

14865

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd NOV 18 1948

File No.

Ans.

J.M.C.

FILE No. 14865

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE SECTION

Referred 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:

YOSHIO OIKAWA

HOME ADDRESS:

P.O. Box 869, New Westminster, B.C.
(Lion Island, Richmond, B.C.)

REGISTRATION NUMBER

10567

SEX:

Male

AGE:

35

OCCUPATION:

Farmer (Orchard worker)

(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:

Roy Kuhn R.R. #3, Vernon, B.C.

MARRIED?

No

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND:

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND:

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN:

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN:

AGE OF CHILDREN:

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)

A Dominion Life Annuity Policy here in Vernon.

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

EXHIBIT No.

217-4

DATE

29 April 1948

FILLED BY

Crown

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: *None*

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*

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 PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS: *Gasoline engine valued at \$350.00, 1930 Ford to the Naval Control Service at New Westminster, B.C. before completion. Bean stock (12,000) valued at \$120.00 at Hyman, Sask. 19x Rd, Lulu Island, B.C. Kitchen Utensils, 1 door, 2 drawers, valued at \$50.00 at Hyman, Sask. 19x Rd, Lulu Island, B.C.*

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) *None*

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: *None*

9. LIFE INSURANCE: *A Dominion Life Annuity Plan taken on Nov. 20th, 1936. Policy # 163,471.*

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 *16th* day of *November* 194*3*

Edward H. Ouchi.

Witness

(Signature)

Yoshio Oikawa

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.O.M.P.

DATE July 5, 1943.

No. 14865

Name OIKAWA, yoshio

(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 10567

✓
Male - Female
(Check)

Age July 3, 1907.

Former Address Lion Island, Richmond, B. C.

Box 860, New Westminster, B. C.

Date Evacuated September 11, 1942.

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check) ✓

Present Address c/o ~~Yoshiro SAKAKI, R.R. #2, Vernon, B. C.~~ - Kelowna, B. C.

c/o Mr. C. M. Wilson, R.R. #3, Vernon, B. C.

Married - Single ✓
(Check)

Name of Wife ----

Name of Husband ----

Name of Mother (nee MINAMOTO) Tokue
(In Japan)

Name of Father Yokusaburo (Japan)

Names of Children under 16 ----

Requested by "F. MATHESON"

Registered with Custodian Yes

(Yes or No)

Additional Information Owner of fishing vessel, N.W. 2548. Farmer.

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 14865

January 3, 1946.

RE: Yoshio OIKAWA, Reg. No. 10567

This file reveals that the above owned no real property in any protected area in British Columbia.

The file reveals that the above carried no Fire Insurance.

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

January 3, 1946.

LEM:

R. B. Mackenzie
R. B. Mackenzie

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 14865

January 3, 1946.

RE: Yoshio OIKAWA, Reg. No. 10567

This file reveals no claims against the above person.

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

January 3, 1946.
LMM:

R. B. Mackenzie
R. B. Mackenzie

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 14865

January 3, 1946.

RE: Yoshio OIKAWA, Reg. No. 10567

CHATELS:

Chattels belonging to the above were sold for the net sum of \$7.63 and the amount credited to his account. Chattels are dealt with fully on Chattel Summary attached.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES:

A boat named the "Y.O.", N.W. 2548, was registered in the name of the above. This vessel was sold through the office of the Custodian for the net sum of \$204.05, and this amount credited to his account. This transaction is dealt with fully on Specified Articles Summary on file.

INSURANCE:

The above declared a Dominion Life Annuity Policy, #163,471. Neither the amount of the policy nor the beneficiary is given. This did not come under the control of the Custodian.

No property interests other than those mentioned above are found on this file.

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

January 3, 1946.

LBM:

R. B. Mackenzie
R. B. Mackenzie

CHattel Summary

File No. 14865

January 3, 1946.

RE: Yoshio OIKAWA, Reg. No. 10567

The above made his declaration to the Custodian on November 16, 1943, and was evacuated on September 11, 1942.

