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HANAY
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: YAMAMOTO, Utao Deceased 13.4.44
HOME ADDRESS: 27 - 17th Ave., R.R. No.1, Haney, B. C.
REGISTRATION NUMBER 13909 SEX: Male AGE: 74
OCCUPATION: Farmer

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

EMPLOYER: ---

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Fujino ⁸³²⁵

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None 27 - 17th Ave., R.R. No.1, Haney

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: None

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: ---

AGE OF CHILDREN: ---

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Subdivision 16 NE quarter sec 16,
District of Maple Ridge
(10 acres)

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: Nine-room dwelling, barn,
packing house, woodshed, root house, three-room dwelling house

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) \$3750 on house in the
Millers National Ins. Co. Policy in the safety box Bank of Montreal

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) \$43.10 for 1941, payable at Maple Ridge

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Myself at present. Will probably
rent it when we leave

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS. In safety box, Bank of Montreal
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST. None
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN. Asparagus (2 acres), 1 acre raspberries,

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.

Household furniture, kitchen utensils, chinaware, carpenter tools,

farm implements, in the house at 27 - 17th Ave., Rt. R. No. 1, Haney

If we don't rent the house the key will be left in care of the

Custodian

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS. 1 dog, 3 cats

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) \$1600
owing me by Mr. Tokusaburo Ooto, Haney, B. C.
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
None
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None
9. LIFE INSURANCE: None
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: Bank of Montreal, Haney, B.C. I have the key

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None2. TRADE DEBTS: None

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

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

Dated this 8th day of May

1942

(Signature)

On behalf of Mr. U. Yamamoto.

William
Witness

山本 7-1 Mrs F. Yamamoto

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

Dec 7/42

Full Name

YAMAGUCHI, Utaro
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No.

13909

Male - Female
(check)

Age

May 14/1868

Former Address

27-17th Ave. RR#1, Nanaimo, B.C.

Date Evacuated

Sept 23/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

Roseberry B.C. Dismantled
Died at Nanaimo on April 14/44

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

TADA, Fuyuko

Name of Husband

Name of Father

Jinsuke (died)

Name of Mother

(nee) NAGANO, Tsune (died)

Names of Children under 16

Children over 16

Our File No.

8716

Registered with Custodian
(yes or no)

Yes

Requested By

B. McKim

Additional Information

Farmer (Fruit & Vegetables)
Owner of 10 acres - 1 house

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Utaro YAMAMOTO Reg. No. 13909 File No. 8716.

CATALOGUE NO: Sold by Special Arrangement, The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.
BC/205-P First Offer.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 27 - 17th Avenue, R.R. 1, Haney, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 16 of North East $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16, Township 12, Map 1676,
Municipality of Maple Ridge, D. N. W.

TITLE: Registered in the name of Utaro YAMAMOTO.

ENCUMBRANCES: None registered. No indication of any unregistered charges.
Vesting Order filed No. 24436, dated August 10th, 1942.

ASSESSED VALUES: Land \$ 900.00
Improvements \$1650.00 - \$2550.00. Taxes - \$47.34.

CLASSIFICATION: This is a small fruit and vegetable farm with dwelling and out-
buildings.
*See V.L. 9 offered
9ac.*
The Custodian's representative reported on October 20th, 1942, that
this property had an area of 10 acres (assessed as 11 acres) of which
7 acres were cleared, and planted to the following crops: $\frac{1}{2}$ acre
raspberries, 2 acres asparagus, 30 fruit trees, balance pasture and
hay.
1 - $1\frac{1}{2}$ storey 9-room dwelling 24' x 40'. 1 old 3-room house 25' x 30'
1 root house, 12'x20'. 1 chicken house 16'x20'. 1 barn 46'x46'.
1 hay shed 12'x12'. Buildings in good condition. *Cust. report says
dwelling old, good condition - outbuildings fair.*
Prop requested Hal. Meunier to draw his lease (see below)

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: This property was leased by the Custodian at the request of Utaro *134*
YAMAMOTO to Emil Peterson (YAMAMOTO'S neighbour) on September 1st,
1942 for a term of 1 year from September 1st, 1942 to August 31st,
1943. Consideration \$134.00 payable \$7.00 per month in advance on the
first of each month up to and including 1st July, 1943, and the
remaining \$57.00 on the 1st August, 1943. 2 basement rooms reserved
for the storage of YAMAMOTO'S chattels, *and some gts for use by
tenant.*

SOLD: To The Director, The Veterans' Land Act for \$2042.00 as at January 1st
1943.
Approved by Advisory Committee - June 1st, 1943.
*(being 84?
plus taxes)*

Funds released to the credit of Utaro YAMAMOTO as at May 10th, 1944,
against which were the following charges: Registration Fees-\$3.00,
Legal Fees-\$15.00 = \$18.00, leaving a net credit of \$2024.00 from
said transaction.

In view of part of the 1943 rents having been collected by the
Custodian, viz., \$56.00, a cheque covering same was issued to The
Director, The Veterans' Land Act, 17th November, 1943.

FIRE INSURANCE: Utaro YAMAMOTO declared on his JP Form signed 8th May, 1942 on his
behalf by Mrs. F. YAMAMOTO, File 8328, that he carried a Fire Insurance

Policy for \$3,750.00 in the Miller's National Insurance Co., covering the house and that the Policy was in the safety box at the Bank of Montreal, Haney, B.C. We endeavoured to obtain this Policy without avail. As the property was sold to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act on 1st January, 1943, nothing further was done about this by this office.

Utarō YAMAMOTO died 14th April, 1944, leaving a Will bequeathing all his Estate to his Wife, Fuzino YAMAMOTO, File 8328, and naming her as Executrix. She renounced Probate to the said Will 17th August, 1944, and on the 29th August, 1944, Charles William Morrow was appointed Official Administrator. At his request all the funds belonging to the Estate, with the exception of \$50.00 which was held pending legal charges, were sent to him by cheque September 13th, 1944.

*Advised
Feb 26.46*

Not John R

Kidston took

over administration

Mr Morrow.

(from J. Kidston, Dawson BC)

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

December 5th, 1946.

DAC:JS

D. A. Cramer
D. A. CRAMER.

*The legal fee of 50? being adjusted at
15? the difference is included in the bal of
59.82 remaining in acct. Jan 20/48.*

FIRE INSURANCE SUMMARY

File No. 8716.

Utaro YAMAMOTO - Reg. No. 13909.

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D. A. CRAMER.

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CHATTEL SUMMARY

File No. 8716

25th October, 1947.

Re: Utaro YAMAMOTO - Regn. No. 13909 (Deceased)

The above Japanese registered with this office on the 8th May, 1942, and at that time declared leaving household furniture, farm tools etc. (as per attached schedule) on his property at 17th Avenue, Haney. He was evacuated on the 23rd September, 1942.

YAMAMOTO wished to have his property leased, and was arranging to do this through Hal Menzies, to a Mr. Emil Peterson. The Custodian arranged the lease from the 1st September, 1942 for one year, and at Peterson's request certain chattels were included in the lease (See attached schedule).

The property was inventoried by Mr. S. Carlsen on the 20th October, 1942, and Mr. Peterson signed a copy of this inventory confirming his responsibility for same. Copy of the inventory and copy of goods included in the lease were sent to YAMAMOTO for signature 30th October, 1942. These were returned by Mr. YAMAMOTO on the 18th November, 1942, and in a letter accompanying them he stated that an air tight heater, kitchen range and large mirror were missing. These were referred to Mr. Peterson 15th December, 1942, but no reply was received, and no further action taken.

The property was not inspected again until February, 1945, when saleable goods were removed and sold at auction in Haney in February and March 1945, for net sums of \$6.36 and \$18.46. A certain number of goods as shown on the schedule were listed as having to be abandoned as not being worth the expense of handling (memo 5th April, 1945). This memo also makes note that the property had changed hands and Peterson was no longer the tenant. There are a great many articles missing or not accounted for, but many of these, as can be seen from Mr. Carlsen's inventory, were of little value.

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

J. Allan

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CHattel SCHEDULE

File No. 8716

24th October, 1947.

Re: Utaro YAMAMOTO - Regn. No. 13909 (Deceased)

Declared by U. YAMAMOTO 8th May, 1942	Inventoried by S. Carlsen 20th October, 1942. Responsibility for same signed for by tenant, E. Peterson, same date.	Goods included in lease to Peterson	Auctioned	Other Dispositions
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Household furniture
Kitchen utensils
Chinaware
Carpenter's tools
Farm implements

Dining table & 5 chairs		Auction Feb. 3/45	
1 Rocking chair	"		Abandoned
1 heater	"		"
2 sm. H.M. tables	1		
1 sm. H.M. cupboard	"		Abandoned
1 Round dining table	"		
1 Fern pot			
7 prs. curtain rods			Abandoned
14 curtains			"
10 blinds			"
1 chesterfield	"	Auction Feb. 3/45	
3 Picture frames			
6 display plates			
8 saucers			
4 lge platters			
1 set of 12 cups			
7 bowls			
Cream & sugar set			
7 pieces of curtain			
1 two piece Jap bowl			
2 cushion frames			
1 wicker basket			
Screen food cupboard			
2 beds complete	1 Iron bed		Abandoned
3 straw mattresses			
carton books			
Ctn. Xmas decorations			
2 boxes Jap dolls			
2 window blinds			
1 Window screen			
3 prs. curtain rods			
1 Ctn. decorations			
1 Ctn. cont. 2 wood mallets			
1 Hat box			
1 sm. rice tub brass bound			
1 sm. pkge. personal papers			
2 photograph albums			
5 picture portraits			
1 lge. water pitcher			
1 sm. carton decorations			
5 boxes dishes			
1 ctn. dishes			
Sm. ctn. cont. 2 plaster dolls			
Lge. quant. dishes wrapped			

Declared by U. YAMAMOTO
8th May, 1942.

*Inventory by S. Carlsen
20th Oct. 1942.
Responsibility for same
signed for by tenant, E.
Peterson, same date.

Goods included Auctioned
in lease to
Peterson

Other
Dispositions

2 lge. H.M. tables
1 rnd. H.M. table
8 benches H.M.
5 kitchen chairs
1 baby high chair
1 old cook stove
1 screen cooler
1 glass fruit cupboard
1 old mattress
1 bed complete
1 heater
4 window blinds
1 ctn. cont. few pictures & books
1 Jap shrine
1 Pr. fire tongs
1 peavey
1 bent shovel
1 box cont. Jap doll
1 box cont. Jap doll
1 box books
3 lengths stove pipe
Ctn. cont. few clothes & few tins
1 lge rice tin
Lge. box saki bottles
4 1 gal. jugs
2 3 qt. jars
1 lge bath board
1 shrine
1 1 gal. crock jugs
1 6 gal crock
4 Jap tubs
3 ctns. seeds
6 boxes dishes
6 1/2 gal cans
Few dishes
1 ctn. old clothes & calenders
6 biscuit tins
Cooky jar
Several tins
Few poor gumboots
1 lge. aluminum pot
Sml. ctn. personal effects
1 whiskey flask
2 wooden trays
3 boxes saki bottles
Sml. parcel tied up
1 lge tin
40 lbs cement
3 piece Jap box
3 bake pans
3 qt. sealers

Feb. 3/45

2 abandoned

Abandoned

Abandoned

File No. 8716

CHattel SCHEDULE (Cont'd)

24th Oct. 1947.

Declared by U.YAMAMOTO
8th May, 1942.

Inventoried by S. Carlsen Goods included
20th Oct. 1942. in lease to
Responsibility for same Peterson
signed for by tenant, E.
Peterson, same date.

