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PERSONAL**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: SHIMIZU, Torao
 HOME ADDRESS: 47 Moncton St., Steveston, B. C.
 REGISTRATION NUMBER 04455 SEX: Male AGE: 41
 OCCUPATION: Mechanic

(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: KASLO MOTOR TRANSPORT

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: SHIMIZU, Masayo

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: KASLO, B. C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: SUSUMI

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: KASLO, B. C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 7 Years

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

AS PER ATTACHED LIST.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

N11

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are)

N11

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) N11

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) N11

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: _____

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: _____

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN _____

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: _____

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

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY _____

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) _____

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

VICTORY BOND

WAR SAVING STAMPS

KASLO, B. C.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: No

9. LIFE INSURANCE: Yes

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS. No

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: No

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: No

2. TRADE DEBTS: No

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 FEBRUARY 1943

(Signature)

R. S. Burr
J. W. O'ConnellP. Shinniger
P. Shinniger

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

June 7/43

Our File No.

12254

Full Name

SHIMIZU, Torao
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No.

04455

Male - Female
(check)

Age

Jan. 25, 1901

Former Address

Box 81, Steveston, B.C.

Date Evacuated

10/3/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

PO Box 336

Kaslo, B.C. (July/42)

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

(nee) HIRATA Masayo # 04444

Name of Husband

None

Name of Mother

(nee) MATSUZAKI

Name of Father

None

Names of Children under 16

Kane

Susumu (M) 8/6/35

Requested by

CCP

Registered with Custodian

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Motor Mechanic

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

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

NOV 21 1947

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

- (1) NAME SHIMIZU TORAO (RCMP) Reg. No. 04455
(Print) Surname Given Name
- (2) Pre-Evacuation Address 47 MONCTON STREET, STEVASTON, B.C.
- (3) Present Address BOX 336, KASLO, B.C.
- (4) REAL ESTATE
- (a) Street Address (if any) _____ City or Municipality, _____ Province _____
- (b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.) _____

(c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):

- (i) Farm _____
(ii) Residence _____ Type of business _____
(iii) Business _____
(iv) Any other type of property (describe) _____

(d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.) _____

(e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):

(i) Land - - - - - \$ _____

(ii) Buildings - - - - - \$ _____

(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) - - - - - \$ _____

(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - - - - - \$ _____

(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - - \$ _____

(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - \$ _____

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation _____

(b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)
47 Moncton St., Steveston, B.C.

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation Living Quarter and premises formerly occupied by SHIMIZU FURNITURE at above address
small articles were packed and others
not packed

(over)

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

IN NO ONE'S CARE

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

1.	Estimated Value \$
2.	Estimated Value \$
3.	Estimated Value \$
4.	Estimated Value \$
5.	Estimated Value \$
6.	Estimated Value \$
7.	Estimated Value \$
8.	Estimated Value \$
9.	Estimated Value \$
10.	Estimated Value \$

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS \$

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

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

(g) (a) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard. (Vancouver, Kamloops, Nelson, Lethbridge, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto or Montreal.)
(b) Do you require the services of an interpreter at the hearing? Yes or no YES

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

DOMINION OF CANADA

TO WIT:

James Thompson

in the

City of Vancouver

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

The information set out in the form above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of "The Canada Evidence Act".

DECLARED before me at the

City of Vancouver

in the

of *British Columbia*

this *10th* day of *November*

A.D. 1947.

A Commissioner &c.

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

NOV 21 1947		ESTIMATE VALUE	\$48.00
1 only	STUDIO LOUNGE	" "	15.00
1 "	STAIR	" "	14.00 10
1 set	Dinning suite	" "	5.00
3 only	Small table	" "	20.00
1 only	Coal heater	" "	45.00 20
1 only	Dresser	" "	17.00
1 "	Wardrobe	" "	15.00
1 "	Cupboard	" "	17.00
1 "	China cabinet	" "	15.00
1 "	Cheffonier	25.00	50.00
	Kitchen Utensils	" "	45.00
2 sets	Double sized beds	" "	75.00
1 only	Kitchen Range	" "	16.00
	Carpet	" "	7.00
5 only	Picture Frames	" "	40.00
2 sets	Japanese ornamental Dolls	" "	20.00
2 only	Electric Clock	" "	15.00
1 "	TRILIGHT	" "	5.00
1 "	Bridge lamp	" "	50.00
1 only	Electric Sander	" "	15.00
1 "	Electric Drill 1/4" Black & Decker	" "	546.00
			13.92
			532.08

CREDIT from CUSTODIAN Received
TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS

441
1950

1737
Registration Number 04444

SHIMUZU (Masae) Mrs. Torao

47 Moncton Street, Steveston, B. C.

LOCATION AND NATURE OF PROPERTY

This was a garage business and is now closed, situated at 47 Moncton Street, Steveston. It was operated by the husband of this woman, Torao Shimuzu, who is now at Rainbow Camp No. 6 at Red Pass, B. C. The store was rented from her brother, Hayao Hirota.

INSURANCE

Mrs. Shimuzu states that there is no insurance.

FINANCIAL POSITION

Mrs. Shimuzu also claims that there are no liabilities. Inventory is attached hereto.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I would recommend that on evacuation, the goods of Mrs. Shimuzu be stored. If her husband has already reported in to the Custodian, I would recommend that he be gotten in touch with, at the Rainbow Camp and authority be taken to either dispose of this property, or to have it stored in some proper way, for the duration.

A. Mather

April 20, 1942

Registration Number 04444

Shimusu (Masae) Mrs. Torao

The following goods are in the same building,
but are owned by her husband, who was originally
Agent for the Home Gas Station.

