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FORM "JP" BUREAU HASTINGS PARK FILE No. 10873

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: KONISHI, Mrs. Hana

HOME ADDRESS: Hastings Park, Vancouver, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 08880 SEX: Female AGE: 64

OCCUPATION: Housewife

(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: None

MARRIED? Widow

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: --

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: --

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: None

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: None

AGE OF CHILDREN: None

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: (1) Dist. Lot 5266 - 156 Acres, timber land New Westminster District.

(2) Blocks 4, 5 & 6. District lot 1471 - 16 Acres, farm land. New Westminster District.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: on (2) Wooden frame, 7 roomed bungalow 20' x 40' Barn, 60' x 60' Barn, Chicken House (500 capacity), Concrete Root House 14' x 14', Pig Houses, Garage, Sheds of all kinds.

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) On (1) about $50.00.) 1941 taxes paid. On (2) about 45.00.) Provincial Collector, Court House, New Westminster, B. C.

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Leased to Oblate Fathers, Sechelt, B.C.

Of (1) in Declarant's Possession.

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: ~~Of (2) at Court House, Vancouver, B.C~~

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

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN Some strawberries, rhubarb, asparagus, small fruit - otherwise none. Sechelt Residential School have planted their own garden truck with Declarant's permission.

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

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:

Inventory as per list attached.

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

Inventory as per list attached.

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY None

NAME Mrs. Hana Konishi
Hastings Park,
Vancouver, B. C.

REG. NO. 08880

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24 doz. Qt. Bottles
39 only Pt. Bottles
11 " ½Pt. "
3 " ¼Pt. "
2 Cream Separators
108 # 12--$125.
1 Dairy Thermometer
1 Butter Mold
1Large Churn
1 Glass Churn
2 Washing Pans
4 Milk Cans
3500 Milk Caps
1 Brooder (100 Eggs)
1 Set Incubator (100 Size)
3 Windows
1 Computing Scale
1 Hanging Scale
2 Tile Pipes
2 Pr. Oars
1 Wash Boiler
1 Cast Iron Pot
1 Water Boiler
8 Gallons Shingle Stain
1 Grindstone
1 Emery Stone
1 Pipe Vise
1 Blacksmith Anvil
1 " Forge
1 Crock (15 Gals.)
500 Strawberry Boxes
1 Seeder
1 Table
1 Bed Frame
2 Spike Harrows-Comp)
1 Mower MachineC-Single Horse
McCormick.
1 Saddle
Galvanized Water Pipe
1 Sheet Galv. Iron
1 Wagon (Iron-Steel Wheels)
2 Sets Block & Tackle
4 Wash Tubs
4 Wash Boards
2 Plows-Single-1 away.
1 Chev. Truck 1929
1 Ford Car 1930
1 Studebaker 1928
1 Trailer
1 Bicycle
2 Cowhides
1 Stable Broom
2 " Shovel
5 Milk Pails
2 Milk Strainers
8 Cows, 1 Bull
1 Sow, 8 Pigs (3 Weeks)
30 Chickens
Hay.
1 Butcher Saw
1 Cleaver
1 Dragsaw-Wee Mac.
1 Rip, Saw 42"
1 Saw Arbor & Puley
1 Shaft & Pulley
2 Carriage Shaft,
Wheel & Bearing.
1 6" Belt
200 Ft. ⅜" Cable
2 Blocks
3 Chokers
800' Spruce Lumber

Fir, Cedar, & Plank. Home Made
3 P. S. Chairs
1 Shingle Binder
2 Jacks
1 Vise
1 Gas Tank
1 Finder
1 Oil Pump
1 Horn
3 Wet Batteries
10' Brake Lining
2 Swamp Hooks
1 Dog Chain
Keg Nails 5"
2 P. S. Gas Hose
1 Saw Mandreal
1 Stove
3 Hay Forks
2 Single Trees
3 Traps
2 But Chain
1 Manure Fork 4P
2 D Handle Spades
11 Whiskey Glasses
6 Cream Jugs
7 Cake Plates
12 Soup Plates
28 Dinner "
9 Lunch "
96 Tea Saucers
140 Tea Cups
15 Desert Dishes
1 Milk Jug
27 Water Tumblers
20 Bread Plates
7 Meat Platters
5 Mixing Bowls
6 Dishup dishes
1 Gravy Boat
5 Sugar Bowls
37 Knives
34 Forks
48 Teaspoons
21 Tablespoons
1 Milk Jug
4 Butcher Knives
3 Mixing Spoons
1 Egg Beater
1 Food Chopper
2 Kettles
2 Dishpans
4 Iron Pots
3 Wash Basins
1 Double Boiler
5 Cooking Pots
4 Dippers
1 Roast Pan
6 Frying Pans
1 Kitchen Range
2 Basket Chairs
1 Chesterfield Chair
1 Chesterfield Suite
16 Kitchen Chairs
1 Bedroom suite
2 Dressers
5 Beds
5 Matresses
2 Sewing Machines
7 Coal Oil Lamps
1 Gas Table Lamp
1 Gas Lantern
1 Coal Oil Lantern
1 Wall Clock
1 Gramophone
1 Spring-to
Harrow-Away
Wood 7 Cord

FORM "H" FILE No.

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY:

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS:

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

Declarant's lawyer Mr. Arthur J. Kappelle 167 - West Hastings, Vancouver, B. C., has full details.

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

8. BANK ACCOUNTS:

9. LIFE INSURANCE:

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS:

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX:

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS:

2. TRADE DEBTS:

REMARKS:- The Oblate Fathers will pay Taxes during occupancy.

REMARKS The agreement with the Oblate Fathers in Sechelt, B. C., regarding operation of the Konishi Farm is quite satisfactory to the declarant.

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

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

Dated this 9th day of June 1942.

(Signature) X Mark of Geo. H. Konishi witnessed by Geo. Hirst

Geo. Hirst
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

P.D. 28/4/43

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Sept. 9/43

Our File No. 10873

Full Name KONISHI (Hana) Mrs. James.
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 08880 Male - Female (Check) Age April 15, 1878

Former Address Porpoise Bay, Sechelt, B. C.

Date Evacuated Sept. 22/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National (Check)

Present Address Tashme, B. C.
D/L - Dec 5/46 - Upper Fraser, B.C.

[redacted] Widow
Married - Single (Check)

Name of Wife

Name of Husband James (decld)

Name of Mother Name of Father

Names of Children under 16

Requested by [redacted] GM Registered with Custodian (Yes or No)

Additional Information Owner of 35 acres timberland. Porpoise Bay.

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File 10873. Cat. No. S.S.B.

Name: Mrs. Hana KONISHI (widow). Reg. No. 08880.

Address: Porpoise Bay, Sechelt, B. C.

Legal Description: (A) Title No. 51539-L: Blocks 4 and 5, District Lot 1471, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 3660.

(B) Title No. 20447-I: Block 6, District Lot 1471, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 3660.

Classification: (A) Farm land only, and (B) Buildings and Farm land.

Registered in the name of: (A) Hana KONISHI (Widow), and (B) Hannah CONISHI.

State of Titles (#51539-L & #20447-I): Registered Charge (No. 38395-H) dated Feb. 17/26, reading: "Annie Beck, and William Greig. Water Agreement as therein mentioned. (Inter alia)."

Sold to: THE DIRECTOR, SOLDIER SETTLEMENT AND VETERANS' LAND ACT for $1,519.00.

As at: January 1st, 1943.

Payment received: June 9th, 1944.

Receipt of new Titles (No. 102603-L covering "A"; and No. 102607-L covering "B") acknowledged by Purchasers on: June 9th, 1944.

Net proceeds ($1,542.82) released to credit of Mrs. Hana KONISHI as of: Jan. 1/43.

Chattels: Left on premises, to be dealt with later, by Oblate Fathers, for account of registered owner.

Insurance: Cancelled.

Completed sales statement to evacuee sent on: June 28th, 1944.

Administration: By direct arrangements made by the family with the Oblate Fathers of the Sechelt Residential School, the latter undertook the operation of the farm, on their own terms, and the care of the farming chattels, an arrangement that remained in force to and through date of sale.

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

9th April, 1947.

RGB/P.

J.L. No. 748

Canada

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

JUN 28 1944

File No. 10673

Reg. No. 05880

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Mrs. Hana KONISHI,
Registration 05880,
Tashme, B. C.

Dear Sir:
~~Mr~~ Madam:

Re: Vancouver Assessment District - Blocks 4 and 5, District Lot 1471 Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 3660. and Block 6, District Lot 1471, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 3660.

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. Negotations 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		$ 1,519.00
Add:		
Unexpired insurance premium as at January 1st, 1943		29.82
		1,548.82
Less:		
Tax arrears to December 31st, 1942	$	
Registration fee	6.00	
Encumbrance—Principal		
—Interest		
		6.00
Net proceeds of sale		1,542.82

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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SOLDIER SETTLEMENT and VETERANS' LAND ACT

File No. BC/732-P
(JL-748)
Vancouver, B.C.

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

KONISHI, Hana

Dear Sir:- Re: Vancouver Assessment District,
Blocks 4 and 5, District Lot
1471, Group 1, N.W.D. Plan 3660,
Cert. of Title No. 102603 -L.
-AND-
Vancouver Assessment District,
Blk. 6, D.L. 1471, Grp. 1 N.W.D.
Plan 3660, Cert. of Title No. 102607.-L

Acknt

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

Included in the Veterans' Land Act cheque for $ 1,865.01, in favour of The Secretary of State, forwarded to you and dated April 28, 1944 is the amount of the purchase price in full of the above land arrived at as follows:-

Purchase Price	-	$ 1519.00
Less arrears of taxes to January 1st, 1943,	-	$ --
Amount paid to Secretary of State	-	$ 1519.00

Registration 6=

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

Yours truly,

T. Todrick,
DISTRICT SOLICITOR

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

JUN - 9 1944
Date

Solicitor for
The Secretary of State

BC-732-P
BC-139-A

BC/732-P
BC/139-A

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

Farm Appraisal Report

File No. JL-748

Land Description Lots 4,5 & 6, D.L.1471, Gp.1, Map 3660, N.W.D.

Containing 16.54 Acres

Owner's Name KONISHI, (Mrs.) Hana Post Office Address Seohelt, B.C.

Nearest Shipping Point Boat - Seohelt Distance 2 miles.

Market Town Vancouver (Local Seohelt) Distance 41 "

Church (give denomination) R.C., Anglican and United Distance 2 "

Nearest School Seohelt United, road-2 miles; footpath-1½ mi. Boat & road - - Distance " 1 "

State how property was identified: Forestry Map and L.R.O. sketch & surveyed road.

Roads: State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.
Mountain trail on surveyed line. Hilly.

Is this district a good one? No.

Employment opportunity Only limited amount in adjacent logging camps.

Predominating Nationality and religion: British - R.C.

Describe Fencing and its condition: Rail fence on bdy., chicken wire on chicken runs. Value $ Inc.in land

Water supply: From well on Lot 4; piped to buildings. (See special report attached). Value $ " " "

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BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
Tent's	12 x 24	Shgl.walls	7'	Shks.				
HOUSE	20 x 24	& Lumber	9'	Shgl.	15?	6'posts	Good	900.00
Garage	12 x 16	Lumber	7'	Shks.	Old	Blks.	Poor	15.00
Hay shed	16 x 28	Boards &	8')					
Leanto shed	12 x 18	Spl.cedar	6')	Shks.	V.old	Posts	V.Poor	35.00
Leanto shed	24 x 28	Spl.cedar	6')					
Cow stable &	x							
Feed shed	44 x 46	Shgl.walls	6/16	Shks.	Old	Blks.	Poor	200.00
Cellar store-	x	Cement 3'						
room	14 x 14	4"x4"cribb-	6'	4"x4"	New Cement		New	125.00
	x	ing - 3'		crib.	(cement floor)			
	x							
(Numerous sheds, sheds & shelters, old, patchy & tumbledown condition - No Value).								

No Electricity.

Total present day value $ 1275.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm $ 1000.00

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

Describe the basement and chimneys: Two room basement within lined foundation posts. Chimney to fireplace sitting on stone & cement

No. rooms downstairs? 7 Upstairs? none How finished Matched lumber buttment.

Are buildings painted? Yes. Condition of paint Good.

Distance from nearst bush 100 yards.

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

Farm Appraisal Report

FL-968 - (Mrs.) K. Konishi.

Remarks: This is the only place in the area that can be called a farm. In the past it has been operated as a mixed farm, and full market for all that could be produced on it is to be had at Sechelt. The place is a summer resort and constitutes a good market for eggs, milk, small fruits and vegetables. Added to this is the fact that there is still some lumbering in the area, and a market there for vegetables surplus, if any. The owner also has a fishermen in his off season.

There is a water agreement in existence, which I am covering in a separate memorandum, and a copy is attached hereto as an addendum to this report, as it constitutes at least an implied covenant of the estate.