He declared the following goods:

1. A gas fishing boat, handed to Naval Control Service at New Westminster before his evacuation.
2. Bean sticks valued at \$120.00, left at the home of Hozumi SASAKI, 19th Road, Lulu Island.
3. Kitchen utensils, one saw, 2 axes, valued at \$50.00, also left at the home of Hozumi SASAKI.

The fishing vessel was sold through the office of the Custodian for the net sum of \$204.05, and this amount credited to the account of the above. Full details of this given on the Specified Articles Summary on file.

On April 1/44, we received a letter from Hozumi SASAKI, File 1006, advising that when he had left the coast he had stored the goods belonging to Yoshio OIKAWA, left in his care, with a Chinese named Mr. Low Fat. He advised that Yoshio OIKAWA had written to him asking that certain of his goods be shipped to him at Vernon, namely, farm tools such as hoes and the like. In a memo to file from Mr. Mackenzie, dated June 13, 1944, he states that these things were brought in from the farm on Hamilton Road, Lulu Island on which Low Fat was residing. In a letter to Hozumi SASAKI, dated May 20, 1944, on File 1006, Mr. Mackenzie states that 1 bundle of garden tools and three boxes of dishes belonging to Yoshio OIKAWA had been brought in from the farm of Low Fat to the Custodian office at Steveston. These were brought in with the idea of shipping them to Yoshio OIKAWA as per his request made through Hozumi SASAKI mentioned above, but owing to a change of policy they were not shipped but were sold at auction as per auction sheet on file, for the net sum of \$7.63, and this amount was credited to the account of Yoshio OIKAWA.

As the goods sold at auction included kitchen utensils and garden tools, it would appear that practically everything declared by the above has been accounted for with the exception of the bean sticks. Mr. Low Fat, with whom these were left, seems to be very difficult to talk to and claims that he has no more goods on his place belonging to any Japanese.

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

January 3, 1946.

LEM:

R. B. Mackenzie
R. B. Mackenzie

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: October 30, 1944

Name: Yoshio OIKAWA

Reg. No. 10567

File: 14865

Boat File No.: Custodian 14865

Name of Vessel: "Y.O.#25'x6'x3.2'(1938(Ster Motor 25 HP (1921)

Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 2548

Naval No.: NW.22 090-H

Owner's Valuation: \$350.00

JFVDC Valuation: 259.00 Survey # 372 NW

Custodian Valuation: 250.00

Date of Sale: March 8, 1943

Purchaser: Rene & Edward Beauchamp

Signature on Sales Papers: Custodian Sale

Selling Price: \$250.00

Paid to ~~JFVDC~~ or Custodian: 250.00

Supervision Costs: 45.95

Balance due Owner: 204.05

Paid to: Cr. Account of Yoshio OIKAWA

Location of Boat at Sale: Coal Harbour (ex New Westminster)

Claims Against Canadian Govt.: None

Additional Information:

J. M. Watson

*Reviewed
Jan 3, 1946
JMW*

◎ Please refer to "Certificate of British Registry" in filling this blank; special attention is required in cases of "Length" "Width" and "Depth"
此ノ番式ヲ新記入時ニ充分「登録証」ヲ参照下キ 特ニ「長さ」「幅」及「深サ」ニ特に注意セヨ

