

10906

BUSINESS
PERSONNEL

BUREAU POWELL STREET

FILE No. 10906

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: MURANAKA, Kinako
Formerly... 3002 W. 9th Ave., Vanc'r, B. C.
HOME ADDRESS: 983 West 7th Ave., Vanc'r, B. C.
REGISTRATION NUMBER 00742 SEX: Male AGE: 33 34
OCCUPATION: Cleaner & Dyer (Business closed)

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

EMPLOYER: Self - operated business at 3002 W. 9th Ave., under the name "Canaryon Cleaners"
MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Kaworu 416

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: 983 West 7th Ave., Vanc'r, B. C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Rumiko (F)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: 983 West 7th Ave., Vanc'r, B. C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 4 years.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) None

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) None

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: None

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

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN: None

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 983 West 7th Ave., Vanc'r, B. C.

Living with wife's family, Genya EBATA

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: None

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:

None

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: None

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)

None

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

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

See Attached List.

The property so listed will be left at 475 Bridgeport Rd., Eburne, B. C. and 983 West 7th Ave., these two houses are

owned by wife's father, Genya Ebata and the goods left at ~~some~~ Eburne

will be stored and taken care of ~~with the owners~~ by the tenant.

Property at 983 W. 7th Ave. will be stored in 1 room & key of room handed over to Custodian.

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

None

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

CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY None

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None
5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None
6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom): None
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) 1-\$50.00 Victory Bond in owner's possession.
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: #2178 Bank of Montreal, Main & Hastings, Vanc'rs, B.C.
Amt. \$300.00
9. LIFE INSURANCE: None
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None
2. TRADE DEBTS: None

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 20th day of June 1942.

(Signature)

K. Mucanaka

D. M. Chope

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

✓
INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date 21-4-43.

r File No. 10956

Full Name MURAFNAKA - Kinsuke
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 00742.

✓
Male - Female
(check)

Age 4-6-1908

Former Address 3002 West 9th Ave. Vancouver B.C.

Date Evacuated 29-6-42. Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

Sandon B.C.

Down Line, Oakville Ont. - 1946 address from RCAF
Dec 22/48

✓
Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife nee (EDITH) Koworn - 00908

Name of Husband

Name of Mother deceased

Name of Father deceased

Names of Children under 16 Bumiko 4

Requested by Amf.

Registered with Custodian

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

cleaner & dyer.

Personal Property Summary

File No. 10906 - Kinsuke Muranaka, 00742

March 21, 1949

This man was evacuated June 29, 1942. On the 20th of June, 1942, he reported his property to the Custodian by JP and list of goods attached to JP, but on June 29, 1942, he turned in a list of goods which he said would be left at 475 Bridgeport Road, Eburne and at 983 West 7th Ave, and he stated that he had sold or otherwise disposed of some items originally reported. Following is list reported June 29, 1942.

Goods left at
475 Bridgeport Road
Eburne

Water pipes
2 Ironing Boards
Spotting Board
Full length Mirror
Counter
Office Desk & Chair
Cutting Table
Clock
5 Chairs
3 Bx. Hangers
1 Bx. Suit Material Samples
Mixed Buttons
Rulers 45" & Square
Carpenter & Garden Tools
1 1/2 Bdle Pant Protectors
2 Bx. Bill-books
Day Book
Bedroom Suite 4 Pc.
2 Mattresses
Cabinet
1 Tricycle
1 Baby Carriage
Desk Ink Case
2 Beds
1 Table
3 Fancy Cushions
1 Wash Tub & Bucket
Chinaware

) July 13/42 - H.D. Campbell reported - "main items of equipment moved to 475 Bridgeport Rd. The goods so stored were checked by my investigator."

) The only items accounted for are,

) 4 Piece Bedroom Suite auctioned for \$54.00 (Net: \$40.44)
1 Desk " " 3.75 (Net: 2.66)

) The house in which goods were left was rented by the owner, the father-in-law of Muranaka, to Pertab Singh, who did not care for the house and who sub-let to Mrs. Cutting. Prior to Mrs. Cutting's tenancy the house had been broken into. Nothing apart from the bedroom suite and desk removed from this house (or found in the house when Mrs. Cutting signed lease with Custodian) could be identified as belonging to Muranaka.

) There may have been some goods shipped to Muranaka.

Goods left at 983 W. 7th

Garden Tools
1 Bxkt. Mixed Dress Materials
Bed
Spring
Old Hangers
Shoulder Pads
Kitchen Range & 9 new Pipes
5 Pc. Table & Chairs

) A report on File 3293 (Genya Ebata, father-in-law of Muranaka) states "There is nothing of value in any of these cabins belonging to Japanese."
) Nothing belonging to Muranaka was removed from these premises.

) H.D. Campbell's report of July 13/42 Paragraph 4 -
) "However, reference to list will show that they are of no real value."

