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FORM "JP"
FRASER VALLEY

HANEY B.C.

FILE No. 879

**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: YOSHIDA Ginzo

HOME ADDRESS: R.R.#1, Whonnock, B.C. 23rd. Rd.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 13754 SEX: male AGE: 42

OCCUPATION: farmer

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

EMPLOYER: self.

MARRIED? yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Sato

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: same

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Emiko (F) Maki (F) Masao (M)

Nellie (F) Kiyoshi (M) Tsutomu (M) Chiyo (F) Masako (F)

Mitsuko (F)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: same

AGE OF CHILDREN: 14, 13, 12, 10, 7, 6, 4, 2, 3 months.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Title in Bank. 10 acres. Title#88925E
Lots B & C of Lots 3 & 4 of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ section 14, Twp. 12, Map 4722, in
the District of Maple Ridge.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 5 roomed 2 storeyed wooden frame
dwelling house. garage. woodshed. root house. barn. packing shed.

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) \$30.37 1939 paid to Dist. Maple Ridge.

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

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

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS. Bank of Montreal, Hanay, B.C.

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

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN strawberry, raspberry, gooseberry.

fruit trees, rhubarb, oats. (undecided about leasing)

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.

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

IN HOUSE: kitchen stove, stationary furniture.

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

1 horse; try & sell it

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

CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY. none

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: none

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF
OTHERS: none

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom)

none

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
\$15.00 War Savings Certificates (some are the childrens
67--\$1.00 shares in Maple Ridge Co-operative Union.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: none

9. LIFE INSURANCE: none

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: none

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: none

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: none

2. TRADE DEBTS: none

Maple Ridge Co-op. Union \$206.31

*Paid
see file July 24/42*

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)

*S. Yoshida**J. P. Williams*

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Oct. 25/43.

File No. 8719

Name YASHIDA Ginzo
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 13754

Male - Female
(check)

Age Apr. 30, 1900

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

Date Evacuated Sept. 19/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address RETURNED TO JAPAN
S. S. GENERAL MEIGS
2nd AUGUST, 1946
Leavenworth Creek, Hoonah, B.C.

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife ^{nee} (TAKENAKA) Sato #13866

Name of Husband -

Name of Mother ^{nee} (ONISHI) Teru Name of Father Masashichi (Dad)

Names of Children under 16 (Dad)
See Over

Requested by PPG Registered with Custodian
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Farmer Owner of
10 acres & bldgs. Car. 1924 - Ford.

711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
475 Howe Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.
May 25th, 1948.

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

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ *NIL*

Dear Sir:

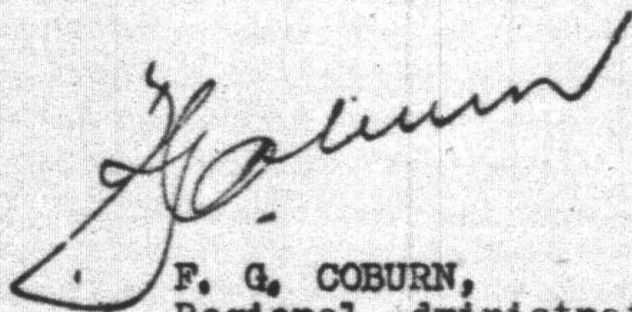
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Re: YOSHIDA, Ginzo #13754

This will acknowledge the sum of \$ 84.32
received from you on account of the above mentioned which
has been accounted for by this office in the proper manner.

There has been no No. 2 Receipt issued in
this instance.

Yours truly,



F. G. COBURN,
Regional Administrator.

FGC/RM.

711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
475 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B.C.,
October 31st, 1947.

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ *NN*

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

File 8719

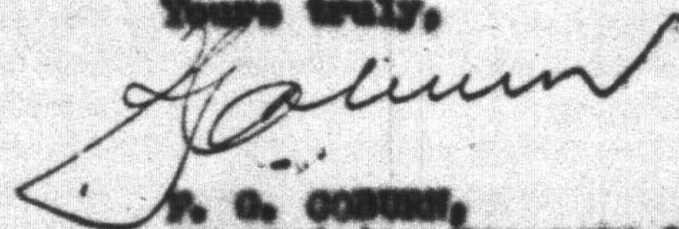
Dear Sir:

Re: - YOSHIDA, Ginzo #13754
.....

This will acknowledge the sum of \$ 39.25
received from you on account of the above mentioned which
has been accounted for by this office in the proper manner.

There has been no No. 2 Receipt issued in
this instance.

Yours truly,



F. G. OSBURN,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FOG/BJ.

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ *NIL*

711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
475 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B.C.,
March 5th, 1947.

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

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ *NIL*

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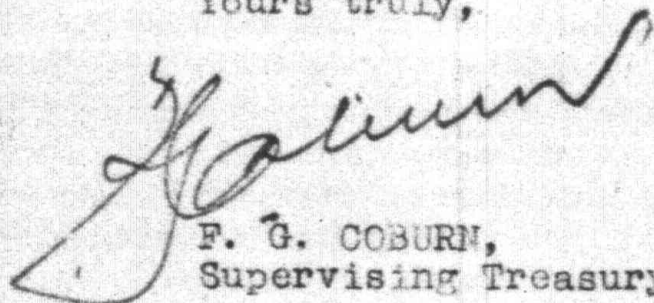
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Re: YOSHIDA, Ginzo #13754

This will acknowledge the sum of \$ 8.83
received from you on account of the above mentioned which
has been accounted for by this office in the proper manner.

There has been no No. 2 Receipt issued in
this instance.

Yours truly,



F. G. COBURN,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FGC/EJ.

2482.
711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
475 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B. C.,
Oct. 22/46

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

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ *NIL*

Dear Sir:

Re: YOSHIDA, Ginzo *8719 Anderson*
#13754

Please note that the above Japanese has
been repatriated to Japan. The following is the status
of his account with this Department, covering the
repatriation transactions:

Money turned in - - - - - \$ 934.92

Draft Issued- - - - - \$ 934.92

It will be noted, therefore, that this
party is not indebted to this Department in this connection.
However, should any further monies come into your hands on
this account it should be turned over to this office for
transmission to the Japanese in question.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
F. G. COBURN,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FGC/EJ.