1 Set #CPA High Grade Valve Refacer	\$370.00
1 " #1335 Sioux Solder Gun	78.00
1 " Sander	27.00
1 Blackhawk Jack	250.00
1 Painting Gun	20.00
1 Air Compressor	200.00
2 Sets Balloon Tire Guage	350.00
3 " Truck Tire Gauge	14.00
1 " #3500 DeLuxe Screw Plates	30.00
1 " Micrometer Calliper	15.00
2 " Valve Spring Lifters	17.00
1 " Bolt Clipper	15.00
1 " File Handles	3.00
1 Torch	7.00
1 Welding Torch and 5 set taps	38.00
2 Sets Low Pressure Guage	80.00
1 Cutting Torch and Taps and Hose	67.53
1 Big Chief Box and Tools	130.00
1 Vulcan Air Cleaner	35.00
2 King Motor Testers	50.00
2 Growler	12.00
1 Battery Analyser	89.50
1 Battery Charger	39.90
1 Compression Gauge	15.00
1 Front Wheel	30.00
1 Set Fender Tools	15.00
1 Screw Pitch Guage	1.50
1 Air Separator	25.63
1 Set Inside Micrometers	37.80
1 Set Drills	17.00
1 Set Spark Plug Service	20.50
1 " Battery Tools	8.00
Battery Tester and Filler	7.00
Steel Stamps 2 Sets	9.55
3 Sets Wheel Hup and Gear Puller	44.50
1 Hand Drill	15.00
#12 Ed. Extra Heavy Box Tools	72.95
1 Vise	15.85
1 Bench Grinder	53.00
1 McCaskey Cash Register	100.00
1 Track	75.00
1 Show Case	5.00
1 Set Rorto-Power	250.00

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Registration No. 04444

Shimizu (Masae) Mrs. Torao

INVENTORY

- ✓ 1 Singer Sewing Machine (Electric)
- ✓ 1 Sofa
- ✓ 1 Desk
- ✓ 1 Table and Chair Set
- ✓ 2 Center Tables
- ✓ 1 Kitchen Stove
- ✓ 1 Heater
- ✓ 3 Cupboards
- ✓ 2 Tables
- ✓ 1 Dresser
- ✓ 2 Chiffoneers
- ✓ 1 Box Japanese Dolls
- ✓ 1 Shrine
- ✓ 1 Trunk
- ✓ 2 Beds with springs and mattresses
- ✓ 2 Lamp Stands
- ✓ 2 Toasters
- ✓ 1 Electric Iron
- ✓ 1 Carpet
- ✓ 1 Book Case
- ✓ 1 Wardrobe

April 20, 1942

See file 12254 for chattels list

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 12254

July 30, 1947.

Re: (Mr.) Torao SHIMIZU

Registration No. 04455

Registered-February 9, 1943.

Evacuated-March 10, 1942.

This file reveals no real property owned by the above-mentioned Japanese. SHIMIZU was renting a one-storey frame building (4 rooms) at 47 Moncton Street, Steveston, B. C., on a ten year lease. The property was owned by his brother-in-law, Hayao HIROTA, who had leased it to Home Oil Distributors Limited on November 16, 1936, as a gasoline station. The latter in turn leased it for a further period of ten years to Torao SHIMIZU on December 19, 1936. This lease was surrendered on October 4, 1943, after SHIMIZU had been renting the garage to one D. Lumley.

CHATELS: The wife of T. SHIMIZU (Mrs. Masayo) registered on April 4, 1942, and was then evacuated to Kaslo, B. C., on May 20, 1942. She declared a list of chattels including household items belonging to her and also tools belonging to her husband. However, it was not until February 9, 1943, (11 months after his evacuation to Kaslo, B. C.) that a JP Form was completed by Torao SHIMIZU and thus a complete list of chattels declared. The list of his chattels had been requested previously and although the list finally received was identical with a release form received earlier from Torao SHIMIZU, it is regretted that the delay that ensued before the chattel list was received resulted in some of the furniture items missing when the premises were broken into. This did not apply to the tools however, as they were hidden under the floor boards in the garage, and dispatched to him and acknowledged on November 5, 1943.

It should be mentioned that Sunao SHIGEMATSU, File No. 4587, Registration No. 08177, declared a considerable amount of furniture making machinery which had been left in his store which he was renting from SHIMIZU. Thus when all Japanese property was vested in the Custodian, all chattels *on the premises* were automatically vested at the same time and as SHIMIZU had not declared his chattels earlier, some of the equipment belonging to SHIGEMATSU was assumed to belong to SHIMIZU. It should further be mentioned that the wife of Sunao SHIGEMATSU did not declare any personal property and later on requested a shipment of some effects left with H. YONEDA (Registration No. 03717). SHIGEMATSU had already declared some articles left with YONEDA but when later on, he requested shipments, the list which included "wooden boxes" and "boxes of glassware etc." which might have included items now reported missing, were mistaken for the rightful owner. The climax occurred only recently when a letter was received from Mrs. Ruth HAMAGUCHI (Registration No. 04340) submitting a list of chattels that had been left with Mrs. SHIMIZU. She stated that, at Mrs. SHIMIZU's request, she had sent a list in 1942 to Mrs. SHIMIZU for onward transmission to the Custodian but this was not received at this Office. Consequently, all files which have included any chattels having any connection with SHIMIZU or his property have been reviewed together and in order to make a fair assessment and summary of accounts to all concerned, the writer has noted all the chattels sold by auction which had any resemblance to SHIMIZU as having been left on his property and by reviewing the actual declarations made by SHIMIZU, YONEDA, SHIGEMATSU, H. HIROTA (owner of property prior to Dec 9) and HAMAGUCHI, the writer has credited them with the individual items that were declared and eventually sold by auction. Any items not identified as actually belonging to any particular person was placed in the Suspense Account.

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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY CONTINUED

File No. 12254

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July 30, 1947.

In order to substantiate the action taken above and to provide a clear and concise picture of the difficulties that have been encountered in attempting to reach an amiable settlement for all the Japanese concerned, reference should be made to a summary made up on June 17, 1947. The difficulties involved in ascertaining the rightful ownership will then be seen, particularly if note is taken of Lot No. 196 (River Garage) giving specified articles. In this particular case, none of the items mentioned, appear in SHIMIZU's declaration and while they might have conceivably been included under headings of "trunks or cartons" etc., on the other hand, in view of the closing paragraph in the referred summary, it is felt that, as many of the chattels were stolen or in many cases, taken with them on their evacuation after their date of registration, the action taken has been fully justified in fairness to all.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES:-1 Camera - Kodak plate (box 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$) was seized by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police on February 23, 1942. Please refer to brown-edged summary for particulars as to its return to the owner.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:- Torao SHIMIZU and his wife (MASAYE) declared that there was no money owing to them. On January 17, 1946, however, SHIMIZU was credited with a refund of \$15.80 for a security deposit for gas and electricity from the B. C. Electric Railway and a further \$4.46 from the Pacific Coast Cannery, Steveston.