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RCMP Report 215 covers one F6.3 lens Camera, Folding No. 3A, Pocket Kodak 46639 and case. This camera was appraised by Dunne & Rundle in 1942 for insurance purposes at \$15.00. January 23, 1946 this camera was found to be missing from Custodian warehouse.

Carnarvon Cleaners, 3002 W. 9th Ave., Vancouver, had been operated by Muranaka, but this business was closed at the time he reported his property to the Custodian, June 20/47.

Liabilities:

Masajiro Kimura - \$310.00 Muranaka acknowledged this debt and requested that the funds in his account - \$43.10 be remitted to Kimura. On May 21, 1949, cheque for this sum sent to Kimura.

Walburn Neon Ltd. - \$31.50 Muranaka denied being indebted to this company and as insufficient information had been supplied to Custodian to enable any further action in face of this denial the Walburn Neon Ltd. have been notified that further action will not be taken in regard to this claim. - See Jan. 19/49.

Muranaka reported one \$50.00 Victory Bond and \$300.00 in Bank of Montreal account. These assets did not come under the control of the Custodian.

No funds remain in Custodian account to the credit of Kinsuke Muranaka.
No record of any other property belonging to this man is on file in Custodian office.

/FM

G. Mathison

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

No. 215

EXHIBIT REPORT

HEADQUARTERS File No.

SUB-DIV'N and File No. Vancouver

DIVISION and File No.

DETACHMENT and File No. C.T.A.

J.R. No. 00900

DATE July 15th. 1946

Re: Kinanto MATSUDA - 475 Bridgeport Road, Burnaby, B.C.

On Mar. 11th. 1942 R. E. McLaren Cst.

Came into possession of the following described goods by
Handed over by owner.

(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. OF EXHIBIT	No. OF PACKAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1		Camera - Kodak No. 3A Pocket Kodak 46639 and Case. 10906 missing Jan 23/46 McLaren File 10906

REMARKS: Handed over to Custodian of Alien Property.

DATE July 11th. 1946

(State briefly disposition)

Elis B. Spain for Custodian
(Signature of Recipient or Witness)

CERTIFIED CORRECT
R. E. McLaren
(Signature of Member)

10906 & 3054

March 21, 1949

Mr. Masajiro Kimura,
Reg. No. 02609,
c/o Sheridan Nurseries,
Sheridan, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is Custodian cheque for the sum of \$43.10,
representing funds standing to the credit of Mr. Kinsuke Muranaka
with this office.

These funds are being sent to you at the request of
Mr. Muranaka to apply on his indebtedness to you.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this cheque.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

/FM
Enclosure

CC: Mr. Kinsuke Muranaka

The Custodian's Office
Dept. of the Secretary of State
of Canada
Vancouver, B.C.

March 7, 1949.

EVACUATION SECTION	
REC'D	MAR 9, 1949
FILE NO.	3054/10906
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In the letter of Feb. 3, 1949, File No. 3054 + 10906 you mentioned that you will send the funds to Mr. Masajiro Kimura to apply on the debt, unless you hear from us by Feb. 14, 1949. They have not received the funds yet. Please send them right away to Mr. Kimura or send them to us. Even that amount would help us a lot. Thank you.

Yours truly,
Kinsuke Muramatsu
c/o Sheridan Nurseries
Sheridan, Ont.

3054 & 10906

February 3, 1949

Mr. Kinzuke Muranaka,
Reg. No. 00742,
c/o Sheridan Nurseries,
Sheridan, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Mr. Masajiro Kimura - \$310.00

Mr. Kimura has written us, in regard to the debt of \$310.00
due him from you, as follows:

"I have contacted Mr. Kinzuke Muranaka and he has
agreed that you should send him funds to me.

"Although that is not the entire amount still owing,
I would appreciate it greatly if you would send it as
soon as possible."

Since you have acknowledged this indebtedness to Mr. Kimura,
we will send the funds to Mr. Masajiro Kimura to apply on the
debt, unless we hear from you, by February 14, 1949, that you
have settled direct with Mr. Kimura.

A copy of this letter is being sent to Mr. Kimura.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

/FM

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January 19, 1949

Walburn Neon Limited,
1420 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs: Re: Kinsuke Muranaka, Reg. No. 00742

Your letter of January 19th has been received.

As we have stated, Mr. Kinsuke Muranaka has denied being indebted to your company. You have supplied the Custodian with no details in support of your claim.

However, Mr. Muranaka has indicated that he, or he and some other person or persons, had some type of agreement with your company in connection with the servicing of some equipment.

The only assets of Mr. Kinsuke Muranaka under the control of the Custodian are the funds amounting to \$40.00 in his account. His admitted debts total \$310.00.

Pro rata distribution of his funds will be made to his creditors on the understanding that the payment is accepted by the creditor in full settlement of claim.