Form CD-JAP-3
Rev. 10-1-70

8719/13754

No. 835

DOMINION OF CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Issued at **Lemon Creek, B.C.,**
Date **July 17th, 1946**

The Government of Canada acknowledges that **YOSHIDA, Ginnō**
has surrendered property situated in Canada as described herein and agrees to remit the yen equivalent of the net proceeds
of such property immediately, or upon liquidation if such action is required, to Japan under arrangements made with,
and approved by, the United States Government and the Military Authorities in Japan; Provided that from the proceeds
of such property there shall be retained such amounts as are required to repay advances made by the Government of Ca-
nada by way of Repatriation Grant.

Custodian's Fee Balance - - - - - \$934.92 ✓

War Savings Certificate #A 3620746 - \$5.00

War Savings Certificate #A 5538896 - \$5.00

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for Comptroller of the Treasury

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Lesson Book 13,

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DEPOSIT FORM

G-657-A

Reg. No. 13754

NAME: YOSHIDA

Ginzo

(please print) Surname Given Name

Cheques (must be certified)		Cash	Dollars	Cents
List Bank Name and Branch	Amount	X 1		
		X 2		
		X 5		
		X 10		
		X 20		
		X 50		
		X 100		
		Total Bills		
		Silver		
		Copper		
		Total Cheques		
Total Cheques		Total Amount		

Teller's Initials

Herewith monies as shown above.

I wish to take all of these funds with me to Japan, plus \$ 934.92
now on deposit with the Custodian. Yes: No:

I wish to take with me only the amount of the Government Guarantee
Yes No

Date: , 1946

OR

I have no money to turn in.

Date: , 1946

Signature

Ginzo Yoshida
Signature
Custodian See Balance
\$ 934.92
17 1946

C.T. JAP.2 - WORKSHEET

G-673

The following has been turned in by YOSHIDA GINZO Reg. No. 13754
for which C.T. Jep. 2 is to be issued. C.T. Jep. 2 issued . . . 835

For which C.T. Jap. 2 is to be issued.

C. T. Jap. 2 Issued

835.....

Available for immediate transfer on C.T.Jap. 1

To be Negotiated
by Custodian

Cash Free Balance 934⁹²
=

[illegible]

44-38861-5-00

Chap 1 No. 1857 - 934⁹²
 =
 (8 dependants)

(8 dependants)

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Ginzo YOSHIDA Reg. No. 13754 File No. 8719.

CATALOGUE NO: Sold by Special Arrangement, The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.
BC/211-P First Offer.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 23rd Road, Whonnock, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lots "B" and "C" of Lots 3 and 4 of the North West $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 14,
Township 12, Map 4722, Mun. of Maple Ridge, D. N. W.

TITLE: Registered in the name of Ginzo YOSHIDA.

ENCUMBRANCES: None registered. No indication of any unregistered charges.
Vesting Order filed No. 26240, dated September 17th, 1943.

ASSESSED VALUES: Land \$650.00
Improvements \$720.00 - \$1370.00. Taxes - \$29.21.

CLASSIFICATION: This is a small fruit farm with dwelling and outbuildings.
The Custodian's representative reported June 1st, 1942, that this property had an area of 10 acres planted to the following crops:
 $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres strawberries, $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres raspberries, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre gooseberries,
 $\frac{1}{4}$ acre rhubarb, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre oats, $\frac{1}{4}$ acre peas, some fruit trees.
1 - $1\frac{1}{2}$ storey 4-room dwelling 24' x 28'. 1 open garage and barn.
1 root house. 1 packing shed. 1 woodshed - all in fair condition.

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: Ginzo YOSHIDA leased this property 22nd May, 1942 to Arthur Kermeen for a term of 9 months from 1st May, 1942, with option to extend lease for 1943. Arrangements to be made with Maple Ridge Co-Operative Produce Exchange. Consideration \$775.00 which includes price of 1 horse and harness. Rental for 1943 and subsequent years \$350.00.

On the 26th August, 1942 Arthur Kermeen made a Statutory Declaration (signed copy on file) that there had been exaggeration on the part of Ginzo YOSHIDA, that instead of there being $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres of strawberries and $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres of raspberries - 7 acres planted, that there were by actual measurement only 3.32 acres strawberries and 1.93 acres of raspberries = 5.25 acres, leaving a shortage of 1.75 acres. Adjustment was made on the basis of \$100. per acres. 1.75 acres short - \$175.00 which was settled on a 70% basis and a credit of \$122.50 allowed Arthur Kermeen.

Lease was extended by collateral agreement to October 31st, 1943. Consideration \$100.00 payable July 15th, 1943, and repairs to roof of house costing approximately \$50.00.

Lease and collateral agreement given to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act, August 18th, 1943.

1943.

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SOLD:

To The Director, The Veterans' Land Act for \$960.00 as at January 1st, 1943.

Approval of Advisory Committee - June 1st, 1943.

Funds released to the credit of Ginzo YOSHIDA as at May 10th, 1944, against which were the following charges: Registration Fees-\$3.00, Legal Fees-\$15.00, Arrears of Taxes-\$65.82 = \$83.82, leaving a net credit of \$876.18 from said transaction.

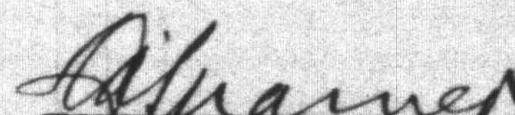
In view of the 1943 rent having been collected by the Custodian, viz., \$150.00, a cheque covering same was issued to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act, 17th November, 1943.

Certificate of Title No. 169790-E in the name of The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

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

December 5th, 1946.

DAC:JS


D. A. CRAMER.

REGISTRATION

ADDITION DECLARATION

YOSHIDA, Ginzo, No. 13754 R. R. No. 1, Whonnock, B. C.

States he has sold his crop, (Fruit and berries) to Mr. Arthur Kermeen, who is occupying the house.