The road is a poor one, going as it does, back over a high hill but access to the place at Porpoise Bay, from where the road is good for the remaining 3 mile to Sechelt.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

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

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

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

Present Value

Orchard consists of:-

Apples ——— 14
Plums ——— 5 I value them at $ 25.00
Cherry ——— 4
Walnut ——— 1 These require pruning $

The only small fruit is a small strip of Raspberries. $

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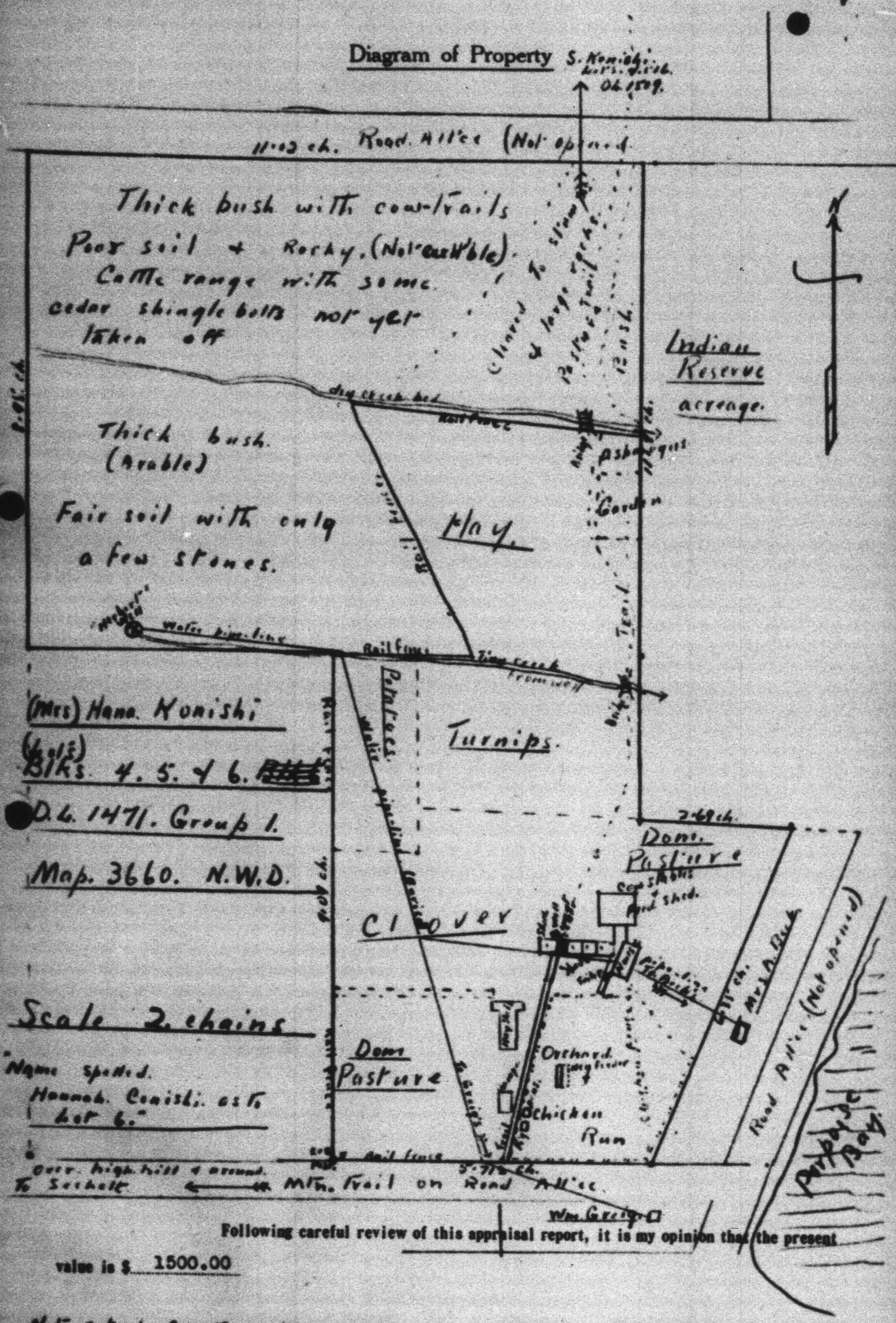
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Total $

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 $ 1500.00

Note set-up of water system & see additional report re this.

Date 6th August 19 42.

"I.T. Barnet"
District Superintendent.

JL-748 - (Mrs.)M.Konishi

Farm Appraisal Report

Remarks: This is the only place in the area that can be called a farm. In the past it has been operated as a guest farm, and full market for all that could be produced on it is had at Seaholt. The place is a summer resort and constitutes a good market for eggs,milk,small fruits and vegetables. Added to this is the fact that there is still some lumbering in the area,and a market there for vegetables surplus,if any. The owner also was a fisherman in his off seasons.

There is a water agreement in existence,which I am covering in a separate report,and a copy is attached hereto as an addendum to this report,as it constitutes at least an implied covenant of the estate.

The road is a poor one,going as it does back over a high hill and around to the wharf at Porpoise Bay,from where the road is good for the remaining ½ mile to Seaholt.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

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

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

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

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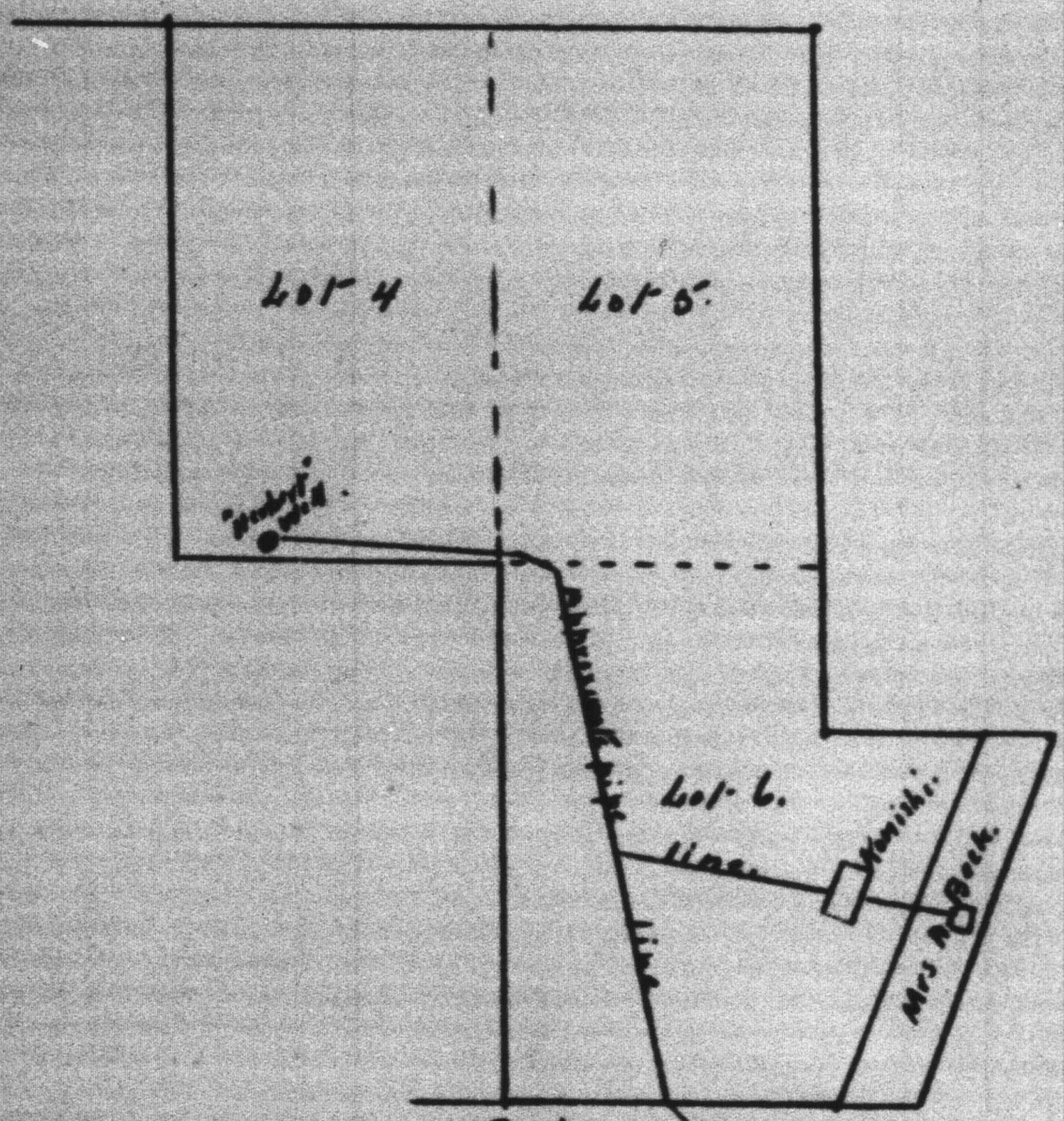
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Re Water Agreement:

Kenishi – Beck & Greig



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Date 6th August, 1942.

"I.T. Barnet"
District Superintendent.

Date 5th August 1942

Beckerawarth.
District Superintendent

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Catalogue No. (Spec. Ad. - Aug. 1/44). File No. 10873.

Name: Mrs. Hana KONISHI (widow). Reg. No. 08880.

Address: Sechelt Inlet, B. C.

Legal Description: Vancouver Assessment District, District Lot 5266, Group 1, New Westminster District.

Classification: Timberland.

Registered in the name of: HANA KONISHI.

State of Title (No. 51541-L): Clear.

Sold to: GEORGE PORTEOUS WATSON for $350.00 (Cash).

As at: February 1st, 1945.

Title (No. 120275-L) delivered to new Registered Owner on: April 20th, 1945.

Net proceeds ($309.32) released to credit of Mrs. Hana KONISHI on: March 23rd, 1945.

Completed sales statement to evacuee sent on: May 9th, 1945.

Chattels: Not involved.

Insurance: None.

Administration: This property (specially advertised, not catalogued), consists of about 156 acres of picked over Timberland. The land is of poor quality, appraiser's idea of value being "$2.00 per acre at most". The quantity of felled and still standing timber, all of No. 2 or No. 3 quality, was estimated by appraiser to be about 200,000 board feet, worth $350/$400.00.

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

9th April, 1947.

RGB/P.

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Ad. 1.8.1944.

December 27th, 1944.

Mr. George P. Watson,
3409 West 42nd Avenue,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: District Lot 5266, Group 1, District of New Westminster.

With reference to your offer of $200.00 for the above property, we have to advise the receipt of the appraisal mentioned in our letter of the 16th instant, on the basis of which we are not prepared to consider any offer under $750.00 at the present time.

Should you later be interested at or near this figure we shall be glad to hear from you.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,
Administration Department.

RGB/P.

c.c. Mrs. Kemp.

10673.
Ad. 1.8.1944.

December 27th, 1944.

Mr. R. S. Hackett,
Postmaster,
Post Office,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: District Lot 5266, Group 1, District of New West'r.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 19th instant enclosing report and appraisal on the above property, which show the property to be worth:

$400.00 for an estimated 200,000' Timber, including approximately 30,000' salvage from felled material

$350.00 for the land (156 acres)

or a total of $750.00, which is much above any offer so far received.

We enclose our cheque for $15.00 in payment of the appraisal fee agreed to in our letter of the 16th instant, and shall be glad to receive your formal acknowledgment in due course, together with name of appraiser for our records.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,
Administration Department.

RGB/P.
Encl.

c.c. Mr. Hanes

Sechelt
B.C.

Jan: 2nd /45

Attention Mr Hackett.

Re Lot 5266 GpI NWD

Further to my appraisal on this area . the figures quoted may have been misleading. The figures quoted were meant to convey the meaning that the inclusive value of land and timber was $350.00 to $400.00

The timber is the only asset on the area on which values can be placed. The land is of no value for reasons stated in my appraisal.

H. Greenhow.

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13th January, 1945.

Mr. Geo. P. Watson,
3409 West 42nd Avenue,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Lots 7266, Grp.1, D.L.L.

This will confirm your call at our office yesterday when you stated you wished to offer the sum of $350.00 for the above property and handed us your cheque for this amount.

This matter is receiving our favourable consideration and we will be writing you again in due course.

Our official receipt for $350.00 is enclosed herein.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

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encl.

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Spec. Adv.

January 17th, 1945.

Mrs. Hana KONISHI,
Registration No. 03880,
Tashme, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Lots 5266, Group 1, N.W.D.

In conformity with the Government's policy of orderly liquidation of properties in the protected areas of British Columbia the above was advertised for sale, and having received an offer of $350.00, which is the value placed on it by a qualified independent appraiser, this 156-acre parcel of logged over timber land is now in course of sale.

Our records show that on the 9/6/1942 you declared the Certificate of Title (No. 51541-I) to be in your possession and we would be obliged if you would send us this document promptly. A stamped addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,
Administration Department.

RGB/P.
Encl.

P.S. Charges incidental to all sales of Real Property will have to be deducted from above price but as soon as final adjustments have been made we will send you a complete statement of the transaction showing the net proceeds passed to the credit of your account.

File No. 10873.

January 27th, 1945.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mrs. McArthur

FROM: Mr. Ian Macpherson

RE: District Lot 5266, Group 1,
New Westminster.

Title to this parcel is subject to a reversionary interest in behalf of the Crown under Section 73 of the "Crown Lands Act," which reads as follows:

"All Crown Grants of land the right to which was acquired subsequent to the 17th day of April, 1896, shall contain the provision that in the event of any land thereby granted being divided into lots containing one acre or less, one quarter of all the blocks of lots, or one quarter of all the lots where they are not divided into blocks, shall be reconveyed to the Crown."

Subsequent sections of the Act provide that if and when the land is sub-divided, the Crown selects one lot and the owner then selects three and selection continues in this manner until all the lots are selected. The plan of sub-division is filed in the Land Registry Office, but shall not be acted upon by the Registrar until proper conveyance to the Crown has been made.

There is no plan of sub-division of Lot 5266 registered, and the effect of this reversionary interest is that when the plan is registered the Crown will select in the manner provided by the Act, one quarter of the whole area so subdivided, if lots are of one

I.M.

I.M.:MM

STATEMENT RE SALE OF:

Name: KONISHI, Hana

Catalogue No: Adv. Aug.1/44

File No: 10873

Street Address: nr. Sechelt, B.C.