If you are prepared to accept settlement on this basis, consideration will be given to your claim upon receipt by the Custodian of a statement of the account and a copy of the agreement referred to in your affidavit of April 29, 1942.

Unless copy of the agreement and statement of the account are received before January 28, 1949, no further action will be taken by this office in regard to this matter.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

/FM

WALBURN NEON LIMITED

MANUFACTURERS OF

Neon Displays

PHONE MA 2-1536

1420 HOWE STREET

CHARLES H. LAIN
PRESIDENT



VANCOUVER, B.C.

G. H. PEERS
SECRETARY

January 19, 1949.

Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 20 1949
File No.	10906
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Re: Kinsuke Maranaka, Carnarvon
Cleaners. File 10906.

Dear Sirs:

With reference to your letter of the 17th instant we wish to point out that the above named has acknowledged that he was under contract with us in connection with his neon sign by the quotation given in your letter of the 13th instant, and states that he does not think he should pay.

A loss was sustained on our account with this man and the matter of who should take the loss is what you are passing judgement on.

Yours very truly,

WALBURN NEON LIMITED

Per.....

GHP/LW

10906

January 17, 1949

Walburn Neon Limited,
1420 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Kinsuke Muranaka, Reg. No. 00742

Your letter of January 14th has been received. In regard to the first paragraph of your letter, we have reread our letter of January 13th, but are unable to find where we had stated that we were disregarding your claim in favor of other creditors.

The fact is that the information supplied by your company is not sufficient to justify our taking any further action in face of Mr. Kinsuke Muranaka's denial.

Your affidavit in respect to this claim stated that "E. Muranaka trading as Carnarvon Cleaners" was indebted to your company in the sum of \$31.50 being amount due under an agreement. Your company did not identify "E. Muranaka". Your company did not supply a copy of the agreement. Your company gave no statement of the account.

We are not aware of the identity of E. Muranaka. No assets of Carnarvon Cleaners came under the control of the Custodian.

It is possible that your company is aware of the identity of the person referred to in your affidavit. It may be that you have other information, which you have not troubled to give this office, and which may be of assistance in settling this matter.

To enable your company to supply the missing facts, we will make no distribution of funds from the account of Mr. Kinsuke Muranaka before January 28, 1949. If we do not hear from you by that date, we shall consider the matter closed, and will take no further action.

The Custodian has no objection to your taking proper action against Mr. Kinsuke Muranaka if you consider that he is the person concerned.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

/FM

Neon Displays

CHARLES H. LAIN
PRESIDENT

VANCOUVER, B.C.

January 14, 1949.

Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,

Re: Kinsuke Maranaka, Carnarvon
Cleaners. File 10906.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 15 1949
File No.	10906
Ans.	
Deferred	

G. H. PEERS
SECRETARY

Dear Sirs:

We have your letter of the 13th instant in which you state you are disregarding our claim against the above in favor of other creditors.

We would like to point out that, in accepting the debtors word that he does not feel obligated to pay us, you are passing judgement as to the reliability of our sworn statement of claim. It is a matter we feel strongly about as our loss in uncollectable accounts occasioned by the evacuation of the Japanese ran into several thousand dollars and we see no reason why every assistance should not be given us where it is possible to make some small recovery on our loss. Your statement that we may write to this man in Ontario is merely an evasion of the issue.

While the amount involved in this case is of small consequence we feel that the Custodian should not show preference in the matter of creditors claims.

Yours very truly,

WALBURN NEON LIMITED

Per.....

GHP/LW

10906

January 14, 1949

Mr. Kinzuke Muranaka,
Reg. No. 00742,
c/o Sheridan Nurseries,
Sheridan, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of January 8th has been received.

We have written Walburn Neon Ltd. informing them of what you said in regard to their claim.

We have written to Mr. Masajiro Kimura also. As Mr. Kimura is at Sheridan possibly you could ask him to write us confirming the agreement you have reached with him in regard to his claim. This would enable us to clear this matter up more quickly.

In respect to the camera referred to in your letter, the situation has not changed since we wrote to you on January 23 and February 7, 1946. In those letters we informed you that the camera was missing from our warehouse and was believed to have been stolen. The postage you sent was returned in our letter of February 7, 1946.

No further trace of this camera has been found. The receipt you received from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police is on your file in this office.

The desk and four piece bedroom suite were the only articles found that we were able to identify as your property. Most of the articles found at 475 Bridgeport Road, Etobicoke, were, when sold, credited to the account of your father-in-law.

Nothing of any value was found at 983 West 7th Avenue.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

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EVALUATION SECTION

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Received your letter of Dec. 22, 1948 on Jan. 8th 1949. According to your letter you have sold just the desk and a five piece bedroom suite. That happened to my rest of the lot of things I reported to you when we were leaving. About our camera, on Jan. 15, 1946 Mr. D. B. Spain wrote to us to claim a camera it is necessary to send the receipt of camera, so we sent the receipt and twenty five cents to cover postage but we have not got the camera yet.