Terms:- House and land leased until 1st Feb. 1943. Crop sold for \$700. Horse \$75. All arranged through Mr. Campbell, the lawyer, at Mission from whom we can obtain copy of lease if we have not already done so. Of the \$775. he has already received \$425. The balance is to be paid Sept. 1st, from Mr. Kermeen through the Pacific Berry Co-operative Union. In addition to the foregoing Mr. Kermeen owes him for labour as per debit notes which are to be prepared and handed to us later.

Farm Appraisal Report

File No. JL-312

Land Description Lots B & C of Lot 3 & 4 of N.W. 1/4, Sec. 14, Tp. 12. 9.99

9.998

Acres

Containing

R.R., Whonnock, B.C.

Owner's Name **YOSHIDA, Ginzo**

Post Office Address

Nearest Rail Point **Haney - C.P.R.**

Distance 4½ miles

Nearest Rail Point **Haney - 4 miles; or New Westminster**
Market Town

Distance 25 "

Market town _____
Church (give denomination) All in Haney

Distance 4 m

Nearest School _____ Webster's Corners

Distance 1

Nearest School _____

State how property was identified: _____

Road and posts - map check. _____

_____ kind of road _____

Roads: State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.
 _____ lane approximately 10 chains long from _____

State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.
 Legal access is by narrow lane, approximately 10 chains long from 23rd Ave.
 Avenue good, lane narrow and only fair.
 Normally yes.

Legal access is by narrow lane, approx. 10' wide.
Avenue good, lane narrow and only fair.

Is this district a good one? **Normally yes.**

Employment opportunity **Very limited locally.**

Predominating Nationality and religion: British, Protestant; many Finns

Describe Fencing and its condition: North line & part West line

Value \$

Water supply: Good domestic well.

Value \$

BUILDINGS ON FARM

[illegible]

Electric light installed.

Total present day value \$ 300.00

\$ 300.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm.

Total Value Buildings add to farm _____

Is dwelling habitable without repairs? ☒ No. If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it habitable? _____

_____ + kitchen and attic need to be finished and _____

New roof required & kitchen and
part new floors- - - - - \$200.-300.00

Describe the basement and chimneys: No basement - stove pipe chimney.

Describe the basement and chimneys: NO BASEMENT
No. rooms downstairs? 4 Upstairs? attio How finished Part V. Joint; mostly shiplap.

Are buildings painted? Yes Condition of paint Good

Distance from nearest bush All clear.

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

ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
9.638	Level-slight fall S. & W.	Clay loam 10"-12"	Clay	Strawberries; Rasp- berries; Gooseberries; Peas; Garden - good.	70.00	674.66
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
.36	Level	Clay loam - 10-12"	Clay	Clear out heavy stumps & Brush.	100.00	10.00
Area Unsuitable for Cultivation.						
CHARACTER OF LAND E. G. HILLY, SWAMPY, ROCKY.				NATURE OF TIMBER IF ANY AND WHETHER MARKETABLE	VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE	

Total value of Land \$ 678.26

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$ 300.00

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

Total value of farm \$ 978.26

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:
Owner not yet evacuated. Land leased. Weeds bad in spite of good control efforts.

State most suitable type of agriculture for farm bearing in mind the district's limitations, if any.
Just about the same as at present.

Noxious weeds:
Some thistle.

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

Municipality Maple Ridge - Land, School & Library.
1942 - \$12.57. 2 years arrears - \$25.64-Lot C only.
No record of Lot B taxes - 7.403 acres.

Date: June 18, 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 17 day of June 1942

Inspector's Signature

"T. GODFREY"

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

JL-312 - G. YOSHIDA

Farm Appraisal Report

Remarks:

Owner still in residence, living in rhubarb shed. Property is leased to Mr. A.W. Kermeen, May 22 - from May 1st for 9 months for \$775.00, which includes purchase of horse & harness. For 1943 lease is to be for \$350.00 & subsequent. Mr. Kermeen is occupying the house - in my opinion an inexperienced poor operator.

All the land requires underdraining - at present about every chain there is a ditch running East & West to carry off water. Buildings very modest.

Land fairly heavy clay loam. To continue small fruits culture profitably, much cheap labor must be available, or to offset this partially, area must be underdrained either East and West, or most direct to South to Kanaka Creek. Am very skeptical of Mr. Kermeen's ability or capacity to work land.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

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

Better drainage is necessary. Land still appears quite fertile and growth is sturdy.

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE

ORCHARDS, SMALL FRUITS, ETC.

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

Present Value

Main crops are Raspberries and Strawberries, \$
Peas, Rhubarb, Gooseberries - Garden and building site account for approx. 2 acres. \$

38 mixed orchard trees have been intercropped unavoidably. Weeds are rank, in spite of obvious effort at control. \$