Name of Vessel (船名)	Y.O.	Official Number (登記番)	2548	Naval Control Number (海軍省ノ番)	N.W. 090 H
Port of Registry (登記港名)	New Westminster, B.C.	Date of Registry (登記期日)			
Gross Tonnage (総噸数)		Net Tonnage (ネット噸数)			
Length (長さ)	25'	Width (幅)	6'	Depth (深サ)	3' 2"
Make of Engine (Present) (機械ノ名) (現在ノ)	Ster Motor	Date When Re-installed (若シ入替ヘテ場合ハ其ノ期日)	20 yrs.		
Horse Power (馬力)	25 H.P.	Knot (Speed) (速力)			
When Hull Built (船体建造期日)	3 yrs.	When Hull Rebuilt (若シ改造ノ場合ハ其ノ期日)			
Type of Vessel: (船ノ型)	Seiner セイナ-	Packer パッカ-	Gill-Netter ギルネット	Trawler 底引キ	Other 其他
Formerly Used as (従来ノ用途)	Gill-netter				
Date When Surveyed Last (最近ノサ-ベ-イ サレタル期日)					
Place of Operation (使用區域)	Fraser River				
Charter Rate: 1940 (船賃料金率)	1941	Chartered To: 1940 (船賃先)	1941		
Amount of Mortgage, If Any (抵當權ノ金額)	Nil	Mortgaged To: (抵當權借入先)			
Registered Owner's Name (登録船主名)	Oikawa, Yoshio	Actual Owner's Name (現實所有者名)	Oikawa, Yoshio		
ADDRESS (住所)		ADDRESS (住所)			
Remarks: (註)					

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Extract from notebook of Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee appraiser.
Survey 372- New Westminster.

New Westminster 2548

N.W. 090H

Condition - Good

Damage - Nil

Runabout boat

Value \$225

Suggested Neg. Price \$259.00

Car engine in boat

JOHN GOULD
Marine Surveyor and Appraiser
VANCOUVER, B. C.

CABLES:
"GOULD" VANCOUVER, B. C.
TELEPHONE:
PACIFIC 9046

No. 84A.

" 2548 "

Survey Report

To whom it may concern:

Name	"2548"/		
Official No.	N W 090 H.	Type	Gillnet.
Owner	Oikawa Yoshiro.		
Dimensions	L. 25 ft. B. 6 ft. D. 3.2 ft.		
Engines	Gasoline. Continental.		
Horsepower	20 B.H.P.		
Fuel	Gasoline.		
Tank Capacity	12 Gallons.		
Pumps	None.		
Lighting	Electric.	Drive	Off main engine.
Anchors	None.		
Chains	None.	Rope	None.
Compass	None.		
Stoves	None.		
Fire Extinguishers	None.		
Valuation	Two Hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars.		
Estimated Market Value	Three Hundred (\$300.00) dollars.		

August 1942.
Vancouver, B. C.

John Gould.
Marine Surveyor

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 6131
PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO.

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

8th March, 1943.

To: Mr. Edgar C. Thompson,
Columbia Boat Basin,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

This will be your authority to release
the Fishing Vessel "Y.O." Official No NW 2548
to her owner, Mr. Rene Beauchamp and Mr. Edward Beauchamp.

The receipt on this page should be signed
by the above and the original retained by you.

Duplicate to be returned to this office. The above vessel
must be moved by the purchaser within 12 hours from the date of
sale.

M. Sullivan
M. Sullivan,
Specified Articles Dept.

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the

Fishing Vessel "Y.O."
Official No. NW 2548

R. Beauchamp

Note: Purchaser will assume storage accrued after the 12 hours above
mentioned.

File No. 2951

Reg. No.

61206

Date April 8, 1943

Name OIKAWA, Yoshio

Your Account has been CREDITED as follows

Sale of fishing vessel "Y.O."

250.00

Less expenses

42.20

\$207.80

Additional Expenses

3.75

Balance

\$204.05

Custodian of Enemy Property

File No. 14865

To: Mr. Reed

From: P. Matheson

Nov. 5, 1943

Re: Yoshio OIKAWA, Reg. 10567

Would you please hold the sum of \$204.05, which has been credited to this man's account from the sale of the boat "Y.O." NW.2548.

This man's name is the same as that of the licensed owner, but he did not declare ownership of this boat or anything else, and he may not be the right man.

The account is under number 14864 in error (mine) but the name and registration number are correct.

P. Matheson

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November 5, 1943

Mr. M. L. Brown,
British Columbia Security Commission,
Dick Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir: Re: Yoshio OIKAWA, Registration No. 10567

Among the fishing vessels sold by the Custodian was one licensed in the name of Yoshio OIKAWA, whose address, at the office of the Registrar of Shipping, is shown as Box 860, New Westminster, B. C.