Other
Dispositions

3 ½ gal. sealers
Sml. quant. loose bottles & tins
1 lge canvas bag
1 towel wrack
1 Extension cord
1 sack bottles
1 biscuit tin
1 pail
15' rope
Well pulley
Clothes line
2 kitchen chairs
1 shoe box H.M.
1 chest tied up
1 chest old clothes
1 8 gal. crock cont. wicker basket
& jap tub.
1 tea kettle
1 biscuit tin cont. ½ gal crock &
crookery bowl.
1 wash tub cont. 3 galv. pails,
scrub board, lunch pail
2 frying pans, can shortening
& cookie tin
Sml. box cont. few castors & hinges
Sml. box of personal papers
1 Pce. Oil cloth 3 x 4'
1 Bdle tobacco leaves
Sml. screen cooler
Sml. barrel
6 Jap tubs
1 Jap basket
1 bed spring
Sack old clothes
2 boxes pers. papers.
Sml. box dishes
Ctn. cont. seeds
Water kettle
Tea pot
Box misc. bottles
Saw vice H.M.
Pr. gumboots
Pr. rubbers
1 wet mop
1 heater
1 Biscuit tin cont. rags
Chair (no back)
9 jam boxes
1 old mattress tied up
2 saw horses
1 bench
1 scrub brush

Feb. 3/45

Feb. 3/45

Abandoned

Abandoned

Abandoned

File No. 8716

CHATTLE SCHEDULE (Cont'd)

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24th October, 1947.

Declared by U. YAMAMOTO
8th May, 1942.

Inventoried by S. Carlsen
20th Oct. 1942.
Responsibility for same
signed for by tenant, E.
Peterson. same date.

Goods included Auctioned Other
in lease to Dispositions
Peterson.

3 Jap tubs of fish
1 sml. cook stove
1 heater
1 sml. barrel
1 wash basin
1 step ladder
1 box bottles
2 1 gal. crock jugs
2 1 gal. glass jugs
Box cont. 6 window pulleys, saw
handle, few old stove parts
2 biscuit tins
Part of a shoe last
1 lantern chimney
Sml. bag seeds
6 gable brasses
1 box tobacco
1 5 gal gas pail
Quant. used lumber
1 wood bed spring
1 drum heater
6 saki bottles
30 lbs wire
Few old tools
Shovel
5 hoes
3 potato diggers
1 manure fork
1 potato fork
1 broom
3 log chains
1 log hook
1 hoof pincure
1 cross cut saw
1 peavey
1 wheelbarrow
2 pails (galv)
1 cupboard
1 table
3 chairs
1 10 gal. crock
1 5 gal. gas can.
17 qt. jars
7 tumblers
1 glass bowl
1 glass sauce dish
2 porridge dishes
9 cups
5 saucers
1 alarm clock (old)
1 aluminum kettle

Mar. 17/45

Abandoned

Mar. 17/45

Mar. 17/45

Feb. 3/45

Mar. 17/45

File No. 8716

CHattel SCHEDULE (Cont'd)

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24th October, 1947.

Declared by U. YAMAMOTO 8th May, 1942.	Inventoried by S. Carlsen 20th October, 1942. Responsibility for same signed for by tenant, E. Peterson, same date.	Goods included in lease to Peterson.	Auctioned	Other Dispositions
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1 granite dish pan
2 tin wash dishes
1 lunch kit
5 flower vases
1 wash tub.

Declared by YAMAMOTO
as missing from Carlsen's
Inventory - Nov. 18/42

1 kitchen stove
1 Air tight heater
1 large mirror

Goods auctioned
Mar. 17/45, not
shown on inventory

Brooder
Box of glass
Cultivator
Pr. scales
Galvanised iron
Gramophone records

Feb. 3/45

Electric Iron.

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

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H. Allan
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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 8716

25th October, 1947.

Re: Utaro YAMAMOTO - Regn. No. 13909 (Deceased)

CHATELS: See attached chattel schedule.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES: This file reveals no specified articles.

BONDS & INVESTMENTS: Utaro YAMAMOTO declared he had no bonds or investments when registering with this office on the 8th May, 1942, but according to the records of the Maple Ridge Co-operative Association, he was the holder of 194 shares. This Co-operative is in the process of liquidation, and upon completion, his Estate will be credited with his share of the proceeds.

After YAMAMOTO's death 14th April, 1944, Mr. C.W. Morrow, Official Administrator for North Okanagan, advised us 8th September, 1944, that besides the above mentioned shares, YAMAMOTO also held shares in the Pacific Holding Co. and the Pacific Berry Growers' Ltd., but both Companies are defunct.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: YAMAMOTO declared having a safety deposit box at the Bank of Montreal, Haney. Mr. C.W. Morrow was advised of this 13th September, 1944.

This file reveals no other personal property assets.

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

HA

H. Allan
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*Note: C.W. Morrow replaced by John R. Kidston
Feb 26.46.*

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 8716.

Utarō YAMAMOTO - Reg. No. 13909.

Fusino YAMAMOTO, wife of Utarō YAMAMOTO declared on his JP Form signed by her 8th May, 1942, that he had no Personal or Trade Debts.

However, the following claims were lodged against him and his Estate:

The Gazette subscriptions \$3.00

This claim was denied by YAMAMOTO and our letter to "The Gazette" asking them to substantiate it was never answered.

The B.C. Security Commission lodged a claim for \$80.00 on May 31st, 1944, for funeral expenses as Utarō YAMAMOTO died April 13th, 1944. This was paid by cheque 3rd June, 1944 and charged to the Estate of Utarō YAMAMOTO.

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

December 5th, 1946.


D. A. CRAMER.

DAC:JS

File No. 8716
Reg. No. 13909
Deceased

Utaro YAMAMOTO

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1942 November 11	Rents collected - Sept 1 - Nov. 30/42	\$	\$ 21.00	
December 31	Rent to Dec. 31/42		7.00	
1943 January 1	Sale of property Registration fee Land Registry Office - Certificate of Encumbrance	3.00 1.00	2,042.00	
March 11	Maple Ridge Co-Operative crop returns		.75	
May 10	B. C. Telephone Co. refund account overpaid		1.01	
October 28	Sale of mail box		2.00	
1944 June 5	Payment of funeral expenses	80.00		
September 15	Transfer of funds to Official Administrator of North Okanagan Electoral District	1,939.76		
1945 April 13	Proceeds Auction Sale		6.36	
April 23	Legal fees re sale of property	15.00		
May 31	Proceeds Auction Sale		18.46	
		\$2,038.76	\$2,098.58	

CR \$ 59.82

Accounting Department
January 23rd, 1948

LINDSAY & KIDSTON

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, ETC.

VERNON, B. C.

GORDON LINDSAY
JOHN A. KIDSTON

April 5, 1948.

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

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 6 1948
File No.	8716
Ans.	
Referred	6/11/48

Dear Sir:

re: Estate of Utaro Yamamoto, Deceased.

We have to thank you for your letter of 25th ultimo received today and we now enclose the Administrator's receipt for \$307.66.

The Administrator found the share certificates of the remaining 94 shares in the hands of Mrs. Yamamoto and received them from her today. We, therefore, enclose herewith the following certificates of Maple Ridge Co-Operative Produce Exchange, # 298 for 24 shares, # 483 for 30 shares and # 606 for 40 shares.

Yours truly,

LINDSAY & KIDSTON,

BRK/GJ

Enclosures

per. 

March 25, 1948.

J. R. Kidston, Esq.,
Administrator of the Estate of
Utarō Yamamoto, Deceased,
Vernon, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Utarō Yamamoto, Deceased.

We acknowledge your letter of March 15 with Share Certificates as stated. We have discussed distribution of the balance of the funds on hand with the Liquidator of the Maple Ridge Co-operative and are advised that it will be in order to disburse the funds according to the Register without requiring indemnity.

We are, therefore, enclosing herewith Custodian cheque in the sum of \$307.66, being the entire credit in this account made up of proceeds from 194 Maple Ridge Co-operative Shares in the amount of \$247.84 and the small balance on hand in the account.

Please acknowledge receipt of this cheque.

Yours very truly,

AGM/AC
Enc. cheque \$307.66

A. G. McArthur,
Office of the Custodian.

GORDON LINDSAY
JOHN R. KIDSTON

LINDSAY & KIDSTON
BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, ETC.
VERNON, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
MAR 22 1948	
Rec'd	
File No.	8716
Ans.	<i>[Signature]</i>
Referred	<i>Mr. McArthur</i>

March 18, 1948.

Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hastings & Granville,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

re: Utaro Yamamoto, Deceased.
Your file 8716 / 13709

I am in receipt of your letter of 16th instant
and now enclose the following share Certificates of Maple
Ridge Co/Operative Exchange all in name of U. Yamamoto:-

19 for 40 shares.
201 for 45 shares.
710 for 15 shares.

These are the only Share Certificates of this
Association which I have and the only ones which were found
in deceased's safety deposit box at the Haney branch of the
Bank of Montreal as evidenced by the inventory of contents
made by the Manager and accountant of that branch on 4th
July, 1944.

I shall be pleased to hear from you whether
you will be able to distribute the balance held by you in
respect of the missing 94 shares upon an indemnity by me
as Official Administrator.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR.

J. R. Kidston.

Mar 24/1948
Received Certs 19, 201 & 710
for 100 shares
JRK/GJ

Enclosure

307 66 Bal.
247 84 from 194 shares

March 16, 1948.

John R. Kidston, Esq.,
Official Administrator,
Vernon, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Utao YAMAMOTO, Deceased.

Replying to your letter of March 13, we have to report that Yamamoto's account has received credit for 194 Maple Ridge Co-operative shares at \$1.27755 per share but before these funds can be disbursed production of the share certificates is required.

If you are holding these certificates or are able to obtain them from the next-of-kin, please be good enough to forward them to this office.

Yours very truly,

AGM/AC

A. G. McArthur,
Office of the Custodian.

C O P Y

CAMPBELL, BRAZIER, FISHER & McMASTER

C O P Y

Royal Bank Bldg.,
675 West Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B. C.
December 31st, 1947

Our file No.

1742-B-44

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Utaro Yamamoto, deceased

Enclosed herewith please find claim forms, in duplicate,
filed on behalf of John R. Kidston, Administrator with Will Annexed
of the above-noted Estate.

We are advised that Mrs. Fuzino Yamamoto had already
filed a claim with you but only included in that claim a claim
with respect to the real estate. The Administrator feels that it
is his duty to make a claim as well with regard to the personal
chattels. He takes the position that he is the person entitled
to make the claim which is probably correct and has instructed us
to act on his behalf. We would suggest that the claim by Mr. Kidston
as Administrator and the claim by the widow be joined together in
one claim, or alternatively that the Administrator's claim be
substituted for Mrs. Yamamoto's claim. Attached to the claim forms
which we are filing herewith please find a letter addressed to your-
self by Mr. Kidston.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER & McMASTER,

Per: "R. J. McMaster"

McM:MM
encl.s

LINDSAY & KIDSTON

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, ETC.

VERNON, B. C.

GORDON LINDSAY
JOHN R. KIDSTON

December 29, 1947.

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

Sir:

Re: Utaro Yamamoto, Deceased.
Registration No. 15909.

In my capacity of Official Administrator for the North Okanagan Electoral District, I am Administrator-with-Will-annexed of the Estate of the above-named, who died on 14th April 1944. By the terms of the will, deceased's whole estate passed to his widow, Fusine Yamamoto, who now resides at Oyama, B.C.

I am informed that Mrs. Yamamoto, acting through the Co-Operative Committee, filed a claim with you in respect of her late husband's real property being Lot 16 Map 1676, Maple Ridge, B.C., but that she did not file a claim in respect of personal property.

