registration No. 14373,
859 Shaw Street,
Vancouver, B.C.
Toronto.

Dear Sir:

Administration of your affairs and a review of your file has now been completed, and we take this opportunity of giving you a brief summary of it.

Real property registered in your name at Hammond, became vested in the Custodian upon your registration with this office. Just prior to your evacuation you called at this office, stating that although you had made rental arrangements with a Mr. Lahte for the duration, the consideration for which was to have been the payment of yearly taxes, that you wished this lease cancelled as you saw that the party was not desirable. The Custodian therefore, entered into an agreement with a Mrs. Milne, to rent the property at the rate of \$15.00 per month, from the 1st September, 1942. Of rental payments collected by this office on this basis, only four months' payments totalling \$60.00 accrued to your benefit at this office as your property was sold in accordance with the policy of liquidation decided upon by the Canadian Government, with adjusting date, 1st January, 1943. You were fully advised regarding this matter as details were sent to you on the 19th June, 1944, from which you will have noted that the net proceeds from the sale were credited to your account here. Legal fees amounting to \$15.00 in connection with the conveyance of your property were, however, later charged to you.

When registering with this office, you declared you owned no chattels, but shortly before your evacuation you and your sister left with this office, a complete statement of household furniture and farm equipment owned by you, and which were being left on your property. These were all inventoried by our fieldmen, and arrangements were made with the tenant on your property to take good care of them. This you will agree was well done, and the tenant who was very co-operative made several small shipments to you at your request.

A small tractor with attachments was sold by you for the sum of \$425.00, which sum was paid in to this office and credited to your account, \$400.00 in the form of Victory bonds, and \$25.00 in cash. The bonds were forwarded to your credit at the Bank of Montreal, New Denver, at your request and the bank charges of 90¢ were charged to your account here. To substantiate the selling price and make sure you were receiving fair value, the Custodian had the machine appraised for a fee of \$15.00, which sum was also charged to your account.

A few items of furniture were removed and sold at Public Auction for

14th March, 1946.

the net sum of \$126.10, and your mail box was sold to the Postal Authorities for \$2.00. These sums were credited to your account here. On the 14th March, 1944, just prior to your being relocated in the East, you visited the Coast, at which time you arranged the shipment or disposal of all chattels that were remaining in the Protected Area, and at that time we also supplied you with full details of chattels liquidated by this Department. At the same time you declared to us that you had made satisfactory arrangements regarding all your chattels and that it was not necessary for the Custodian to take any further action regarding same.

At the time of your evacuation from the Protected Area, the electric water pump unit on your property was apparently worn out, and arrangements were made by you to have a new one installed and payment of same to be made by the Bank at Haney. When this was drawn to our attention, in view of the fact that the appraisal of your property took place just prior to its installation, the Custodian arranged reimbursement to you of the sum of \$112.50, representing the cost to you of replacing the unit. This sum was credited to your account here, and forwarded to you at your request.

A truck declared by you to have been surrendered at Hastings Park was sold in accordance with details sent to you, for the net sum of \$72.74.

Your radio which was turned over to the Provincial Police, was sold at Public Auction for the net sum of \$20.95, and the proceeds were released to your credit at this office.

The Provincial Income Tax Department paid \$4.97 in to this office to your credit, being refund of payment made by you in 1941. The Dominion Government Income Tax Department refunded \$35.56 to your credit at this office for payment made in 1942. Both these amounts were credited to your account as received.

\$310

According to the records of the Pacific Co-operative Union, you were the holder of \$690.00 in unredeemable shares and \$270.00 in redeemable shares in that co-operative. Redeemable shares issued to you in the years 1937 to 1940 inclusive have been redeemed at par for the sum of \$110.00, and the proceeds credited to your account, together with \$10.22 interest on same, less an account of \$1.81 representing a small overdraft in your account at the Co-operative. Your redeemable equity is still \$60.00 in 1941 shares and \$100.00 in 1942 shares. These should be redeemed early in 1947 and 1948 respectively, at which time, the proceeds from their redemption will be forwarded to you, together with any interest that has accrued. It would appear that you still have in your possession, your 1940 and 1941 share certificates. Please forward them to this office.