BANK ACCOUNT:- Torao SHIMIZU declared that he had no bank account. However, his wife declared an account #5377 with the Royal Bank of Canada amounting to \$367.92. There is no record in this file of this account having been handled by this Office.

BONDS and INVESTMENTS:- Torao SHIMIZU declared a Victory bond and war savings stamps of unspecified amounts. His wife's file revealed further information that the investments were as follows:

- 1 War Savings Certificate @ \$10.00
- 2 War Savings Certificates @ \$5.00

They were in the name of Torao SHIMIZU but were in the possession of his wife, Mrs. Masaye SHIMIZU.

LIFE INSURANCE:- The wife declared a policy No. 103597797 amounting to \$50.00 with the Prudential Insurance Company of America, 510 Hastings Street, Vancouver. The insured was the son, Susumi, while the beneficiary was Mrs. SHIMIZU in whose possession the policy was kept. On March 20, 1947, this Office was notified by the Prudential Assurance Co. that at the wish of SHIMIZU a surrender settlement of the policy was arranged for and a cheque for \$65.34 was ready for forwarding to SHIMIZU. On March 26, 1947, this Office notified the Assurance Company that no objection would be raised for the cheque to be forwarded direct to SHIMIZU.

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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY CONTINUED

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July 30, 1947.

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No other policies were declared. However on March 17, 1947, this Office received a cheque for \$218.13, being the cash surrender value of Policy No. 2,209,805 being an endowment policy with the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada. This was forwarded to SHIMIZU.

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

A. S. Jackson

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CHattel Summary

File No. 12254

July 30, 1947.

Re: (Mr.) Torao SHIMIZU
Registration No. 04455

Date registered: February 9, 1943.

Date evacuated: March 10, 1942.

Declared by wife April 4, 1942. (Husband's declaration not received until January 17, 1943.)
Inventory check for (wife's list of chattels used for checking)

		Sold	Other Disposition
1 Sewing Machine (Singer)	April 20, 1942.		Missing
1 Sofa	"	Auctioned 19/1/45	
1 Desk	"		Missing
1 Table & Chair Set	"		"
2 Centre Tables	"		"
1 Kitchen Stove	"		"
1 Heater	"		"
3 Cupboards	"		"
2 Tables	"	1-Auctioned 19/1/45	1 Missing
2 Chiffoniers	"	1-Auctioned 28/1/44	1 Missing
1 Box Japanese Dolls	"		Missing
1 Shrine	"		"
1 Trunk	"		"
2 Beds with Spring & Mattress	"	Auctioned 6/4/45	
2 Lamp Stands	"		Missing
2 Toasters	"		"
1 Electric Iron	"		"
1 Carpet	"		"
1 Book-Case	"		"
1 Wardrobe	"		"
1 McCasky Cash Register	Not found on check		"
1 Trunk	"		"
1 Showcase	"		"

2.3. Reference to this file reveals a list of items in the River Garage, dated February 22, 1943, which had been moved to No. 1 warehouse and only one or two of the items can be identified as belonging to Mrs. SHIMIZU. It must be presumed that the rest of the items were stolen. Some of the other items on the list referred to, bear very strong resemblances to declarations made by the other Japanese mentioned in the Chattel Summary.

It was also reported on September 21, 1945, that the following articles which could have been the property of any of the Japanese in question were destroyed or abandoned as being of no value:

- 1 Mattress
- 1 Set Bed Ends
- 1 Spring
- 1 Iron Bed.

The following tools were declared by Mrs. Masayo SHIMIZU to be the property of her husband. Accordingly they were checked on April 20, 1942, by Mr. J. D. Mather. On November 5, 1943, SHIMIZU reported having received the majority of tools and equipment that had been shipped in February, 1943.

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GRATTEL SUMMARY CONTINUED

File No. 12254

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July 30, 1947.

1 Set #GPA High Grade Valve Refacer.	1 Battery Analyser
1 Set #1359 Sioux Solder Gun	1 Battery Charger
1 Sanding Machine *	1 Compression Gauge
1 Blackhawk Hydraulic Jack	1 Front Wheel
1 Paint Spray Gun	1 Set Fender Tools
1 Air Compressor	1 Screw Pitch Gauge
2 Balloon Tire Gauges	1 Air Separator
3 Truck Tire Gauges	1 Set inside Micrometers
1 Set #3500 Deluxe Screw Plates	1 Set Drills
1 Micrometer Calliper	1 Spark Plug Service Set
2 Valve Spring Lifters	1 Set Battery Tools
1 Bolt Clipper	Battery Tester & Filler
1 File Handle	2 Sets Steel Stamps
1 Torch	3 Sets Wheel Hub & Gear Pullers
1 Welding Torch and 5 Tips	1 Hand Drill
2 Low Pressure Gauges	1 #12 Hd. Extra Heavy Box Tools
1 Cutting Torch, Tips and Hose	1 Vise
1 Big Chief Box and Tools	1 Bench Grinder
1 Vacuum Cleaner	1 Porto Power Set
2 King Motor Testers	1 Electric Drill
1 Grinder	1 Chain Hoist
	7 Rolls Roofing Paper - 3 Ply.

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

A. P. Jackson

AJ/BS

June 11, 1947.

Re: Torao SHIMIZU
Reg. No. 04455

All trunks and personal belongings in storage at Steveston were opened and inspected in October, 1945. Goods of no value were discarded; clothing of no saleable value was turned over to U.S.R.R.A.; saleable articles were auctioned and any personal photographs or goods of personal nature are stored ready for shipment at the request of the Japanese.