Yoshio OIKAWA, Registration No. 10567, is believed to be the former owner, but letters to this man at Kelowna, B. C., have been returned, and as he did not declare property of any kind, we wish to be sure that he is the owner before crediting his account with the money received from the sale of the boat.

We enclose letter and JP form which have been returned from Kelowna. Would you kindly have your supervisor interview Yoshio OIKAWA, Registration No. 10567, and endeavour to obtain information in regard to any property he may have owned.

Yours very truly,

Enclosures (4)

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

MEMORANDUM TO ACCOUNTING DEPT.

November 19, 1943

From: F. Matheson

Re: Yoshio OIKAWA, Reg. 10567, File 14865

With reference to memo of November 5th, this is to advise that we have received JP form from the above-indicated man, declaring ownership of the vessel "Y.O." NW.2548.

The money from the sale of this boat was held because of there being more than one man of this name, which led to the possibility that this man might not be the owner.

It is now in order to release the funds received from the sale of this boat to Yoshio OIKAWA, Reg. 10567.

F. Matheson

*Inform owner of sale,
make memo*

*RR #3
Vernon*

File No. 14241

November 23rd, 1943

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. C. C. Robinson

FROM: Mr. R. B. Mackellie

Re: Emilio OLIVERA

The above has just sent us his 'JP' Form dated November 15th, 1943, one copy of which we enclose for your files.

When time permits will you please verify that the chattels declared are where stated to be and get the tenant of the property at 19th Road, Lulu Island, B. C. to sign form #14.

RM/MS
Enc.

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Ans.

Referred

Matheson

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Vancouver, B. C.

Date: November 9th, 1943.

In reply to inquiry from Mr. F. Matheson, Office of
Custodian, dated November 5th, 1943.

we would advise that present address of

Yoshio OTKAWA, Reg. No. 10567

is c/o Yonjo SASAKI, R.R. #3, KELLOWNA, B. C.

C. B. Boole
British Columbia Security Commission

File 14865

March 13, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Harris
From: Mr. Mackenzie

Re: Yoshio OIKAWA

We have not received any reply to our memorandum of November 22nd, 1943. Please refer to J. P. Form sent you at that time.

Will you please call on the tenant of the property at 19th Road, Lulu Island, and get the Form No. 14 signed as requested.

RBW:JS

Copy of letter on file 1505

H. Sasaki
12 Dandurn Place
Winnipeg-Manitoba
April 1/44

Department of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Hastings and Granville
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Prior to evacuation we received some farm tools, etc., from a Mr. Y. OIKAWA to put away for safe keeping. This we did so as Mr. Oikawa left the coast well before I. However, as time led on and our turn to evacuate arrived we were compelled to turn in search of a safe place in which to store these articles. A Mr. Low Fat, a Chinese friend, offered to store these for us.

Just recently Mr. Oikawa wrote to me from his home in Vernon asking to have his few farm tools, such as hoes and the like, shipped out to him, but in the past could not get in touch with my friend Mr. Fat, the keeper. Will you please try and contact Mr. Fat and arrange for the transfer? We will understand if you tell him, or Mr. Low Chong, his nephew, about the tools. Otherwise than the tools, I'd much appreciate it if they can be left a little longer.

The freight charges will be paid by the receiver on its arrival.

Mr. Low Fat is residing at Hamilton Rd. Lulu Island (Just a little ways east of the corner of New West. Highway and Hamilton road.)

The goods are to be sent to Mr. Y. Oikawa in Vernon, B.C. in care of Mr. J. G. Robinson - R.R. #3.

Thanking you,

I remain,

Yours truly,

"H. SASAKI".

MEMORANDUM

File No.: 1006
14869

April 17th, 1944

To: Mr. Mackenzie

From: Mr. Green

Re: SASAKI, Masumi
OIKAWA, Yoshio

Mr. Masumi Sasaki has written us the attached letter from which it appears:

(a) Mr. Yoshio Oikawa's bean sticks and farm equipment were left with Low Fat, Hamilton Road, Lulu Island. I see you have a memorandum from Mr. Harris about this which will now need amending.