Other assets declared by you in the Protected Area were \$100.00 in Victory bonds, a Bank account and a Safety Deposit box at the Bank of Montreal, Haney, and a Sun Life Insurance policy. These were, however, not brought under control by the Custodian, and neither were certain shares held by you in the Hammond Cedar Company.

Mr. Shogo Frank OMURA

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14th March, 1946.

At your request, the Custodian arranged the purchase for you, of \$2700.00 in Dominion of Canada 3% Victory bonds on the 17th December, 1945. At that time the bonds cost \$2727.00, plus \$10.27 interest for the period from 1st November to 17th December. Payment for the bonds was made from your account here and they were subsequently sent, in accordance with your letter of the 4th February, 1946, to your credit at the Bank of Montreal, 112 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, Ontario. Bank charges in making this transfer amounted to \$3.54, and these were paid from your account here.

Attached hereto is a statement of your account at this office, since the date one was last sent to you, and the attached cheque in the amount of \$38.97, represents the credit balance as shown.

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

Yours truly,

W.E. Anderson,
Administration Department.

WEA:HA
Encl. (3)

File No. 8698
Reg. No. 14373

Shozo Frank OMURA

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1944 June 4	Balance as per statement sent		\$2,842.04	
October 25	Payment for 1 pressure pump and pipe & pressure tank		112.50	
November 27	Cheque to you	112.50		
1945 January 3	Cheque to you	100.00		
March 21	Redemption of Pacific Co-Operative Union share Less amount owing to P. C. U.	1.81	20.00	
April 23	Legal Fees	15.00		
May 12	Pacific Co-Operative Union - interest on shares		4.48	
December 12	Purchase of Dominion of Canada 9th Victory Loan Bonds 2,737.20			
1946 January 10	Redemption of Pacific Co-Operative Union shares		30.00	
February 23	Royal Bank of Canada - expenses in transferring Victory Bonds to Bank of Montreal, Toronto	3.54		
		<u>\$2,970.05</u>	<u>\$3,009.02</u>	

CR \$ 38.97

859 Shaw Street
Toronto Ontario
April 8, 1946

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

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 13 1946
File No.	8698
Ans.	WA-
Referred	

Dear Sir:

I have received the \$2700.00
in the Dominion of Canada 3% ninth
Victory bonds as authorized and also the
cheque in the amount of \$38.97 of which
I thank you.

I am enclosing herewith the Certificate
#2743 of the capital stock of the Pacific Co-
operative Union, Mission City, B.C. valued
at \$10.00 each, which have been redeemed by
you on January 10, 1946.

As to the reply of your letter of 14th
March 1946, will be forwarded to you
at later date.

APR 12 1946
1940 Cert. No 1274

Sh. 2896-2898 reg # 14373.

C.H.K. 3 Shares

Yours truly
Shoji Frank Omura

File #8698.

14373

859 Shaw Street
Toronto, Ont.
Jan. 2, 1947

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 10 1947
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Ans.	
Referred	

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Pacific Co-operative Union Shares

I am enclosing herewith certificate number 1621
for six shares of the Capital Stock of the Pacific Co-
operative Union. Shares numbered 5005 to 5010, valued
at ten dollars per share.

Will you please redeem the shares as mentioned
and forward me the sixty dollars as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

S. H. Omura.

Shozo Omura

JAN 10 1947

Received PCH Certs

No. 1621 - Sh 5005 - 5010

6 Shares

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OPERATING ON BOTH SIDES OF THE FRASER RIVER FROM THE COAST TO HOPE

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

GROWERS • PACKERS • SHIPPERS
OF HIGH CLASS BERRIES & RHUBARB



MISSION CITY, B.C.

January 21, 1948

The Custodian,
Dept. of Secretary of State,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hastings and Granville,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 22 1948
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	<i>H. Allen</i>

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing copy of letter
received from S. Omura of Toronto, Ontario,
also copy of our reply, for your information.