SHIMIZU, T.

Description: 1 Open carton

Personal: Personal papers,
books and pictures.

SHIMIZU, T.

Description: 1 Open small carton

Personal: Personal papers and
photographs.SHIMIZU
(River Garage)
Lot No. 196For auction: 1 Set National Encyclopedia
3 Boxes of glass
Small box of toys
Small carton odd dishes
1 Tin of crockery
2 Cartons of toysDiscarded: Unfinished boxes
1 Box Japanese books
2 Old babies carriage covers
1 Bundle of ragsPersonal: 4 Pictures and frames
1 Inhalor.Description: 1 Wooden box - opened (damage caused
by bad packing)For auction: 1 Electric advertising clock
1 Mirror
1 Japanese saw
Electric drill
Hammer
1 Basket
2 Pictures

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SHIMIZU
(River Garage)
Lot No. 196

1 Wooden box - opened (cont.)

Discarded: Old papers and junk
1 Broken picture

NOTE:

A telephone call was received on November 22, 1946, from Mr. Howell, who does special work for the Custodian. He informed us that the Buddhist Temple had again been broken into and that all parcels of personal goods stored in the basement had been opened and the contents strewn on the floor. It is impossible to identify to whom they belong.

The personal effects that were salvaged on February 27, 1947, being 44 boxes and cartons, were removed to Vancouver and stored in a room in the basement of 604 East Cordova Street. These items cannot be identified by the office.

A suggestion was made by Kiheiiji Kishi of Cascade, who helped to sort personal goods, that this office should forward these goods to Greenwood as many former residents of Steveston are now living there and they could most likely identify these items.

E. Levesky

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MEMORANDUM

File No. 12254

Sept. 23/45

TO: The File

FROM: Mr. R. B. Maskedie

RE: Torao SHIMIZU

The following articles were destroyed or abandoned
as being of no value:

1 Mattress
1 Set bed ends
1 Spring
1 Iron bed

RBM

RBM:LEW

NAME WILLIAM J. HARRIS

REGISTRATION NO. 01455

FILE NO. 12254

Lib 30/7/47

The following chattels were sold by public
 auction at Stevenson, D.C. on April 6, 1945

Bed & Spring
 Bed & Spring

\$ 16.25 ✓
 13.00

*Re-transferred to 12256 - 30/7/47 - C.S.
 after perusal of River Garage file*

*Agreed - ??
 1/10/47
 Sub for sale 15/4/47
 J.F.*

Total		
Less Expenses:	{ Auctioneer's Fee: \$0.93	\$ 9.25
	{ Advertising: 0.41	\$ 2.12
	{ Savings: 0.78	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 7.13

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris *Thompson & Co*
 Extracted From Auctioneering List No. Stevenson 32.
 Remarks.

NAME WILLIAM, Thomas

REGISTRATION NO. 0.455

FILE NO. 12754

filed 30/7/47

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steveston, B.C. on January 19, 1945

Tobacco
Havenport

*Transferred from file
4229- 30/7/47 CS*

\$ 1.00
9.00 ✓

*Original sent 2/7/47
Sent for safe 15/7/47*

Total		\$ 10.00
Less Expenses:	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$1.00	
	(Advertising: 0.61	
	(Moving: 1.77	\$ 3.38
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 6.62

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Steveston 27.

Remarks.

NAME SHIMIZU, Terezo

REGISTRATION NO. 04455

FILE NO. 12254

filed 30/7/47

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, B.C. on April 28, 1944

Dresser (no mirror)

✓ 0.25 ✓

*Transferred back to
the file from G/87. Chated Surferman -
Unidentifiable - T. Shimizu - after
perusal of files connected with
River Garage - 30/7/47
P.G.*

*Agreed and
Saw for sale 1/8/47
15/8/47*

Total
Less Expenses: { Auctioneer's Fee: \$0.03
 { Advertising: 0.01
 { Moving: 0.04
Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 0.25
\$ 0.00
\$ 0.17

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Stevenson 12

Remarks.

SECRET

March 21, 1961

Mr. Felt

From Mr. A. B. MacCalla

Re: SECRET Torco 501/3

The contents of the above were found in room 41
of the Torco where they were in storage. Torco 501/3
is not in the file.

A list of all of the items were found in room
41 of the Torco. They were duly shipped to the
above named location at MacCalla's request.

ABM/ST

Mac

File No. 1234

Date 10/1/57

TRIP INSURANCE SUMMARY

Re: Mr. J. Edgar HUNTER
Registration No. 04435

This file does not reveal any insurance carried on
the property owned by the above named Japanese.

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

A.P. Fisher

10/1/57

SPECIFIED ARTICLES SUMMARY

File No. 12254

July 30, 1947.

Re: (Mr.) Torao SHIMIZU
Registration No. 04455.

1 Camera - Kodak Plate (Box 8½ x 8½)

The above camera was seized by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police on February 23, 1942.

Exhibit report Form 246 is enclosed in this file.

Receipt Form 112 was given to the above named Japanese.

The camera was returned to Torao SHIMIZU on July 22, 1947, on receipt of a declaration in regard to his lost camera receipt dated July 12, 1947.

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

A. P. Jackson
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AJ/HS

EVACUATIC

Rec'd

File No

Ans.

Referred

I, TORAO SHIMIZU of Steveston in the Province of British Columbia, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged) hereby surrender to Home Oil Distributors Limited of 555 Burrard Street in the City of Vancouver Province aforesaid, all my right title and interest in and to a certain Indenture of Lease dated December 10th 1936 and covering Lots Seventeen (17) and Eighteen (18) of Block Four (4) Section Ten (10) Block Three (3) North, Range Seven (7) West, Group One (1) New Westminster District Map 249, in the Municipality of Richmond Province of British Columbia, and made between Home Oil Distributors Limited as Lessor of the First Part and myself as Lessee of the Second Part.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this

25 day of Sept 1943.

SIGNED SEALED and DELIVERED
in the presence of:

J. A. Langford

Witness

T. Shimizu

ACCEPTED this 4th day of
October, 1943.