(b) Masumi Sasaki's own things rather appear to be in the possession of Low Fat or possibly his nephew Low Chung from what he writes in the second paragraph of his letter, and not as would appear from the file, to have been left with his mother. Perhaps this could also be looked into at the same time.

HFG:IF

File No. 14865

MEMORANDUM

TO: The File
FROM: Mr. Mackenzie

June 13, 1944.

Re: Yoshio OIKAWA

When the above was evacuated he left his chattels in care of Mr. Hozumi Sasaki.

When Hozumi Sasaki was evacuated he in turn left Oikawa's chattels in the care of Mr. Low Fat, a Chinese, the tenant of Sasaki's property at No. 19 Road, Lulu Island.

On April 11/44 the above through Mr. Sasaki, asked to have some of his effects shipped to him in Vernon. On May 11th. we got these things from Mr. Low Fat and brought them into the Custodian office at Steveston for shipment, but owing to a change in policy these will probably be sold at auction.

The balance of the chattels are still in care of Mr. Low Fat for the time being.

RBM
R.B. Mackenzie
Protection Department

RBM/GM

NAME ONEAWA, Yoshio

REGISTRATION NO. 10567

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The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steveston, B. C. on October 13, 1944.

Bundle of garden tools	\$ 2.25
Dishes	1.00
Dishes & cups and saucers	3.00
Iron Pot	1.60
Kitchenware	1.75

Total	\$ 9.60
Less Expenses: { Auctioneer's Fee: \$0.96	\$ 1.97
{ Advertising: 0.34	
{ Moving: 0.67	
Net Proceeds Credited:	\$ 7.63

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 22

Remarks.

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Ans. [Signature]
Refused [Signature]

c/o Mr. C. R. Wilson,
R. R. No. 3,
Vernon, B. C.,
February 3rd, 1947.

Mr. E. Robertson,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir: Re: Yoshio Oikawa: Reg. No. 10567.

May I be permitted to request you with regard to my property left under your custody before evacuating the coastal area. I have not yet heard as to what had happen to it, and it is my sincere desire to know about it.

I would very much appreciate your earliest communication to the above address.

Very truly yours,

per Y. Oikawa
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YOSHIO OIKAWA,
Reg. No. 10567.

Feb 7/47
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February 7, 1947.

REGISTERED MAIL

Mr. Yoshio OIKAWA,
Registration No. 10567,
c/o Mr. C. M. Wilson,
R. M. No. 3,
Vernon, B. C.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter
of February 3rd.

We are enclosing herewith our cheque in the
amount of \$211.68, being your entire balance with the Custodian,
derived from the sale of your fishing vessel, "Y.O.", and chattels
which were turned over to the Custodian by Low Fat, in whose care
these were placed before your evacuation.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the above cheque.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

GP/EL
Enc. - Cheque for \$211.68

File No. 14865
Reg. No. 10567

Yoshio OKAWA

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1943	April 7		\$ 204.05	
1944	November 29		7.63	
1947	February 8	211.68		
		<u>211.68</u>	<u>211.68</u>	

NIL

Accounting Department
March 13th, 1948

NOV 25 1947

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

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

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

(1) NAME OKAWA Yoshio (RCMP) Reg. No. 10567
Given Name

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address P. O. Box 860, Lion Island, Richmond, B. C. 10567

(3) Present Address W. C. R. Wilson, R. R. #, Vernon, 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 re-
ceivable) - - - - - \$ _____
(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.)
Post-Naval Control Service Others: Lulu Island, B. C.