That \$31.50 was to look after the man such as insurance, painting, damage etc so we paid \$2.25 monthly. He paid while we were there in business. That \$31.50 is after we had evacuated. He can't pay that. You get it from the government. Please send the \$3.10 to me. He will fix up the \$310.00 of Masajiro Jimura by himself.

Yours truly,

KINSUKE MURANAKA

40 SHERIDAN NURSERIES
SHERIDAN, ONT.

K. Muranaka

NAME WUHAN, Emma

REGISTRATION NO. 00742

FILE NO. 10906

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, N. G. on March 17, 1944

Desk \$ 3.75

Transferred from File 3293, in accordance with memo of Oct. 27, 1947.

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act 2/47*

Total	(Auctioneer's Fee \$.38	\$ 3.75
Less Expenses:	(Advertising .16	\$ 1.09
	(Moving .55	2.46
Net Proceeds Credited:		

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Stevenson 9

Remarks.

NAME MURAKAMI, Kenneth

REGISTRATION NO. 00742

FILE NO. 10906

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, B. C. on March 10, 1924

4 Piece Bedroom Suite

\$ 54.00

Transferred from File 3293, on October 27, 1947, in accordance
with memo of that date.

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Total

\$ 54.00

Less Expenses:

(Auctioneer's Fee: \$5.40
(Advertising: 2.00
(Moving: 6.16

\$ 13.56

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 40.44

Mr. Harris

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Stevenson 8

Extracted From Auctioneering List No.

Remarks.

29th October, 1947.

RE: Genya EBATA
Regn. No. 01600
File No. 3293

CHATELS DECLARED TO BE LEFT
AT EBATA'S HOUSE LOCATED AT
983 W. 7th AVE., VANCOUVER, BC.

GENERAL

Ebata did not declare anything having been left at the above address, all of his effects were stated to be stored at his farm located at 475 Bridgeport Rd., Steveston, B.C.

Kinsuke MURANAKA (file 10906) itemized various articles which he declared to be at 983 W. 7th Ave., and on 29th June, 1942, H.D. Campbell who was the inspector appointed by this office in his case, submitted a list of same.

A report dated 27 August, 1942, states that inspection of the 7th Ave. premises divulged that "There is nothing of value in any of these cabins belonging to the Japanese".

EBATA

Review of Ebata's file does not disclose the existence of any articles belonging to him having been found on the premises, nor has he contended that any had been left.

MURANAKA

Review of Ebata's file does not disclose the finding of any articles claimed by him (and Campbell) to have been left at this address. Further information in regard to his chattels will be contained on his personal file.

NO FURTHER INFORMATION IN REGARD TO CHATELS CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN LEFT AT 983 W. 7th AVE., VANC., B.C. IS CONTAINED IN EBATA'S FILE NO. 3293.

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

[Signature]
Admin. Dept.

JC/..

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27th October, 1947.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Miss Matheson

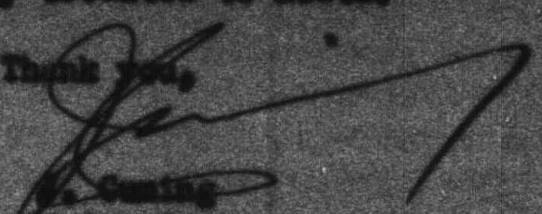
FROM: Mr. Goring

Please transfer to the credit of Kinuko MURAKAKI (file 10906) from the credit of Goya HATA (file 3293) the following:

SECTION	DATE	ARTICLE	AM'T. REQD.
Styeta No. 9	17/3/44	Desk	\$ 3.75
"	18/3/44	4 pc Bdm suite	54.00

The above goods were left by Murakaki on premises owned by Hata. Upon sale, the proceeds derived were incorrectly credited to Hata.

Thank you,


 Mr. Goring
 Admin. Dept.

JG/..

To: Accounting Dept.

From: P. Matheson

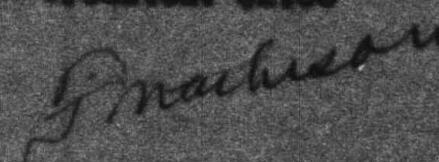
Charge to File 3293 and credit File ¹⁰⁹⁰⁶ 3496 (Kinuko MURAKAKI #00742), as follows:

Statement 1 - Realized

Credit 3293: Realized:	\$155.05	- Expenses:	\$39.35	- Credited:	\$115.70
Credit 10906: "	54.00	- Expenses:	13.56	- Credited:	<u>40.44</u>
					156.14

Statement 2

Credit 10906: Realized:	\$3.75	- Expenses:	\$1.09	- Credited:	\$2.66
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December 22nd, 1948.