We remain,

Yours truly,

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Geo. A. Reid".

Geo. A. Reid,
Secretary.

GAR/vl

copy

859 Shaw Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

January 12, 1948

Pacific Co-operative Union,
Mission City, B. C.

Attention: Mr. G. Reid

Dear Sir:

Re: Pacific Co-operative Union
Transferable but unredeemable shares

I have 32 shares of the Capitol Stock Pacific Co-operative Union #208 shares 4006 to 4037 par value \$10.00 per share. Kindly let me know if you can purchase these shares at only 25% of the par value.

If the interests are still being paid out, will you kindly notify me as to how much you have sent into the Custodian.

According to the Custodians, auditing of March 14, 1947, record states that I am the holder of \$690.00 in unredeemable shares. Will you please send me the other shares amounting to \$370.00 or better still only 25% of the par value in Canadian currency.

Yours truly,

(sgd.) S. Omura

8698

March 12, 1948.

Mr. S. F. OMURA,
Reg. No. 14373,
859 Shaw Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 8th instant, Custodian cheque for \$108.44 is attached hereto. This amount represents the redemption of Pacific Co-operative Union Shares, plus interest of \$8.44.

Kindly acknowledge receipt in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

Yours truly,

C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

CHR/fm
enc. (2)

File # 8698

859 Shaw Street
Toronto Ontario

April 12, 1948

Dept. of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 17 1948
File #	8698
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Dear Sir:

I have received your cheque in
the amount of \$108.00

Thanking you,

Yours truly,
J. G. Omura.
ny. 14373.

12845, 8701, 8698.

January 7, 1949.

Mr. Shogo Omura,
859 Shaw Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Chiyokichi Omura, Deceased.

The sum of \$66.43 has come into the account of your late father, Chiyokichi Omura, from redemption of fifty-two Maple Ridge Co-operative Union shares.

We have no information as to whether your father left an Estate when he died in 1940 or whether an administrator was appointed. If there was an administrator, please let us have his name and address and if not will you please discuss the matter of distribution of these funds with your mother and send us a letter, signed by you both, advising us to whom this money should be paid..

The Maple Ridge share Certificates have not yet been returned to this office and we would ask you to please locate these if possible and send them to us for cancellation at once.

Yours truly,

AGM/AC

A. G. McArthur,
Office of the Custodian.

12845 & 8698

March 16, 1949.

Mr. Shogo Frank Omura,
859 Shaw Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Chivokichi Omura, Deceased.

We have to acknowledge your letter of January 14,
signed by yourself and your mother, and enclosing Certificates
covering fifty-two Maple Ridge Co-operative Union Shares, for
which we thank you.

As requested we are enclosing Custodian cheque in the
sum of \$66.43, being redemption value of these shares

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this cheque.

Yours truly,

A. G. McArthur,
Office of the Custodian.

/AC
Enc. cheque \$66.43.

J.L. No. 5

Canada

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

File No. 8698

Reg. No. 14373

JUN 19 1944

Mr. Shogo Frank OMURA,
New Denver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: 2341 Powerline Road, Maple Ridge.
The West half of Lot 2 of the South half of Lot 263,
Group 1, Map 1051, District of New Westminster,
C. of E. 50708.

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	\$ 2955.00
Add:	
Unexpired insurance premium as at January 1st, 1943	7.04
	\$ 2962.04

Less:

Tax arrears to December 31st, 1942

\$ 3.00

Registration fee

Encumbrance—Principal

—Interest

Net proceeds of sale

\$ 3.00

\$ 2959.04

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.