How stored or packed at time of evacuation _____

left on property
(over)

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

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

1. Hand Sacks (1,000)	Estimated Value \$ 120.00
2. Kitchen Utensils	Estimated Value \$ 50.00
3. Gas Post	Estimated Value \$ 500.00
4. Amount received from Custodian	Estimated Value \$ 11.68
5. Estimated Value \$	
6. Estimated Value \$	
7. Estimated Value \$	
8. Estimated Value \$	
9. Estimated Value \$	
10. Estimated Value \$	

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS \$ 458.32
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) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard.
(a) 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,
Province of British Columbia,
TO WIT:

I, Leslie Olmstead, c/o C.H. Wilson, R.R. 3 of the City of Vernon in the Province of British Columbia

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

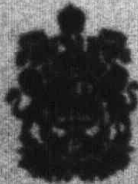
The information set out in the form above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of "The Canada Evidence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

DECLARED before me at the City

of Vernon
in the Province of British Columbia
this 5th day of November A.D. 1947

[Signature]
Notary Public in and for
the Province of British Columbia

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



NATIONAL REVENUE, CANADA
(CUSTOMS AND EXCISE)
REVENU NATIONAL DU CANADA
(DOUANES ET ACCISE)

Port of New Westminster, B.C.,
Bureau of Customs and Excise, 1948.

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Japanese Evacuation Sec.,
Office of the Custodian,
Dept. of the Secy. of State,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir: Re: New Westminster Licence No: 2548.

In reply to your letter of the 4th, re. Gasboat owned by Mr. Yoshio Oikawa, Licenced at this Port under number "2548", I regret that there is very little helpfull information that I can supply you.

Application for Licence was made November 13, 1939, and at this time our regulations did not require us to actually see a person's citizenship or naturalization papers. Since the last War, however, regulations have been changed so that we now request and demand production of citizenship proof. At time of this application, also, we did not keep bills of sale on our files covering these boats, but simply had the applicant produce said bill of sale as proof of ownership, and then returned same to him. However, under special wartime regulations, as you know, we were required to submit all applications for licence to the Director of Marine Services, Dept. of Transport, Ottawa, for approval. Under this regulation, we always sent the following documents for this Departments approval: Form B-- Declaration of right to take out licence, Form T.R.1 - Certificate by Owner (individual) which states that the person applying for licence declares that he is entitled to be recorded as owner of said boat, and that he is entitled to own a British Ship, and neither is he a trustee for, nor does he otherwise represent, a foreign-controlled Company within the meaning of the Defence of Canada Regulations, et.

As you will see, under the circumstances we have actually no past record of this boat, but as a Bill of Sale was produced, I would say that it was likely licenced previously. As to nationality, Mr. Oikawa apparently satisfied the Dept. of Transport in this respect, and perhaps they could give further information on that point.

Very truly yours,

W. B. L. L. L.
for, Collector of Customs & Excise,

Name of Claimant OIKAWA, Yoshie

Case 217

Custodian File 14863

REAL PROPERTY										Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village		Total	
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total		
PERSONAL PROPERTY										
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear								
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column			
		250	71.25	71.25						71.25
NETS										
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price		Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing			Percentage Total Award to Total Claim		Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing		Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price
MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS										
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Applica- tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price			
16.90	7.35	2.20	44.54	120	53.45				55.65	
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										126.90

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November 16th, 1950.

Mr. Yoshio OIKAWA,
c/o D.D. Ranch,
R. R. No. 3,
Vernon, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 217

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee
on Japanese Canadians, our form of Release which has been
executed by yourself covering the award recommended under
the above Claims Commission for the sum of ... \$126.90.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$119.56
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 7.34
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears
Director

FCS/js
1 encl.

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December 28th, 1950

Mr. Yoshio OIKAWA,
c/o D. D. Ranch,
R. R. No. 3,
Vernon, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

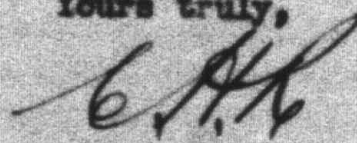
Case # 217

On November 16th, 1950 the Custodian mailed to you a cheque for \$119.56, in payment of the award made to you by the above Commission.