Mr. Kensuke MURANAKA,
Registration No. 00742,
Town Line,
Oakville, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Your present credit balance with this office is \$43.10, derived from the sale of a desk and a four piece bedroom suite at public auction. These goods were left by you on premises owned by Gensya EBATA and were later identified as belonging to you.

We note that there are on file against you two claims amounting to \$341.50 as follows:

\$31.50 - Walburn Neen Ltd.
\$310.00 - Masajiro KIMURA.

Would you please confirm or deny these claims. We are transferring the credit balance in your account to Suspense Account pending an answer from you concerning this matter. If we do not hear from you on or before January 17th, 1949, we will have no alternative but to assume these claims against you are correct, and the funds to your credit in this office will be paid to these claimants.

Yours truly,

B. Mac Askill

B. Mac Askill,
Office of the Custodian.

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March 15th, 1944.

Mr. Kensuke HIRANAKA,
Reg. No. 00742,
PO - 2nd Ave.,
Bay Farm,
SLOCAN, D.C.

Re: Chattels

Dear Sir:

We have for acknowledgment your letter of the 12th ultimo enquiring about chattels said to have been left on the property of your father-in-law, Mr. Genya EBATA, and in reply would inform you that when the chattels were removed from the property of your father-in-law we were unable to identify anything belonging to you, and separation was impossible.

All personal property was sold at auction in the name of Genya EBATA, and if you wish to claim any portion of the proceeds of sale, it will be necessary for you to communicate with him and decide which items belonging to you have been sold in his name.

Yours truly,

G. B. Spain
Protection Department

GBS:LEB

The Custodian's Office
Dept. of the Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
DATE	FEB 12 1946
FILE NO.	10906
NO.	2293
REFERRED	AS PER

I would like to know what happened to
all my goods that I left in your custody,
when we were evacuated from the restricted
area into internment camps in June 1942.

Yours truly,

A. Muranaka

Reg. No. 00742

No. 6, 2nd Ave.,

Bay View, Bronx
N.Y.C.

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February 7th, 1946.

Mr. Kensuke MURAKAKI,
Reg. No. 00742,
No. 6 - Second Ave.,
Bay Farm,
SLOCAN, B.C.

RE: Camera

Dear Sir:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 26th
ultimo with further reference to your missing camera.

As already explained, we would be very pleased to
return your camera, in fact we have been urging all camera owners
to send in their receipts and claim their cameras. It is very
unfortunate that your camera is missing and that it has undoubtedly
been stolen by thieves who entered our storage warehouse.

If it is recovered by the police, who have been notified,
we will be pleased to send it to you.

We return your postage stamp herewith.

Yours truly,

G. B. Spain
Protection Department

GBS:LEM

Encl. (1)

Mr. E. B. Spain
Postmaster Dept.

Jan. 28, 1946

We received your letter of Jan 28, 1946 and was very surprised to learn that our camera (Folding Camera No 3A Pocket Kodak #6639 with Case) is missing. We wrote that if we wish to claim a camera, it will be necessary for us to send you the receipt we obtained from the U. S. C. M. I. at the time the camera was surrendered and twenty-five cents to cover postage and packing so we mailed them right away. Then in the next letter you wrote that our camera is missing and returned the twenty-five cent postage stamp. Such a miserable thing of you to do.

My camera was a good expensive camera with good lens and a leather case.

All my friends got theirs but us. Will you please take another good look over. If you cannot locate it, what are you going to do about it.

Enclosed a twenty-five cents postage stamp.

is a good
camera

Yours truly
K. Muranaka
K. MURANAKA
No. 6, 2nd Ave.
Bayview Green Park

10906

January 23, 1946.

Mr. Kensuke MURANAKA,
Reg. No. 00742,
No. 6 - Second Ave.,
Bay Farm,
SLOCAN, B.C.

RE: Camera

Dear Sir:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 19th instant with R.C.M.P. receipt mentioned therein covering one folding camera No. 3, pocket kodak. We also received your postage stamp for twenty five cents which we return herewith.

We regret to inform you that your camera is missing and cannot be located at present.

We have taken all reasonable measures for protection of personal goods, involving considerable expense in the employment of caretakers, watchmen and night patrol, but in spite of this a certain amount of breaking-in and vandalism has occurred in our storage from time to time resulting in some items being stolen. It would appear that your camera might have been taken under such circumstances.

Burglary and theft are, of course, circumstances which sometimes happen to the most careful property owners even when the owner is in residence and after taking every precaution against such possibilities.

The police have been made aware of this situation and if the missing article should be recovered you will of course be advised.

Your request and a copy of this letter will remain on our files indicating the facts regarding this matter and be available for review at any future time.