\$

\$

\$

\$

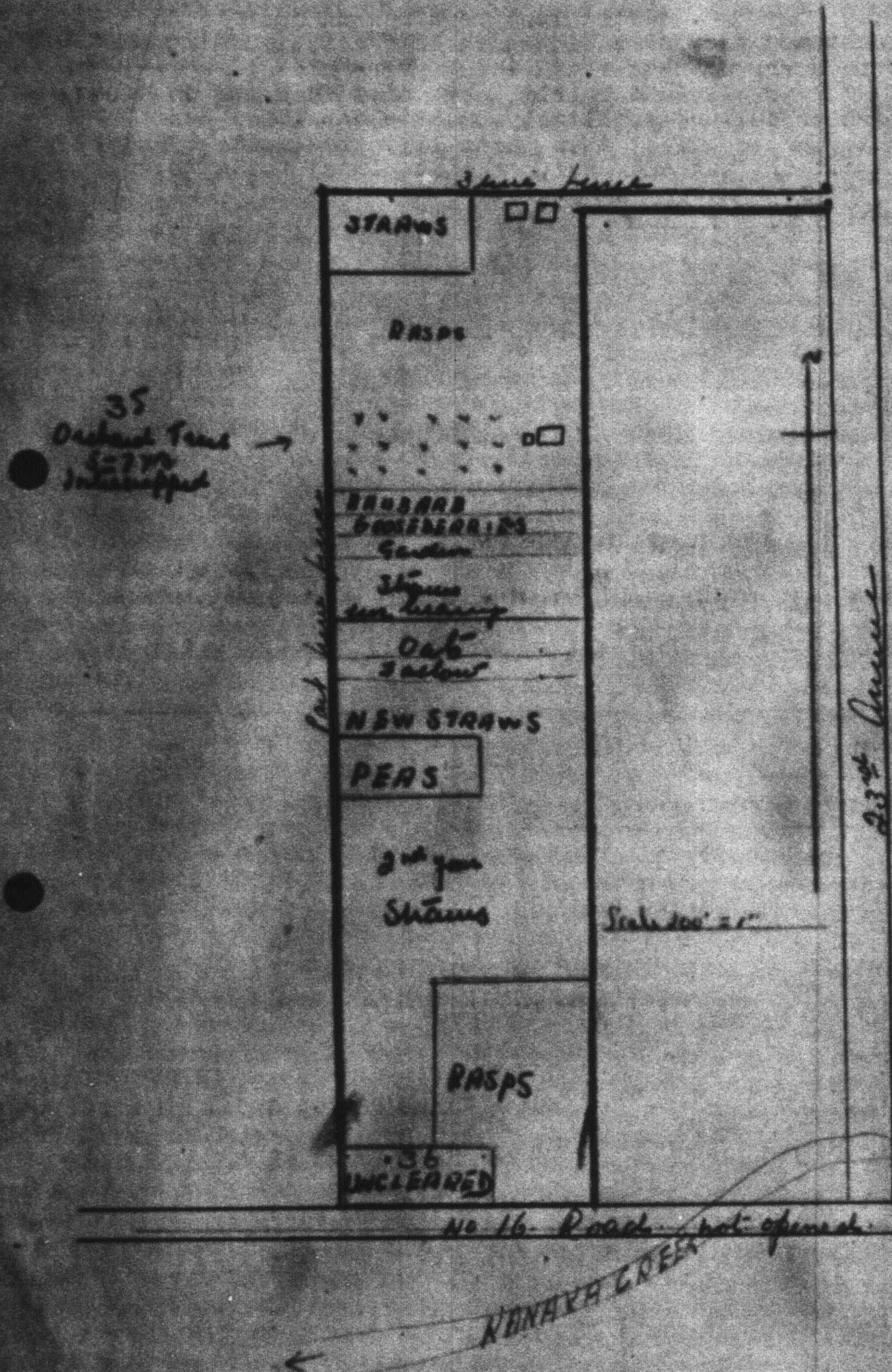
\$

\$

Total \$

Amount fruit trees add to value of farm \$

Diagram of Property



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

value is \$ 750

Date 20th June 1942

[Signature]

District Superintendent.

Canada

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

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

File No. 6719
Reg. No. 13754

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

JUN 8 1944

Mr. Ginzo YOSHIDA,
Lemon Creek,
Slocan, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Lots "B" and "C" of Lots 3 and 4 of the North West quarter
of Section 14, Township 12, Map 4722, District of New
Westminster, C. of E. 52559.

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	\$ 960.00
Add:	
Unexpired insurance premium as at January 1st, 1943	\$ 960.00
Less:	
Tax arrears to December 31st, 1942	\$ 65.82
Registration fee	3.00
Encumbrance—Principal	
—Interest	\$ 68.82
Net proceeds of sale	\$ 822.18
	<u>890.18</u>

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.

Debit Credit Balance

1943

Jan. 1 Credit re Sale of Property

Land Registry Office C. of E.

1.00

\$ 891.18

Apr. 26 P.C.U. Cheque

112.09

" " Crop Grain

122.50

Sept. 27 Royal Columbian Hospital Payment of a/c

28.71

Dr. G. Morse

30.00

Maple Ridge Co-Op.

17.30

Nov. 13 Cheque to you

62.58

\$262.09 \$1003.27

CR 2741.18

8719
I GIWZO YOSHIDA of Haney B.C.

Owner of property Lots "B" and "C" of Lots 3 and 4 of the N. W. 1/4

of Section 14 Township 12 in the municipality

of Maple Ridge hereby agree to let the

above described lands to Arthur Kermee for a rental of \$775.00 for the
year 1942 and \$350.00 for 1943 and subsequent
years

giving him the right to carry on work immediately on my farm described
above.

This agreement is to protect both parties against the legal rights of
myself as owner of the said lands and the new occupant carrying on to
conserve the crop thereon and not to be construed as interfering with
the legal rights of the Custodian of Japanese property if and when
such property becomes his legal guardianship.

Time is the essence of this agreement.

G. Yoshida

Witness :

[Signature]

R E P O R T
ON EVACUATED JAPANESE PROPERTY

File No. E719

MUNICIPALITY: Maple Ridge.

Date: June 1st. 1942.

NAME: YOSHIDA. Ginzo,

REGISTRATION NO. 13754.

ADDRESS: 23rd. Road, Whonnock, B.C.

PROPERTY:

ACREAGE: 10. 2 Lots adjoining. 7.4/10 & 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.

KIND OF CROPS: Strawberries, Raspberries, Goose B. Rhubarb, Oats, Peas.

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF EACH: S. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. $\frac{1}{2}$. $\frac{1}{4}$. $\frac{1}{2}$. $\frac{1}{4}$.

HOUSE: VACANT: OCCUPIED Yes. Lessee.

DESCRIPTION 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Story wooden frame house. ROOF: Shingle.

SIZE: 24 x 28. NO. OF ROOMS 4.

CONDITION: Fair.

OTHER BUILDINGS: Open garage & barn. Roothouse, Packing shed, woodshed.

NAME OF LESSEE OR RENTOR: A. W. Kermeeen,

TERMS: \$775.00 Financed through Pacific Co-op. Union. Half cash, balance September. 42.

WATER: Well. ON: OFF:

LIGHT: ON: Yes. OFF:

REMARKS: Lease for 9 Months, from May 1st, 1942, to January 1943. And includes Horse and Harness.