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
June 1	Balance Brought Forward			
June 11	Land Registry Office C. of E.	1.00		
June 11	Rent for December, 1963	15.00		
June 13	Cheque to you		30.00	
Feb. 8	" " "		72.74	
Mar. 26	" " "		30.00	
May 27	1962 National Def. Tax Refund		30.00	
Oct. 25	Tractor & Equipment appraisal	15.00		
Dec. 4	Date of Mailbox			
Dec. 7	On e/e Tractor & Attachments	2.00		
Dec. 10	Proceeds Auction Sale		25.00	
Jan. 21	Proceeds Auction Sale		126.10	
Feb. 5	Ine. & Regn. on Bonds to New Denver	.90		
Mar. 8	P.O.U. Int. on shares	5.40		
Mar. 14	" " " " " "		.32	
Mar. 22	Cheque to you		265.40	
Apr. 25	P.C.U. shares redeemed		60.00	
Apr. 25	Cheque to you		60.00	
	Total	\$500.07	\$5362.08	

CR \$2842.07

File No. 8698

SUMMARY RELATIVE TO CLAIM OF
Frank Shogo OMURA - Regn. No. 14373.

17th July, 1948.

REAL PROPERTY:

The West half of Lot 2 of S $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 263, Gp. 1, Map 1051, District
of New Westminster, C. of E. 50708, Mun. Maple Ridge.

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>S.S. Bd. Appraisal</u>	<u>V.L.A. Purchase</u>	<u>Claimant's Valuation</u>	
Land:	\$ 400.00	\$ 410.00		\$1500.00	4.995 acs.
Improvement:	<u>2400.00</u>	<u>2600.00</u>		<u>5500.00</u>	
	\$2800.00	\$3010.00	\$2955.00	\$7000.00	
Additional amount as going concern				<u>1000.00</u>	
Claimant's valuation				\$8000.00	
Less sale price				<u>2955.00</u>	
Amount of claim				<u>\$5045.00</u>	

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM:

Ford truck 1931 - Amount claimed \$100.00
Appraisal by H. Grone @ \$75.00
Sold to Pioneer Equipment Ltd. for \$100.00

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2 IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"
3 PART I. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 92.
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5 JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION
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7 B E F O R E
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9 HIS HONOUR, JUDGE J.A. MCLEOD, SUB-COMMISSIONER.
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11 Toronto, Ontario,
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13 October 8, 1948.
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15 IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
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17 SHOGO FRANK OCHURA.
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19 PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.
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21 APPEARANCES:
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23 K.A. CHRISTIE, ESQ., K.C., appearing for the
24 Dominion Government,
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26 B.A. BENT, ESQ., appearing for the
27 Claimant.
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29 A. SMITH, ESQ., Secretary,
30 G.H.R. UPTON, ESQ., Official Interpreter,
A.G. VEITCH, ESQ., Official Reporter.

S.F. OMURA,
D.F. OM.

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OMURA FRANK OMURA, the claimant herein, being
first duly sworn, testified
as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. BEST:

Q. Is that your signature (indicating)?

A. Yes.

Q. And was that claim form prepared upon your
instructions? A. Yes.

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

Q. I understand you are a brother of the
previous claimant? Is that correct?

A. I am.

Q. And you are claiming for the other five
acres of the 20-acre farm near Hammond, which your
father bought in 1937? Is that correct?

A. Yes.

MR. BEST: Perhaps my friend would like to
put in the Assessment Notice and the Certificate of
Encumbrance.

MR. CH. LUTER: I tender as Exhibit 2, the
Certificate of Encumbrance.

(CERTIFICATE OF ENCUMBRANCE, MARKED EXHIBIT
NO. 2)

And as Exhibit 3, the Notice of Assessment.

(NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3)

MR. BEST: Perhaps for the sake of the record,
later, rather than our own, I should repeat a little
bit of the background about the purchase of this
property and so on.

Q. Your father bought 10 acres of land for

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S.F. Gaura,
Dir. ex.

1 \$2500. in 1927 and there was an old building on your
2 portion of the property at that time?

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 Q. Is that correct? A. Yes, sir.

5 Q. And do you know how much of your five acres
6 was cleared at that time? A. Oh, about less
7 than half an acre.

8 Q. About less than half an acre?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. The rest was in bush --- A. Bush.

11 Q. --- at that time; and, according to your
12 claim form now, there is just about a half acre which
13 is still uncleared of your five acres?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And of the balance there are two acres in
16 strawberries, one in raspberries, a half acre in
17 tulips and a half acre in asparagus?