This cheque has not been cashed and as the returned cheque to this office through the Bank is the only means of knowing that you have received the cheque, please present same for payment as soon as possible.

If, however, you have not received the cheque please advise the Custodian of Enemy Property at 506 Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, B. C. by first mail.

Yours truly,



G. H. Reed
Office of the Custodian

CHR:BK

BRIEF

Notes in Defence

Yoshio OIKAWA

File No. 14865

Case No. 217

Chattels Only.
VERNON, B.C.
April 29, 1948.

This claim is for Chattels only. The claim is as follows:

Bean Sticks	120.00	Left with Chinese and never found by Custodian
Kitchen Utensils	16.50	Sold at auction for \$7.35
Gas Boat	350.00	" By Tender for \$250.00.

This claimant, though requested to do so earlier, filed his JP in Nov. 1943. Consequently, when the Custodian was able to take his inventory, a considerable length of time had lapsed since evacuation. All chattels were sold with the exception of the bean sticks, which were left, allegedly, with a Chinaman by name of Low Fat. When the Custodian removed the chattels stored with Low Fat, the bean sticks were not found. This man contended that no more Japanese chattels remained on his property.

Submitted by Government Counsel that the boat claimed for was sold for its fair market value and that the chattels claimed for were left by the claimant in the custody of someone other than the Custodian and that the Custodian is only responsible for when he assumed control. It is submitted the chattels which were sold were sold for their fair market value, and values placed on chattels which were not sold are exorbitant.

The claimant has admitted (Transcript Page 6 line 10) that the chattels were left with another Japanese (Hozumi SASAKI), who in turn left them with Low Fat, and that when the chattels were so left, no definite arrangement was agreed upon.

Ref. the Gas Boat -

Claimant's Valuation	350.
J.F.V.D.C. "	259. (Survey # 372 N.W.)
Custodian's "	250. (Appraised by <u>John Gould</u> , Marine Surveyor)
Purchase Price	250. (Sold to <u>Rene & Edward Beauchamp</u>)

Possible Witnesses/

Rene & Edward Beauchamp
John Gould
Low Fat
Hozumi SASAKI

HL/mw

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT."
PART 1. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 99
JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION.

B E F O R E
(HIS HONOUR, JUDGE M.M. COLQUHOUN, SUB-COMMISSIONER)

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Vernon, B.C.

April 28, 1948

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
YOSHIO OHKAWA

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

20 APPEARANCES:

D.S. MEAVISH, Esq.,

appearing for the
Dominion Government.

R.J. McMASTER, Esq.,

appearing for the
Claimant.

T.J. HARRISON, Esq.,

Secretary to Vernon
Sub-Commission.

MRS. I.C. SMITH,

Official Interpreter

G. RAMBLETON, Esq.,

Official Reporter.

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MR. McMASTER: Y. Oikawa, No. 224 on the original list.

YOSHIO OIKAWA, the Claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the official interpreter as follows:

10 MR. McMASTER: In this case, your honour, the claim is for chattels only, and I would apply to amend in the following manner: leaving the claim for 12,000 bean sticks at \$120.00, reducing the claim for kitchen utensils to \$16.50, reducing the claim on the gasboat to \$350.00, making a total gross claim of \$486.50. The Custodian sold the gasboat for \$250.00, and the kitchen utensils for \$7.35, so that deduction is to be made as a credit to the Custodian -- \$257.35 -- leaving a net claim of \$229.15.

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

20 Q: Witness, did you instruct Mr. Leckie to prepare this statement with regard to the personal chattels other than your boat with respect to which you are making a claim?

A: Yes.

Q: Are the contents of that statement true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask to file that as exhibit No. 1.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

30 MR. McMASTER: With regard to Exhibit 1, without referring to the individual items there, the claimant states

that the above goods were left in care of H. Sasaki when he was removed from Lulu Island and were declared to be so left in his J.P. form. He states that the bean sticks were definitely left with Sasaki along with other goods claimed. The Custodian apparently waited until May, 1944, before going around to Sasaki's home to remove the goods.