INVENTORY OF CHATELS LEFT ON PROPERTY

None. (Must have been sold or moved.)

Signed:

I. C. Bardwell.

FIRE INSURANCE SUMMARY

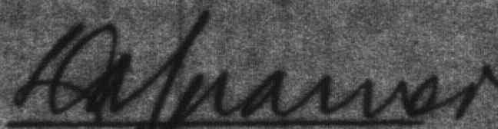
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Giazo YOSHIDA - Reg.No.13754.

The above named Japanese declared on his JP Form signed 8th May, 1942 that he carried no Fire Insurance on his property and none was placed by the Custodian.

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

December 5th, 1946.


D. K. CRAMER.

DAC:JS

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 8719.

Ginzo YOSHIDA - Reg. No. 13754.

The above named Japanese declared on his JP Form signed 8th May, 1942 that he had no Personal Debts but a Trade Debt of \$206.31 to the Maple Ridge Co-Operative Union. (The Debt to the Maple Ridge Co-Operative Produce Union was lodged by them as \$226.41).

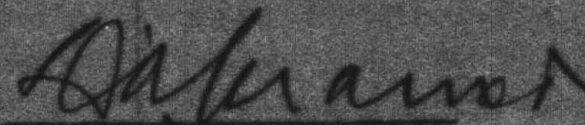
However, we find the following claims were lodged against him:

Maple Ridge Co-Operative Produce Exchange	- \$226.41	Paid 24/7/42.
Dr. G. Morse, Haney, B. C.	- 30.00	" 24/9/43.
Royal Columbian Hospital	- 28.71	" 24/9/43.
Maple Ridge Co-Operative Produce Exchange		
2nd claim	- 17.30	" 24/9/43.
I Yasutaro YAMAGA - refused to pay	- 30.00	

Upon instructions from Ginzo YOSHIDA all of the above claims were paid with the exception of Yasutaro YAMAGA'S, which he asked us not to pay. YAMAGA was notified accordingly.

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

December 5th, 1946.


D. A. CRAMER.

DAC:JS

8719

13th January, 1947.

Division of Loans and Currency,
Treasury Department Fiscal Service,
Chicago 54, Illinois.

Your ref: CR:C Lot 58572 F

Dear Sirs:

Re: Ginzo YOSHIDA, Registration No. 13754

In reply to your letter of the 3rd January, please be advised that the above Japanese has now been repatriated to Japan voluntarily. Upon boarding ship in Vancouver, he turned over to our Representative here, a number of Canadian War Savings Certificates, together with the two United States War bonds referred to, asking that they all be cashed in and the funds sent to him in Japan as soon as possible.

In accordance with YOSHIDA's request and with this purpose in mind, the Custodian is acting on his behalf in the matter.

Yours truly,

W.E. Anderson,
Office of the Custodian.

WHA:HA



BUREAU OF THE PUBLIC DEBT
DIVISION OF LOANS AND CURRENCY
CHICAGO BRANCH
MERCHANDISE MART

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO GR:C Lot 58572P

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

FISCAL SERVICE

CHICAGO 54, ILL.

EVACUATION SECTION	
DATE	JAN 7 1947
NO.	8719
SERIAL	<i>[Signature]</i>

Secretary of State of Canada,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, British Columbia,
Canada.

JAN 3 1947

Dear Sir:

The Seattle Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, has forwarded for our attention with its letter dated October 9, 1946, Forwarding Item No. 6815, Savings Bonds of Series E-1943 and E-1944, totaling \$50 (maturity value), registered in the name of Mr. Kinzo Yoshida, alone, and in his name payable on death to Mr. Ginzo Yoshida.

The request for payment on the back of each bond has been signed, "Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian, on behalf of Kinzo Yoshida, by P. G. Shears, Authorized Deputy of the Secretary of State and/or Custodian."

In order that consideration may be given to payment of the bonds, will you please advise us under what authority the Authorized Deputy is acting in requesting payment on behalf of Mr. Yoshida. In what capacity is he representing Mr. Yoshida?

The bonds will be held in this office pending receipt of your reply.

Very truly yours,

A. E. Wilson
Assistant Chief in Charge,
Division of Loans and Currency, Chicago Branch

SEATTLE BRANCH
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

FORWARDING ITEM
SAVINGS BONDS

Nº 6815

Secretary of State of Canada
506 Royal Bank Building
Vancouver, B. C.

October 8, 1946

(Date Sent by You)

October 9, 1946

(Date of Acknowledgment)

We acknowledge receipt of the following described United States Savings Bond(s) forwarded to us on the date indicated above. Under existing Treasury instructions it is necessary that we forward the bond(s), with the supporting document(s) submitted (if any), to the Treasury Department for attention and, therefore, accounting for the bond(s) will be made DIRECT WITH YOU by that office.

Should further correspondence be necessary, please communicate direct with the Treasury Department, Division of Loans and Currency, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Illinois, making reference to the above number as well as the date of this acknowledgment.

DATE OF ISSUE	INSCRIPTION	BOND NUMBER	DENOMINATION (MATURITY VALUE)	TOTAL
Mar. 44	Mr. Kinso Yoshida	Q381568595E	25	25.00
Sep. 43	Mr. Kinso Yoshida c/o Hudson Coal Company Sweet Mine, Utah payable on death to Mr. Kinso Yoshida Lemon Creek, Slocan B. C. Canada	Q268306125E	25	25.00

Submitted to Treasury Department for:

Total - - - - - \$ 50.00

Redemption: Not authorized to redeem.

Documents:

None.

October 9, 1946

SEATTLE BRANCH
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

By

(Authorized Signature)

File No. 8719

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT
Ginsu YOSHIDA - Registration No. 13754

31st July, 1946.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1944	Balance as per statement sent to you June 8, 1944		\$741.18	
Oct. 25	From Ginsu YOSHIDA, remittance through B.C. Security Commission for deposit to account.		200.00	
1945				
Apr. 3	Net proceeds Auction, Mission No. 17		3.74	
April 23	Legal fees	\$15.00		
1946				
Mar. 12	B.C. Electric Security deposit refund	\$15.00	5.00	
				<u>\$934.92</u>

NAME YOSHIDA, Ginso

REGISTRATION NO. 13754

FILE NO. 8719

The following chattels were sold by public
Mission, B. C.
auction at _____ on February 21, 1945.