18 A. Correct.

19 Q. Now, Mr. Gaura, I understand there is a
20 new house on your portion of these premises. Is that
21 correct? A. Correct.

22 Q. I am producing to you a photograph of a
23 house. Is that the house on your portion of the
24 property? A. Correct.

25 MR. BEST: I submit that as Exhibit 4.

26 [8 PHOTOGRAPHS, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4]

27 Q. And another view of what would appear to
28 be the front of the house, the one with the car?

29 A. That would be taken at an angle, I think.
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S.F. OMBRE,
Dir. ex.

1 And, that would be the front (Indicating).

2 Q. That is the front of the house?

3 A. Yes.

4 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Put them both in as
5 Exhibit 4.

6 MR. BEST: Q. Now, who built this house in 1941?
7 Was it laid or let out to a general contractor, or did
8 you have it built by several sub-contractors?

9 A. Several sub-contractors.

10 Q. So that there was not a flat contract price
11 for the house; you just let the contract for the
12 cellar, the contract for the footings and so on to
13 one person and the carpenter work to another?

14 A. That is right.

15 Q. And your estimate of the cost of materials
16 is \$3,000 and labour \$2,000? A. Yes.

17 Q. Is that correct? A. Yes.

18 Q. And in addition to that you estimate that
19 you put some \$400. of your own labour into the
20 premises? A. Yes.

21 Q. I think there is one other building on your
22 portion of the premises?

23 A. There is.

24 Q. And that apparently is a wooden building
25 24 by 36 used for bulb-drying and packing. Is that the
26 case? A. That is right.

27 Q. Do you know when that was built?

28 A. In 1932, I think; 1931; I could not
29 remember.
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S.F. Omura,
Dir. ex.

1 Q. And I take it that this bulb-drying has
2 something to do with the fact that you grow tulips?

3 A. That is right.

4 Q. I see.

5 I wonder perhaps if my friend could put in
6 the appraisal at this time.

7 MR. CHRISTIE: I tender as Exhibit 5 the farm
8 appraisal.

9 (FARM APPRAISAL, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5)

10 MR. BEST: Q. Now, Mr. Omura, according to
11 the appraisal submitted your house is on a good gravel
12 road about 200 yards from this through highway, This
13 Loughhead Highway. Is that correct?

14 A. That is correct.

15 Q. And it is about one or one and one-half
16 miles from Hammond? A. Yes, sir.

17 Q. And 16 miles from New West Minster?

18 A. Correct.

19 Q. According to the appraisal the house is
20 three years old. Your claims shows it as built in
21 1941 and this appraisal is dated May 8, 1942.

22 Do you say that the appraisal is wrong and that the
23 house was just one year old in May 1942?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Following this age matter a little further;
26 In 1942 they estimate the age of this bulb-drying and
27 packing shed as 15 years and you have told us that it
28 was built in 1931. Do you think that is an error,

29 too? A. I think that is an error.

30 Q. There is one little more here: "The dwelling

W.F. O'Connell,
Director.

1 is modern in every way except no bath tub installed.
2 I take it that a good many of your people do not use
3 ordinary Occidental bath tubs?
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5 A. That is correct; but, there is a facility;
6 we did provide the provision for putting it in.

7 Q. But at the time you evacuated there was
8 no actual bath tub in the house?

9 A. No.

10 Q. I see. You have told us that according to
11 your estimate about four and one-half acres of the land
12 was under cultivation and only about a half acre was
13 uncleared. According to the appraisal they say four
14 acres was under cultivation and one acre cleared.

15 Do you think that is just perhaps an error in calcu-
16 lating the acreage or do you think that some obvious
17 mistake has been made there?

18 A. I believe there is a mistake in there.
19 For myself I would not be too particular for I
20 never actually measured, myself. I would not like
21 to say fully it was one acre. To my imagination
22 it is only about half an acre.

23 Q. The uncleared portion is at the rear of
24 the lot? Is that correct?

25 A. Yes; that is correct.

26 Q. You have claimed \$250 for building 700
27 feet of roadway. Is that the portion of the cost of
28 the road which is on your half of this farm?