Reg. #08880

Legal Description: D.L. 5266, Gp 1. N.W.D.

Date of Sale and Adjustments ..... February 1st, 1945

Sale Price		$ 350.00
[redacted]	$	
Charge for Valuation	15.00	
Charge for Advertising	18.80	
Land Registry Office Transmission Fee	2.50	
[redacted]		
[redacted]		
[redacted]		
[redacted]		
Adjustments:		
[redacted]		
Taxes	4.38	
[redacted]		
	40.68	$ 350.00

Net Proceeds credited to your account as of February 1st, 1945 309.32

Date: May 9th, 1945

Compiled by: Mr. George Peters

Catalogue No.Special Advertisement
August 1st, 1944. March 22nd, 1945.
File No. 10873,
Sechelt Inlet,
District Lot 5266, Gp. 1. NWD.

GEORGE PORTEOUS WATSON

(purchaser)

In account with: The Custodian of Enemy Property

STATEMENT OF ADJUSTMENTS

(as at February 1st, 1945)

	DEBIT	CREDIT
Purchase price	$350.00	
Cheques received		350.00
Seller's proportion of 1945 taxes 32/365 x 49.92		4.38
Registration fees on deed-$350.00	4.70	
Balance owing by purchaser		.32
	$354.70	354.70

BALANCE OWING BY PURCHASER - .32¢

Re Lot 5266- Porpoise Bay
Sechelt Inlet

The Lot contains approximately 156 acres and has been picked over by logging , with all the best merchantable material removed. What material is left is very scattered & with a long haul to water.

The material left on the area is a small pocket of merchantable -as per map- with two small draws containing scattered trees of fair to poor merchantable values. There is also some scattered pockets of old felled and bucked material which having been down for so long is regarded as very doubtful quality and is straight salvage.

The estimated total merchantable on area is two hundred thousand board feet including an estimated thirty thousand possible salvage from the felled material. Material estimated at sixty per cent #3 logs with balance #2.

The material left is considered a very poor logging chance and is considered a salvage show suitable for a one or two man outfit with a cat. They would have from a mile to a mile & a half to haul the material to a suitable booming ground.

No improvements on the area and the old cat roads are of no value,as are washed out etc.

Area is of no economic value , other than for growing future forest values, Accessible only by a trail and is two miles to nearest school, store and Post Office. No land suitable for growing crops , other than a small pocket here & there on area.

The area is very broken with gentle , moderate and steep slopes with rock outcrops . Moderate depth sand, gravel on rock with a light cover of loam to bare rock outcrops. Whole area is poor third class land. Possible value $2.00 per acre at most.

The value of the scattered Merchantable on the area would be the only basis for anyone wishing to purchase the lot.

Values of the Merchantable Timber would be $2.00 per MBM or a total value of $400.00 . I doubt if anyone would bid more than around $350.00 for the lot.

See covering let. 19-12-1944
on file.

Bureau File No. 10873

Advertisement appearing in Vancouver Newspapers on August 1st, 1944

Department of
The Secretary of State of Canada
Office of the Custodian

REAL PROPERTY FOR SALE BY TENDER

The Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian under or by virtue of the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) hereby offers for sale by public tender such interests as are vested in him in the following properties.

Lots 40, 40 and 41, Westerly portion of District Lot 1329, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 3777, Vancouver Assessment District situate at Selma Park, Sechelt, containing a 1½-storey store, garage, bunk house and two sheds.

Part 16.813 acres more or less of the North East quarter of Section 22, Township 12, as shown and colored Red on Sketch deposited as No. 6301 together with parcel 17 shown colored Green on Map 3768, Municipality of Matsqui in the District of New Westminster, being a farm property at Aldergrove.

Lot 15, Block 1, South West quarter of Section 48, Town of Hastings Suburban Lands, City of Vancouver, being a vacant lot in the 2800 Block East 26th Avenue.

Lot 14, Block 5, South East quarter of Section 49, Town of Hastings Suburban Lands, Plan 2780, City of Vancouver, being a vacant lot in the 3400 Block, Boundary Road.

Lot 38, Subdivisions "C" and "D" Block 162, District Lot 264A, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plans 1050 and 1771, known as 1858 East 11th Avenue, Vancouver, containing a 6-room dwelling.

District Lot 4958, Group 1, District of New Westminster, located near Sechelt containing 156 acres more or less of logged-over land.

Block "D" of part of the North West quarter of Section 16, Block 5 North, Range 1 West, Map 5625, Municipality of Surrey in the District of New Westminster, consisting of 7.58 acres more or less containing a 3-room house, barn and outbuildings on Johnston Road ½ mile north of Hjorth Road.

Tenders for the purchase of such interests in the above described property as are vested in the Custodian will be received subject to the following terms and conditions.

1. Each tender must be for one of the parcels described, but a separate tender may be filed for each of several parcels.
2. A tender offering for parcels in the alternative will be considered as offer only for the parcel first named.
3. A certified cheque payable to the order of The Secretary of State as Custodian for ten per cent. (10%) of the amount offered must accompany each tender. The deposit will be forfeited as liquidated damages if the tender is accepted and not completed by the purchaser immediately upon his being required to do so by the Custodian.
4. Each tender must be in a separate sealed envelope addressed to The Office of the Custodian, 506 Royal Bank Building, 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C., and each envelope must be marked on the outside "Tender for Real Estate."
5. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash.
6. All adjustments shall be made as of the date of conveyance.
7. The property is sold subject to existing leases and encumbrances, if any.
8. The property is offered for sale without any warranty whatsoever by the Custodian as to location or condition of buildings or improvements or the existence or non-existence of any encroachments.
9. The Custodian reserves the right to cancel any accepted tender and to refund the deposit at any time prior to delivery by him of the conveyance or transfer.
10. Neither the highest nor any tender will necessarily be accepted.

Cheques in respect of unaccepted tenders will be returned in due course.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Noon, Pacific Daylight Saving Time, on the Twenty-sixth of August, 1944. Further particulars may be obtained during office hours any day up to Noon on the Twenty-fifth day of August, 1944, and arrangements made with the undersigned to inspect the said premises.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, this 1st day of August, 1944.

THE CUSTODIAN,
506 Royal Bank Building,
675 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

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(Follows up chattels
on 10874 Sanji)

February 28th, 1944

Mr. R. S. Hackett,
Postmaster,
Post Office,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: KONISHI, Mrs. Hana
KONISHI, Sanji
KONISHI, Saiji

This is to thank you for your letter received here on February 21st referring to us an offer made by Mr. Derby at your end for the horse mowing machine.

We are now going ahead with liquidating Japanese property and as a general rule either hold auctions or call for tenders. Only in rare cases can we make private sales of this nature.

Moreover, although the Soldier Settlement Board will eventually be taking over this farm, we understand that the Oblate Fathers are still running it under the original agreement with the Japanese. This made them responsible for the chattels and equipment of the farm except in the event of loss by accident, fire, theft, or vandalism, and we are anxious not to disturb this arrangement.

It is a fact that these chattels will eventually have to be liquidated especially as the Soldier Settlement Board are not interested in taking them over, and we will at that time have to find some solution of the problem. We should always welcome any suggestions but meanwhile prefer not to take any piece-meal action.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

HFG:IF

L 1557

L 2529

L 3008

Porpoise

Bay

L 1555

L 1556

L 3007

Creek

Logged
Old Growth
Old Growth Trees
Salvage Only
Pocket Harvest
Timber
Old Growth Trees
Merchantable for
grade

File No. 10873
D.L.5266, Gp.1. DNW, Sechelt, B. C.

Control of the above property is by me hereby acknowledged and I agree that all adjustments and incidents connected with the sale to me of this property have been settled.

Dated at Vancouver B.C. this 26th day of March 1945.

Signed George P. Watson.

Return to the Custodian

File No. 10873.
Special Adv.

April 14th, 1945.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. George Peters

FROM: Mr. D. A. Cramer

Hana KONISHI
Vancouver Assessment District
D.L. 3266, Gp. 1, N. W. D.

With reference to the above property which was recorded in the Vancouver Land Registry Office, March 15th, 1945, we attach herewith the following documents in connection therewith.

1. Copy of application number 120274-I, dated March 15th, 1945, registering the property in the name of the Custodian (Transmission).

2. Copy of application number 120275-I, dated March 15th, 1945, registering the property in the name of George Porteous Watson (Deed).

3. Duplicate of Transmission dated March 1st, 1945.

4. Duplicate of Deed dated March 1st, 1945 - Secretary of State of Canada to George Porteous Watson.

5. Certificate of Indefeasible Title number 120275-I, dated April 9th, 1945, covering the above property in the name of George Porteous Watson.

D.A.Cramer

DAC:JS
Attch.

10873

REGISTERED A/R

April 20, 1945.

Mr. George P. Watson,
3409 West 42nd Avenue,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. ___
North Seohelt, B. C.
D.L.5266, Gp.1, DNW

Further to our letter dated March 23rd attached please now find Certificate of Title No. 120275-L registered in your name and covering the above described property.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:MA
Enc.

THE UNDERSIGNED ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE REGISTERED ARTICLE DESCRIBED ON THE OTHER SIDE WAS DULY DELIVERED ON THE 23rd day of APRIL 19 45

Le soussigné déclare que l'envoi mentionné d'autre part a été dûment livré le

Date stamp of office of destination
Timbre du bureau destinataire

APR 23 4

SIGNATURE OF THE ADDRESSEE (1) _____
Signature du destinataire

OF ADDRESSEE'S REPRESENTATIVE (2) Mo Watson
du représentant du destinataire

OF THE POSTMASTER OF THE OFFICE OF DESTINATION G H Clarke Postmaster
de l'agent du bureau destinataire

(1) This advice should be signed by the addressee or if the regulations of the country of destination so provide, by the Postmaster of the Delivery office and returned by first mail to the address shown on the other side.

Cet avis doit être signé par le destinataire, ou si les règlements du pays de destination le comportent, par l'agent du bureau destinataire, et renvoyé par le premier courrier à l'expéditeur, dont l'adresse figure sur l'autre côté de cette carte

(2) When delivery is made to the authorised representative of the addressee, both addressee's name and representative's signature must appear on this receipt.

Lorsque la remise est faite au représentant autorisé du destinataire, le nom du destinataire et la signature de son représentant doivent paraître sur ce reçu.

c 10873

RE: ENEMY ALIEN PROPERTY.

Report on KONISHI property at Sechelt.B.C. March 23rd 1942.

I visited this farm this morning and made a general list of the live stock and real estate owned by the Konishi family. The family -resident at Sechelt for upwards of 40 years- consist of the widow of the late James Konishi,3 sons(the eldest of whom is married)and one daughter.With one exception (Sanji-the second boy)the family have cleared out.This boy is looking after the live stock and the place,and I recommend that he be left to take care of the place until such time as the Govt.arrange for a caretaker,other wise,if no care is taken of the property,everything that is movable will be stolen.Already people are looking around to see if the place is unprotected, and the moment it is seen that this boy leaves for Vancouver, they will start moving stuff off the place. Some of these people looking over the place are strangers to this district.

As regards renting or selling the property.I would recommend that the Sechelt Residential School,who are under the Indian Department,be given the chance to rent the property.They are already purchasing the milk from the farm,and as they have a knowledge of farming,I think they are the logical people to take it over,either to rent or purchase.

This farm has been operated as a dairy and vegetable farm. Milk and vegetables being sold off the property for many years. Also small fruits,Apples etc. The land is in good shape,having been well taken care of in manuring.It grows sufficient hay to feed 8 to 10 cattle.Good grazing for stock all the year round. Is well watered,situated on the south side of Porpoise Bay.

Attached is a general list of the live stock.

The farm(described above)consists of Lots 1471-1509 N.W. division. Area 32 acres. 16 acres under cultivation.16 ac.grazing.
Buildings consist of the Dwelling house with household furniture 5 Bedrooms,Dining room and Kitchen.Lean to with Wood sheds,and other small outhouses attached to dwelling house.
Barn- approximately 40' X 50'.
Garage. 14' X 20'
Chicken house- Pig house- Bull pen- Root house.

Onthe north side of Porpoise Bay Lot 5266,consisting of 156 acres.This land has been partially logged.A.Crucil,Sechelt has the cutting rights,and is cleaning up.

Selma Park- 3 lots D.L.1329. N.W.D.
Cottage with three rooms.Sold to A.M.Howell on terms.Howell agreed to pay the back taxes,but has not done so.Three years taxes now due.Payments were to be $15.00 per month.Howell paid some money on the property,but has failed in his payments for the first three months of this year.Howell rented this to J. Pinchbeck for some months,but it is now vacant.
Garage- on next lot.A large rough frame building.This could possibly be rented.

Store. On next lot to cottage(on other side from Garage)this building is situated and consists of 4 rooms and an upstairs.
Frame building,roughly constructed.
This could be rented as a dwelling house.

R.J. Hackett.
Sechelt B.C.
March 23rd

GENERAL LIST OF LIVE STOCK, FARM IMPLEMENTS. ETC.

8 Milking cows.
1 Jersey Bull- 3 yrs.
1 Calf- 10 moths old.
30 Hens.
10 Bantams.
1 Sow (in litter) due within one month.

1 Truck-"Chevrolet" 1929.
1 Ford Sedan. 1930.
1 Studebaker engine.

1 Dragsaw.
1 Wagon.
2 Cream Separators.
Dairy utensils.

Quantity of Farm implements.

Forge- complete.

1½ Tons Seed potatoes.
Fruits of all kinds:-
Apple trees, Pear trees, small fruit trees.