As I wish to regularize the claim in respect of the real property, and to bring before you the claim in respect of the personal property of the deceased, I submit herewith in duplicate a new claim covering both classes of property. The combined claim will be presented by the Co-Operative Committee.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



(J.R. Kidston)

Official Administrator.

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Rec'd	MAY 16 1947
File No.	8716 / 8/74
Re: _____	
Referred	_____

May 15th,
1947

The Director,
Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir: Re: Utaro Yamamoto, Deceased.
 Refer File No. 8716. 6/74.

We duly received your letter of the
24th of March last, for which we thank you.

We referred the contents to Mrs. Yamamoto
the widow of the deceased, who has requested us
to write you further regarding the household
chattels. In the letter from the Farm Department
of the Office of the Custodian, dated September 13th,
1944, it was stated that "considerable household
chattels are on the property", and also that a
detailed statement would be forwarded when the
same had been sold. As the Estate is only being
credited with \$24.82, the question naturally
arises of what happened to the balance of the
considerable quantity of chattels, on which we
would be pleased to receive further information.

Mrs. Yamamoto also feels that she is
entitled to receive through us the detailed state-
ment promised in 1944.

Yours truly,

LINDSAY & KIDSTON

Per: *[Signature]*

JRK/LS

8328 & 8716

28th March, 1947.

Mrs. Fujino YAMAMOTO,
Registration No. 13908
c/o U. Hirowatari,
R.R. No. 1,
Kamloops, B.C.

Dear Madam:

We wish to acknowledge your undated letter enquiring about the sale price of your late husband's property, and in accordance with your request we are enclosing a copy of our letter to your husband dated 26th May, 1944, setting out details of the property sale. Upon the back of that letter you will find a detailed statement of your late husband's account at this office, from which you will note that the bulk of the funds have already been passed over to the Official Administrator, Mr. C.W. Morrow, Vernon, B.C., who has also been advised of the remaining credit here. These funds also will no doubt be sent to you very shortly.

We trust this is the information you desired.

Yours truly,

W.E. Anderson,
Office of the Custodian.

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24th March, 1947.

Messrs. Lindsay & Kidston,
Barristers, Solicitors, Etc.,
Vernon, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Utaro YAMAMOTO, Deceased.

With reference to yours of the 8th instant.

The household chattels previously referred to consisted of small items, a number of which were abandoned as not being worth handling, the balance were removed and sold at public auction, the net proceeds being \$24.82.

At the time our cheque of \$1,939.76 was sent to Mr. C.W. Morrow, the Official Administrator, we held in reserve the sum of \$50.- for legal fees. \$15.00 was actually paid and we have at present a credit balance of \$59.82 as follows:

Credit Balance	\$50.00
Auction Sales	24.82
	74.82
Paid Legal fees	15.00
	\$59.82

The matter of settlement for the Maple Ridge shares is still outstanding. The Liquidator informs us that he has still not received income tax clearance, but it would appear that distribution will eventually be made above the par value of the shares.

We will be pleased to advise you as soon as the matter is completed.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/PMH

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BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, ETC.
VERNON, B. C.

GORDON LINDSAY
JOHN A. KIDSTON

Rec'd	MAR 10 1947
File No.	8716
Ans.	22/8/47
Referred	M. J. J. J.

March 8th,

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The Director,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, BC.

Dear Sir:

Re: Utaro Yamamoto, -Registration #13909
Your file 8716-G74

We refer to your two letters of the 13th September, 1944 addressed to Mr. C.W. Morrow, then the Official Administrator of this district, and of 11th June, 1946 addressed to us.

In the first mentioned letter, you stated to Mr. Morrow that considerable household chattels were then on the property of the above named, and would be sold by public auction in the fall, at which time a detailed statement would be forwarded. Can you inform us whether this sale took place and if so, the disposition of the proceeds?

In regard to the second letter above mentioned, we would be pleased to know whether a distribution can now be made of the proceeds of the sale of the Maple Ridge Co-Operative Exchange.

Yours truly,

LINDSAY & KIDSTON

Per: *[Signature]*

JPK/LS

*Let have papers
on property
JPK*

MEMORANDUM

File No. 8716

17th March, 1947

Re: Utaro YAMAMOTO (Deceased) - Reg. No. 13909

The above Japanese registered with this office on the 8th May, 1942, at which time he declared leaving household furniture, carpenter's tools and farm implements on his property at Haney. This property was inventoried by our fieldmen on the 20th October, 1942, and a number of the chattels were included in the tenant's lease.

All saleable goods on the property were removed to auction and sold in February, March and April, 1945, for the net sum of \$24.82.

A few articles were reported as missing, and the following chattels had to be abandoned on the property as being not worth the expense of handling:

15 ft of rope
2 kitchen chairs
1 bed and spring
3 beds
Cook stove
1 step ladder
4 ladders
1 rocking chair
1 dining table
14 curtains
10 blinds
tables
benches
heater
40 lbs. cement
1 saw vice

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11th June, 1946.

Messrs. Lindsay & Kidston,
Vernon, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Utao YAMAMOTO, Decd.

With reference to your letter of the 4th instant
addressed to our Mr. F.E. Anderson.

The assets of the Maple Ridge Co-Operative Produce
Exchange have been liquidated and there will be a distribution
in excess of the par value of the shares. However, the
Liquidator advises us that pending final winding up proceedings
he is not prepared to make a distribution but expects to be
able to do so in the near future.

We will be pleased to advise you as soon as we have
the Liquidator's final report.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

James T. ...
FCS/PMH

Lindsay & Kidston

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VERNON, B.C.

June 4, 1946.

GORDON LINDSAY
JOHN M. KIDSTON

W. B. Anderson, Esq.,
Farm Department,
Department of the Secretary of State,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd JUN 6 1946	
File No. 8716	
Ans. 11/6/46	R.M.
Referred	<i>Anderson</i>

Dear Sir:

Re: Utaro Yamamoto, Registration No. 13909
Your File No. 8716

With reference to your letter of the 13th of September, 1944 addressed to Mr. C. W. Morrow, who was then Official Administrator for this District.

In that letter you stated that the Maple Ridge Co-Operative Produce Exchange was in process of liquidation and that these shares would undoubtedly have some value.

As the above deceased was the owner of 100 shares in the Exchange I would appreciate hearing from you as to whether the liquidation has been completed and if so when a dividend may be expected.

Yours truly,

W. B. Anderson

Official Administrator.

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May 7th, 1946.

Mr. Masao OTSUKA,
Reg. No. 10847,
Thames River,
Via Blue River, B. C.

Referring to your recent letter relative to your personal possessions left at 27, 17th Avenue, Haney, B. C., we note that your declaration stated that these were stored with Utaro YAMAMOTO, now deceased. Mr. YAMAMOTO had not specified your goods however, when he made his own declaration. It would appear that when the personal chattels were removed from this house they were sold all together and the proceeds credited to Utaro YAMAMOTO.

No doubt, of course, Mrs. YAMAMOTO will receive a report in regard to her husband's property and possessions and we suggest that at that time you discuss with her what part of the sales proceeds would cover your own property. Mrs. YAMAMOTO'S address is Registration #13908, New Denver, B.C.

Yours truly,

F.J. Iverson,
Protection Dept.

WJ:MP

8716 & 8328
Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.
March 19, 1946

Messrs. Lindsay & Kidston,
Barristers and Solicitors,
Vernon, B. C.

Re: Estate of Utaro YAMAMOTO. Dec'd

Dear Sirs:

We are in receipt of your letter of the 15th instant and note that you are taking steps to have the sum of \$500.00 forwarded to this office for the account of Mrs. Fujino Yamamoto.

We have discussed this matter again with the Department of Labour, Japanese Division, and they are still of the opinion that the above amount should be forwarded to Mrs. Yamamoto at this time.

In due course we will be pleased to receive the balance of funds for Mrs. Yamamoto's account.

Thanking you for your attention to this matter, we are,

Yours very truly,

F. J. Johnston
Administration Department

WJJ/JF

Lindsay & Kidston

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, ETC.
VERNON, B.C.

March 15th, 1946.

GORDON LINDSAY
JOHN R. KIDSTON

W. J. Johnston, Esq.,
Administration Department,
Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hastings & Granville Streets,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

ENEMY SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 16 1946
File No.	8714
Ans'd	
Refer'd	

Dear Sir:-

Re:- Estate of Utaro Yamamoto,
Registration No. 13909

Since my letter to you of the 25th ultimo,
I have received from the Department of Labour, Japanese Division,
Vancouver, authority to pay Mrs. Yamamoto \$500.00 as requested
in your letter of the 21st ultimo.

I will transmit to the Minister of Finance
at the end of this month a voucher in Mrs. Yamamoto's favour
for the above sum. I would like, however, to stress the fact
mentioned in the last paragraph of my letter of the 25th ultimo,
that if this payment is made the whole funds of the estate will
be disbursed by the end of May of this year.

Yours truly,

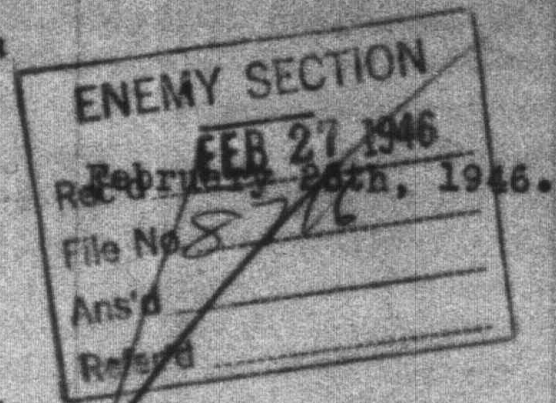
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OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR.

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W. J. Johnston, Esq.,
Administration Department,
Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hastings and Granville Sts.,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re:- Estate of Utaro Yamamoto,
Registration No. 13909.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 21st instant addressed to Mr. C. W. Morrow from whom I have taken over as Official Administrator.

I regret that in the turnover omission was made in forwarding Mrs. Yamamoto's maintenance allowance for January, but I have today forwarded a voucher to Victoria to cover payments for January and February.

In regard to your request that \$500.00 be sent to your Department at this time, I feel that I will have to consult the B. C. Security Commission as I have no knowledge that the restriction on payment to Japanese subjects has been lifted. Should I get permission from the Commission I will, of course, be very willing to accede to your request, but I would like to point out that the total balance in this Estate, in my hands, now amounts to only \$675.98, and if Mrs. Yamamoto were to receive and use up \$500.00 now there would be little left for her future care.

Yours truly,

W. J. Johnston
OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR

JRK/WGG.

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Evacuee Section

February 21, 1946.

C. W. Morrow, Esq.,
Official Administrator,
P. O. Box 332,
Vernon, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Utaro Yamamoto, Deceased.
Registration No. 13909.

We are enclosing herewith a copy of a letter received from Mrs. Fujino Yamamoto, widow of the above deceased.

Kindly advise us if we may expect disbursement of funds to be made in the near future.

For your information we wish to advise you that we have a credit balance of \$59.82 in the account of this estate in our office.

If an interim disbursement of funds is in order at this time, we would ask you to kindly forward a cheque to this office for the sum of \$500.00 to cover the immediate needs of Mrs. Yamamoto.

Yours truly,

W. J. Johnston
Administration Department

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Oyama, B. C.,
Feb. 17, 1946.

Dear Sir:

I am in dire need of some money. If you please, I would like to have about five hundred dollars (500.00) of my late husband's estate. I shall be very pleased if you can send the money immediately upon the arrival of this letter.

Yours truly,

Mrs. F. Yamamoto

Reg. No. 13908

Oyama, B. C.

File No. 8716

Date April 5, 1945.

SUMMARY

Name: YAMAMOTO, Utao

Address: 27 - 17th Ave., Hany. B. C.