29 A. Yes.

30 Q. Tell us a little bit about these tulips?

S.F. Ours,?
Dir. ex.

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2 For whom did you grow these?

3 A. Well, we had ventured into this new
4 business. We had started as early as 1937. It was a
5 very costly enterprise. To establish the acre of
6 tulips it would cost somewhere around \$3,000.

7 I imagine the price of the tulip has gone up tremen-
8 dously since the war.

9 Q. Did you actually have a half-acre planted
10 in tulips at the time of the evacuation?

11 A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. Where did you market these tulips, in
13 New West Minister or Vancouver?

14 A. Both places.

15 Q. Did you sell them to florists or did you sell
16 them to the retail trade, yourself? A. No. We
17 used to sell them to these agents.

18 Q. The florists, would that be?

19 A. No, not exactly a florist. They would be
20 wholesalers.

21 Q. Can you give us some idea of what your
22 income would have been from this tulip business in
23 the year immediately prior to evacuation?

24 A. At that time we had not really got into
25 a selling business; we were more interested in
26 producing bulbs for bulb business; just accumulating
27 bulbs instead of selling them. The income at that
28 time would be \$500 for the half-acre just for the
29 flowers alone. We had not gone into the production
30 of bulbs fully. We were going into the bulb business.

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S.F. Omura,
Mr. ex.

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2 Q. What happened to these bulbs when you left?

3 A. They were left in the ground, so that they
4 were there for the purchaser of your place?

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. I would like to read one or two comments on
7 the appraisal, if I may, referring to page 2. "Farm
8 in very good condition and tillage; been occupied by
9 this Japanese family for 15 years and developed by them
10 from bush; land cleared and fairly free from noxious
11 weeds."

12 Page 3: "Farm in good condition and in good
13 production and condition with a first-class modern city
14 home except that water is pumped in from a well and there
15 is only a wash-bowl and toilet in the bathroom.

16 Following the usual Japanese custom the family
17 evidently prefer an outside bath-house. There is also
18 a well kept lawn with ornamental trees, shrubs and
19 flowers in front of the house. However, the value of
20 the latter in my opinion, in relation to the productive
21 value of the property and its surroundings is \$3000.00
22 or a total of \$3000.00 in round figures for the place.

23 I am informed that a similar small holding
24 adjoining at East with an older house on it, belonging
25 to K. Ito, was sold recently for \$3000.00 cash."

26 Do you know that particular premises belonging to

27 Mr. Ito? A. Yes, sir, I do.

28 Q. How far away from your home would it be?

29 A. Oh, I am poor in judging distance but I
30 imagine that would be around 500 yards.

Q. I am; and how would you compare Ito's house with yours? A. Well, I could not even compare it.

Q. Do you know how old Ito's house was?

A. I could not tell.

Q. Would it be one year old or 20 years old? Can you give us an estimate?

A. From now or at that time?

Q. From 1942, say five years ago?

A. About five years, I would say.

Q. And how did the land on Ito's compare with yours? Do you know that?

A. Well, we were in entirely different business than theirs.

Q. What did they grow? A. They grew small fruit, like strawberries and these things, but we were going into this bulb business more. We had --

Q. You had a large part of your place in strawberries, too? A. Yes.

Q. Two acres, and an acre in raspberries?

A. Yes. But this half acre of tulips is quite expensive.

Q. Which farm is it you have noted on your claim here?

"Farm situated second farm from claimant's which was in a poor condition and the building fair, was sold for over \$6,000.00 in 1945".

Do you mean that is your second? There was just one

1 house between yours and this place? A. Yes. And
2 that second house was on poor ground and on low-level
3 ground.

4 Q. There was five acres in it?

5 A. No. I think there was probably 10 acres
6 in it. The property, itself, was not comparative
7 to ours.

8 Q. Who owned this property?

9 A. It was owned by a Finnish person named
10 Haka.

11 Q. Is that your signature (indicating),

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And is that form completed upon your
14 instructions? A. Yes.