Raspberries, Strawberries etc. etc.

R. Hackett
Sechelt. B.C.
March 23rd/1940.

FILE NO.	NAME	FILE NO.
08580	KOBISHI, Mrs. Hana (SEE Also Files 10674 & 10675)	10673

COMPANY	POLICY NO.	AMOUNT	EXPIRATION MONTH	EXPIRATION DAY	EXPIRATION YEAR	PROPERTY
Canadian Indemnity Company	Transferred to 558. 62938	$2,000.	Oct.	19	1945	Blk. 6, Subdiv. of D.L. 1471, Plan 3360, near Sechelt, B. C.

INSURANCE CANCELLED.

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

9th April, 1947.

RGB/P.

CHATTELS SUMMARY

File 10673. Mrs. Rana KONISHI. Reg. No. C8280.

The farm equipment and household and personal chattels left on the farm at Sechelt were placed under the care of the Oblate Fathers of the Sechelt Residential School by the family, consisting of the widow, Rana, of the late James KONISHI; 3 sons, Saiji (married, now deceased), Sunji and Shoji; and a daughter, Aki.

An inventory, dated April 25th, 1942, signed by Sunji KONISHI (repugnant son), left behind to look after the property on behalf of the family, and Father J. M. McGrath, on behalf of the Oblate Fathers, and witnessed by Thomas J. Cook, J.P., is on this file, together with a copy of the Agreement, dated May 25th, 1942, signed by the same parties; and original of the report, dated June 29th, 1942, made by Messrs. E. W. Wright and R. T. Reed of this office, on their visit to the farm.

In a letter dated October 23rd, 1946, the Oblate Fathers expressed a desire to be relieved of their obligations under their agreement and were referred to the Konishi family, to whom this office also addressed letters on Dec. 5/46 and Feb. 13/47, to which no replies have been received up to this date. The chattels of the family (who did not declare any individually) therefore remain the care of the Oblate Fathers.

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

9th April, 1947.

[signature]

WGR/P.

COPY for File 10873.

[redacted]

File 10874. Benji KOMISKI Reg. No. 00333.

The chattels of the KOMISKI family, who together operated the Komiski property known as (the late) "Jimmy" Komiski's farm, are carried in the widow's file (10873).

An inventory of these chattels signed by Benji KOMISKI (youngest son) and witnessed by the Oblate Fathers and a Justice of the Peace, has been transferred from this son's file to that of his mother (File 10873). There is no evidence of Benji possessing any chattels of his own.

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

9th April, 1947.

[signature]

RSB/P.

May 8, 1947

MEMORANDUM RE SALE OF CHATTELS

(Apart from Auction Sales)

FILE NO: 10673

NAME: Mrs. Hana KONISHI

DATE ADVERTISED:
(or other information)

APPRAISER'S NAME:

VALUATION:

PURCHASE PRICE: $11.60

COMMITTEE'S APPROVAL:

PURCHASER'S FULL NAME: R.L. Somers,

ADDRESS: R. R. 1, Gibson's Landing, B.C.

OCCUPATION:

BILL OF SALE REQUIRED: YES NO
(state if purchase price already paid or arrangements made) Paid in full.

ENCUMBRANCES, IF ANY: Nil

LIST OF CHATTELS SOLD:

16 doz. milk bottles at 5¢	$9.60
4 Cases at 50¢ each	2.00
	$11.60

Transferred from file 10674, May 8, 1947.

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Porpoise Bay,
Sechelt, B.C.,
Mar. 19, 1942.

Commr. F.J. Mead,
B.C. Security Commission,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Jack:

You will remember Jimmy Konishi, who lived here. Jimmy is dead, and his family have been removed this week according to regulations.

The youngest son has been left on the farm and I wish you would let me know what will now happen to the farm. There is quite a quantity of cattle and poultry and the boy does not know whether he is supposed to seel or rent the whole works, or if the Government will take charge and work the place for the Konishi benefit.

This boy may be moved any day so a reply to this letter will greatly oblige me. As we arranged, I hope we can have a lunch together when I am next in town.

Sincerely yours,

Wm. Beck.

Officer Commdg.
R.C.M.P.
Vancouver, B.C.

COPY hereof together with copy of my letter to the Custodian, for your information.

F.J. Mead,
Commissioner.

List of Household Goods and Equipment at the home of M. Konishi

Property of Initiate

April 25 1942

24 Doz. Qt. Bottles
39 Only Pt. Bottles
11 ½ Pt "
3 ½ Pt. "
2 Cream Separators #108, #12--$125.00
1 Dairy Thermometer
1 Butter Mold
1 Large 6 Churn
1 Glass Churn
2 Washing Pans
4 Milk Cans
3500 Milk Caps
1 Brooder(100 Egg)
1 Set Incubator(100)
3 Windows
1 Computing Scale
1 Hanging Scale
2 Tile Pipes
2 Pr. Oars
1 Wash Boiler
1 Cast Iron Pot
1 Water Boiler
8 Gals. Shingle Stain
1 Grindstone
1 Emery Stone
1 Pipe Vise
1 Blacksmith Anvil
1 " " Forge
1 Crock(15 Gals)
500 Strawberry Bxs.
1 Seeder
1 Table
1 Bed Frame
2 Spike Harrows
1 One Horse Mower/M.D.
1 Saddle
Galv. Water Pipe
1 Sheet Galv. Iron
1 Wagon? Iron-SteelWheels)
2 Sets Block & Tackle

4 Wash Tubs
4 Wash boards
2 Single Plows(1 away)
1 Chev Truck 1929-$150.00
1 Ford car$1930 $75.00
1 Studebaker 1928$50.00
1 Trailer $25.
1 Bicycle
2 Cowhides
1 Stable Broom
1 Stable Shovel
5 Milk Pails
2 Milk Strainers
8 Cows $50.00 Each
1 Bull $50.00
1 Sow$25.00- 8 Pigs(3Weeks)$3.00Each
30 Chickens-$ 1.00 Each,
Hay
1 Butcher Saw
1 Cleaver
1 Dragsaw-Wee MacGregor
1 Rip Saw 42"
1 Saw Arbor & Pulley
1 Shaft & Pulley
2 Carriage Shaft, Wheel & Bearing.
1 6" Belt
200' Cable ½"
2 Blocks
3 Chokers
900' Lumber Home Made Spruce, Fir, Cedar,
3 P/S Chairs
1 Shingle Binder
2 Jacks
1 Vise
1 Gas Tank
1 Finder

1 Oil Pump
1 Horn
10' Br. Lining
¼ Keg 5" Nails
2 P/S Gas Hose
1 Saw Mandrel
1 Stove
3 Hay Forks
2 Singletrees
3 Traps
2 D Handle Spades
11 Whiskey Glasses
6 Cream Jugs
7 Cake Plates
12 Soup Plates
28 Dinner "
9 Lunch "
96 Tea Saucers
140 Tea Cups
15 Dessert Dishes
27 Water Tumblers
20 Bread Plates
7 Meat Platters
5 Mixing Bowls
6 Dishup Dishes
1 Gravy Boat
5 Sugar Bowls
37 Knives
34 Forks
48 Tea spoons
21 Tablespoons
1 Milk Jug

4 Butcher Knives
3 Mixing Spoons
1 Egg beater
1 Food chopper
2 Kettles
2 Dish Pans
4 Iron Pots
3 Wash Basins
1 Double Boiler
5 Cooking Pots
4 Dippers
1 Roast Pan
6 Frying Pans
1 Kitchen Range
2 Basket Chairs
1 Chesterfield Chair
1 Chesterfield Suite
16 Kitchen Chairs
1 Bedroom Suite
2 Dressers
5 Beds
5 Matresses
2 Sewing Machines
7 Coal Oil Lamps
1 Gas Table Lamp
1 Gas Lantern
1 Coal Oil Lantern
1 Wall Clock
1 Gramophone
1 Spring T Harrow-Away-
Wood-7 Cords $4.00 Cord

2 Swamp Hooks
1 Dog Chain
2 But Chains
1 Manure Fork
2 But-Chains

Sworn before me at Steveston B.C.
This Fifth Day of May 1942.
Thomas J. Cook.
Justice of the Peace

Sanji Konishi

OBLATE FATHERS
STEVESTON, B. C.
per J. M. McEachern

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SECHELT RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

Sechelt, B. C.

May 25, 1942

Re. Konishi Farm
Porpoise Bay
Sechelt, B. C.

Following the instructions of Mr. Alexander, Assistant Manager Custodian's Office Vancouver, the following plans have been drawn up regarding the taking over and operating of the Konishi Farm by the Oblate Fathers of Sechelt Residential School, B. C.

1 - It is agreed by both parties (a) That full authority and responsibility for the running of the farm is to be assumed by the Oblate Fathers of the Sechelt Residential School, Sechelt, B. C.

2 - That the farm will be operated in such a way and maintained in such way that at the return of the Konishi family the said farm will be found reasonably in the same condition as when transferred.

3 - That the taxes on the said farm will be paid by the Oblate Fathers of the Sechelt Residential School.

4 - That all reasonable care will be taken of the property and effects but that the Oblate Fathers will not assume responsibility for loss by accidental, fire, theft or vandalism, of the said property and effects.

*Signed and Sworn by
both parties before me at Sechelt
this 26th Day of May 1942
Thomas J. Cook
Justice of the Peace

Signed: Sanji Konishi

OBLATE FATHERS
Sechelt, B. C.

Per J.M. Mc Grath

~~Files Nos.377, 10672, 10673, 10674 and 10675.~~

June 27, 1952

~~MEMORANDUM~~

To: Mr. Edgar T. Rand

From: Mr. Alexander

Re: The Komishis of Sechelt

Attached you will find files Nos.377, 10672, 10673, 10674 and 10675.

Your particular attention is directed to file No.10674. You will note the tentative agreement signed by Senji Komishi and the Oblate Fathers covering the operation of the Komishi farm at Porpoise Bay, Sechelt.

In anticipation of your going to Sechelt this weekend or in the near future, we would very much appreciate your being good enough to examine these files on your way to Sechelt and thereafter to discuss with Father McGrath the arrangements contemplated.

There are two matters not dealt with in connection with the Komishi property, the first has to do with the 156 acres of timber land mentioned in the declaration form and the second has to do with the property sold to Mr. A.E. Howell.

Frankly these files are a mess and they have not received proper attention. After you have returned from Sechelt they will be dealt with properly.

Any assistance you can give us in connection with these affairs while in Sechelt will be very greatly appreciated. However, should you decide to postpone your trip for any length of time would you please be good enough to return these files for our attention.

RFA/PER

Sechelt, B.C.
June 28th. 1942.

To Forest Ranger, Sechelt, and to Custodian of enemy Aliens.

Furthermore to our coversation, I purchased for a cash sum of money (as per signed agreement by Konichi made sometime in January 1942 and held by J. Gagnon Acct.) the remaining standing timber on Lot 5266 Sechelt Inlet. This Timber is covered by mark C33 which is held in my name.

Signed .....

108113

Vancouver, B.C.,
June 29th, 1942

10873

MEMORANDUM RE: Sanji Konishi
Evacuee File No. 1087

On Saturday afternoon, June 27th, 1942 Mr. K.W. Wright and myself left by Union Steamship for Sechelt arriving there about 5:45 in the evening and returning the following evening.

Authorities consulted:

Mr. Greenhouse, Forest Ranger
Mr. B. Hackett, Postmaster and local manager for Union Steamships which position he has occupied for about 15 years.
Mr. Clayton, Manager of the General Store.
Mr. J. Larnie, who managed the Union Estates for many years but is now, I understand, in charge of a subsidiary of the Union Steamships, Waterhouse & Company with Head Office in Vancouver.

On Saturday evening I discussed the affairs of the above noted Evacuee at considerable length with Mr. Hackett, in his office. The result was that I requested Mr. Hackett to make arrangements for the taxi to call for Rev. Father Baxter (as Rev. Father McGrath was not in the village) also Mr. Hackett, Mr. Larnie, Mr. Wright and myself at half past nine the following morning.

I examined the so-called farm which is situated a short distance from the Village of Sechelt and reached the conclusion that this property would be more accurately described as a Japanese homestead of a somewhat rough type. The buildings are of practically no value, while in many of these there was considerable rubbish and filth which must have accumulated over a considerable period of time. I was informed that there was no depth to the earth on account of the rocky formation with the result that when the first hay crop is removed, the ground simply becomes burned with the heat of the sun and cannot be used for any purpose. I was much disappointed in the general appearance of the place.

There is a bull in a small pen; this bull has been kept in this small enclosure for some time; the place has never been cleaned out with the result that it is becoming wild and likely to break out and do considerable damage. I strongly recommend that this bull be shot as soon as possible.

After considering the conditions as they exist, and studying the agreement which is on file, dated May 25th, between Sanji Konishi and the Oblate Fathers-I am firmly of the opinion that this office should not do anything that will disturb or interfere with the terms and conditions as set out in that agreement.

I am satisfied that this property cannot be operated at a profit under present day conditions but if a miracle should happen and there should be a reasonable profit, then every possible consideration should then be given to reimbursing from such profit the Oblate Fathers for the great amount of time and labour which they are expending on this property.

I do not see where a Certificate of Vesting has been filed.

The Rev. Father McGrath was not in the Village but I did meet the Rev. Father Baxter.