(1) - We have today moved to auction room at Hany. B. C. effects as per enclosed list at a total cost of \$ 4.87 as per attached bill.

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

(3) - We have sold to the tenant articles as per attached list at \$ none for which herewith cheque or cash.

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

Articles left of no value: 15' rope, 2 kitchen chairs, 1 bed and spring,
1 saw cice, 1 heater, 1 small cook stove, 1 step ladder, 4 ladders,
1 cupboard, 1 rocking chair, 1 dining table, 14 curtains, 10 blinds,
2 beds, tables, benches, cook stove, 1 bed, 40 lbs. cement.

The tenant gave us the following explanation:

Leased to another party now, has no knowledge of what has happened
to missing articles.

EXHIBIT 160/5

DATE 18/2/48

FILED BY

Mr Hunter

NAME: YAMAMOTO, Utaro (dec'd)

REGISTRATION NO: 13909

FILE NO: 8716

The following chattels were sold by public auction
at Haney, B. C. on 17/3 - 24/3 - 5/4/48

Brooder	\$ 0.50
Box Glass	2.50
Tools	7.25
Cultivator	3.50
Pair Scales	4.00
Wheelbarrow	1.25
Galvanized iron	0.90
Wire	1.50
Chicken wire	0.25
10 Gal. crock	1.00
Crockery	1.25
Gas Stove	0.35
Records (gramophone)	0.25
Chest of Drawers	2.00
Cabinet	0.25
Wheelbarrow	0.25

Total		\$27.00
Auctioneer's Fee:	\$2.70	
Less Expenses	Advertising: 0.47	
	Mowing 5.37	
		8.54
Net Proceeds Credited		\$18.46

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr Moryson

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Haney 14.

Remarks

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of
the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

Date: April 8th 1948

M. Scoby

EXHIBIT NO. 160/5
DATE 18/2/48
FILED BY "Mr Hunter"

NAME YAMAMOTO Utero

REGISTRATION NO. 13909 FILE NO. 8716

The following chattels were sold by public

auction at Haney B. C. on February 3, 10, 17, 22, 1945

Crock	\$1.25
Blinds & Bowl	0.35
Peavey	0.50
Bake tins and rice box	0.50
Basket	0.50
Crockery	2.60
Electric Iron	1.00
Cake dish	0.35
Platters	0.70
Table	0.25
Screens	0.35
Meat Safe	0.25
5 chairs	0.75
High Chair	0.10
Chesterfield	1.00
Cupboard	1.00
Cupboard	3.00

Total \$14.45

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee:) \$1.44
(Advertising: 0.11
(Moving 6.54

8.09

Net Proceeds Credited: \$ 6.36

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr Moryson

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Haney 13

Remarks

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy
of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

Date April 8th 1948

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Mr Scobey

MEMORANDUM

File No. 8716

January 16th, 1945.

TO: Mr. Anderson

FROM: Mr. Richardson

Re: Utaro YAMAMOTO - Deceased

The real property of subject Japanese has been sold.

File indicates that there are considerable chattels on the property. Kindly arrange to have these liquidated as soon as possible in order that the estate of the deceased may be cleaned up.

HDR:OH

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January 16th, 1945.

Mr. C. W. Morrow,
Barrister and Solicitor,
Vernon, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Utaro YAMAMOTO
Registration No. 13909

Your letter to the British Columbia Security Commission of the 5th instant, relative to subject estate, has been passed on by them to this office.

Please be advised that the Custodian has no objection to the contents of the Safety Deposit Box, Bank of Montreal, Haney, B. C., being released to you in your capacity as Administrator of the estate of Utaro YAMAMOTO.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

HDR:OH

C.W. Morrow, P.C.

Barrister-at-Law, Solicitor

Notary Public

OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR
NORTH OKANAGAN ELECTORAL DISTRICT
SOLICITOR FOR THE CITY OF VERNON

PHONE 429 P.O. BOX 232



Vernon,

BRITISH COLUMBIA

January 5th, 1945

M. Brown

British Columbia Security Commission,
360 Homer Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Estate of Utaro Yamamoto ✓
Registration No. 13909

Mrs. Yamamoto has instructed me to obtain for her the share certificates, etc., in the Deposit Box, Bank of Montreal, Haney.

I have the necessary releases from the Federal and Provincial Succession Duty Branches, but I do not appear to have any Consent from the Custodian. If this letter should be forwarded to him, would you please send it on to the Royal Bank Building.

I do not know just what Mrs. Yamamoto is going to do with these certificates but as I am the Administrator I presume you will have no difficulty releasing them to my order.

Yours faithfully,

C.W. Morrow

CWM:IJ

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	ACT 3-1944
File No.	8716
Ans.	
Referred	Anderson

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B. C.

2nd October 1944.

C. W. Morrow, Esq.,
Barrister-at-Law,
VICTORIA, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate Utaro Yamamoto
Registration No. 13909

This will acknowledge with thanks yours of September 26th with further reference to the Estate of the above deceased.

The amounts in question appear to be somewhat excessive in view of the size of the estate and the fact that the widow will have to live on same indefinitely. However, if you are satisfied that these amounts were disbursed by her we see no alternative except to pay same out of the Estate.

We would appreciate advice from time to time as to the amount remaining to the credit of Mrs. Yamamoto, particularly after the legal costs have been met.

Yours truly,



D. W. Simmons,
Comptroller.

DWS/GM

C.C. Office of the Custodian ✓

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September 22, 1944.

The Assessor,
Probate and Succession Duties,
Parliament Buildings,
Victoria, B. C.

Attention Mr. A. C. Campbell.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Utaro YAMAMOTO,
Your file 3872/44.

In reply to your letter of September 20th, please be advised that although this office did hold the sum of \$2069.76 to the credit of the above Japanese estate, it has now been distributed as follows:

B. C. Security Commission, funeral expenses	\$ 80.00
Official Administrator, North Okanagan Dist.	1939.76
Reserve for legal expenses re sale of property, held at this office	<u>50.00</u>
	<u>\$2069.76</u>

This latter amount will be accounted for by this office just as soon as the legal fees have been set and taxed.

We trust that this is the information you require.

Yours truly,

W. E. Anderson,
Farm Department.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
THE ASSESSOR OF PROBATE
AND SUCCESSION DUTIES
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, VICTORIA, B.C.



DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

PROBATE AND SUCCESSION DUTY OFFICE

VICTORIA

September 20th, 1944

IN YOUR REPLY KINDLY REFER TO

FILE NO. 3872/44

ESTATE OF UTARO YAMAMOTO

Custodian of Japanese Properties,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hastings & Granville St.,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	SEP 21 1944
File No.	8716
Ans.	COEN
Referred	Anderson

Dear Sir:

We are informed by the Solicitor
in the above Estate that at the date of death, 14th
of April, 1944, you were holding the sum of \$2069.76
being the proceeds of the sale of Lot 16 of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of
Section 16, Township 12, Map 1676, New Westminster District.

Would you please confirm this statement
and oblige.

Yours very truly,

A. C. CAMPBELL

PER *A.C.*

ASSESSOR & COLLECTOR OF PROBATE & SUCCESSION DUTIES

SR/TP

800 Journal Expense
1939.76 Official Admin. would change Dist
50.00 Balance for legal fees

C.W. Morrow, LL.B.

Barrister-at-Law, Solicitor

Notary Public

OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR
NORTH OKANAGAN ELECTORAL DISTRICT
SOLICITOR FOR THE CITY OF VERNON

PHONE 429 P.O. BOX 232

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	SEP 18 1944
File No.	8716
Ans.	
Referred	Anderson

Vernon,

BRITISH COLUMBIA

September 18th, 1944

W.E. Anderson, Esq.,
Farm Department,
Department of the Secretary of State,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Utaro Yamamoto, Registration No. 13909
Your File No. 8716

I am in receipt of your letter of September 13th enclosing cheque in the amount of \$1939.76, representing funds held to the credit of this account. I note you will account for the \$50.00 reserve at a later date.

When the household goods have been sold I will be pleased to hear from you further.

I am writing Mr. Tokusaburo Ooto regarding the balance he owes the deceased.

I have had word regarding the contents of the Safety Deposit Box at the Bank of Montreal, Haney, and will in due course arrange for the transfer of the contents to myself at Vernon.

Mrs. Yamamoto is now living at Oyama which is a small place near Vernon, and I am writing the B.C. Security Commission Housing Project regarding maintenance payments.

Thanking you for the information you have given me, I am,

Yours faithfully,

C.W. Morrow

CWM:IJ

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September 13th, 1944

Mr. C. W. Morrow,
Official Administrator,
North Okanagan Electoral District,
Solicitor for the city of Vernon,
P. O. Box 232,
Vernon, B.C.

Re: Utaro YAMAMOTO
Registration No. 13909

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letters of September 1st and 8th, we are enclosing herewith a cheque in the amount of \$1939.76, representing funds held to the credit of the deceased's account, excepting a \$50.00 reserve being held at this office temporarily for legal charges pertinent to the sale of the property. These legal fees will be taxed by court and any surplus will be made available.

Considerable household chattels are on the property and in accordance with the Canadian Government policy of liquidation, they will be sold by public auction this fall, at which time a detailed statement will be forwarded to you.

According to the file, the amount of \$1600.00, representing an old debt, is owing to the estate by Tokusaburo OOTO, registration no. 13916, c/o Adolphe Lemaine, St. Agathe, Manitoba. We are attaching a copy of the last letter, dated April 5th, received from the deceased, regarding this amount.

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At the time the deceased registered with this office, he declared himself as being the holder of a safety deposit box at the Bank of Montreal, Haney, B.C. He had the key in his possession. Please advise if you have knowledge of this and if not, as Administrator, make arrangements to have the contents removed.

The Maple Ridge Co-Operative Produce Exchange shares had a par value of \$1.00. This was a Japanese Co-operative which is not operating at this time, but pending liquidation by this department. These shares will undoubtedly have value but of

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Mr. C. W. Morrow - continued

an undetermined amount at this time.

We note that it is your intention to issue vouchers from the estate funds to provide the widow with sufficient funds to cover her maintenance. She is at the present time residing in a B. C. Security Commission Housing Project and this office is co-operating very strictly with that department regarding monthly remittances for maintenance. They would no doubt appreciate your contacting them at 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, regarding any payments you might make or intend to make, as all wards without funds are charged against the Government. In similar cases, when the Administrator is finally ready to make complete distribution of the estate to the beneficiaries, they have, in accordance with the Custodian's order-in-council, forwarded any balance of funds left to this office, with instructions that they be credited to the beneficiaries' individual accounts and you will no doubt be handling this account in the same manner.

Trusting this information will be helpful.

Yours truly,

W. E. Anderson,
Farm Department.

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C.W. Morrow, LL.B.

Barrister-at-Law, Solicitor

Notary Public

OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR
NORTH OKANAGAN ELECTORAL DISTRICT
SOLICITOR FOR THE CITY OF VERNON

PHONE 422 P.O. BOX 232

Vernon,

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sept. 6, 1944.

W.E. Anderson, Esq.,
Farm Dept. of the Secretary
of State, Custodian's Office,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	SEP 8 1944
File No.	8716
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Anderson</i>

Dear Sir:-

re U. Yamamoto, Deceased.
Your file No. 8716.

out to you

Following my letter of the 1st I now
beg to advise that the shares referred to in the last
paragraph of my letter are in the following companies:-

1. 4 shares Pacific Holding Co.,-(Company defunct)
2. 6 Shares Pacific Berry Growers Ltd. (Co;defunct)
3. 100 Shares Maple Ridge Co-Operative Produce
Exchange.

I would like information on the latter,
having been advised that the affairs of the exchange
are in your hands. If the shares have any value I
will sell them, and would be pleased to know your
requirements.