- 1 Plow	\$ 4.00
- 1 Broken lever harrow	1.50

Total	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$ 0.55	\$ 5.50
	(Advertising: 0.03	
Less Expenses:	(Moving: 1.28	\$ 1.76
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 3.74

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. W. E. Anderson

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Mission 17.

Remarks.

IN THE MATTER OF FARM LEASE MAY 22nd, 1942

GINZO YOSHIDA to ARTHUR KERNEN

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, ARTHUR KERNEN, of Naney in the Province of British Columbia, farmer,
do solemnly declare:-

1. That on the 22nd day of May A.D. 1942 I leased from Ginzo Yoshida of Naney
aforesaid, lots "B" and "C" of Lots Three (3) and Four "4" of the North West
quarter of Section Fourteen (14) in Township Twelve (12) containing 10 acres
more or less, in the Municipality of Maple Ridge, for a term of Nine (9) Months
from the 1st day of May 1942, at a rental of \$775.00.

2. That at the time of entering into the said lease Ginzo Yoshida represented
to me that the growing crops on the said land consisted of the following:-

Two and one-half (2 1/2) acres of Raspberries

Four and one-half (4 1/2) acres of Strawberries

One quarter (1/4) acre of Peas

One quarter (1/4) acre of Rhubarb

One half (1/2) acre of Gooseberries

One quarter (1/4) acre of potatoes

One half (1/2) acre of Oats

One half (1/2) acre of fruit trees

and it was on that basis that I paid the aforesaid rental of \$775.00.

3. That I now find the aforesaid acreages have been exaggerated.

4. That on or about the 10th day of August A.D. 1942 in company with my son,
Robert Kernem, I carefully measured all of the growing crops of the various kinds
on the said lands and found that there were:-

A. Eight patches of raspberries totalling 59,400 sq.ft. or 1.35 acres

B. Eight patches of strawberries totalling 150,600 sq.ft. or 3.45 acres

being all of the acreage in growing crops on the aforesaid land.

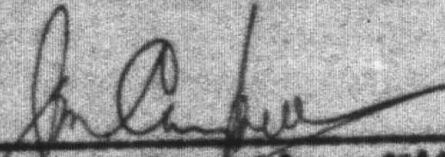
5. That the shortage in acreage on the said lands in the various kinds of
crops is as follows:-

Raspberries 1.15 acres

Strawberries 1.05 acres

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 Mission City
in the Province of British Columbia
this ~~7th~~ day of August A.D. 1942


A Commissioner for taking affidavits
within British Columbia


Arthur Kessmelen



CANADA

SOLDIER SETTLEMENT AND VETERANS' LAND ACT

YOUR FILE NO. J.L.312

PLEASE QUOTE BC/211P

518 Rogers Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

October 21, 1944

Rec'd	OCT 24 1944
File No.	8719
By	R.P.R. 011
Checked	Richardson

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

Dear Sir:

Re: G. Yoshida,
Lots B and C of lots 3 & 4
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 14, Township 12,
Map 4722, Maple Ridge

The Director acquired title to the above described land in May of this year. Prior to his evacuation, the former Japanese owner had entered into a lease with one Arthur Kermeen expiring on the 31st day of January, 1943, with a proviso for a renewal. By an agreement dated the 3rd day of March, 1943, between the Custodian and Kermeen the original lease was varied. This agreement provides for payment of \$100.00 in cash and \$50.00 in repairs to the roof of the house on the land, the term to expire on the 31st of October, 1943.

Kermeen has remained in possession and occupancy and still does. He has consistently refused to vacate or to pay rent, his excuse being that misrepresentations were made by the Custodian in respect of the property.

It appears that it will be necessary for the Director to take legal proceedings to have Kermeen evicted. Before commencing such proceedings there is certain information I will require.

Firstly, did the Custodian at any time agree to an extension of the term provided for in the agreement of the 3rd of March, 1943, either verbally through his officials or in writing?

Secondly, my information is that Kermeen did not do the repairs provided for in the agreement but that he did pay \$150.00 in cash. Is this correct and if so when was the money actually paid and from whom was it received?

I should be glad of any assistance you can give me in

Yours truly

T. Todrick,
SOLICITOR, VETERANS' LAND ACT.

*Did not do
repairs but
1943 not paid*

*122.50 Cash misrepresentation
the matter.
27.50 Cheque from O.C.V. July 9-1/43
150.00*

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Callahan

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October 25th, 1944.

T. Todrick, Esq.,
Veterans' Land Act,
518 Rogers Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Ginzo YOSHIDA - Reg. No. 13754
Your File BC/211P

We have for acknowledgement yours of the 21st instant relative to subject property.

Replying to your first question, we have to advise that according to our records and to the best of our knowledge, the Custodian did not, either verbally through his officials or in writing at any time, agree to an extension of the term provided for in the agreement of the 3rd of March, 1943.

Secondly, your information that Kermeen did not do the repairs provided for in the agreement, but that he did pay \$150.00 covering 1943 rent, is correct. The manner in which the rent was paid by him, was that the Pacific Co-operative Union through the Maple Ridge Co-operative Exchange paid on July 9th, 1943 to this office the sum of \$150.00, charging same to Kermeen's growers account with them, and the Custodian's office in turn paid to the Pacific Co-operative Union on behalf of Kermeen the sum of \$122.50 in full settlement of his claim for misrepresentation on the 1942 crop, which amount was duly credited by the Union to Kermeen's growers account.

Your Mr. MacKay, we believe, will recall dealing with Mr. Kermeen and we suggest that he might be able to enlighten you regarding Kermeen's peculiarities.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

RDR:OH

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December 6, 1943.