I am very favourably impressed with Father Baxter. I endeavoured to secure some information about this man and the following is what I learned and which I think is true. This man desired to enter the Priesthood but after further consideration he decided that he was not cut out to be a Priest but wanted to study Law. He proceeded with his Law studies at Toronto for about a year and then decided he was not cut out for a Lawyer but he thought he would like to take up the study of Accountancy, he also thought he was not cut out for an Accountant but became interested in Electrical Engineering. After studying this subject for some little time, he then decided that his true calling was the Priesthood in the Oblate Order. I understand that he is second in command of the Indian Residential School, at which about seventy-five Indian children attend.

With regard to the character of Father McGrath, whom I regret I did not see, Messrs. Greenhouse, Larnie, Hackett and Clayton all spoke in the highest terms of this man and Mr. Larnie even went on to say, when he was dealing with the integrity of the man, "~~highest~~, "outstandingly so."

Re: Timber Lot

This is said to consist of 156 acres on the north side of Porpoise Bay. After discussing this matter in some detail with the Forest Ranger, it appears that one Mr. A. Crucil purchased all standing timber from the Konishi family at the beginning of the year 1942. I asked Mr. Greenhouse if it would be possible to have a letter to this effect; he said he would see what he could do. At dinner time he drove up to the Hotel with a letter signed by Mr. Crucil, dated June 28th, 1942. which read a follow-

"Furthermore to our conversation, I purchased for a cash sum of money (as per signed agreement by Konichi made sometime in January 1942 and held by J. Gagnon Acct.) the remaining standing timber on Lot 5266 Sechelt Inlet. This Timber is covered by mark C33 which is held in my name."

Mr. A. Crucil's letter is attached to this report.

I do not see where a Certificate of Vesting was ever filed.

Re: Selma Park -
Store

I also visited these two properties in company with Mr. Larnie, Mr. Hackett and Mr. Wright. The result is that I requested Mr. Hackett to submit to this office as soon as possible, an up-to-date report containing, among other things, his views as to whether these properties can be rented, if so, for how much and for what period of time. I further stated that if it was possible for these properties to be rented, that this office would place the responsibility of looking after the properties and collecting the rent with Mr. Hackett. During the discussion, I learned that if this cottage and store are served with water then the annual water charge is $15.00. I emphasized this to Mr. Hackett so that he would take this into consideration when negotiating with prospective tenants.

I do not see where a Certificate of Vesting has ever been filed on these two properties.

I asked Mr. Hackett if he had any idea what the arrears of taxes were on these several properties and his reply was in the negative but suggested that I get in touch with the Provincial Assessor at New Westminster, B.C.

I have to-day written to the Provincial Assessor for the information desired and when this is received it will be handed to Mr. R.P. Alexander.

E.T. Wright

Chief Ranger

ETR/DG

10873 & 10875

20th July, 1942.

Mr. Saiji Konishi and Mrs. Hana Konishi,
Hastings Park,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir and Madam:

You will recall that when the arrangements made by Sanji Konishi and the Oblate Fathers, of which you have approved, for the operation of the Konishi farm, the Oblate Fathers assured that all reasonable care will be taken of the property and effects but that the Oblate Fathers would not assume responsibility for loss by accidental fire, theft or vandalism of the said property and effects.

In this connection we have a letter from Father J. M. McGrath of the Oblate Fathers stating that he had been informed by Sanji Konishi that he, Sanji, would most likely take out fire insurance on the place.

We would appreciate your informing us, for the completion of our records, whether or not fire insurance has been placed and if so would you be good enough to provide us with particulars regarding the name of the company, the number of the policy and the amount involved.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

10873 & 10875

20th July, 1942.

B. Hackett, Esq.,
Postmaster,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Mrs. Hana Konishi and
Saiji Konishi

When Mr. Read returned from his visit to Sechelt on June 29th following an inspection of the Konishi farm he reported that there was a bull in a small pen, that the bull had been kept in this small enclosure for some time, that the place had never been cleaned out with the result that the bull was becoming wild and was likely to break out and do considerable damage.

Mr. Read strongly recommended that this bull be shot as soon as possible and on the same day telephoned to you from Vancouver and requested you to be good enough to make the necessary arrangements.

We would be obligated to you for reporting to us at this time whether or not the question of this bull has been satisfactorily liquidated.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

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20th July, 1942.

Mrs. Hama Konishi,
Registration No. 03830,
Hastings Park,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: D.L. 5266, 156 Acres Timber
Land, New Westminster District.

At the time you registered your assets with us on June 9th you declared ownership of the property mentioned above and our records indicate that taxes on this property for 1941 amounting in all to $49.92 were paid.

We are now informed that it appears that a Mr. Crucil purchased the remaining standing timber on Lot 5266, Secheit Inlet, sometime in January, 1942 for a cash sum of money and we have on file a letter signed by Mr. Crucil reading as follows:

> "Furthermore to our conversation, I purchased for a cash sum of money (as per signed agreement by Koniehi made sometime in January 1942 and held by J. Gagnon Acct.) the remaining standing timber on Lot 5266 Sechelt Inlet. This Timber is covered by mark C33 which is held in my name."

We have discussed this matter with Mr. Greenhouse, Forest Ranger, who confirms the fact that this purchase was made but in order that our records may be complete we are sending you this letter and would appreciate your informing us whether or not you have received payment in full.

We would also appreciate your informing us whether or not you have made arrangements for the payment of taxes for 1942 on this 156 acres of timber land, and if you have made no particular arrangements we would appreciate your sending us a cheque for a sufficient amount to enable us to make payment on your behalf. As far as the farm property belonging to you and situated on Blocks 4, 5 and 6 of D.L. 1471 is concerned our records indicate that this has been placed with your consent in the hands of the Oblate Fathers who will be paying taxes on this farm property.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

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20th July, 1942.

Father J. M. McGrath, O.M.I.,
Sechelt Residential School,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Further to our letter dated May 28th we have to report that we have now been successful in securing the registration of Mrs. Hana Konishi and Mr. Saiji Konishi, and that both of these individuals have expressed approval of the arrangement you made with Sanji Konishi covering the operation of the Konishi farm in accordance with the conditions outlined in the agreement made on May 25th between Sanji Konishi and the Oblate Fathers.

As the members of the Konishi family have approved of your arrangement the Custodian's office has no objection and, as a matter of fact, following the recent visit of Mr. Edgar T. Read and Mr. Wright to Sechelt and their examination of the property and their report on the state of the farm, the Custodian's office, on the contrary, desires to place on record its appreciation of the actions being taken by the Oblate Fathers in managing the farm property of the Konishis.

From an examination of the records it is our understanding that the farm consists in all of about thirty-two acres. Mrs. Hana Konishi declares that she is the registered owner of Blocks 4, 5 and 6, D.L. 1471, for which he holds title number 51539L and on which is situate a seven room bungalow, 20' x 40' barn, 60' x 60' barn and chicken house, concrete root house 14' x 14', pig houses, garage and various sheds. Taxes on this sixteen acre property for 1941 amounted in all to $49.40 and these taxes have been paid. We are enclosing tax notice we have received on this sixteen acre portion of the farm for 1942 for a total of $44.00 and we would very much appreciate your arranging for payment in accordance with the agreement you had with the Konishis.

Mr. Saiji Konishi declared to us that he is the owner of Lots 4, 5 and 6 of D.L. 1509 consisting of approximately fifteen acres on which is situated a wooden shed and the attachments of a portable sawmill. The land itself, we understand, has about four acres cleared, the balance being grazing land, and it is our understanding that this property is a portion of the farm which

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July 27th 1942
Lejac B.C.

Mrs R P Alexander
Custodian office
Van B.C.

Replied Aug 15 /42

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Re DL 5266, 156 acres timber land
N.W.D. owner Mrs Hana Koniahi

Mrs Hana Koniahi is the owner ship of DL 5266
In January Mr A Crucil of Decker Purchased
the Balance of standing timber at that time
The agreement with Mr A Crucil & Mrs Hana
Koniahi and Sign by them was saying that
if all standing timber was't removed before
June 1st 1942 Mr August Crucil will be
Responsible for all taxes etc on said lots
I do not know weather Mr A Crucil has
taken all standing timber out by now or
not if he has't taken all timber out he
is Responsible for taxes for 1942 this what
maid on aguement You can write to Mr
Guenhaase Forest Rangee at Decker & find
out he will give you full particulars the
payment was maid in full, I have the
aguement in my Possion. I am acting for
Mrs Hana Koniahi intrest.

Yours truly
Sanji Koniahi
Lejac B.C.

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POST OFFICE,
SECHELT. B.C.
August 1st 1942.

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R.P.Alexander Esq.
Manager,
Japanese Section,
Dept. of The Secretary of State,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver. B.C.

File- 10873 & 10875.
Konishi.

Dear Sir:

Under the powers delegated to the Post Office Department in connection with Enemy Alien affairs, I am forwarding to you for your attention, letter addressed to Hannah & James Konishi Sechelt.B.C.

I might add for your information that James Konishi (husband of Hannah Konishi) died in October 1939.

Yours faithfully,

R. Hackett

Postmaster.

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MEMORANDUM

File No. 10875
and No. 10873.

August 7, 1942,
Hastings Park.

TO: Mr. Alexander.

FROM: Mr. Spain.

Re: Konishi Farm

Mrs. Hana Konishi is sick in the Hospital here but I have contacted the son Saiji.

Saiji does not believe any fire insurance has been written and before taking out fire cover it would be necessary for him to have instructions from his brother Sanji. He requests us to get authority from Sanji Konishi now working on the farm of the Oblate Fathers, Ragack, B. C.

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Geo. B. Spain.

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Sechelt Residential School

SECHELT, B.C.

August. 7th. 1942.

Mr. R. P. Alexander,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver.

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Dear Sir:

Re. file No. 10873 and 10875.

I am receipt of your letter of August 5th, requesting a reply to a previous letter dated July 20th. I regret that no reply was made. Father McGrath who was in charge here received his obedience to William's Lake, and I being recently appointed to the Sechelt School have been unable to attend to it.

As far as we know the description of the land set down in your letter of the 28th of August is correct.

The taxes will be paid in due course, as you have requested.

Regarding Mrs. Konisha, mentioned in your letter of August 28th, we regret to say that we have had no communication with her and do not know her present address. However we do know that Sanji is at the Indian School at Lejac, shall we convey your message to him?

We appreciate the stand that you have taken on this matter. We will do our best to carry out our end of the agreement, and I trust you will find us ever ready to cooperate with you in all things relating to the farm.

I remain yours very truly,

H. F. Dunlop, O.M.I.

H. F. Dunlop, O.M.I.
Principal.

Files Nos. 10873 & 10875 11th August, 1942.

MEMO - MR. SPAIN

Re: Mrs. Hana KONISHI and
Saiji KONISHI

We have received a report from Sechelt to the effect that there was a bull in a small pen on their farm.

This bull had been kept in a very small enclosure for some time, the place had never been cleaned out, with the result that the bull was becoming very wild, was likely to break out and do considerable damage, and it was strongly recommended, as a measure of public safety, that the bull be shot as soon as possible. Acting under instructions from this office, following the very strong recommendations we received, the bull was shot about July 20th. You may wish to inform the Konishis accordingly.

RPA:LF

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11th August, 1942.

R. S. Hackett, Esq.,
Postmaster,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Mrs. Hana KONISHI

Further to our letter dated August 6th we have to report that the statement attached to your letter dated August 1st has been handed to Mrs. Hana Konishi by her son, Saiji, with a request that it be completed as soon as possible and forwarded to you.

We are further advised that Mrs. Konishi is ill and is confined to the hospital in Hastings Park, Vancouver, and that therefore there may be some delay in completing and returning the personal property statement required. In any case we are somewhat doubtful of the ability of Mrs. Konishi or any member of the Konishi family to prepare an accurate statement under the circumstances in which they and many other Japanese evacuees are situated.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

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11th August, 1942.

Mr. H. F. Dunlop, O.M.I.,
Principal,
Sechelt Residential School,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much indeed for your letter dated August 2nd from which we are pleased to learn of your appointment as principal of the Sechelt School. We are also pleased to observe that you assure us you will be doing your best to carry out your end of the agreement. On our part please accept our assurance that we are only too glad to co-operate with you in any way in all things relating to the Konishi farm.

We have subsequently learned that Mrs. Hana Konishi is now ill in the Hastings Park Hospital, Vancouver. We would therefore ask you to be good enough to disregard the second paragraph of our letter dated August 5th.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

COPY for File 10873 (Orig. on File 10874).

Aug. 11, 1942.
Hastings Park.

File No. 10874.

Mr. R. P. Alexander,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Konishi Family.
Your letter 7th inst.

I have contacted Mr. Saiji Konishi and have submitted to him the offer for the Chevrolet Truck and Model A. Ford made by Mr. Joseph Martin.

He had no hesitation in rejecting the offer and said the new tires on the cars were worth more than the price offered.

The 1929 Chevrolet Truck was registered in the name of Mrs. Hana Konishi.

The 1929 Model A. Ford was registered in the name of Mr. Saiji Konishi.

"Geo. B. Spain"
Geo. B. Spain.

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13th August, 1942.

Mr. Joseph Martin,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Mrs. Hana KONISHI

Thank you very much for your visit of August 3rd at which time you made an offer of $75.00 for the 1929 Chevrolet truck registered in the name of Mrs. Hana Konishi.

Your offer has been referred to Mrs. Konishi and we regret to inform you that she has rejected your offer with the statement that the new tires on the truck are worth more than the price offered.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

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File Nos.
10873 & 10875

Hastings Park,
August 14, 1942.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. R. P. Alexander

FROM: Mr. Spain

Re: Mrs. Hana Konishi & Saiji Konishi
Your Memo 11th instant

I have duly advised Mr. Saiji Konishi of the circumstances necessitating the destruction of their bull at Sechelt.