R. Hamilton
Director.

Arthur Sturges
Secretary.

MEMORANDUM

July 30, 1943

To: File 12254

From: Specified Articles Department

Re: SHIMIZU, Torao - Reg. 04455

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
CAMERA	Kodak Plate (Box 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x8 $\frac{1}{2}$)	No value

*Shipped July 22/47
to May
Please replace by
new summary.*

LP

W. H. H.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
EXHIBIT REPORT

Detachment _____
 Subunit No. _____
 FOR USE WHEN APPLICABLE

12254

Detachment File No.
Sub-Division File No.
Division File No. 422, 269/2/1-14
Headquarters File No.

Detachment
Sub-Division
Division
Date **February 20th,** 1942

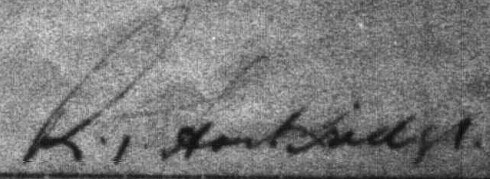
RE: **Taras SHIMIZU - 47 Monaton Rd. Stevenon, B.C.**
NAME OF FILE

On Feb. 20th. 19 42, I R.T. Hockridge Cst. R.C.M. Police

Came into possession of the following goods by:-

Seizure - Defense of Canada Regulations.

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

NO. OF PAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS DETAILS TO BE GIVEN IN FULL
1	---	Camera - Kodak plate (box 8 1/2 x 8 1/2)  SIGNATURE OF MEMBER SUBMITTING REPORT (R.T. Hockridge) Reg. No. 11887

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

12254

DIVISION
SUB-DIVISION
DETACHMENT
Vancouver C.I.B.
PROVINCE
B.C.
DATE
February 23rd., 1942.

FILE REFERENCES

Re. Taras SHIMIZU,
47 Houston Street,
Steveston, B.C.

HEADQUARTERS

Pursuant to instructions and accompanied by Constables Hocking, Goodfellow and Gilchrist writer proceeded, on the 20th instant, to Steveston, B.C., at the above premises and there interviewed Taras Shimizu, and on production of his Alien Certificate, he was found to be a Japanese National, born in Japan.

SUB-DIVISION

2. A thorough search of his premises was then made for cameras, radios, fire-arms, ammunition and explosives, but nothing was seized, with the exception of

DETACHMENT

1 Camera - Kodak Plate (box 8 1/2 x 8 1/2)

P. C. R.

3. Form 246, duly completed, is attached. Receipt on Form 112 was given to Subject.

A. R. V. No.

Supt. R.C.P. Salt,
i/c Japanese Registration,
R.C.M.P. Barracks.

(D.O. Forrest)
Regt. No. 11300

D/Sgt.

FORWARDED for your information,
together with Forms 246. This article is turned
over to you for proper storage and safekeeping.

SGD

Vancouver
24-2-42
AMCJ/ES
Encl.

(C.H. Hill) A/Comm'r.,
Commanding "E" Division.

The Commissioner, R.C.M. Police, OTTAWA, Ont.
Sir:

FORWARDED for your information, together with
Forms 246.

SGD

Vancouver
24-2-42
AMCJ/ES
Encl.

(C.H. Hill) A/Comm'r.,
Commanding "E" Division.

DIARY DATE

SET FOR

18308

Files Nos. 12254
1761

August 17th, 1943

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Peters
From: Mr. Wright

Re: Torao SHIMIZU (12254)
Hayao HIROTA (1761)

Referring to our recent telephone conversation, I think it would be advisable to address a letter to the Home Oil Company along the following lines:

"We acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the tenth instant.

The property has been rented to one, Harry Beckett, and he has taken over for the purpose of operating a service garage. No alterations were necessary and we do not intend to make any changes, so that if occasion arises, the premises may be returned to you in their present form, following due notice to our tenant. Your Company would not be put to any expense, and you may regard this letter as an undertaking to this effect.

Our solicitor interviewed you recently and his report to us indicates that the assignment by Hirota was given as security for the improvements, which have now been paid for.

We would be obliged if you would, therefore, furnish us with a Formal Release in this connection".

I shall expect to hear from you before you send the letter out, if this does not agree with the facts. I do not see anything on the file relating to alterations, and therefore assume that no changes were made.

I return your Files Nos. 1761 and 12254.

KWW/JT


K. W. WRIGHT

Peters

Kaslo, B.C.

November 5, 1943.

Mr. H. F. Green,
Protection Dept.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	NOV 9 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	Green

Re: File No. 4587
12254

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that I, Torao SHIMIZU am the sole owner (not Mr. Sumao Shigematsu) of the premises of the River Garage at 47 Moncton St., plus the adjoining premises of furniture factory and pool room.

The furniture factory was rented out privately to Mr. Sumao Shigematsu by myself, and also the pool room to another man.

Further the majority of goods stored in the premises next to the garage, belongs to me, *and my wife,* plus the few other articles belonging to a friend of mine. Goods belonging to Mr. Shigematsu consisting of furnitures, such as doors, etc., were all stored in one room at the rear.

Sketch shown below will give better idea of the whole picture.



Hoping that the above letter will clarify all the misunderstandings, as I have not received all my belongings left in the Protected Area.

Yours truly,

T. Shimizu
Mrs. M. Shimizu

Torao Shimizu
Reg. No. 04455.

N.B. I have received majority of my tools & equipment in February. In the middle room, all the furnitures & all kitchen utensils etc. are stored under my wife's name. (Masae Shimizu)

12254
4587

November 18th, 1943.

Mr. Torao SHIMIZU,
Registration No. 64455,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of November 5th, 1943. We note that the furniture factory was rented to Mr. Sunao SHIGEMATSU and that his goods consisted of furniture such as doors etc. and were all stored in one room at the rear as shown in the sketch you sent us.

We enclose a list of the things Mr. Sunao SHIGEMATSU claims belonged to him. If you do not agree that these are Mr. Sunao SHIGEMATSU's goods please mark on the list the items which you think are not his and return it to us. This will leave a long list of goods which belong to you, your wife and your friend.