Yours faithfully

C.W. Morrow

C. W. Morrow, LL.D.

Barrister-at-Law, Solicitor

Notary Public

OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR
NORTH OKANAGAN ELECTORAL DISTRICT
SOLICITOR FOR THE CITY OF VERNON

PHONE 425 P.O. BOX 232

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	SEP 5 1944
File No.	8716
Ans.	
Referred	Anderson

Vernon,

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sept. 1, 1944.

W.E. Anderson, Esq.,
Farm Dept., of the Secretary
of State, Custodian's Office,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

re Utaro Yamamoto, Deceased.
Your file No. 8716.

I would refer you to your letter to me under date of July 19th; an application for Letters Probate was duly submitted to the Supreme Court, but it was found impossible to get the consent required from the Minister of Finance at Victoria; in explanation I might say that Mrs. Yamamoto is not a British Subject, and apparently it is not the policy of the B.C. Government to make any exceptions.

Under these circumstances Mrs. Yamamoto decided to renounce all right to Letters Probate, in my favor, as the Official Administrator for this Electoral District; following this I made application for Letters of Administration (with the Will annexed) and same have issued; a certified copy is enclosed; I will be pleased if you will issue a cheque in favor of the Official Administrator for the North Okanagan Electoral District covering the balance in this Estate; such funds will be transferred to the proper Department at Victoria, and I will voucher on same in order to provide the widow with sufficient funds to cover her maintenance.

As stated in my letter of July 11th, there are some share certificates that should be disposed of; is it your wish to dispose of these, or shall I proceed in my capacity of Administrator to realize their value. Probably it would be simpler if I went ahead.

Awaiting your reply, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

C. W. Morrow

8716

July 19, 1944.

Mr. C. W. Morrow,
Barrister and Solicitor,
P. O. Box 232,
Vernon, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Utaro YAMAMOTO, deceased.

In reply to your letter of July 11th, please be advised that upon receipt of a Certified Copy of the Court Probate of Will and appointment of the Executrix, the funds, etc., held to the credit of the Deceased at this office, will be transferred to the account of the Executrix.

All funds will be available upon receipt of these documents, excepting a small legal fee in connection with the conveyance of the property.

You make reference to a number of share certificates, which you state may have some value and should be liquidated. We have no record at this office of any share certificates but, if you will forward the certificates to us, we will negotiate for redemption of the shares.

We trust this is the information you require.

Yours truly,

W. E. Anderson,
Farm Department.

WEA/EG

C.W. Morrow, LL.B.

Barrister-at-Law, Solicitor

Notary Public

OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR
NORTH OKANAGAN ELECTORAL DISTRICT
SOLICITOR FOR THE CITY OF VERNON

PHONE 429 P.O. BOX 232

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd JUL 13 1944

File No. 8716

Ans. J. L. No. 278

Referred Anderson

Vernon.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

July 11th, 1944

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

Dear Sir:-

Re: Utaro Yamamoto, deceased
Your File J.L. No. 278

You gave Mr. Utaro Yamamoto a statement of his account on May 26th, 1944, but he has since died. His widow is sole executrix and beneficiary. She would like to receive the monies you are holding and has instructed me to ascertain your requirements.

The deceased also left a number of share certificates which may have a value and which should be disposed of as well.

Please let me hear from you.

Yours faithfully,

C.W. Morrow

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J.L. No. 276

Canada

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

File No. 8716

Reg. No. 13909

Mr. Utaro YAMAMOTO,
Roseberry, B. C.

MAY 26 1944

Dear Sir:

Re: 27- 17th Ave., R.R. #1, Naney, B. C.
Municipality of Maple Ridge, Lot 16 of the N.E. 1/4
of Sec. 16, Township 12, Map 1676, Dis. of New
Westminster, C. of E. 50592.

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	\$ 2042.00
Add:	
Unexpired insurance premium as at January 1st, 1943	2042.00
Less:	
Tax arrears to December 31st, 1942	\$ 3.00
Registration fee	
Encumbrance—Principal	3.00
—Interest	\$ 2039.00
Net proceeds of sale	

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.

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Jan. 1

Balance brought forward

Credit in Sale of Property

Land Registry Office C/E

Maple Ridge Co-operative crop returns

B. C. Telephone Co. refund a/c overpaid

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BC/2316-B

Page 1 of 2

S.S. Form No. 43

DATE 18/2/48 (Sheet 1)

Farm Appraisal Report

BY Mr. Hunter

File No. JL-278

Land Description Lot 16 of N.E. 1/4 of Sec. 16, Tp. 12, Map 1676, N.W.D.

Containing 9.35 Acres

Owner's Name YAMAMOTO, Utaro

Post Office Address

R.R. 1, Haney, B.C.

Nearest Rail Point Haney - C.P.Ry.

Distance 3 miles.

Market Town New Westminster, B.C.

Distance 23 "

Church (give denomination) All Denominations - Haney, B.C.

Distance 2 1/2 "

Nearest School Alexander Robinson School - - - - -
Haney High School - - - - -

Distance Fully 300 yds.
2 1/2 miles.

State how property was identified: 3 Corner posts located and map & road check.

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

Property fronts on 17th Avenue, paved; also access to 19th Road, gravelled.

Is this district a good one? Fair - mostly small holdings.

Employment opportunity Strictly limited, and only at Hammond and Haney.

Predominating Nationality and religion: British, Protestant.

Describe Fencing and its condition: No fences.

Value \$

Water supply: Two dug wells - 22' seepage wells in clay.

Value \$

BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	24 x 36	Frame	1 1/2 st.	Shgl.	15	Cement	Fair	1500.00
Verandah	6 x 24	"	"	"	15	"	"	
BARN	18 x 30	Pole &	14'	Shke.	20	Cedar	Poor	100.00
Lean-to	12 x 45	Shake	8'	"	20	poles	"	
Lean-to	18 x 33	" "	8'	"	20	in	"	
Lean-to	15 x 45	" "	8'	"	20	ground	"	
GRANARY	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

Electric light installed to house.

Total present day value \$ 1600.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm House and Barn and Packing Shed \$ 1200.00

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

habitable? House is in very good order and there are three good rooms in the basement.

Describe the basement and chimneys: Full basement with cement floor; 1 Brick chimney to ground.

No. rooms downstairs? 4 Upstairs? 3 How finished Lumber & papered.

Are buildings painted? House only. Condition of paint Very poor.

Distance from nearest bush Unexposed.

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

Cultivated Land

BC/205-P
BC/2516-B

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ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
8.80	Undulating	10" clay loam	Clay	Asparagus & oats, Raspberries & Hay, & Orchard & Build- ing site.	100.00	880.00
Area which can be cultivated without cost other than for breaking.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL		VALUE PER ACRE	
Area which can be cultivated after a reasonable amount of clearing timber, stones, drainage, etc.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	NATURE OF RECLAMATION NECESSARY	RECLAMATION COST PER ACRE	VALUE PER ACRE
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	
.55	Deep gully on N.W. corner and S.E. Corner.			None - light scrub	nil	

Total value of Land \$ 880.00

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$ 1200.00

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

Total value of farm \$ 2080.00

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

Owner still in occupation, man is 75 years & wife 60 years, who have been on the property 25 years; the only cash crops this year are from asparagus & raspberries; place is in good shape generally, except for outbuildings.

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

Small fruit & poultry when chicken houses have been erected.

Noxious weeds:

Some Canadian thistle and couch grass, but well under control.

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

Maple Ridge Municipality - Haney, B.C.
Land assessed at \$ 900.00
Improvements at \$ 1650.00 1942 Taxes - \$ 47.34.
\$ 2550.00

Date: 13th June 1942.
Place: New Westminster, B.C.

I certify that the above report is based on a personal examination
of the whole farm made on the 12 day of June 1942.

Inspector's Signature

"L.B. PLUMBLY"

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

JL-276 - U. YAMAMOTO Farm Appraisal Report

Remarks

This property is located on 17th Avenue and No. 19 Road, and is shown on Municipal Roll as 11.00 acres, but I can only make it come to 9.35 acres. There is no acreage shown on Registered plan. The owner is 75 years of age in very poor health; his wife of 60 years & two grandsons do all the work on the place. The house is in good order with full

The house is in good order with full cement basement and electric light installed. It was owner's intention this year to

It was owner's intention this year to plant further acreage to small fruits, but owing to uncertainty of tenure, he put in oats for hay.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

REMARKS: re general lie of land, fertility of soil, irrigation, drainage or dyking and reclamation.
A useful bearing orchard of apple, plums and cherries.

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

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ORCHARDS, SMALL FRUITS, ETC.

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

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Amount fruit trees add to value of farm \$.

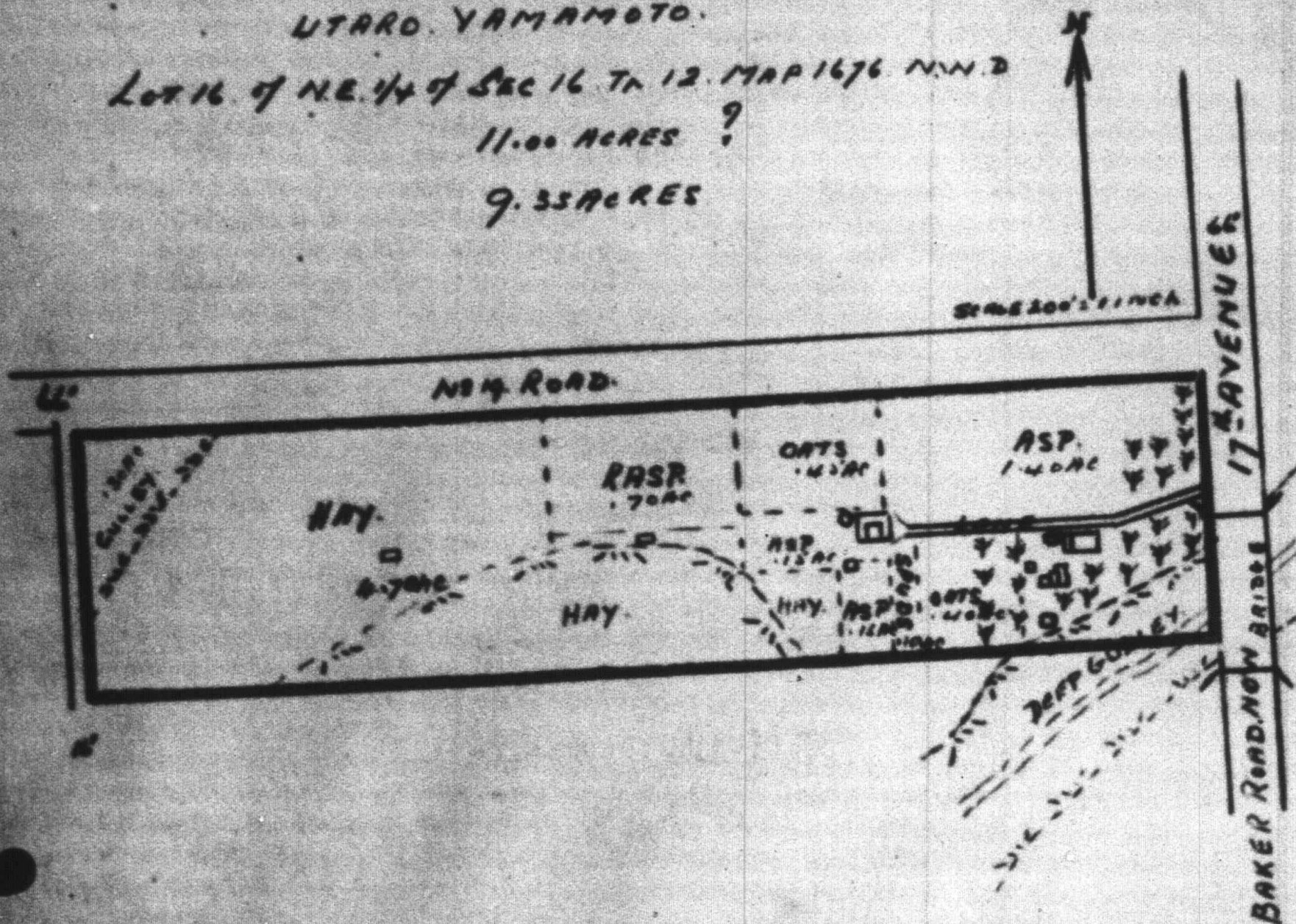
Diagram of Property

UTARO. YAMAMOTO.