Yours truly,

G. B. Spain
Protection Department.

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Reg No

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

V. 117

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Un. B.C. March 10 1942

Received from

KINSUKE MURANAKA

475 Bridgeport Road Cherul

Kau Lu Island

One folding camera No 3 A pocket Kodak
46639 and case

Dollars,

100

Signature

L. J. S. Corbett

Reg. No. 1402

10906

January 15th, 1946.

Mr. Kensuke MURAKA,
Reg. No. 00742,
No. 6 - 2nd Ave.,
Bay Farn,
SLOCAN, B.C.

Dear Sir:

We have your letter of the 9th instant requesting shipment of your camera.

If you wish to claim a camera, it will be necessary for you to send us the receipt you obtained from the R.C.M.P. at the time the camera was surrendered and twenty five cents to cover postage and packing.

Yours truly,

G. B. Spain
Protection Department

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MEMORANDUM

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March 7, 1944

To: Mr. Green

From: Mr. Spain

Re: G. EBATA

With reference to memorandum from Mr. Harris to Mr. Mackenzie regarding junk at Bridgeport Road.

Unless the tonnage is considerably in excess of what I saw scattered around the farm and outhouses it is doubtful if any junk dealer would consider this worth saving.

Assuming that there is $\frac{1}{2}$ a ton of old iron, this, at 2¢ per pound would be worth say \$20.00. The truck and labour would probably exceed this amount.

GBS:JS

N.B. Since sold to a junk dealer for \$5.00 cash. Receipt on file.

rec'd by Spain

File 3293
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March 2, 1944

File please

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. H. B. Mackenzie
From: Mr. G. W. Harris

Re: G. W. HARRIS

Having removed all chattels of any value from 475 Bridgeport Road to No. 3 Warehouse for auction, there still remains a large collection of old iron, auto parts, old broken farm equipment which is just junk.

Could you have a Junk Man collect it? Will see you Saturday for instructions re Sale of Gas Engine, Pump, Saw, Manure (frame) and various plows and farm equipment which I presume we will auction.

GWH:JB

MEMORANDUM

July 2nd, 1943.

To: File 10906

From: Specified Articles Department

Re: MURANAKA, Kinsuke - Reg. 00742

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>RCMP #215</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
CAMERA	F6.3 lens. Camera - Folding No. 3A Pocket Kodak 46639, and case		\$ 15.00

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June 1st, 1943.

Mrs. C. M. Cutting,
475 Bridgeport Rd.,
Stevenson, E. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Gerva (Yebata) SEATA

In answer to your recent inquiry for
the purchase of furniture and fixtures belonging
to the above Japanese, we are sorry to say that
they are unwilling for the time being, to sell
anything.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green,
Protection Department.

HFG/AM

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June 1st, 1943.

Mr. W. Krametz,
c/o John Timms,
R. F. #2,
Eburne, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Senya (Yebata) ERATA

In answer to your recent enquiry for
the purchase of agricultural articles belonging to
the above Japanese, we are sorry to say that they
are unwilling for the time being, to sell anything.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green,
Protection Department.

HFG/AM

MEMORANDUM

File Nos.: 3293
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March 8th, 1943

To: Mr. C. C. Robinson

From: Mr. H. F. Green

Re: ERATA, Genya (Yebata)
KINURA, Masajiro
MURAHARA, Kinsuke

Confirming our conversation of Saturday in which you told us that you expected to see Pertab Singh on Sunday the 14th, we think you should act as follows.

1. Collect the balance of \$100.00 being the rent overdue as at the 31st of December, 1942.
2. Collect the \$2.00 per month for use of kitchen stove and heater stove rented to this man as per letter dated June 16th attached to his lease.
3. We consider that under no circumstances should this lease be continued. While from the Agreement dated June 12th he seems to have the option to continue renting the property, he has broken the following conditions which we think justifies terminating the lease.
 - (a) He has not looked after the property in a good husbandlike manner (Fairhall's letter on our files of October 7th and Stirling's report of November 3rd.)
 - (b) He has sublet without the consent of the owner.
 - (c) He is more than thirty days in arrears with the rent.
4. Directly you have advised him of the above and he has left your office, I think you should drive over to the sub-tenant who we understand is quite a reliable person, and advise her that she is now a direct tenant of the Custodian. Under no circumstances should she hand any money to

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Pertab Singh and if he molests her in any way, she should take appropriate action. It will be in order to give her a letter saying that she is now the direct tenant of the Custodian and that Pertab Singh has no further right on the premises, quoting as her reason for doing so, 3. (c) above.

5. Finally, I think you should take this opportunity of inventorying the chattels and implements on the premises. You will remember that these include articles as per my memorandum of February 1st belonging to Hasejio Kinnu and also some possess-ions of Kinnu Kurnaka of which I believe you have a list but with which I can furnish you a copy if necessary.

WFO:IF

P.S.