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Geo. B. Spain
George B. Spain

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17th August, 1942.

John P. Greenhouse, Esq.,
Forest Ranger,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: D.L. 5266, 156 Acres of
Timber Land, New Westminster District

Mr. Sanji Konishi has written to us from Lejac, B. C. to enquire whether or not Mr. A. Crucil was successful in removing entirely, before June 1st, 1942, all of the remaining standing timber on the property of his mother, Mrs. Hana Konishi, mentioned above. Would you please be good enough to send us this information at your early convenience.

Mr. Sanji Konishi states that under an agreement his mother has with Mr. Crucil it was understood that if all of this timber was not taken out before June 1st, 1942 that Mr. Crucil would be responsible for payment of taxes on this timber property for 1942.

Mr. Edgar T. Read and Mr. K. W. Wright of this office send you their greetings.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

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22nd August, 1942.

R. S. Hackett, Esq.,
Postmaster,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Mrs. Hana KONISHI and
Mr. Saiji KONISHI

With reference to the recent request of Mr. Joseph Martin to purchase a motor car or truck from the Konishi family, and regarding whom you wrote us on August 2nd, we have to report that Mrs. Hana Konishi who owned the 1929 Chevrolet truck and Mr. Saiji Konishi who owned the 1929 Model A Ford have both rejected the offers made by Mr. Martin, stating that the new tires on the cars are worth more than the prices offered.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

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September 10, 1942.

Mr. Sanji Konishi,
Registration No. 00333,
Lejac, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: D.L. 5266, 156 Acres of
Timberland, New Westminster District.

Reference is made to your letter dated July 27 in connection with the above and regarding which we sent you our letter of August 17, in which we informed you that we have written on your behalf to Mr. Greenhouse.

We have just received a reply from Mr. Greenhouse dated September 8 which we quote in full as follows:

"I regret the delay in answering your letters of August 17 and September 3, re D.L. 5266-Konishi. The delay was caused by the fact that I have been busy on fires and hardly been in my office. For your information, I made a logging inspection on this area on June 17. Mr. Crucil's last shipment from this area was in May.

"Mr. Crucil informed me at time of my inspection that he had removed all the merchantable timber that he was interested in and that could be logged economically.

"In my opinion Mr. Crucil has removed the standing merchantable material from the area which could be regarded as a logging change. Mr. Crucil is having his log mark C-33 which was issued to him to cover this lot cancelled."

It therefore seems apparent that Mr. Crucil removed all merchantable timber previous to June 1, 1942, and although we do not have on file particulars of the agreement covering property mentioned above and which belongs to your mother, Mrs. Hana Konishi, it would appear to us that taxes on this property are for the account of your mother. You will find attached in duplicate relative tax notice which called for payment of $49.92, and we would appreciate your arranging to make payment direct, returning to us in due course the duly receipted tax statement for the completion of our files.

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19th October, 1942.

Vann-Sleeper Insurance Agencies Limited,
769 West Pender Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Hana and Saichi NOMISHI

Attention Mr. Sleeper

To confirm our telephone conversation of a few moments ago with reference to placing fire insurance on property belonging to the above named.

Kindly issue fire insurance policy as from today's date, carrying out general instructions on Form Letter #68 enclosed herewith.

The property to be insured consists of one-story frame dwelling with shingle roof, with cement foundation, brick chimney to the ground, located at Porpoise Bay, Sechelt, B.C.

The legal description is given as Block 6, Subdivision of D.L. 1471, Plan 3660.

When issued, please send us the policy together with a statement in duplicate to cover the premium.

Please note the Japanese name is not to appear on the face of the policy but for purposes of identification we would like you to make note of name or names and file number or numbers on the back of the policy and also on your statement covering the premium.

Yours very truly,

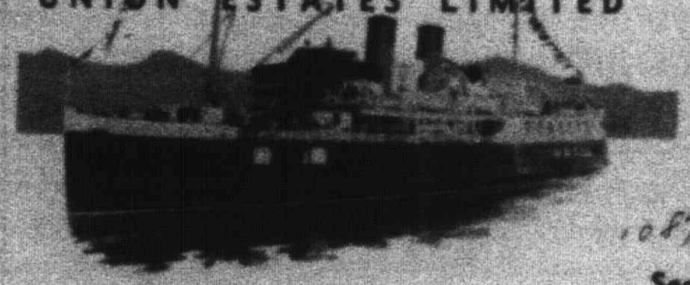
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Insurance Department

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Sechelt, B. C.

19th October 1942.

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

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File #10873/74.

Re: D.L.#5266, Timberland,
New Westminster District.

Dear Sir:-

In the absence of Mr Hackett, who is on his vacation, we are replying to your enquiry of October 19th.

In the opinion of the writer, the sale of the piece of timberland in question will not be easy, but in the mean-time we are notifying the Forestry Department of the matter, and willalso bring it to the attention of Mr Hackett, upon his return to Sechelt.

Yours truly,

Union Steamships Limited,
Sechelt,

per, B. C. [illegible]
Store Keeper.

Kenji Konishi ?

HEALTHY AND VARIED RECREATION FOR EVERYONE — THE UNION WAY

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November 3, 1942

Store Keeper
Union Steamships, Ltd.
Seschelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: District Lot No. 5266,
Timberland, New Westminster
District.

Thank you very much indeed for your letter dated October 19th and for your replying to our letter to Mr. Hackett dated October 19th.

We greatly appreciate your bringing to the attention of the Forestry Department the desire of Mr. Senji Konishi and Mrs. Hana Konishi to have the property described above sold at the earliest possible opportunity.

Upon the return of Mr. Hackett to Seschelt, we would warmly appreciate your bringing this matter to his attention also.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:NDE

10873 and
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November 3, 1942

Mr. Senji Konishi
Registration No. 00333
Lejac, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: District Lot No. 5266,
Timberland, New Westminster
District.

In connection with your desire and the desire of your mother, Mrs. Hana Konishi to have the property described above sold at the earliest possible opportunity, we have to report that the Storekeeper in Sechelt has notified the Forestry Department. He holds the opinion that sale of this particular piece of timberland will not be easy, but will bring your desires to the attention of Mr. Hackett as soon as Mr. Hackett returns to Sechelt. Mr. Hackett is on vacation at the present time.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:NDE

Re Abandoned

November 20, 1942.

MEMORANDUM

File No. 10877 KONISHI, Mrs. Hana Reg. No. 05480

Re: Block 6, District Lot 1471, District of New Westminster, Map 3660, Sechelt, B.C., Vancouver Register.

Although James Konishi is an assessed owner with Mrs. Hana Konishi there is no real evidence to show that he has any interest in the above property.

TO REGISTRATION

James Konishi, the husband of Hana Konishi, was an assessed owner of the above property in 1941. He has since died--the date of his decease is not known and I am informed by the filing department that there is no file for him.

Would you please ascertain if he left any real and personal estate.

D. Davidson.
D. Davidson.

DD/CB

COPY for File 10873, 10874, 10875.
(Original handed Mr. R. D. Richardson of Farm Department 9th August, 1943).

SECHELT RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

SECHELT, B.C.

May 25, 1942.

Re. Konishi Farm
Porpoise Bay
Sechelt, B. C.

Following the instructions of Mr. Alexander, Assistant Manager Custodian's Office, Vancouver, the following plans have been drawn up regarding the taking over and operating of the Konishi Farm by the Oblate Fathers of Sechelt Residential School, B. C.

1 - It is agreed by both parties (a) That full authority and responsibility for the running of the farm is to be assumed by the Oblate Fathers of the Sechelt Residential School, Sechelt, B. C.

2 - That the farm will be operated in such a way and maintained in such way that at the return of the Konishi family the said farm will be found reasonably in the same condition as when transferred.

3 - That the taxes on the said farm will be paid by the Oblate Fathers of the Sechelt Residential School.

4 - That all reasonable care will be taken of the property and effects but that the Oblate Fathers will not assume responsibility for loss by accidents, fire, theft or vandalism, of the said property and effects.

"Signed and Sworn by both
parties before me at Sechelt
this 26th Day of May, 1942"

"Thomas J. Cook",
Justice of the Peace.

(Seal)

(Signed) "Sanji Konishi"

OBLATE FATHERS
SECHELT, B. C.

"per J. M. McGrath"

10875 & 10873

August 23, 1943

Mr. W. J. Martin,
Gechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Your offer of $150.00 for the Chevrolet truck at the Konishi farm has been referred to Mr. Saiji KONISHI, but no reply has been received to our letter.

Could you give us the license number of this truck, so that we may find out which member of the Konishi family owns this truck?

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

[redacted]

To: Filed 10873 & 10875.

From: Mr. R. G. Bell. August 26th, 1943.

Re: Mrs. Rose SOHISHI (widow) Reg. 08880,
Saigi SOHISHI (son) Reg. 08875.

The attached Agreement signed by the Oblate Fathers of the Sechelt Residential School covering the operation of the properties known as the SOHISHI FARM applies to the following properties situated at Porpoise Bay (Sechelt):

(1) Block 4 and 5, Rule 1473, Group 1, N.W.D., Plan 3660 (C/Title 51394-I in the name of Rose SOHISHI).

(2) Block 6, Rule 1473, Group 1, N.W.D., Plan 3660 (C/Title 20667-I in the name of Hannah SOHISHI).

(3) Lots 4, 5 and 6, Rule 1503, Group 1, N.W.D., Plan 3658 (C/Title 85578-I in the name of Saigi SOHISHI).

Assessed values and 1943 taxes on these properties are as follows:

(1) Land $700.00;	Improvements: $ —	Taxes:	$12.65
(2) " $1000.00;	" $1,800.00	"	$40.00
(3) " $300.00;	" $ —	"	$ 6.90

In addition to the above, Mrs. Rose SOHISHI is the registered owner (C/T: 51541-I) of 156 acres of logged-over timberland known as:

(4) District Lot 5266, Group 1, D.N.W., the assessed value of which is $1,560.00 and 1943 taxes $49.92. (Also: 1942 taxes, $49.92, and interest @ 4% from 1/7/1942, outstanding.

The son, Saigi SOHISHI, is also the registered owner (C/T: 6863-I) of:

(5) Lots 39, 40 and 41, Westerly portion of Rule 1329, Group 1, N.W.D., Plan 3777, but Alfred Musgrave HOWELL holds a registered Right to Purchase (dated 1st October, 1938) under which payments are not completed and in dispute. In this case, taxes, assessed to Purchaser, appear to be delinquent since 1940.

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Attach.

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September 8, 1943

Mr. R. S. Hackett,
Postmaster,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re Saiji KONISHI, Reg. 08878

We would like to secure an appraisal of the two motor vehicles owned by Saiji KONISHI, which are on the Konishi property at Sechelt.

If there is anyone in your locality who would undertake this work for us, we would be pleased if you would give us his name. We have been paying $3.00 each for motor vehicle appraisals.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

10875 & 10873

September 8, 1943.

Mr. V. F. Dunn,
Government Telephone Service,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of September 4th, we wish to advise that your offer to purchase the Model A Ford, belonging to Sanji Konishi, has been referred to the owner.

When we have further information in regard to this motor vehicle, we shall write to you.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

Files 10873 & 10875

To: Mr. Alexander

From: F. Matheson

Sept. 8, 1943

Re: Chevrolet truck, Konishi farm, Sechelt

Mr. W. J. Martin, Sechelt, has been offering to buy the Chevrolet truck on the Konishi farm.

His offer of $150.00 was referred to Saiji KONISHI, File 10873, but no reply has been received.

The truck has licence C5-157 (1941) issued to J. Konishi. Mrs. Hana KONISHI's late husband was James KONISHI.

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 6121
PLEASE REFER TO
FILE No. 10875 & 10873

Mrs. Konishi

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

10873 McArthur
10875 Young

October 13, 1943.

Mr. W. J. Martin,
Sechelt, B. C.

Mrs Hana Konishi
08880

Dear Sir:

With further reference to our letter of September 8th, in regard to your offer of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars for the Chevrolet truck stored at the Konishi farm, Sechelt, we wish to advise that this truck has been appraised and the value placed on it is One Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

Your offer is therefore accepted. Upon receipt of your certified cheque for One Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($150.00), payable to the Custodian of Japanese Property, we shall forward transfer papers.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

EVACUATION
Rec'd
Ref'd 10873
Referred Mathson

Post Office,
Sechelt, B.C.
October 15th, 1943.

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

File- No.10875 & 10873.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. W.J.Martin has showed me his letter received from you dated 13th instant, whereby you accept his offer to purchase the Konishi Chevrolet Truck at the Konishi farm.

Before Mr. Martin goes any further with this matter, he is desirous to try out the engine of this truck, and as I am in possession at the moment, of the keys of this vehicle, I do not think it is advisable to let anyone have same without your authority.

Will you please consider this proposal of Mr.Martins, and advise me as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

R. Hackett

Postmaster.

Address all communications to:
THE COMMISSIONER
British Columbia Provincial Police
(Motor-vehicle Branch)
Victoria, B.C.

TELEPHONE - EMPIRE 1111
LOCAL 386

MOTOR-VEHICLE BRANCH
VICTORIA

Your File No: 10873

In reply quote File No. MVR#94070

SUBJECT:
Notice of Transfer.

November 2nd, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd NOV 4 1943
File No. 10873
Ans. Ltr
Referred Matheson

F. Matheson, Esq.,
Specified Articles Dept.,
Dept. of the Secretary of State,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 29th ultimo, enclosing Notice of Transfer of Chevrolet Light Delivery, 1941 licence #C6-157, from James Konishi to William J. Martin of Sechelt, B.C., together with the sum of 50¢ in the form of Postal Note #E2-532774.