Please let us have your reply at the earliest date so that we can get this matter straightened out.

Yours truly,

R. B. Mackenzie,
Protection Department.

RBM/HMS
Enc.

File No. 1225A
4587

November 18th, 1943.

Chattels Claimed by Mr. Sunao SHIGEMATSU

1 Desk /	1 Bundle Cains (Canes)
1 Wood Lathe /	1 Power Saw with Motor /
.1 Half Finished Cupboard /	1 Hand Saw /
1 Box Tools /	1 Set Encyclopedia
8 Home Made Chair Frames /	1 Sink
.1 Part of Round Table	1 Box 9 Table Lamps
2 Unfinished Desks	.1 Flower Stand
.4 Unfinished Cupboards	1 Rug
6 Unfinished Dressers	1 Desk
.2 Bundles Door Cupboards	.1 Unfinished Dresser

1 Table Top

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

No. 17

EXHIBIT REPORT

HEADQUARTERS File No.

SUB-DIV'N and File No. *Vendor's*

DIVISION and File No. *42E. 2672/2-14*
J.R. Old 55

DETACHMENT and File No. *C.I.B.*

DATE *July 11th. 1944*

Re: *James S. Smith - 17 Moncton Rd., Stewerton, N.B.*
(Name of File)

On *Feb. 20th. 1942* *1* *S. J. Hookridge Cst.*
(Date) (Member's Name)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Seizure - Defence of Canada Regulations.

(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. OF EXHIBIT	No. OF PACKAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	<i>1</i>		<i>Camera - Kodak plate (box 8 1/2 x 8 1/2)</i> <i>12254</i> <i>File 12254</i>

REMARKS: *Handed over to Custodian of Alien Property.*

(State briefly disposition)

DATE *July 11th. 1944*

Les S. Smith *Cst.* Custodian.

CERTIFIED CORRECT

[Signature]
S. J. Hookridge *Cst.*

12254 & 1737

REGISTERED MAIL

March 19, 1947.

Mr. & Mrs. Torao SHIMIZU,
Registration Nos. 04455 & 04444,
P. O. Box 436,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Sir and Madam:

Re: Sun Life Assurance Co.,
Policy No. 2,209,805.

Enclosed please find cheque, in the amount
of \$218.13, from the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, being
the cash surrender value of the above-numbered policy.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this cheque.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

GP/EL
Enc. - Cheque for \$218.13

12254

July 23, 1947.

Mr. Torao SHIMIZU,
Reg. No. 04455,
Box 336,
Kauai, S. C.

Dear Sir:

This is to inform you that the Kodak plate camera, which you surrendered to the police, was sent to you on July 22, 1947, by insured parcel post.

If this parcel does not reach you within the next few days, please let us know in order that we may have the shipment traced through the Post Office.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

FM/fm

DECLARATION IN REGARD TO LOST CAMERA RECEIPT

I, Torao SHIMIZU, Reg. No. 04455 of Kaslo, B. C.
do hereby declare:

1. That I owned 1 Kodak plate camera (Box $8\frac{1}{2}$ x $8\frac{1}{2}$) and
that I delivered this camera to on
the day of 1942, and obtained a receipt therefor.
2. That I have made a most diligent search for the said receipt. I have
not found the same and the sole reason for the non-production of the receipt
is that it has been lost or accidentally destroyed.
3. That I, Torao SHIMIZU, the owner, am therefore now
entitled to the return of my camera.

DATED:

July 12, 1947.

SIGNED:

T. Shimizu

12254

August 4, 1947

Mr. Torao SHIMIZU,
Reg. No. 04455,
P.O. Box 436,
KASLO, B. C.

Dear Sir:

As you have requested, we enclose a statement of your account, together with Custodian cheque for the sum of \$34.18, representing the balance to your credit with this office.

The funds being remitted to you are made up as follows: the sum of \$13.92 was received as net proceeds of the sale of chattels identified as your property; the sum of \$20.26 is a refund of security deposit for light received from the B. C. Electric Railway Company.

No property identified as belonging to you remains under the control of the Custodian. Your account is therefore being closed.

In order that you may acknowledge the enclosed cheque, we enclose a stamped, addressed envelope.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

/FM
Enclosures (3)

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT
of
TORAO SHIMIZU

		<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>1944</u>				
May 27	Proceeds auction sale			
<u>1945</u>			\$.17	
May 18	Proceeds auction sale		7.13	
<u>1946</u>	Proceeds auction sale		6.62	
Jan. 18	Refund B. C. Electric Ry. Co. Ltd. Security deposit for light.		20.26	
		<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 34.18</u>	<u>\$34.18</u>

(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Mr. Torao Shimizu

File No. 12254

Kaslo, B.C.

Reg. No. 04455

Company Sun Life

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 2209805

Premium - \$ 17.26

Payable: Annually, ^X Semi-annually or monthly

Month May Day 1

REMARKS:

Peter

Letter sent 26/8/43

Name of Claimant **SHIMIZU, Torao**Case **97**Custodian File **12254**

<u>REAL PROPERTY</u>										Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village			
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total		
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>										
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear								
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column			
<u>NETS</u>										
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price		Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing		Percentage Total Award to Total Claim		Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing		Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price	
<u>MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS</u>										
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price			
91.66	19.25	5.77	21%	332.24	69.79					
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										75.56

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13th August, 1951.

Mr. Torao SHIMIZU,
Regn. No. 04455,
Box 336,
Kaslo, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Payments of nearly all the awards recommended by the Honourable Mr. Justice Henry Bird have now been made. However, in checking our records we find that among the few payments outstanding, is one in your favour for \$75.56.

This amount is available and can be paid if the Form of Release required by Ottawa is signed and sent to this office. This should be attended to without delay as it is anticipated that all matters connected with the Claims Commission will be terminated in the near future.

In case the original Form of Release has been misplaced, we enclose another copy which should be properly executed and returned. If, for any reason, it is not your intention to accept the award, kindly advise us so that our records can be closed.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FOS:HA
Encls.