15 Q. It is a personal chattels claim form,
16 Exhibit 6. A. Yes.

17 [PARTICULARS OF PERSONAL CHATTELS, MARKED
18 EXHIBIT NO. 6]

19 Q. You are just claiming for one item, so
20 far as personal chattels are concerned. I notice it
21 is for a 1931 Ford truck? A. Yes.

22 Q. With hydraulic hoist on rear?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. What type of truck was it - a stake
25 truck? A. A dump truck.

26 Q. A dump truck. And, was this hydraulic
27 hoist on it when you bought it in 1940?

28 A. Yes.

29 Q. And you traded another car in for it?

30 A. Yes.

Q. There was no cash consideration in that

1 transaction? A. No.

2 Q. How do you arrive at the estimate that
3 the hoist alone on the truck was worth at least \$125?

4 Q. That was about the usual price at which
5 they used to sell.

6 Q. I see. That is, a new hoist, you mean?

7 A. A new hoist would be worth more than that.

8 MR. BEST: I believe my friend has an appraisal
9 from a Mr. Grome.

10 MR. CHRISTIE: I tender the used car appraisal
11 of Mr. Grome as Exhibit 7.

12 (USED CAR APPRAISAL, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 7)

13 MR. BEST: Q. You had the car for about 18
14 months before you were evacuated?

15 A. That is about right.

16 Q. That is, used it every day?

17 A. No.

18 MR. BEST: There is a speedometer reading,
19 reading from the R.C.M.P. Exhibit Report. Do you
20 intend to put that in as an exhibit?

21 MR. CHRISTIE: I can, if you wish.

22 MR. BEST: It does not matter to me. There is
23 not much on it.

24 MR. CHRISTIE: I will tender it as Exhibit 8.

25 I tender the R.C.M.P. Report on the car as
26 Exhibit 8.

27 (R.C.M.P. VEHICLE REPORT, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 8)

28 MR. BEST: Q. On the appraisal made by Mr.
29 Grome there does not seem to be any mention of the
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S.P. Ours, Jr.
Dir. ex.

1 hydraulic hoist. Do you know whether the hoist was
2 removed from your truck?

3 A. According to the R.C.M.P. records it
4 states there was a hoist, so there must have been
5 a hoist.

6 Q. I do not think that is disputed but I am
7 asking you whether you know anything about what
8 happened to the truck after it was taken from you,
9 whether or not the hoist was removed?

10 A. I do not know.

11 Q. The R.C.M.P. Report shows a speedometer
12 reading of 41,325 miles. To the best of your recoll-
13 ection does that seem to be fairly accurate?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Could you give us any idea of what the
16 speedometer reading was when you bought the truck?

17 A. No, I could not at all.

18 Q. That is all, thank you.

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21 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. CHRISTIE:

22 Q. I am producing a J.P. Form dated May 9,
23 1942. Is that your signature?

24 A. Yes.

25 MR. CHRISTIE: I tender this as Exhibit 9.

26 (J.P. FORM, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 9)

27 Q. Of what type of lumber was this house
28 constructed?

29 A. It was constructed of No. 1 Douglas fir,
30 heavy joists of two by ten and girders of, I think,

1 it was about - I would not be sure - eight by ten,
2 or something like that. It had a full concrete
3 basement. The outside was finished in Colonial
4 double-siding with white paint on it and the roof
5 was shingled with green paint on it. Inside was
6 finished with lath and three rooms I believe was
7 finished with inlaid oak.

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9 Q. Was it on the highway?

10 A. No, it was not on the highway.

11 Q. How far was it from the highway?

12 A. About 200 yards.

13 Q. Now, what kind of wood was Mr. Ito's house
14 constructed of? A. Lumber.

15 Q. What kind of lumber?

16 A. I would not know that.

17 Q. Was it a larger or smaller house than
18 yours? A. Smaller, I believe.

19 Q. Have you ever been in it?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And, how many acres did he have?

22 A. Five acres.

23 Q. And were they all in strawberries?

24 A. No, not all.

25 Q. How many acres would you say were in
26 raspberries and strawberries on his farm?

27 A. I would not know at all. I never paid
28 attention.

29 Q. What did you pay for this hoist when you
30 bought it? A. It was with the truck.



S.F. CHASE,
CR. EX.