Mr. Ginzo YOSHIDA,
Registration No. 13754,
58 Gilead Avenue,
Lemon Creek,
Slocan, B. C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of November 20, 1943,
forwarded through the B. C. Security Commission,
the following is an itemized statement of your
account at this office:

By Cash:		
P.C.U. Cheque		\$112.09
Kermeen Rent		150.00
To Cash:		
Misrepresentation Claim	\$122.50	
Royal Columbian Hospital	28.71	
Dr. G. Morse	30.00	
Maple Ridge Co-operative	17.30	
Land Registry Office,		
Certificate of Encumbrance	1.00	
Self - Nov. 13/43	62.58	
	<u>\$262.09</u>	<u>\$262.09</u>

Yours truly,

W. E. Anderson,
Farm Department.

WEA/EG

September 8, 1943.

MEMORANDUM - MR. RICHARDSON

Attached is the file on which please see letter of August 24th to Mr. Ure and summary of Kerneen's account with the Maple Ridge Co-operative received on September 8th. From the statement itself and from the information supplied verbally by Mr. Ure, it appears difficult, if not unlikely, that we will be successful in collecting from Kerneen the \$185.97 due by him for wages to six members of the Yoshida family.

If you think it worthwhile, would you please communicate with the Yoshidas, inform them of the difficulties experienced, and ask them what action if any they desire the Custodian to take on their behalf in this connection, pointing out to them also that if they desire the Custodian to commence litigation on their behalf, the cost of such litigation will be for their account.

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RPA:MA

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 5151

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. 8719

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

August 24, 1943.

Mr. W. S. Ure,
c/o The Maple Ridge Co-Operative Exchange,
Haney, B. C.

Dear Bill:

Arthur Kermeen of Whonock is indebted to Ginzo Yoshida for \$185.97 covering wages for work done for Mr. Arthur Kermeen by Masao Yoshida, Ginzo Yoshida, Mrs. Ginzo Yoshida, Maki Yoshida, Kiyoshi Yoshida and Nellie Yoshida. The original amount of their claim against Mr. Kermeen was \$246.54 but as a result of negotiation on the part of the Custodian, they agreed on August 4, 1942 to regard \$185.97, if received, as settlement in full, and Mr. Kermeen was notified accordingly.

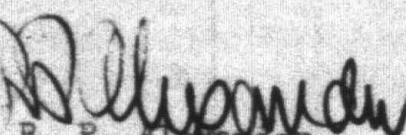
In a letter dated August 13, 1942 to Mr. Richardson from Mr. J. B. Shinek, Mr. Shinek indicated that there was some prospect of collection being effected through Mr. Briggs of the Maple Ridge Co-operative Exchange subject to collection first being obtained by Mr. Briggs of the amount due to the Maple Ridge Co-operative Exchange by Mr. Kermeen.

Recently the Pacific Co-operative Union paid us \$27.50 for the account of Mr. Kermeen and this remittance represented difference between a sum of \$150.00 due by Mr. Kermeen under his 1943 collateral agreement less \$122.50 owing by Mr. Yoshida to Mr. Kermeen on a difference in crop acreage.

Would you please look into this matter and endeavour to make the necessary arrangements whereby collection can be effected of the \$185.97 in question. If in this you are not successful, although I believe you will be successful, I would be prepared to re-open the matter with Mr. Kermeen with the Pacific Co-operative Union of cancelling credit given to him of \$122.50 on the score of his crop acreage claim and calling for payment of a balance of \$122.50 owing under collateral agreement for rent for 1943. This would, however, leave still outstanding some \$63.47.

Anything you can do towards helping to clear up this matter will be very much appreciated indeed.

Yours truly,


R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA

8719

July 13, 1943.

Mr. Ginzo YOSHIDA,
Registration No. 13754,
Lemon Creek,
Slocan, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Settlement of Crop Claims

The Custodian's office has received quite a number of claims from tenants who leased farm properties from persons of the Japanese race and whose growing crops were sold to the tenant under written agreement which contained specific acreage said to be under cultivation.

The claims filed with the Custodian have been based on the difference between the acreage specified in the agreement which you signed, and the actual acreage of crops under cultivation.

We have gone into this matter very carefully and the difference in acreage has been established by actual measurements. Legal opinion which we have obtained on your behalf, advises us that the agreement you signed would leave you liable for the full amount of the claim. However, we have been able to secure the consent of the tenants to the reduction of their claims to 70% of the full amount.

The amount claimed against you for a difference of 1.75 acres amounted to \$175.00 and a settlement on the basis of 70% which amounts to \$122.50 has been charged to your account. This letter is sent to you so that you may be aware of the circumstances of this charge.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA

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MEMO - TO MR. ALEXANDER

Re: Misrepresentation Claim by Arthur Kermee against Ginzō YOSHIDA

On May 22nd, 1942, subject Japanese leased his property in Maple Ridge to Arthur Kermee for the sum of \$775.00 and at the same time in the lease the lessee covenanted that he would cultivate, fertilize, harvest, and market all of the growing crops upon the said lands, which growing crops consist of:

Two and one half ($2\frac{1}{2}$) acres of raspberries -
Four and one half ($4\frac{1}{2}$) acres of strawberries -
One quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) acre of peas
One quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) acre of rhubarb
One half ($\frac{1}{2}$) acre of gooseberries
One quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) acre of potatoes
One half ($\frac{1}{2}$) acre of oats
One half ($\frac{1}{2}$) acre of fruit trees

The acreage shown above as being in crop total to $9\frac{1}{2}$ acres but as certain crops were planted among the fruit trees in $\frac{1}{2}$ acre, a $\frac{1}{2}$ acre should be deducted as duplicate acreage, leaving $8\frac{1}{2}$ acres in growing crops of one kind or another.

I have spoken to the tenant and he verbally admits that all the land under cultivation was planted in some kind of crop.

We have, however, received a claim for misrepresentation of acreage against the Japanese from Kermee amounting to 1.75 acres and it is rather hard to understand just how this was arrived at as the whole property, according to the Municipal assessment, is 9.998 acres of which, according to the Soldier Settlement survey, 9.638 acres are under cultivation. As YOSHIDA mentions that he has 8.75 in growing crop and Kermee admits that it was all planted, this leaves but .888 acres for the house, buildings and roadways which, from personal inspection of the property, nowhere near takes care of this.