DEFENCE BRIEF

Nelson, B.C.
16 June 48.

Torao SHIMIZU

File No. 12254

Case No. 397 ✓

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

1. Chattel Claim

\$441.00

(a) Goods valued by claimant at 125.00 Sold at auction for 19.50.

Witness: Thompson & Co., Auctioneers.
Harris, attended auction. ✓

(b) Goods valued at 50.00 Shipped. *declared not found*
received new missing

Witness: Fred Aydon, owner Kaslo Motor ✓
Transport.

See Custodian Release form dated Feb.
43 on this file.

(c) Goods valued at 259.00 Lost, destroyed or stolen.

Witness: Harris

These goods were stored in warehouses
1 and 2 at Steveston and were missing
when removed to auction. These premises
reportedly were broken into on several
occasions.

(d) Goods declared and not found. 7.00

Witness: J.D. Mather ✓

Prices realized at auction for goods
sold (only 16% of prices claimed)
indicates that claimant's prices for
goods not sold are exorbitant. Further
the prices on the claim Ex.397-1 show
a markup when compared with those on the
J.P. form of from 362.50 to 441.00, an
increase of 22%.

Claimant's statement on Ex.397-1 that
his wife did not know values would seem
to be discounted by the very complete
priced list she gave of the garage
equipment on her J.P. form.

Re Trans.10 line 16 et seq - See Custodian
letter on file dated 2 June 1942 to
claimant at Red Pass in which was enclosed
blank J.P. form in triplicate requesting
completion and return.

Ex.1 - Chattels statement with list attached.
Ex.2 - Personal property analysis.
Ex.3 - J.P. form, wife.

RNN/mw

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT,"
PART 1. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 22

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

B E F O R E
(HIS HONOUR, JUDGE ERIC P. DAWSON, SUB-COMMISSIONER)

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Nelson, B.C.

June 16, 1948

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
TORAO SHIMIZU

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

20 APPEARANCES:

DONALD MACDONALD, Esq.,

appearing for the
Dominion Government

A.E. CONUS, Esq.,

appearing for the
Claimant.

W.J. STURGEON, Esq.,

Secretary to Nelson
Sub-Commission.

MRS. I.C. SMITH,

Official Interpreter

G. HAMBLETON, Esq.,

Official Reporter.

MR. COBUS: The claim, your honour, of Torao Shimizu, No. 55 on the Secretary's list.

TORAO SHIMIZU, the Claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the official interpreter as follows:

10 MR. COBUS: This, your honour, is a claim for personal property only. A list was attached to the claim form in the amount of \$548.00. The total is now \$441.00, and the credit to the Custodian should be \$19.25 instead of \$13.02 as shown on the attached form. That leaves the net personal property claim of \$421.75.

THE COMMISSIONER: All the particularized items of those figures go out, do they?

20 MR. COBUS: Well, I could in just a moment, your honour, amend the form, even though the man has given us a full list, but it may explain how we arrive at \$441.00. The second item, a desk, is reduced in value to \$10.00, and item 6, one only dresser, is reduced from \$45.00 to \$30.00. Somewhere about the tenth item, kitchen utensils of \$50.00 is omitted entirely.

MR. MACDONALD: That is struck out?

MR. COBUS: Struck out.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is \$45.00, is it?

MR. COBUS: No, it is \$50.00 for kitchen utensils, your honour; it is a single item.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: All right, I have it, \$50.00. I was out on a line there.

MR. COBUS: And somewhat further down the list, two
only electric clocks, \$20.00, has been abandoned.

THE COMMISSIONER: Electric clocks, \$20.00.

MR. COBUS: Yes, your honour. And the last item,
one electric drill, \$15.00, is abandoned. I
think that total is now \$441.00, which amount,
less the credit, gives \$421.75.

10 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. COBUS:

Q: Witness, I produce to you a statement concern-
ing the personal chattels for which you have
submitted a claim. Did you instruct me to
prepare this statement for you and is that your
signature? A: Yes.

Q: In your statement you make reference to a list
attached thereto. I produce to you a list, a type-
written list on ledger paper. Is this the list
to which you make reference herein? Is this
20 list in your statement the total of which you
value at \$441.00 the same list that I am produc-
ing to you now? A: Yes.

Q: Is the information contained in your statement
and list true to the best of your knowledge and
recollection? A: Yes.

MR. COBUS: I would ask to file the statement and
list as the first exhibit, your honour.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

MR. COBUS: Would my learned friend produce the
30 Analysis of Personal Property Claim from the

Custodian's file?

(Handed to Mr. Cobus)

MR. COBUS: I have had produced from the Custodian's file a two page Analysis of Personal Property Claim. Filed on behalf of the Crown.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2)

10 MR. COBUS: The witness says that all the goods claimed for were left in his home at 47 Moncton Street, Steveston, B.C. He says that he is claiming for the goods declared by his wife in her J.P. form and that she is not submitting a claim on her own behalf. He says that his wife's valuation of the sander machine and the trillite were mere guesses as she did not know the cost of either of these articles. He says that he has allowed for depreciation on all articles claimed. He adds that what he has claimed as a china cabinet his wife described as a cupboard. He says that he owned and left two
20 dressers, one with and one without a mirror.

If your honour would refer to Exhibit 2, the Analysis, it will be seen that item 6, one dresser, the Custodian takes care of by an auction sale for the sum of 25\$. Now, the witness is claiming for the dresser with the mirror on his new list for \$30.00.

THE COMMISSIONER: There is no separate item of a mirror as being sold separately, is there?

30 MR. COBUS: I have no idea, your honour, but 25\$ for a dresser is hardly a good accounting for such

an item. The items which have been abandoned in the claim I have already noted in connection with the amendment to the claim form.

THE COMMISSIONER: It is rather like the electric radio phonograph that was sold for \$25 in the Grand Forks case.

10 MR. COBUS: Very like it. I can only comment about No. 9, a china cabinet, which the Custodian says he has "no record at any time," that in his wife's declaration in her J.P. form which is found in the first column, she declares two cupboards, and that would appear to indicate that she described it as such.