Lot 16 of N.E. 1/4 of Sec 16 T. 12. R. 1676 N.W. 2

11.00 ACRES ?

9.33 ACRES



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

value is \$ 2000.00

Date 16th June 19 42.

"I.T. BARNET"

District Superintendent.

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FORM B.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.
IN PROBATE.



Vernon

Registry.

Be it known that Utarō Yamamoto
late of Vancouver, British Columbia

deceased, who died on the 14th day of April, 1944
at Roseberry, British Columbia

made and duly executed his last Will and Testament

and did therein name Fuzino Yamamoto
Executor.

And whereas the said Fuzino (Fujino) Yamamoto renounced
Probate to said Will in writing on the 17th day of August 1944

And be it further known that on the 29th
day of August, 1944, Letters of Administration with the said
Will annexed of all the estate which by law devolves to

and vests in the personal representative of the deceased were granted by the
Supreme Court of British Columbia to Charles William Morrow,
Official Administrator for the North Okanagan Electoral
District.

GIVEN under the Seal of the said Court, this 1st
day of September, A.D. 1944

"F. H. C. Wilson"
Dep. District Registrar.

Extracted by C. W. Morrow
Barrister, etc. Vernon, B.C.

Examined and Certified to be
a True Copy:

F. H. C. Wilson
District Registrar,
Supreme Court

THIS IS THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of me
UTARO YAMAMOTO of the town of Port Haney in the Province
of British Columbia, made this tenth day of November in
the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-
three.

I REVOKE all former Wills and other Testa-
mentary Dispositions by me at any time heretofore made, and
declare this only to be and contain my last Will and
Testament.

I DIRECT all my just debts, Funeral and
Testamentary expenses to be paid and satisfied by my
Executrix hereinafter named as soon as conveniently may be
after my demise.

I GIVE, DEVISE AND BEQUEATH all my Real and
Personal Estate of which I may die possessed in the manner
following, that is to say: All my Real and Personal Estate,
as aforesaid, unto my wife, FUJINO YAMAMOTO, to and for her
sole use and benefit, and appoint her the sole Executor of
my Will and Trustee of my Estate.

ALL the residue of my Estate, both real and
personal, not hereinbefore disposed of, I give, devise and
bequeath unto my wife.

AND I nominate and appoint her to be Executrix
of this my last Will and Testament.

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand
the day and year first above written.

SIGNED, PUBLISHED AND DECLARED
by the said UTARO YAMAMOTO the
Testator as and for his last
Will and Testament in the pre-
sence of us who both present
together at the same time in
his presence at his request
and in the presence of each
other have hereunto subscribed
our names as witnesses.

Name "K. Tatishi"
Address RR No 1, Port Haney
Occupation Farmer

Name "Halbert Manser"
Address Port Haney
Occupation Farmer

"U. YAMAMOTO"

Examined and Certified to be
a True Copy:

F. H. Wilson
District Registrar,
Supreme Court

8716

March 13th, 1944.

"The Gazette",
Haney, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

re: \$3.00 - W. Yamamoto, R.R. No. 1, Haney, B.C.

Please refer to our letter of the 12th May last relative to the above claim, and to our efforts to collect the account in your behalf.

Not having had any reply from you we are cancelling the claim and closing the file in that regard.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

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File # 8716

Mr. Uaro Yamamoto
Reg. # 13909,
Rosebery Bl.

The Custodian's Office,
506 Bank Bldg.
Astoria & Grenville,
Vancouver B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	AUG 26 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	Upson

Dear sir:-

Received your registered letter
on August the 20th and thanking
you very much

I'm very sorry for not answering you
sooner, connecting with our fire insurance
on my property. I'm sending you
a piece of receipt containing Policy number
and latest contract with the Insurance Co.

Thanking you again.

Yours truly,
Uaro Yamamoto

Yours truly,

Uaro Yamamoto

8716

May 10th, 1943.

Mr. Utaro YAMAMOTO,
Registration No. 13909,
Roseberry, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Fire Insurance.

In order to be able to look after the fire protection and see that it is maintained on your property located on 17th Avenue, Haney, we have endeavoured to get information concerning the Millers National Insurance Policy that you report to be in force and covering on your property.

The General Agents for that company in Vancouver have been unable to locate the policy because we were not able to give them the policy number. Will you kindly advise by return mail any other particulars that you remember or have in your possession in connection with this Fire Insurance Policy.

If you cannot give any further information from memory and have no records in your possession you might please send us a key to your deposit box in the Bank of Montreal at Haney, and, at the same time, give us written authority to go to the bank and open that box in order that we may get the fire insurance policy referred to. Your early reply to this letter will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

S. M. Gibson,
Insurance Department.

SMG:MAI.

BRITISH COLUMBIA TELEPHONE COMPANY

615 CLARKSON STREET

RALPH S. MACPHERSON
DISTRICT COMMERCIAL SUPERINTENDENT

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C.
May 7th, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 8 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Refer	<i>MacPherson</i>

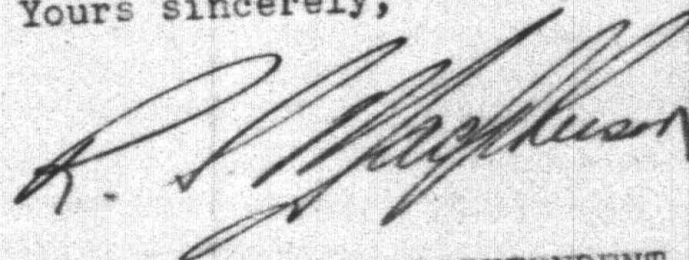
Dept. of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Branch,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Refund of over payment of telephone
account on Haney 5Y of \$1.01 by
U. Yamamoto, whose last residence
was on the Baker Road or 17th Avenue,
Haney, B. C.

We have on our books for refund to our former
subscriber, an amount of \$1.01 in favour of Mr. U. Yamamoto.
We are unable to locate this man and would ask your ass-
istance in this regard. A Postal Note in favour of
U. Yamamoto is attached. Your assistance in placing
it in his hands would be greatly appreciated. I enclose
our contract for telephone service with Mr. Yamamoto for
such help as it may be in locating this man. I would
however, ask you to return the contract when it has
served its purpose.

Yours sincerely,



DIST. COMCL. SUPERINTENDENT

RSM/S

YAMAMOTO, Aitaro
File 676 Reg 13909
Refund of over payment on telephone

Bank of Montreal.
Haney, B.C.

4th May, 1943

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

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 5 1943
File No.	
Ans.	<i>[Signature]</i>
Referred	<i>Gibson</i>

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 3rd instant, File No. 8716, we have to advise that we do not hold a fire insurance Policy in the name of Utao Yamamoto.

Mr. Yamamoto has a Safety Deposit Box at this office and it is possible that the Policy is in his box.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
Manager.
W.B. Piers.

8716

May 3rd, 1943

The Manager,
Bank of Montreal,
Honey, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We understand you have in your possession for safe keeping a fire insurance policy covering on property in the name of Utaro Yamamoto.

Will you please let us know the name of the Insurance Company and the policy number.

Yours very truly,

S.M.Gibson
Insurance Department

SMG:KT

Rosebery, B.C.
Apr. 28, 1943.

The Custodian's Office,
R. Mc Master, Claims Dept.,
Hastings & Granville,
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 3 1943
File No.	8716
Ans.	
Referred	McMaster

sent to Gibson

Dear sir:-

According to your letter we
last received, you were asking me
for the claim of three dollars (\$3.00)
for the Gazette, which I did not know
anything about it, for all these past
years we have never taken it before.
I hope you have the right name under
Yamamoto

Thank-you,
Yours truly,
(Mr.) Utaro Yamamoto.

Had until we hear from
the Gazette

[Signature]
H.S. H.S.

File no. 4843.
8716

Mr. Utsuro Yamamoto,
Reg # 13909.
Rosebery Bldg.
April 5/1943

The Custodian Office,
Mr. McMeister,
Claims Department

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EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 9 1943
File No.	
App.	B.R.D.
Return	McMeister

Dear sir:-

According to your letter, I am greatly appreciated for your co-operating with the claim of \$1,600.00 to Mr. Dokusaburo Otto, Reg # 13916. As he had quoted he is unable to pay. All these years he kept these same old words and tried to get away with it. His living condition was very well. Last year in spring he sold his property and his well situated house and left to sugar beets without a word to us. We know that he have some money at least to pay me us. After all we have noticed that he is an extraordinary person, so impolite and selfish. It is very useless for me to co-operate this matter with him after all and at a time like this we need his help desperately. We are old and very poor with such a small amount of relief to get along. It is very hard for us. So, please if possible if you

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have any means of getting even a small
amount, it will be a great pleasure to
us.

Thanking you very kindly,
Yours truly,

W. J. Garrison

8716

December 15th, 1942.

Mr. E. Peterson,
17th Ave.,
Haney, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We have contacted the above Japanese regarding chattels left by him in the protected area. He informs us that he left two air tight McClary heaters, a kitchen range in the basement and a big mirror in the dining room of his home that you have rented.

We would appreciate your verifying that these articles are there and let us know as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

WEA/EM

8716

November 23rd, 1942.

Mr. Utero YANAMOTO,
Reg. No. 13909,
New Denver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We thank you very much for your letter dated November 17th and for returning, signed, the list of chattels forwarded to you on October 30th to be included in the leasing of your property at 17th Avenue, Haney, B. C.

We wish to confirm writing you on November 2nd, submitting to you a list of articles for your acknowledgement as representing all your belongings left in the protected area.

We would appreciate receiving one copy signed without further delay, and oblige.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson.
Farm Department.

HRC/EM

Copied

Ineson - 10th

Rosebery B.C.
Nov 17/42

The Custodians Office
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Hastings and Grenville Sts
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir:-

According to the list you send me and
I find quite more things are missing from
the list and which I left at home.
There four blue was 2 six light "Mr. Clarys"
stoves on the second floor, 1 big kitchen
stove in the basement also, and I left
a big mirror in the dining room, and
chairs and few farmers tools are missing
too from the list.

I am here signing the list you send
me and return it to you. I hope you will find
out and send another list for me. Thanking
you very much.

Yours truly
U. Sanamoto

File No: 8716

October 30, 1942

Name: Mr. Utaro YAMAMOTO

Reg. No: 13909

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS REMAINING AT 17th AVENUE, MAPLE RIDGE, B. C.

- 1 iron bed complete
- 1 heater (McClary Air Tight) ✓
- 1 old chesterfield
- 1 round dining room table
- 1 small wooden stand with draw
- 1 square kitchen table and 4 kitchen chairs
- 1 rocking chair
- 1 small table (home made)

This gives my consent to have these chattels included in the lease as applied for.

Confirmed:

DATE:

Nov 18th 1942 ✓

SIGNED:

U Yamamoto

Please sign and return one copy to the Custodian.

8716

November 2nd, 1942.