Whelan

WEA/EN

May 14, 1943.

Rec'd MAY 14 1943

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MEMORANDUM - MR. WRIGHT

MAMK

Attached is the file. It is referred to you in connection with a claim for misrepresentation filed with us by Arthur Kermeen against Ginzo Yoshida. Please see memorandum on file from Mr. Anderson dated May 14th.

In brief, acreage under cultivation amounted to not less than 8.75 acres. Kermeen admits all land was under cultivation.

I have read opinion dated January 15th from Locke, Lane, Guild & Sheppard on the subject of crop acreage claims from which it appears to me that the price of \$775.00 covered by the lease was directly computed upon the basis of seven acres of raspberries and strawberries at \$100.00 an acre plus \$75.00 for all of the peas, rhubarb, gooseberries, potatoes, oats and fruit trees and that the claim should be rejected.

Working out alleged prices alleged to have been taken into consideration when the alleged misrepresentation is alleged to have been made we find (1) seven acres of raspberries and strawberries at \$100.00 = \$700.00 (2) 2 1/2 acres of gooseberries, rhubarb, peas, potatoes, oats and fruit trees for a total of ? \$75.00 ?

I believe that for the intelligent handling of these claims this office should be provided with full particulars of the details and basis of calculations involving purchase. In other words, we should know how the \$775.00 is made up and then act accordingly after we get reports as to what was there and what was not there, and in this case we have heard nothing from Kermeen regarding any and all crops save and except raspberries and strawberries.

I am sorry to trouble you in this matter but would appreciate receiving your opinion.

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RPA:MA

*Mr. McKay bring this matter
kindly see Mr. Shears
2-16/3/43 up when we see
Friday 28th
K. V. R.*

8719

14th August, 1942.

J. B. Shimek, Esq.,
Manager,
Pacific Co-operative Union,
Mission City, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Ginzo YOSHIDA

Your letter of August 13th addressed to Mr. Richardson has been referred to me.

I have seen no evidence that there is a universal misrepresentation of acreage by the Japanese and, in fact, have assumed for some months now that you acted more or less in the capacity of advisor to the Japanese in their negotiating leases and that you, in your position as manager of the Co-operative over the last number of years, must have had information on the acreage involved. I do not see what connection there is between acreage disputes and a claim for wages, nor do I see that the Co-operative is in a preferred position as against the wage earner. My information is that Mr. Kermeen and Mr. Yoshida agreed as to the amount owing on the wages and unless the amount agreed upon at that time is received by return mail I shall, representing the Custodian, consider what action should be taken generally regarding all leases of this kind.

As I recall the discussions I had with you in the past it was distinctly understood that the co-operatives have no prior claim against the proceeds of the crop coming into their hands and that such proceeds will be distributed in accordance with the Custodian's decision, he being the legal owner of the farm and representing the Japanese equity therein.

The Custodian appreciates your efforts to have these farms properly managed. I do not intend to upset the existing leases unless this becomes necessary in order that the interests of all parties may be properly protected. Acting in co-operation with the Soldier's Settlement Board it does appear desirable that the leases should be direct to the Custodian and steps to achieve this end are already being taken.

Yours truly,

G. W. McPherson
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian

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Mission Office 65: Plant 55
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PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

GROWERS AND SHIPPERS OF
FRESH FRUITS AND RHUBARB

MISSION CITY, B.C.

August 13th, 1942.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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8719
Mr. R. D. Richardson,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Richardson:

Mr. Arthur Kermeen who occupies the Genzo Yoshida farm at Whonnock has come in with a letter from you, written on August 4th in which you asked him to pay to your office \$185.97, as statement in full for a claim of wages owing by Kermeen to the Yoshida family.

Mr. Kermeen, according to Mr. Briggs' statement, manager of the Maple Ridge Co-op. Exchange, is at present still owing money to the Co-op, therefore he cannot get this amount from the Co-op. There is a small amount of fruit left on the farm but, in our opinion, only sufficient to square up the Co-op.

Mr. Kermeen has presented a claim for a shortage of $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres of fruit which means that Yoshida misrepresented the acreage to that extent. Mr. Campbell, the lawyer in Mission is taking affidavit from a good many growers who are getting their acreage measured and who have found that acreages determined on the agreement are very much misrepresented.

This spring we cautioned the Japanese farmers quite often against such a practice but apparently they did not heed our warning. It appears now that what amounts to a universal misrepresentation of acreage has been practiced by the Japanese in order to obtain higher payment for their crops. Mr. Kermeen paid \$100.00 per acre but since there were barely $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres on the farm he paid \$250.00 for nothing. This is just one more reason why we should do everything possible to stop payment of all outstanding cheques and furthermore to permit the present tenants to obtain the rental of these farms they now occupy at a very low figure which, in most cases, should not be more than up-keep of the farm plus taxes. These tenants and other growers as well are clamouring for a mass meeting in order that they may have a chance to put their grievances before the Government at Ottawa. Their intention is to petition the Government for a subsidy of 3¢ per lb. on strawberries. This meeting, they intend to hold in the Canadian Legion Hall next Thursday and if this meeting is held we would like to have you or one of your representatives at this meeting. You can depend on that it will be a well attended meeting for berry growers, after what they have gone through this season, are universally broke and must have money to carry on.

Anything that we can do, as an Association, will not be nearly sufficient to even begin to do the work that now must be done if we wish to save these berry farms.

Coming back to Mr. Kermeen. He stated that he has applied to you to have the roof of his house shingled and we have personal knowledge that this house certainly needs shingling. When it rains it seems to be wetter inside of the house than it is outside. He also needs a new floor in his kitchen. It is worse than most barn floors.

Knowing that you will do everything you can in connection with these matters described herein and thanking you, we remain

Yours very truly,

PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE UNION

Per

J. B. Shimek
J. B. Shimek Mgr.

JBS/ES

E. S.