MR. MACDONALD: How did you figure out the wife's declaration is here? Is it shown as being hers? Oh, I see, this is it at the bottom.

MR. COBUS: Well, at the bottom of column one she enumerated the articles.

THE COMMISSIONER: That goes over to page two.

20 MR. COBUS: That goes over to the next page.

MR. MACDONALD: I take it from that point on it is the declaration of his wife.

THE COMMISSIONER: From then on is the declaration of his wife.

MR. COBUS: Yes, your honour. The man operated a garage at the coast, and when he was moved to Kaslo --

THE WITNESS: First we moved to the road camp when I left Vancouver.

30 MR. COBUS: Q: You went to a road camp and finally

ended up in Kaslo? A: Yes.

Q: And you needed your tools?

A: Very badly.

Q: You needed them very badly, and the Custodian sent them to you?

A: No, we sent down a man to pick them up.

Q: I see, you sent someone down; at any rate, you are not submitting a claim for garage tools?

A: No, just a couple of tools -- one sander.

10 Q: Oh, yes, the sander, that remains there, but that wasn't -- A: It disappeared somewhere.

THE COMMISSIONER: The sander is the only one for which he is making a claim, is that it?

MR. OSBURN: Yes, your honour. Your witness.

MR. MACDONALD: Your honour, I submit that the goods and chattels sold by the Custodian in this claim were sold at a fair market value, and that the other goods for which claim is being made are
20 claimed at an exorbitant value. In this particular claim, it would seem that the claimant did not file a J.P. form for about 11 months afterwards, and according to the Analysis statement, your honour will notice that there is a considerable amount not accounted for because of theft.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is, certain items didn't come into the hands of the Custodian.

30 MR. MACDONALD: I beg your pardon?

THE COMMISSIONER: You are submitting that certain items did not come into the hands of the Custodian.

MR. MACDONALD: I submit they did not come into the hands of the Custodian and there is no way the Custodian could ascertain, because he was not given any information, although the notation I have here is that the claimant was written to to find out, but without any reply.

10 THE COMMISSIONER: It might be as well, Mr. MacDonald, to put in any letters that you have, if you have any letters where he was asked to put in a statement and didn't.

MR. MACDONALD: I beg your pardon?

THE COMMISSIONER: Have you got any letter where he was asked to put in a statement and did not?

MR. MACDONALD: I will check that over and see if I happen to have any statement. We are mixed up with the two, between what his wife had declared and what he declared.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: Would you care to have five minutes adjournment so that you can check up?

MR. MACDONALD: If it please your honour.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right.

(PROCEEDINGS RESUMED AFTER A SHORT RECESS)

MR. MACDONALD: I checked this matter over, your honour, and I find I had this case mixed up with another one; there are so many of these and so much correspondence. In checking over the notes
30 that I have, I find there is nothing that I can

add to what is set out on the analysis sheet. It would seem that the great bulk of this has been the subject of theft, and all I can say about that is that what is claimed has been the subject of theft, and that the amount claimed is exorbitant. There is the memorandum, the note, your honour will note, under "remarks," that the amount claimed by the claimant now is higher than the price as set out in the wife's J.P. form. Of course, he accounts for that by stating that she didn't know anything about valuations, but that will remain to be finally decided. I don't think there is anything more I can ask this man.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. COBUS: Your honour, I think perhaps to clarify the analysis sheet, if my learned friend will produce the J.P. form of the wife, it will make some of the remarks perhaps a little clearer to the Commissioners. I can only add that the present claimant has reduced, for instance, the second item of the desk from \$15.00 claimed originally to \$10.00 which he discovered his wife had valued it at.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. COBUS: Q: Witness, I produce to you a J.P. form dated the 4th of April, 1942 and signed by Masayo Shinizu. Do you recognize that signature?

A: Yes.

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Q: Whose signature is it?

A: That is my wife's.

Q: That is the signature of your wife?

A: Yes.

Q: And under the heading on page 2, "Statement of Personal Property Owned," is the note, "As per attached list," and there are two lists which have been produced with the J.P. form. Do you know whether these are the lists which your wife gave to the Custodian at the time she made her J.P. form? I mean, do you know that or have you been told that she gave a list?

A: She told me.

Q: That she had delivered lists to the Custodian?

A: Yes.

MR. COBUS: Well, I think, your honour, the document speaks for itself. File on behalf of the Crown.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3)

THE COMMISSIONER: Q: Shimizu, you weren't ever asked by anybody to file a further detailed list, were you?

A: No.

Q: You didn't receive any letters from the Custodian?

A: No.

Q: Asking for another list?

A: We asked for some articles, but they don't answer any more after that.

MR. COBUS: Q: Witness, why was your J.P. form -- I don't think this is important, but the question was raised -- your J.P. declaration, I think, bears the date --

THE COMMISSIONER: According to that, it is February 9, 1943.

MR. COBUS: Yes.

Q: At the time you left Vancouver originally,
did you have an opportunity to make a J.P. declar-
ation? A: There was no

time to make a J.P. form.

Q: Where were you sent? A: I went to a road
camp.

Q: Do you remember what month it was?

A: Yes.

10 Q: What month? A: May 10th.

Q: May 10th, 1942? A: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: Q: What road camp was that, what
was the name of it?

A: Just besides Jasper -- what do you call it? --
Red Pass.

THE COMMISSIONER: I see, Red Pass.

Q: And then, when did you make your declaration --
you made it on February 9, 1943, and was that
because you received a letter or somebody ask-
ed you to make that declaration?

20 A: Yes, I was asked to make the J.P. form.

Q: Who asked you? A: There was a
fishermen's association in the place where I
was and as I was a member I was asked by the
people there.

Q: By the official in the camp where he was?

A: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right, very well. You have
no further questions, Mr. Cobus?

30 MR. COBUS: No, your honour.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is all for the time being;

that is all we can do now, thank you.

THE WITNESS: Thank you very much, sir.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

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G. Hambleton
Official Reporter.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript purports to be an accurate record of the evidence adduced before me.

B.P. Dawson
Sub-Commissioner.

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