Mr. Utaro Yamamoto,
Reg. No. 13909,
New Denver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Please find attached in duplicate a list of chattels our field men report to have found on your property located at 27-17th Ave., R. R. #1, Haney, B.C.

We would ask that you kindly acknowledge this list as being correct by signing one copy and returning it to this office. The other you may retain for your own reference.

If you wish to have these goods covered by insurance, we shall be glad to let you know as to the cost of coverage.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson.
Farm Department.

HRC/EM

8716

28th October, 1942.

Mr. Emil Peterson,
27-17th Ave.,
Haney, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Utaro YAMAMOTO.

According to your lease on the above property you are required to pay \$50.00 on August 1st, 1943, for the hay land and \$7.00 per month rental for the house payable in advance from September 1st, 1942.

Please be advised that all monies are payable to:

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

As we have not received any remuneration whatsoever from you, we would appreciate your bringing this account up to date as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

WEA:GF

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HANEY, B. C.

Residence Phone 6344

Richardson
Anderson
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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Sun Life Insurance
Company's Agencies

July 20, 1942.

8716

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

Attention Mr. Richardson

Dear Sir:

Re: U. Yamamoto

8716 You will remember that, in reply to my letter of July 13th, you phoned to say that according to your records this Lot 16 of the N.E. 1/4 of Section 16, Tp. 12, Map 1676 was in the name of one Nakashima and I have been in the Registry Office since receiving your phone call and I find that the lot I was referring to, the one described above, is registered in the name of Utaro Yamamoto who, I believe, has been the owner for thirty years and the title No. is 62659E. I don't know of any Nakashima owning property anywhere in this district.

This information may be of service to you.

Yours truly,

Hal Menzies

Office Phone 105

The Oldest Established Agency in the District

Richardson
Residence Phone 6344

HAL MENZIES

Real Estate and Insurance

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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HANEY, B. C.

Sun Life Insurance
Company's Agencies

July 13, 1942.

*#8
14/7/42
Menzies to advise further
re title (see confirmation of ownership)
R.R.*

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

Attention Mr. Richardson.

Dear Sir:

Mr. U. Yamamoto of R.R. #1, Haney, who owns Lot 16 of the N.E. 1/4 of Section 16, Tp. 12, Map 1676, has called at this office with his neighbour, Mr. E. Peterson, and has advised us that he has not yet reported his property to your office and has asked us to prepare a lease of his property to Mr. Peterson.

Can you advise us if it is in order for us to prepare such a lease, and if not, to whom would Mr. Yamamoto apply for such authority?

Yours truly,

Hal Menzies
per WM

SWFM

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INVENTORY OF CHATTELS BELONGING TO
13909

YAMAMOTO, Utaro

Which have been left in the care of Mr. E. PETERSON
17th. Ave. (App. No. 22) Haney B.C.

In Main House (main)

- 1 ~~Dinning Table & 5 Chairs~~
- 1 ~~Rocking chair~~
- 1 ~~Heater~~
- 2 ~~Sml. Hm. Md. tables~~
- 1 ~~Sml. Hm. Md. cupboards~~
- 1 ~~Round Dinning table~~
- 1 Fern pot
- 7 Prs. curtain rods
- 14 ~~Curtains~~
- 10 ~~Blinds~~
- 1 ~~Piece Chesterfields~~
- 3 Picture frames
- 6 Display plates
- 28 Sawcers
- 4 ~~Large platters~~
- 3 ~~Glass dishes~~
- 1 Set of 12 cups
- 7 ~~Bowls~~
- 1 Set cream & sugar
- 7 Pieces of curtain
- 1 2 piece Jap bowl
- 2 cushion frames
- 1 Wicker basket
- 1 Screen food cupboard

Upstairs

- 2 ~~Beds complete~~
- 3 Straw mattresses
- 1 Carton books
- 1 Cartn X mass decorations
- 2 Boxes Jap dolls
- 2 Window blinds
- 1 ~~Window screens~~
- 3 Prs. curtain rods
- 1 Crtn. decorations
- 1 " cont. 2 wood mallots
- 1 Hat in box
- 1 Small. rice tub brass bound
- 1 Sml. pers. papers
- 2 Photograph albums
- 5 Picture prtraits
- 1 Large water picher
- 1 Sml. crtn. decorations
- 5 Boxes dishes
- 1 Carton dishes
- Sml. Crtn. cont. 2 Plaster dolls
- Large quant. dishes wrapped

Basement

- 2 ~~Large Hm. Md. tables~~
- 1 Round Hm. Md. table
- 8 ~~Benches Hm. Md.~~
- 5 Kitchen chairs
- 1 ~~Baby high chair~~
- 1 ~~Old cook stove~~
- 1 ~~Screen coolers~~
- 1 Glass fruit cupboard
- 1 Old mattress
- 1 ~~Bed complete~~
- 1 Heater
- 1 ~~Window blinds~~
- 1 Carton. cont. few pictures & books
- 1 Jap shrine
- 1 Pr. fire tongs
- 1 ~~Peavees~~
- 1 Bent shovel
- 1 Box cont. Jap doll
- 1 Box books
- 3 Lengths stove pipe
- Crtn. cont. few clothes & few tins
- 1 ~~Large rice tins~~
- Large box of saki bottles
- 4 1 gal. jugs
- 2 3 Qt. jars
- 1 Large bath board
- 1 Shrine
- 1 ~~1 gal. crock jugs~~
- 1 ~~6 gal. crock~~
- 4 Jap. tubs
- 3 Crtns. seeds
- 8 ~~Boxes dishes~~
- 6 1 gal. cans
- A few dishes
- 1 Crtn. old clothes & calanders
- 6 Buskitt tins cont. cooky jar & few cookies
- Several tins
- Few poor utensils
- 3 Prs. gumboots
- 1 Large aluminum pot
- Sml. crtn. pers. effects
- 1 Wiskey flask
- 2 Wooden trays
- 3 Boxes saki bottles
- 1 Sml. parcell tied up
- 1 Large tin
- 40 lbs. cement
- 3 piece jap box
- 3 Bake pans
- 3 Qt sealers
- 3 1 gal. sealers
- Sml. quan. loose bottles & tins
- 1 Large canvaw bag
- 1 Towel wrack
- 1 Extention cord

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

SIGNED

Emil Peterson

Witness
Office of custodian

S. J. Carter
S. - Sold by Auction at 3.10.17.22/196
Haney 12

Under porch

- 1 Sack bottles
- 1 Buscuit tin

Well

- 1 Pail
- 15 ~~Rope~~
- 1 Well pulley
- 1 ~~Clothes Line~~

Old House

- 2 ~~Kitchen chains~~
- 1 Shoe box (Hm. Md.)
- 1 Chest tied up
- 1 Cest old clothes
- 1 8 gal. crock cont. wicker basket & jap tub
- 1 Tea kettle
- 1 Buscuit tin cont. 1/2 gal. crock, crockery bowl
- 1 Wash tub cont. 3 galv. pails, scrub board, lunch pail, 2 frying pans
- 2 wsh basins, can shortning, cookie tin.
- Sml. box cont. few casters & hinges
- Sml. box pers. papers
- 1 Pce. oil clothe 3 x 4'
- 1 Bndl. tobacco leaves
- Sml. screen cooler
- 1 Sml barrel
- 6 Jap tubs
- 1 Jap basket
- 1 ~~Bed spring~~
- 1 Sack old clothes
- 2 Boxes pers. papers
- Sml. bx. dishes
- Crtn. cont. seeds
- 1 Water kettle
- 1 Tea pot
- Bx. miss. bottles
- 1 ~~Saw vice (Hm. Md.)~~
- 1 Pr. gumboots
- 1 Pr. rubbers
- 1 Wet mop
- 1 ~~Heater~~
- 1 Buscuit tin cont. Rags
- 1 Chair (no back)
- 9 Jam boxes
- 1 Old mattress tied up
- 2 SAW Horses
- 1 Bench
- 1 Scrub brush

Root House

- 3 Jap tubs of fish
- 1 ~~Sml. crock stove~~
- 1 Heater
- 1 Sml. barrel
- 1 Wash basin
- 1 ~~Step ladder~~
- 1 Box bottles
- 2 1 gal. crock jugs
- 2 1 gal. glass jug
- Box cont. 6 window pulleys, saw handle, few old stove parts
- 2 Buscuit tins
- Part of a shoe last
- 1 Lantern chimney
- Sml. bag seeds
- 6 Gable braces
- 1 Box tobacco
- 1 5 gal. gas pail
- Quan. used lumber, 1 Wood bed spring
- Rhubarb House
- 1 Drum heater

Barn & Garage

- 1 Plow
- 1 ~~Cultivator (old)~~
- 32 Jam crates
- 6 Jap tubs
- 1 Hame
- 32 Pickers trays
- 1 Pail galv.
- 4 ~~Ladders~~
- Work bench cont. Quan. old metal parts and pieces of chain
- Sml. quan. berry boxes dismantled
- Sml. quan. used lumber
- 4 New asparagus boxes
- ~~Several tons of hay~~

Garage

- 6 ~~saki bottles, 30 lbs. wine~~
- 1 ~~few old tools~~

Hay Shed

Quantity of Hay

At property of Lessee

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Shovel | 1 Cupboard |
| 5 Hoes | 1 Table |
| 3 Potatoe diggers | 3 Chairs |
| 1 Manure fork | 1 10 gal crock |
| 1 Potatoe fork | 1 5 gal. gas can |
| 1 Broom | 17 Qt. jars |
| 3 Logg chains | 7 Tumblers |
| 1 " hook | 1 Glass bowl |
| 1 H oof pincure | 1 Glass sawce dish |
| 1 X cut saw | 2 Poridge dishes |
| 1 Peevee | 9 Cups |
| 1 Wheelbarrow | 5 Sawcers |
| 2 Pail (galv.) | 1 Alarm clock (old) |
| | 1 Aluminum kettle |
| | 1 Granit dish pan |
| | 2 Tin wash dishes |
| | 1 Lunch kit |
| | 5 Flower vases |
| | 1 Wash tub |

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

Signed Emil Peterson

Witness

Office of Custodian Shank

S. Sold by auction Feb 3, 11, 17, 23, 1942
Honey 13

S. Sold by auction Mar 17-24 Apr 5/42
Honey 14

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

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

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

- (1) NAME **YAMAMOTO,** **Utaro** (RCMP) Reg. No. **13909**
(Print) Surname Given Name
- (2) Pre-Evacuation Address **Maple Ridge, B.C.**
- (3) Present Address **Deceased**
- (4) REAL ESTATE
- (a) Street Address (if any) **Municipality of Maple Ridge, B.C.**
City or Municipality, Province
- (b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)
Lot 16 of the H.E. of Sec. 16, Township 12, Map 1676, District of New Westminster (Certificate of Title No. 62659E).
- (c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):
(i) Farm
(ii) Residence Type of business **Farming**
(iii) ~~Business~~
(iv) Any other type of property (describe)
- (d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.) **Sole owner**
- (e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):
- | | | |
|---|----|----------------|
| (i) Land | \$ | 3100.00 |
| (ii) Buildings | \$ | 2500.00 |
| (iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) | \$ | 2095.58 |
| (iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) | \$ | 5600.00 |
| (v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account | \$ | 3504.42 |
| (f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv)) | \$ | 2095.58 |
- (5) PERSONAL PROPERTY
- (a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation
Lot 16 Map 1676, Maple Ridge, above.
- (b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)
House
- (c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation
Stored in house

(over)

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

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

1.	Household furniture and effects	150	Estimated Value \$	1000.00
2.	Farm machinery and equipment	100	Estimated Value \$	500.00
3.			Estimated Value \$	
4.			Estimated Value \$	
5.			Estimated Value \$	
6.			Estimated Value \$	
7.			Estimated Value \$	
8.			Estimated Value \$	
9.			Estimated Value \$	
10.			Estimated Value \$	1500.00
TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS \$				1500.00

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

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

(6) (a) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard. (b) Do you require the services of an interpreter at the hearing? Yes or no.