As this Chevrolet Light Delivery, engine #200889, serial #371993, 1941 licence #C6-157 is at present registered in the name of Hana Konishi, it will be necessary for a corrected transfer to be submitted from Hana Konishi to Mr. Martin, together with the required transfer fee of 75¢.

Notice of Transfer together with the sum of 50¢ (fee for duplicate dashboard licence) is being held at this office awaiting your reply.

Yours truly,

Geo. A. Hood,
Inspector O/C Motor Branch,
for Commissioner of Provincial Police.

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Sechelt Residential School

SECHELT, B.C.

Nov. 10th. 1943.

EVACUATION
Rec'd NOV 10 1943
File No. 10873 pt
Ans.
Referred Bell

Mr. R. C. Bell,
Dept. of the Sec. of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver. B.C.

Dear Sir:

We were informed last week by one of the local residents that the Chevrolet Truck belonging to the Konishi holdings on Porpoise Bay farm had been disposed of by your office. As you may ascertain from your files, this truck was placed in our possession by articles signed before Justice of Peace on May 5th. 1942. The signatories are Father J. M. McGrath O.M.I. for the Oblate Fathers and Thomas Cook J.P. To date we have never been informed that we had lost possession, or did we in any way surrender our rights therein. It seems that you have been pursuing an arbitrary policy in this whole matter beginning with the transfer of the land to the Soldier's Settlement Board. When this transaction took place we were informed by letter or rather by legal document telling us that the property had been sold. The date showed that this had taken place some six weeks previous to the notification. When we wrote asking for some explanation or clarification of our position, Mr. T. Godfrey of the Settlement Board stated that he expected a field supervisor to vist us in due course. We are still waiting. It seems that when one is dealing with an ordinary business firm there are certain legal forms to be attended to when one is relieved of his responsibility over property. Atleast the interested parties should be informed. Surely this is the minimum courtesy to be expected.

We feel that since you have taken the position of immediate personal custodian then we are relieved of any responsibilities for any of the chattels. The articles signed by us and assented to by your office have been summarily abrogated by you and we are left with no redress. Since you are a representative of the Government of Canada in this matter no doubt you are acting within your rights, However I do not think we are asking too much in demanding a clarification of our position by your office.

Yours truly,
OBLATE FATHERS
SECHELT, B. C.
H F Dunlop OMI
Per H. F. Dunlop, O.M.I.

Correspondence by Ltr.
Take over Konishi farm (300 ac.)
permit to run farm in own way
pay taxes & return pgty back as
received.

Director Veterans Land Act

[redacted] & 10873

November 11, 1943.

Mr. Hackett,
Postmaster,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The bearer, Mr. C. F. Haslam, of Roberts Creek, has purchased the Model A Ford, which has been stored at the Konishi farm, at Sechelt.

This is your authority to release this motor-vehicle to Mr. Haslam. The receipt is for your records.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Dept.

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I hereby acknowledge receipt of the Model A. Ford, which has been stored at the Konishi property, Sechelt.

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10873 & 10875

November 10, 1943.

Mr. C. F. Haslam,
Roberts Creek, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We enclose herewith our receipt #6826, acknowledging your Money Order for $75.00 in payment of the purchase price of the Model A Ford at the Konishi farm.

We also enclose Notice of Transfer. Some details are incomplete. These you will be able to obtain and supply from the motor vehicle itself. We do not have the dashboard license for this car. It is probably on the car.

A letter to Mr. Hackett to enable you to take delivery of this vehicle is enclosed.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

Enclosure (4)

C. F. HASLAM.

Lumber

Robert's Creek, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd NOV 4 1943
File No. 10873
Affs.
Referred

November 2nd 1943

Department of the Secretary of State
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Ref: File 10873/08880
KONISHI, Mrs Hana
Purchase Price of Model "A" Ford

Dear Sirs:

I am in receipt of your letter of October 25rd 1943 and am enclosing Postoffice Money Order in the amount of $ 75.00, purchasing price for the Model A. Ford car on the Konishi farm at Sechelt, B. C.

As it would involve loss of time to get a certified cheque from my bank in Vancouver, I elected to remit by P.M.O.

Please advise by return if the deal is closed; if so, please send transfer papers.

10874

Yours very truly,

C. F. Haslam

C. F. Haslam

Encl: P.M.O. $ 75.00
FJA

Nov 10th 1943 W J Martin
SECHELT
BC

W H Madeson
Department of the Secretary of the
Vancouver BC

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd NOV 11 1943
File No.
Ans.
Referred Madeson

Dear Sir

Regards of your letter on Nov 4th 1943
about the Dash Board licence there is
no trace of any licence on the truck
and i have made enquires about it
and nobody seems to know anything
about it so i went to the Provincial
Police Mr Horn. and he says that the only
thing you can do about is to send 50 cents
to Victoria and they make a Duplicate out
and give them the Last licence of the truck
the Last Car Licence was C6.157. 1941
engines Numbers
835501
A 29
3
200889

hoping this will get results
yours truly
W J Martin

File: 10677, 10674 & 10675

September 28, 1943

Memorandum to Mrs. McArthur

From: E. Matheson

Attached is list of papers from the three Ontario files dealing with the motor vehicles and the agreement between the Kentchi family and Ontario Fathers.

There is nothing on the files of Dana Kentchi, File 10677, owner of the Chevrolet truck, or Willi Kentchi, File 10675, owner of the Model A Ford delivery truck, that these vehicles were included in the agreement with the Ontario Fathers.

Various letters offering offers to purchase these vehicles to the owners, would indicate that Mr. Kentchi did not consider these as forming part of the property referred to under the agreement.

These vehicles were sold at the prices given in the memo on the file 10674.

The vehicles have, apparently, not been used. Peter Kentchi, who purchased the Ford, stated that one tire was frozen solid, and that there was a possibility that the motor might have frozen during the cold spell last Winter. He towed the car to get parts to repair his own Ford.

For reasons these were not taken into custody by the Canada Family Re, there is no record from Whitehorse, and the condition of the cars did not warrant the expense of having these shipped in by boat.

These vehicles might be considered as falling into the same category as the bull that was shot; that is, property of the Kentchi family that was suffering from lack of attention.

The tires appear to have been the most valuable part of these vehicles. Tires deteriorate on cars left standing in a garage, quite apart from the possibility of theft.

No offers were received for the Studebaker.

Files 10673,10674,10675

(12) June 10,42 (10675) JP form of Saiji KONISHI - Real Property
(1) Lot 4,5,6 D.L. 1309 -15 acres
(2) Salem Park, Lot 39,40,41 D.L. Unknown
On(1) wooden shed. Attachment or portable saw mill.
On(2) 1½ Storey frame building used as store, 20x40 garage, 3-room bunkhouse, 2 sheds. Oblate Fathers will pay taxes on (1)
No motor vehicles declared.

(13) June 9,42 (10675) JP form of Hana KONISHI - Real Property
(1) Dist. Lot 5266 - 156 acres timberland
(2) Blocks 4,5,6,Dist.Lot 1471 - 16 Acres farmland.
On(2) 7-room frame bungalow, 20x40 barn,60x60 barn, chicken house, root house 12x12, pig houses, garage, sheds of all kinds. Leased to Oblate Fathers.

List of Chattels contains:
1 Chev. truck 1929
1 Ford car 1930
1 Studebaker 1928

(14) June 29,42 Report of Mr. E.T.Reed, recommending that nothing be done to interfere with agreement between Konishi family and Oblate Fathers, also recommending that one bull(value $50.00) shown on list of goods and equipment turned over to Oblate Fathers be shot, as the pen had not been cleaned and the bull was in a dangerous condition.

(15) July 20,42 (10673) Mr. Alexander to Father McGrath, states that Custodian has no intention of interfering with arrangement made with Konishi family. Encloses tax notices for Lots 4,5,6 D.L.1471, (Hana Konishi) and Lots 4,5,6 D.L.1309(Saiji)

(16) Aug.4,5 6,42 (10676) Mr. Jos. Martin's offer to buy truck or car.

(17) Aug.7,42 (10678) Mr. Alexander to Mr. Spain to refer offers of $40.00 for Ford and $75.00 for Chevrolet to Konishi family.

(18) Aug.7,42 (10677) Father Dunlop to Mr. Alexander-"As far as we know description of land set down in your letter of 20th of July is correct."

10873, 10874 & 10875.

November 26th, 1943.

Rev. E. F. Dunlop,
Sechelt Residential School,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Mrs. Rana KONISHI - Reg. No. 08880,
Sanji KONISHI (Son) Reg. No. 00333,
Saiji KONISHI (Son) Reg. No. 08878.

We have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 10th instant on the subject of your lease of the Konishi Farm.

With a view to clearing up any misunderstanding that may exist we would explain that under the Consolidated Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1939), and subsequent Orders in Council relating thereto, the interest of individuals of the Japanese race in the protected areas of British Columbia became vested in the Custodian from the time such individuals were evacuated from those areas.

A large number of the Real Properties (land and buildings) thus vested in the Custodian have, under an interdepartmental agreement, been taken over by the Director of the Veterans' Land Act. The transfer is subject to existing tenures so that your position and obligations are not affected by the change in the name of your landlord. Personal Property (chattels, including equipment) is not included in the transaction and will continue to be the concern of this office.

With regard to the Motor Vehicles, a review of the above files shows that these, i.e.,

One 1928 Studebaker Car	valued @ $ 50.00
One 1930 Ford Car	valued @ $ 75.00
One 1929 Chevrolet Truck	valued @ $150.00

did not form an essential part of the farm equipment but that they had been left stored in a shed because their value did not justify the expense of removal at the time the R.C.M.P. were rounding up and impounding all such vehicles. This office eventually sold all impounded vehicles to save the deterioration and expense connected with their storage, and the Department concerned was only carrying out this established policy in disposing of

EVACUATION SECTION
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File No. 10875 & 10873
Ans.
Referred To Vancouver

POST OFFICE,
Sechelt. B.C.

Department of The Secretary Of State,
Vancouver. B.C.

Re- Kohishi
No. 10873 & 10875.

Dear Sir:-

I have an offer to purchase for $15.00, the 1 horse Mowing machine at the Konishi property.
The offer was made to me to-day by Mr. Jas. Derby, Sechelt. B.C.

I have no idea what the machine is worth, but Derby tells me that he will have to spend quite a bit on the machine to put it in working order.

Kindly advise if you are interested.

Yours truly,

R.S. Hackett

(R.S. Hackett).

Postmaster.

MEMORANDUM

File Nos.: 10873
10874
10875

February 23rd, 1944

To: Mr. Bell

From: Mr. Green

Re: KONISHI, Mrs. Hana
KONISHI, Sanji
KONISHI, Saiji

I have just received an enquiry from the Secheit Post Master as per letter attached.

I understand this farm is now taken over by the Soldiers Settlement Board. Do you know if the Oblate Fathers are continuing to run it? I know that your letter of November 26th says that the transfer is subject to existing tenures, but as the original agreement with the Fathers does not specify any term and as the only rent paid is the agreement to keep taxes up-to-date, I am not clear whether they will continue working the property. If you have no information, I shall have to write them.

HFG:LF

24/2/1943: My understanding of the situation is that the Oblate Fathers are responsible for farm, equipment and chattels until such time as the Soldier Settlement Board take some action that will change this status, or the Oblate Fathers themselves give up their trust. They have not questioned the statement in my letter of the 26/11/1943 that "your position and obligations are not affected by the change in the name of your landlords" and I suggest doing nothing to disturb the situation before the need to do so arises.

RGB/P.

Office of the Custodian
Vancouver.

Nov.25,1945

Dear Sirs:

I have been looking over a Drag Saw which belongs to the Konishi Farm on Porpoise. I believe that all the articles here are under your control and I would like to purchase this saw to assist me in making wood. I would be willing to offer $ 35.00 for this machine as it stands.

Yours truly

A. Mee

A.Mee
Seehelt,B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd NOV 28 1945
File No. 10825
Ans.
Referred Bell

Called & interviewed to be a purchaser

Sechelt Residential School

SECHELT, B.C.

Oct. 23, 1946

Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
VANCOUVER.

EVACUATION SECTION
Recd OCT 24 1946
File No. 10873, 10875
Ans. Rob
Referred Bell

Dear Sirs: Re. Konishi Property.

May I refer you to a letter from your office, dated July 20/42 (Cf. files 10873 & 10875) acknowledging an agreement made between Sanji Konishi and the Oblate Fathers dated May 26/42; also to a list of chattels signed before the Justice of Peace May 5/42 by the above parties.

Now, whereas the present incumbent of the Konishi farm, Mr. Hyde, is using the chattels and equipment left on the farm, and, whereas certain chattels including the livestock were removed to the Sechelt Residential School for safekeeping and are still at the school would you kindly instruct me as to the following:

FIRSTLY: When Mr. Hyde purchased the farm did he at the same time acquire all chattels etc. If not what are my obligations regarding the equipment present on the farm and being utilized by Mr. Hyde; also the chattels now present at the school?

SECONDLY: Whom must I contact to effect a settlement regarding the above chattels so that I might be free of all obligations regarding these chattels etc.

Yours truly,

H. F. Dunlop, O.M.I.
Principal.

10873 & 10875.

November 6th, 1946.

Rev. R. F. Dunlop, O.M.I.,
Principal,
Sechelt Residential School,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Mrs. Hana KONISHI, Reg. #08880 (Mother)
Saiji KONISHI, Deceased. (Son)

We are in receipt of and thank you for your letter of the 23rd ultimo on the subject of the personal property left under your care by the above evacuees.