Mrs. Cutting has just reported the removal of two cherry trees from this property while she was out Saturday week ago. She says they were taken by Pertab Singh as two other parties were there when they were taken. We think you should report this to the police and try and have a charge laid, though it might first be best to collect the \$100.00.

MEMORANDUM

File Nos: 3293)
10906)

Nov. 11th, 1942

To: Mr. Sheers

From: Mr. Green

Re: EBATA, Genya (Yebeta)
MURAKAKA, Kinsuke

This is a rather interesting case which I will be grateful if you would consider and give me a ruling on. Possibly legal opinion will be required.

Mr. Genya Ebata, on file 3293 herewith, on April 11th declared considerable effects at 475 Bridgeport Road. Mr. Mather sent in a report on this on April 27th. He found "a frame shingle six-room dwelling, no plumbing, and in very poor condition; several old farm buildings all of which are worthless." He also gave an inventory identical with that declared by Genya Ebata. I am always suspicious when agents give an inventory which agrees in every respect with that declared by the Japanese.

On July 21st we wrote to Mr. Thomas King (who had presumably provided the material for the original report) that we were informed that the place had been leased to an Indian named Pertab Singh. In passing, we have had a lot of trouble with this man in another case.

On September 9th, we reported to Mr. King that we had a copy of the lease between Genya Ebata and Pertab Singh on our files. This is dated June 12th, the property being leased for \$300.00 to December 31st, 1942, and at \$125.00 per year subsequently. At the moment of writing, \$100.00 is outstanding.

Please note particularly, clauses Nos. 2, 3, 6, 8, and 12, in this lease all of which, as will later appear, have been broken.

On September 10th Mr. Peers advised me of a call from this man's daughter-in-law. She claimed that the house had been left unoccupied and that several articles were missing. Fortunately, the two valuable agricultural implements had been entrusted to others whose acknowledgement we now hold.

As Mr. King had already advised us that he could not satisfactorily handle this property due to transportation difficulties, the case was entrusted to Mr. J. W. Fairhall on September 15th and a report asked for at that time. On September 25th we further advised him that Mr. Genya Ebata's son had called on us, acknowledged having sold or taken with them certain articles, and also reported that there were some effects in the attic belonging apparently to a son-in-law, Kinsuke Muranaka, our file 10906 herewith. From the enclosure to

Campbell's report of July 13th on that file, you will see the items claimed to have been left by this man at 475 Bridgeport Road, Burnside. On October 7th Mr. Fairhall reported that the house at this address was securely boarded up except for a small one-room cottage which had been broken into. The whole place was disused and neglected and the lessee had certainly not maintained the building and land in a good husband-like manner.

I decided that I must have fuller particulars and finally asked Mr. Robinson for a full report giving him all necessary particulars as per my memorandum of October 29th. His report of November 3rd is now to hand on file 3293 herewith.

It seems to me very clear that Pertab Singh was, at the least, been guilty of great negligence and probably has been actively dishonest. The issue appears to be whether we should wash our hands of the matter (except in collecting rent) on the grounds that this arrangement was made by the Japanese himself and that he or his daughter or son were here until at least September 25th and during that time by their own admission, removed or sold certain articles. This, incidentally, would very much weaken any case we might bring against Pertab Singh. The alternative, presumably, to rejecting all responsibility, would be to proceed against Pertab Singh, though how effective this would be, it is difficult to say.

HPG:11

RE - MURAKAKA, Kinsuke

983 West 7th Avenue,

(Formerly - 3002 West 9th Avenue) Vancouver, B. C. - 00742.

YOUR FILE NO. 10906.

1. On contacting this Japanese declarant, I found that his Cleaning Shop at 983 West 7th Avenue, was closed and that all his equipment and effects had been moved from the Shop premises.

2. The main items of equipment had been moved to 475 Bridgeport Road, Eburne, and stored on the premises in his Father-in-law's house. The goods so stored were checked by my investigator and are included in a list signed by Muranaka, which is enclosed.

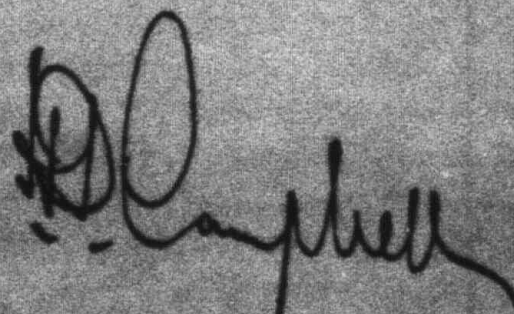
3. This house is rented by Ebata, the Father-in-law, to a Hindu, Partab Singh, who has agreed to the storage of the effects of both Ebata and Muranaka in one room, which will be securely locked up by Mr. Ebata when he is evacuated.