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

DOMINION OF CANADA
Province of British Columbia
TO WIT:

I, JOHN RICHARD KIDSTON

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

DECLARED before me at the City

of Vernon in the Province of British Columbia

this 29th day of December

A.D. 1947.

A Commissioner etc. taking Affidavits

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

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

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

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

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Vernon, B. C.,
February 18th, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
(MRS.) FUJIO YAMAMOTO.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

20 APPEARANCES:

J.W.G. HUNTER, Esq.,

appearing for the
Dominion Government.

H.J. McMASTER, Esq.,

appearing for the
Claimant.

A. WATSON, Esq.,

Secretary.

D.J. HANDFORD, Esq.,

Official Interpreter.

T. P. HORROBIN, Esq.,

Official Reporter.

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MR. McMASTER: My lord, in this case, Mrs. Yamamoto had filed a claim with respect to the property only of her late husband, and subsequently Mr. Kidston, who is now the official administrator at Vernon, drew attention to the fact he was still the official administrator and the claim should be filed in his name, and arrangements were made, I think, to file a supplementary claim in his name for both the real estate and her furniture.

10 I might explain that Mr. Kidston advised me he had received a letter from the Custodian saying a large quantity of household furniture, tools and equipment had been sold, and subsequently he received advice the sum of \$28.00 odd had been received for this large quantity of goods and he felt obliged in his official capacity to make a claim. He was unable to get in touch with Mrs. Yamamoto, and therefore put in a perfectly arbitrary set of figures, \$500.00 and a \$1000.00. I am applying
20 to amend the claim with regard to the chattels, to reduce the claim on the household chattels to \$150.00 and the tools and equipment to \$100.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: Is the whole claim now being presented in the name of the administrator?

MR. McMASTER: My lord, I take it we will have to proceed in that way. I would like to have some instructions as to whether it will be necessary to call Mr. Kidston to prove his official capacity, or perhaps my friend will admit it and avoid his entering
30 the proceedings and interfere with his busy practice.

Discussion.
Mrs. F. Yamamoto,
In Chief.

THE COMMISSIONER: I would say you have what appear to be Letters of Administration in front of you.

MR. HUNTER: It shows Mr. Morrow, my lord.

MR. McMASTER: Mr. Morrow, who is now a Member of the Legislature, Mr. Hunter, was the official administrator in Vernon, but when he became a Member of the Legislature, by Order in Council Mr. Kidston was appointed.

10 THE COMMISSIONER: I think his office is equivalent to your Ontario Public Trustee Act, consequently Kidston is simply the successor in office. In those circumstances, Mr. Hunter, are you content to treat this claim as that of the Official Administrator?

MR. HUNTER: Oh yes, my lord.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, I wonder if I might dispense with the necessity of proving Mr. Kidston's signature on the claim form and that he swore the declaration?

20 THE COMMISSIONER: Oh yes, as a matter of fact that is not imperative.

MR. McMASTER: We might dispense with it altogether, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: Oh yes, I think so.

(MRS.) FUJINO YAMAMOTO, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

Q Mrs. Yamamoto, did you instruct me to draw this statement (producing)?

30 THE COMMISSIONER: First of all, would you qualify her?

Mrs. F. Yamamoto,
In Chief.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Mrs. Yamamoto, what was your husband's name?

A Utarax Yamamoto.

Q And he has now passed away? A: Yes.

Q And Mr. Kidston, the official administrator, is the administrator of his estate?

A Yes, Mr. Kidston is administering the estate.

Q Did she instruct him to draw this statement with regard to the real estate that is being claimed?

10 A Yes.

Q Would you be good enough to sign your name on it, please?

THE COMMISSIONER: Is this a statement of real property?

MR. McMASTER: Yes, my lord. I file that as Exhibit 1.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

MR. HUNTER: My lord, Mr. McMaster, or Mr. Kidston, has put in a larger amount here as a credit than actually should have been allowed. The sale price of the real property was \$2042.00 instead of \$2095.58.

20 MR. McMASTER: Thank you, Mr. Hunter. He probably included the adjustments. My friend has asked me to file the Soldier Settlement appraisal as an exhibit.

(APPRAISAL MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

THE COMMISSIONER: What is the property described in Exhibit 1, a berry farm?

MR. McMASTER: My lord, it is shown here as three miles from Naney, about eight acres in crop of asparagus, raspberries, oats, spuds and hay. The property was purchased in 1921 for \$2600.00.

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Mrs. F. Yamamoto,
In Chief.

At that time there were three acres cleared and seven
uncleared. It had a house, a barn, and a root house
on it at that time. The claimant's husband cleared
and planted 7 acres and planted 20 mixed fruit
trees. I would just draw attention to the comments
at the bottom. "Property was owned by late
husband. I don't know anything about market value.
The property is well located on a main paved
highway on 17th Avenue. Although we were getting
old for operating the farm, we did not want to
sell but had the idea that some day we might sub-
divide for residential holding so we could keep
our home. The school is only some 300 yards away,
and the area had been building up as a residential
area. We always cared for the house and property
well and in later years had the assistance of our
young grandsons and a nephew who lived with us and
kept the farm up".

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20 THE COMMISSIONER: Now I notice you claim a value of
\$5600.00 in your claim form, but the value shown on
Exhibit 1 is \$5700.00. Do you want to amend the
claim?

MR. McMASTER: No, my lord. Frankly, this woman doesn't
know the value of real estate. She says so, and,
if anything, I would amend the form to make it
conform with the claim form.

THE COMMISSIONER: \$3000.00 on the house, then, we will
call it, total claim \$5600.00.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, I would just like to refer to
30- Exhibit 2 for a moment to draw attention to the

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Mrs. P. Yamamoto,
In Chief.

fact confirming that this was situated in a good area with a school close by, and then on page 3 of the form, the house is in good order with full cement basement and electric light installed. "It was owner's intention this year to plant further acreage to small fruits, but owing to uncertainty of tenure, he put in oats and hay". I draw attention to the fact, my lord, he refers to the useful bearing orchard, but places no value thereon.

10 Q Witness, I produce to you two pictures. Are those pictures of your house on this property?

A Yes.

Q Do you remember approximately when those pictures were taken?

A: About one year before

the war.

Q About a year before the war with Japan?

A Yes, about ten months before.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask to file those two pictures, if I might, my lord, as Exhibit 3.

(PHOTOGRAPHS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

20 Q Witness, did you instruct me to draw this statement with regard to your personal chattels which are claimed for?

A: Yes.

Q Would you be good enough to sign that? Would my friend like to put in the claims analysis?

Are the statements in this statement with respect to your personal chattels true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

30 A Yes.

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

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

MR. McMASTER: On behalf of my learned friend, I would file the claims analysis, my lord, which is four sheets long.

MR. HUNTER: Here is a better one.

(CLAIMS ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

10 MR. McMASTER: I am referring to the statement of the claimant with regard to personal chattels, my lord. She has put it purely on the basis that if she wanted to sell all these things for one lump sum in 1943, what she thought she would be able to get for them. She admits they were old. Your witness, Mr. Hunter. I might file, my lord, with the claims analysis the auction sheets.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: Just before you open, Mr. Hunter, I find there is a letter attached to the claim form from Mr. Kidston, the official administrator, dated December 29, 1947, in which he gives some information regarding his own status and that of the estate. I think it might be helpful to have it filed. Just have a look at it, Mr. Hunter.

MR. HUNTER: We have a copy of that, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes. File that as Exhibit 6, will you?

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

30 MR. HUNTER: It is submitted, my lord, that both real and personal property were sold at their fair market value. In Exhibit 1, my lord, I think that the estimated values of \$3000.00 and \$2000.00

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Mrs. F. Yamamoto,
Discussion.

should be reversed, not that it is very vital.

MR. McMASTER: I notice on the claim form filed by
Mr. Kidston that is the way it is shown -- yes, on
both forms.

THE COMMISSIONER: The house valued at \$3000.00.

MR. McMASTER: It was valued at \$2500.00 and the land
at \$3100.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, I see.

MR. HUNTER: In both cases, my lord, it is purely a
10 question of value. There are no questions.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is all, thank you, Mrs.
Yamamoto.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

J. P. Horrabin
"J. P. HORRABIN"
Official Reporter.

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DEFENCE BRIEF

(Mrs.) Fujino YAMAMOTO

File No. 8716

Case No. 160 ✓

VERNON
18 Feb. 48

V.L.A. Deal

REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

1. Real Property Claim

\$5600.00

Appraised

\$2080.00

Sold for

\$2042.00

Witnesses:

Plumbly - Appraiser ✓
Mr. Shears.

Exhibits 1, 2 and 3. Trans. 4, 5 & 6. Sold for F.M.V.

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

1. Chattel Claim

\$ 250.00

(a) all sold for

Sale Price

\$ 41.45

Witnesses:

C. Spencer Pallot, Auctioneer
Mr. Moryson, Attended Sale. ✓

Exhibits 4 & 5. Trans. 7. Sold for fair market value.

RWN/mw

Name of Claimant **YAMAMOTO, Utaro (Deceased)** Case **160**
 Custodian File **8716**

Claim filed by wife Fujino Yamamoto.
JR Kidston of Vernon, B.C. is Official Admin. of Estate
REAL PROPERTY

Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village		Total
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices: % of Amount Total	
					2042	1624.11			1624.11 ✓

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Motor Vehicles			Boats and Boat Gear				
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column

NETS

Total award for Nets plus Sale Price	Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing	Percentage Total Award to Total Claim	Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing	Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price

MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS

Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Applica-tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price
250.00	41.75	12.52					12.52 ✓

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION **1636.63** ✓

8716

November 17th, 1950.

R. J. McMaster, Esq.,
Barrister & Solicitor,
1408 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission
Case No. 160

We enclose herein form of Release applicable to the
above case for payment of the award recommended by the Commissioner.

Please arrange for proper completion by the Releasor.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/js
1 encl.

December 5, 1950.

Registered Mail

Mr. J.R. Kidston,
Official Administrator,
North Okanagan Electoral District,
Vernon, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission
Case 160 - Estate of Utaro Yamamoto

We received your letter of November 27th enclosing
form of Release in connection with the above Estate.

Enclosed herein please find cheque in your favour
as Official Administrator of the above Estate for the sum
of \$1,542.96.

We have paid to the Co-Operative Committee \$93.67
legal fees as authorized.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/GN
Encl.

LINDSAY & KIDSTON

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, ETC.

VERNON, B. C.

GORDON LINDSAY
JOHN R. KIDSTON

8716

November 27th, 1950

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd NOV 29 1950

File No. 8716

Ans.

Referred C. H. Reed

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

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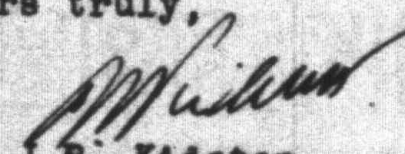
Dear Sir:-

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission
Estate of Utaro Yamamoto, Deceased

I enclose herewith a form of release in respect of the above Estate and authority to pay fees to the Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians, both executed by me as Administrator of the Estate of Utaro Yamamoto.

Please note that payment of the sum of \$1,542.96, being the balance of the award after deduction of fees, should be made to me as Administrator and not to the deceased's widow to whom, of course, I will account.

Yours truly,



J.R. Kidston
Official Administrator
North Okanagan Electoral District.

JRK/s

cc - Miss M.K. Boos,
Secretary,
The Co-Operative Committee
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Apartment 28,
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