The chattels, including farm equipment, on the premises when the real property was sold to The Director, Soldier Settlement and Veterans' Land Act, were not included in that sale.

We note that you desire to be free of all obligations connected with the Konishi chattels and, subject to the reservations mentioned hereunder, we would suggest that you contact Mrs. Hana Konishi, and any other member of the family concerned, and secure their approval to your following the same procedure as that outlined.

The policy of the Dominion Government is, as you know, one of liquidation of evacuee assets in the protected areas of British Columbia. This is being accomplished by: (1) shipment to owners, at their expense, if such a course is practical, and requested; (2) sale through the medium of competitive bidding at public auctions; or (3) on the basis of values established by qualified independent appraisers.

Our records show Saiji Konishi, Reg. No. 08878 (File 10875) to have died at LaJac on the 2nd March, 1945. The proceeds of all liquidated assets that can be definitely identified as his, must, therefore, go to the credit of this Estate Account in our books, for delivery to the Official Administrator appointed by the Court to administer the estate, the residue of which will be paid, either through this office or direct, to the beneficiaries entitled to receive same.

All other funds derived from the liquidation of the chattels under your care should also be sent in to this office for the credit of the accounts concerned. We might here add that there are no restrictions on the release to evacuees of the free balance of their accounts and such balances are being freely released to all requesting them.

(Over)

To enable us to complete our records it would be appreciated if you would advise us in due course of the arrangements you make with the Konishi family.

Yours very truly,

R. G. Ball,
Office of the Custodian.

RGB/P.

Sechelt Residential School

SECHELT, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION
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File No. 10875
Ans.
Referred Bell

Dec. 3, 1946

R. G. Bell,
Office of Custodian,
VANCOUVER.

File # 10873 & 10875
Re: Mrs. Hana KONISHI, Reg. #08880
Saiji KONISHI, Deceased

Dear Sir:

As advised in your letter of November 8th, 1946 regarding settlement of personal properties of above I am forwarding to your office enclosed check to the amount of $533.00.

This check will cover articles appearing on list signed before the Justice of Peace May 5th, 1942 and which have been disposed of by the Oblate Fathers, to wit:

8 cows @ $50.00 ea. ------	$400.00
1 bull @ $50.00 ----------	$ 50.00
1 sow @ $25.00 ----------	$ 25.00
30 Chickens @ $1.00 ea ---	$ 30.00
7 cords of wood @ $4.00 --	$ 28.00
TOTAL	$533.00

Cheque held by Bank (Dept Br)

In order that a settlement be arrived at concerning certain other articles would you kindly send me the address of Mrs. Hana Konishi.

Yours truly,

H. F. Dunlop, O.M.I.
Principal.

10873, 10674,
10872 & 4287.

December 5th, 1946.

Mrs. Hana KONISHI, #08880,
Mr. Sanji KONISHI, #00333,
Mrs. Saiji KONISHI, #08879,
Miss Aki KONISHI, #08881,
Upper Fraser, B. C.

Dear Sir and Mesdames:

Re: Your Agreement with Oblate Fathers, Sechelt, B. C.

In a letter dated October 23rd, the Rev. H. F. Dunlop, Principal of Sechelt Residential School, expressed the desire of the Oblate Fathers to be relieved of their obligations under the Agreement made with you on the 25th May, 1942.

In replying to this letter we advised the Oblate Fathers that the Dominion Government's policy of liquidation of evacuee assets in the protected areas of British Columbia was being carried out by: (1) shipment of personal property to owners, at such owner's expense, where this was practical and so desired; (2) sale by auction, net proceeds being credited to owner's account; (3) sale on the basis of qualified independent appraisals, net proceeds being credited to owner's account; and he was informed that this office had no objection to the Oblate Fathers following the same procedure, after consulting you.

We are now in receipt of a further letter, dated the 3rd instant, enclosing cheque for $533.00, made up as follows:

$400.00	8 cows @ $50.00 each
$ 50.00	1 bull
$ 25.00	1 sow
$ 30.00	30 chickens @ $1.00 each
$ 28.00	7 cords of wood @ $4.00 per cord
$533.00	

Before accepting this cheque we desire to know: (A) Are the above prices acceptable to you? (B) To whose account you wish these funds credited. It would be appreciated if you would let us have this information in a jointly signed letter.

In addition to the above chattels, which were removed to the School's own farm for better attention, there was a substantial list of chattels, including household effects and farm equipment, left on your farm. The Real Property (land and buildings) was, as you know, purchased by The Director, Soldier Settlement and Veterans' Land Act, who later sold the property to a Mr. Hyde, who has been in possession for some time, and is, we understand, using some of the farm equipment.

(Over)

Some of the personal property included in above list was of little value to start with, and the normal process of wear and tear will have accounted for much more, but there doubtless remains some articles with a saleable value and the Oblate Fathers should now liquidate these, as outlined above, in order that the net proceeds may be made available to the proper party or parties and these accounts closed. As this liquidation and the termination of your agreement with the Oblate Fathers is a matter for direct negotiation between you, we are sending a copy of this letter to the Rev. H. F. Dunlop, and desire to be advised of results in due course.

For your convenience in replying to questions (A) and (B) above, we enclose a stamped addressed envelope and would appreciate a prompt reply.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,
Office of the Custodian.

RGB/P.
Encl. 1.

c.c. to The Rev. H. F. Dunlop.

10873 & 10875.

April 30th, 1947.

Rev. H. P. Dunlop,
Principal,
The Sechelt Residential School,
Sechelt, B. C.

Dear Sir;

Re: Mrs. Hana KONISHI - Reg. #08880.
Saiji KONISHI, Deceased.

With reference to our letters of December 5th and February 13th, addressed to members of the above family, we have to advise that we are still without any reply and in order to avoid carrying an unclaimed cheque for an indefinite period our Accounting Department has deposited the cheque for $533.00 enclosed with your letter of the 3rd December, to the credit of Suspense Account.

This item will be dealt with as soon as we have the necessary information and we would appreciate hearing from you if and when you hear from the Konishi family.

Enclosing our regular receipt for your records, we are,

Yours very truly,

R. G. Bell,
Office of the Custodian.

RGB/P.
Encl. 1.

[redacted]

File 10874.

TO: Miss Charlotte Girard.

FROM: Mr. R. G. Bell. May 7th, 1947.

[redacted] - Book No. 00333.

Please transfer the proceeds ($11.60) from sale of milk bottles, credited to this account on April 26th, 1944, to the account of the mother, Mrs. Hana KOKUBU, Reg. No. 08880, File 10873, in which all the family's farm chattels are carried.

RGB/P.

Accounting Department.

Charge to File 10874 and credit to File 10873, Mrs. Hana KOKUBU, Reg. No.08880:
Sale of milk bottles and cases to R. L. Summers, April 26, 1944 $11.60

Transferred, May 8, 1947.

C. Girard

CG

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE CUSTODIAN'S OFFICE

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE No.

Apl. 1, 52

Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor St.,
Ottawa, Ontario
May 18, 1950

Rec'd May 20
File No. 10872-10872
Ans.
Referred

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

Re: Claims of Mrs. Hana Konishi
and Mrs. Satoko Konishi

Dear Mr. Shears:

I enclose copy of letter received from Mr. C. G. Robson concerning claims of the above named. Mr. Robson indicates that his clients were unaware of the hearings and apparently they failed to record their claims.

You will observe that Mr. Robson wishes to know if an adjustment may now be made. As Mr. Robson is in Vancouver, I feel it would be more satisfactory from his standpoint if you would call upon him or arrange a visit to your office in order that he may peruse advertisements calling for claims.

The enquiry is closed and I doubt very much if the Government would consider reopening in order to hear those who failed to comply with the Commissioner's requirements.

A letter will be sent to Mr. Robson indicating that he will hear from you in the course of the next few days. Please let me hear from you following the interview.

It would be appreciated if you will give this your usual prompt attention.

Yours very truly,

K. W. WRIGHT
CHIEF COUNSEL

KWW/JF
Encl.

Copy

ROBSON & MACDONALD
Barristers and Solicitors

801-802 Vancouver Block
736 Granville St.
Vancouver, B. C.

May 11, 1950

The Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sirs:

We have been instructed to write to you concerning our clients, Mrs. Hana Konishi and Mrs. Satoko Konishi, who reside at Upper Fraser, B. C. Mrs. Hana Konishi is an elderly woman and has resided at Upper Fraser for some years. Mrs. Satoko Konishi is the widow of Sajii Konishi who died at Le Jac, B. C., on March 2, 1945. Both of these women were unaware until a visit to the coast in April of this year that provision had been made for the reassessment of claims for property expropriated during the war by the Custodian. They have furnished us with information showing that Mrs. Hana Konishi and Mrs. Sajii Konishi were both owners of property which was so expropriated.

We are informed that the Commissioner, Mr. Justice Bird, has completed sittings of the Commission and that he has submitted his report concerning the same to parliament. In view of the peculiar circumstances of this case, we would like to know if any provision has been made whereby claims can be adjusted now. If there is no such provision, we would appreciate your advising us to this effect, and also informing us whether or not there is any likelihood in the future that such a provision will be made.

Yours truly,

ROBSON & MACDONALD

per "C. George Robson"

C. GEORGE ROBSON

CGR:LP

506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.,
May 23, 1950.

10875

E. V. Wright, Esq.,
Chief Counsel,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Bldg.,
7 O'Connor St.,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright: Re: Claims of Mrs. Hana Konishi
and Mrs. Satoko Konishi

I received your letter of the 19th in which you enclosed a copy of a letter from Mr. C. George Robson. You will be interested to know that Mr. Robson whose firm is Robson and Macdonald, is the partner of the Mr. Macdonald who has been one of the solicitors acting with Mr. Braidwood and appointed by Justice Department.

I have contacted Mr. Robson and indicated to him the extent of the advertising which was covered by 13 newspapers in a display advertisement two columns wide and about 14 inches long, as well as numerous references to the Claims Commission in the New Canadian.

The Notice did provide that "claims filed subsequent to Nov. 30, 1947 will not be considered unless special leave is granted by the Commissioner upon good cause shown". A number of claims filed during the past two years have been considered but the situation is now changed in view of the Commissioner having submitted his final report.

Mr. Robson I think realises the situation and understands that it is not expected that further claims can now be considered and that in any case it would be a matter for the Commissioner to consider. I informed Mr. Robson that I would advise you of our talk

and indicate to you that I have given him all available information.

Mr. Robson may possibly approach the Commissioner, but he was not definite in this regard.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Sheers,
Director.

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JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

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VANCOUVER, B. C.

March 1st, 1951

EVACUATION SECTION
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Mrs. Satoko KONISHI,
Upper Fraser, B. C.

Dear Madam:

We wish to advise you that we have paid to Messrs. Robson and MacDonald, Barristers and Solicitors, the sum of $1,287.53, which represents the balance of the account of the estate of Saiji KONISHI.

The sum of $533.00 is held in the account of Mrs. Hana KONISHI received from the sale of chattels to the Oblate Fathers in Sechelt. Would you be willing to give your consent to this whole amount being paid to Mrs. Hana KONISHI and if so would you please sign the footnote at the bottom of this letter, which is sent to you in duplicate, returning the copy to us in the stamped, self addressed envelope enclosed herein. If, however, you do not wish to consent to the full amount being paid to her would you be good enough to let us have your suggestions as to what should be done with this money.

Yours truly,

C. H. Read

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I, Mrs. Satoko KONISHI, do hereby consent to the full amount of the above $533.00 being paid by the Custodian to Mrs. Hana KONISHI.

Mrs. Satoko Konishi

(signed) Mrs. Satoko KONISHI.

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REGISTERED MAIL

March 12th, 1951

Mrs. Hana NOMISHI,
Upper Fraser, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Referring to our recent conversation when you last called upon us in this office, we have now received from Mrs. Satoko NOMISHI, widow of the late Saiji NOMISHI, consent to pay to you the monies received from the sale of the chattels sold to the Oblate Fathers at Sechelt.

You will recall that when we handed you your cheque we held back the sum of $533.00, and we now enclose Custodian cheque for this amount.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,

C. H. Reed
Office of the Custodian

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Mrs. Rose KOLISKY

	Date	Particulars	Debit	Credit	Balance
1943	October 28	Sale of Chevrolet Truck		$ 150.00	
	November 9	Appraisal fees on truck	6.00		
1944	June 13	Sale of property, Blks 4 & 5, D.L. 1471, Gp 1, N.W.D.		1,542.82	
	June 19	Land Registry Office - Certificates of Encumbrance	2.00		
	August 14	Land Registry Office - Certificate of Encumbrance	1.00		
		Long Distance Telephone call - Sechelt	2.18		
1945	January 22	Taxes 1942-3-4	160.42		
	February 1	Sale of Property - D.L. 5266, Gp 1, D.N.W.		309.32	
	April 23	Legal fees re sale of property	15.00		
1947	March 9	Sale of milk bottles		11.60	
1948	September 13	Sale of chattels (Livestock)		533.00	
			$ 186.60	$2,546.74	
				CR $ 2,360.14	

Accounting Department
November 9th, 1950

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Name MONTSHIP

Date		Particulars	Debit	Credit	Balance
1944	June 29	Balance as per statement sent	$	$1,759.82	
	August 14	Land Registry Office - Certificate of Encumbrance	1.00		
1945	January 22	Taxes 1942-3-4	160.42		
		Long Distance Telephone call Sechelt	2.18		
	February 1	Credit re Sale of Property		309.32	
	April 23	Payment Legal Fees Bks 4,5,6	15.00		
			$ 178.60	$2,069.14	
					CR $ 1,890.54