4. The remaining articles, which are on a separate list in the attached letter from Muranaka, are stored in a cabin at the rear of the 7th Avenue property. As the plan is that other Japanese evacuees are to also place goods in this cabin for storage, it was impossible to have these articles secured under my control on your behalf. However, reference to the list will show that they are of no real value.

5. It will be noted that the list of actual goods stored, included in the attached letter obtained from Muranaka, does not agree entirely with the one submitted to your Office with the "JP" Declaration, the reason being that certain items were sold, without authority, or otherwise disposed of. However, as there apparently are no claims of any kind against this man, and he has amended his declaration as to what goods are under the control of the Office of the Custodian, by this attached letter, this arrangement would appear to be in order.

6. As these storage arrangements will take care of all Muranaka's declared property, I am closing my file on the case.

Enclosure: See June 29, 1942



July 13, 1942.

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

H. D. Campbell, Esq., C. A.,
Agent for the Office of the Custodian,
512 Standard Bank Building,
510 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. Messenger:

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that the original list of furniture and effects, included in my Declaration to the Custodian, is now incorrect as I have sold or otherwise disposed of certain items.

The following is the list of goods which will be left at my Father-in-law's house at 475 Bridgeport Road, Eburne, B. C.:-

Water pipes
2 ironing boards
Spotting board
Full length mirror
Counter
Office desk & chair
Cutting table
1 clock
5 chairs
Hangers, 2 boxes
1 box suit material
(samples)
Mixed buttons
Rulers 45" and square
Carpenter & garden tools.

1 1/2 bundle pant protectors
2 boxes bill books
Day book
Bedroom suite 4 pc.
2 mattresses
Cabinet
1 tricycle & baby carriage
Desk ink case
2 beds
1 table
3 fancy cushions
1 wash tub & bucket
Chinaware,

The following list is the actual goods which will be stored on the premises at 983 West 7th Avenue.

Garden tools
1 basket all mixed dress materials
Bed
Spring
Old hangers
Shoulder pads
Kitchen range & 9 new pipes
5 pc. table & chairs

The Eburne property is owned by my Father-in-law, Mr. Genya Ebata, who has leased this property to a Hindu, Pertab Singh for the duration of the war, and this Pertab Singh has agreed to the storage of my effects on the property in one room which will be securely locked up. My use of this room is part of the rental arrangements made between Mr. Ebata and Pertab Singh. The 7th Avenue property, which is also owned by Mr. Ebata, is to be locked up under the control of the Custodian for the duration of the war.

Yours truly,

K. Muranaka

J. M. [Signature]
Witness

Additional information to be attached to the registration:

MURANAKA, Kinsuke

983 W. 7th Ave., Vanc'r, B. C.

Reg. No. 00742

The following goods will be left in wife's father's houses to be stored with his goods. (475 Bridgeport Rd., Eburne, B. C. and 983 West 7th Ave., Vanc'r, B. C.)

Steam presser (\$600.00)
(Hoffman Valetor) boiler

Sawdust Burner(\$250.00)

Steam & electric iron
pipes etc.

electric iron

foot sewing machine-
spotting board

X electric sewing machine

ironing boards, sleeve boards

counter

O office desk

cutting table slab

new roll wrapping paper

2-electric clocks

spools of thread(\$25.00)

7-chairs

^{new} 6 new and ^{old} 7 Old hangars

seam binding

2-boxes suit material samples

buttons(\$25.00)

snaps, hooks and eyes, zippers
hem marker, rulers(\$10.00)

chalks(dressmakers);

pinker, buttonhole machine

carpenter & garden tools

10 yds. canvas

pant crease board

sleeve preaser

rubber mat

1½ boundle pant-protector

2 boxes bill books

1-box shoulder padding

dress protector

day book

Due C.

Signed,

K. Muranaka

X Stored at 983. West 7th Avenue, Vancouver, B.C.

Additional information to be attached to the the registration:

MURANAKA, Kinsuke

983 W. 7th Ave., Vanc'r, B. C.

Reg. No. 00742

The following goods will be left in wife's
father's houses to be stored with his goods. (475 Bridgeport
Rd., Burnaby, B. C. and 983 West 7th Ave., Vanc'r, B. C.)

X bedroom suite	X 4-white blankets
X 1-eiderdown	X 1-spring
/ X 4-matresses	X 2-pillows
X Kitchen stove(Beach)	X 16-new pipes & others
X electric stove	cabinets
X kitchen table 5pc.	2-tricycles
baby carriage	desk ink case
X trunk	X travelling suit case
+ R.C.M.P. camera & case(\$75.00)	X 5-bed covers
3 fancy cushion	X cooking utensils
2-wash tubs	X 8pc. Mirror, comb, brush, etc. set.

D.L.C.

Signed,

K. Muranaka

+ Stored at 983. West 7th Avenue, Vancouver, B.C.