1 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Q. How much did you
2 pay for the truck?

3 A. It was an equal trade with my car that I had.

4 MR. CHRISTIE: Q. How old was your car when you
5 traded it? A. The same year.

6 Q. What was the condition of the tires on
7 your car? A. Of the car or the truck?

8 Q. The tires of your truck?

9 A. Fair.

10 Q. And what was the condition of the floor
11 of your truck? A. Fair.

12 Q. I think that is all, thank you.

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14 RE-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEST:

15 Q. Up until the time of the evacuation I
16 understand your father, and your brothers and sisters
17 were all living in this new house on the premises?

18 A. My father had deceased in 1940, so it
19 would be my mother and sister and brother.

20 Q. I see. Well, then, were you the one who
21 was carrying on the farming business on your pro-
22 perty or was someone working for you?

23 A. We had someone working for us.

24 Q. And you had another job, like your
25 brother? A. Yes, I had.

26 Q. Could you give us any estimate of what the
27 income from your portion of the farm would be?

28 A. You mean the gross?

29 Q. No, no; your brother told us this morning
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1 that he thought his net income was \$2500. on his
2 five acres. Would yours be approximately the same,
3 or more or less? A. More.

4 Q. Why would that be?

5 MR. CHRISTIE: I have allowed my friend
6 considerable latitude but my suggestion in the
7 future is that he ought not make any comments as to
8 the income of someone else in case the witness does
9 not know. It might give him a clue as to what to
10 say. I hope I am expressing myself in a kind spirit.

11 MR. BERT: Were it not that these men were
12 brothers I would not have framed the question in that
13 way at all.

14 Q. Regardless of your brother's business
15 can you give us an idea of what your net income
16 from this property would be?

17 A. In 1941, 1942, the net income would be
18 around \$5,000.

19 Q. I see. All right. A. But since then
20 I think the value has increased a lot more.

21 Q. Yes. Well, we are not much concerned with
22 it since that time.

23 That is all, thank you.

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26 MR. CHRISTIE: It is submitted that the real
27 estate was sold at its fair market value. It is
28 submitted that the truck was sold at its fair market
29 value.
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1 There are two additional exhibits I wish to
2 file.

3 As Exhibit 10 I tender the real property
4 summary.

5 (REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 10)

6 And, as Exhibit 11, I tender Specified
7 Articles Summary.

8 (SPECIFIED ARTICLES SUMMARY, MARKED
9 EXHIBIT NO. 11)

10 And that concludes the defense, your honour.

11 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Very well.

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14 (PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

18 *A.G. Veitch*

19 "A.G. VEITCH"
20 Official Reporter.

21 I, John A. McGibbon, Deputy Commissioner,
22 appointed to hear a Commission to investigate
23 claims of Japanese Canadians for property
24 loss, do certify the foregoing is a true
25 copy of the evidence heard on the within claim.

26 *John A. McGibbon*
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Defence Brief
Shogo Frank OMURA

TORONTO
8 Oct. 48
V.L.A Deal

File No. 8698

Case No. 1110

REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

1. Real Property Claim

8000.00

Appraised at

3010.00

Sold for

2955.00

Witness: J. D. Patterson, Appraiser.

Submission: Sold for fair market value.

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

2. Truck Claim

200.00

Appraised at

75.00

Sold for

100.00

Witness: McDermott Motors, Appraiser

Submission: Sold for fair market value.

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Name of Claimant **OMHL, Shogo Frank**Case **1110**Custodian File **8698**

<u>REAL PROPERTY</u>										Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village			
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		
					2955.	2345.40				115.00 2345.40
<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			
100.00	25.00									25.00
<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	Applica- tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price			
			45%							
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										2485.40

8698

October 18th, 1950.

Mr. Shogo Frank OMURA,
859 Shaw Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 1110

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 ... \$2,485.40.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$2,341.63
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 143.77
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears
Director

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