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I file on behalf of my learned friend the Claims Analysis of the Custodian as the next exhibit, and would draw to the attention of your honour the fact that the claimant is not making any claim for the item in the column under "Auction," \$2.25, one bundle of garden tools. It would appear from the Custodian's Claims Analysis that the goods were left by the claimant with Horumi Sasaki, who, when he was evacuated, left the claimant's goods with one Low Fat, a Chinese tenant, and on April 11, 1944, the claimant asked for certain goods to be shipped to him at Vernon, and on May 11, 1944, the Custodian went around to the premises.

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It seems to me there is an error in the Claims Analysis. It would appear that the bean sticks were not found. The Claims Analysis shows the bean sticks -- no, I am sorry, "Declared and not found," that is right.

Q: Witness, did you instruct Mr. Leckie to prepare this statement with regard to the boat with respect to which you are making a claim, and is that

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your signature on it? A: Yes.

Q: And are the contents of that statement true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I would like to file the statement with regard to the boat.

(CLAIMS ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2)

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3)

10 MR. McMASTER: I would ask my learned friend to admit that the boat was sold by the Custodian.

MR. McTAVISH: That is correct, your honour.

MR. McMASTER: Your witness.

20 MR. McTAVISH: It is submitted, your honour, that the boat claimed for was sold for its fair market value. It is submitted that the chattels claimed for were left by the claimant in the custody of someone other than the Custodian and that the Custodian is only responsible for when he assumed control. It is submitted the chattels which were sold were sold for their fair market value. It is submitted that the values placed by the claimant on the chattels which were not sold are exhorbi-

tant.

CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. McTAVISH:

Q: I produce to you what is known as a J.P. form, dated the 16th day of November, 1943. Was that signed by yourself? A: Yes.

30 Q: And that is the J.P. form which you completed at the Custodian's request?

A: At his own suggestion that he wrote that, not from the Custodian's suggestion.

MR. McMASTER: That he wrote what?

MR. McTAVISH: The list of chattels shown on here.

I put that in as an exhibit.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4)

Q: Claimant, is that the first list of your goods that you had given to the Custodian?

A: Yes.

10 Q: Did you receive letters written to you from the Custodian requesting you to put in a J.P. form in July and September and October of 1943?

MR. McMASTER: I suggest my friend produce the letters to him if he has them.

A: What is the date of it?

MR. McTAVISH: Q: I produce to you one letter dated September 1st, 1943, addressed to yourself -- this is a copy of a letter. Did you receive that letter?

A: Yes, he has. He remembers it.

20 Q: I produce to you a copy of a letter dated October 4th, 1943 addressed to yourself from the Custodian. Did you receive that letter?

A: I don't quite remember receiving the second one.

MR. McTAVISH: I will ask my friend to admit the letter dated September 1st, 1943 is a letter from the Custodian to the claimant.

MR. McMASTER: It purports to be a copy.

MR. McTAVISH: It purports to be a copy, yes, in which the Custodian requests that he immediately, on receipt
30 of this letter, complete and return to the Custodian.

dian either the J.P. forms previously sent to the claimant or advise the Custodian that he had no property within the protected area.

Q: What arrangement did you make with Sasaki to take care of your chattels before you left your home?

A: I didn't exactly ask him to look after the things, only I asked him to let me leave it until after the war.

Q: You just left your chattels there without any arrangement?

A: Yes.

Q: What date was that?

A: About the 20th of February, 1942.

MR. McTAVISH: That is all.

RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

Q: Witness, you were evacuated about that date, were you?

A: Yes.

Q: And where did they send you?

A: To Vernon.

Q: And prior to your leaving the coast, were you required to file a J.P. form or any other document concerning your assets?

A: There was no instruction given to sign any paper at the time when I left.

Q: I am sorry, I didn't get the answer. Would you mind repeating it?

A: He said at the time he left he had no instructions to sign any paper.

Q: From the Custodian?

A: From the Custodian.

Q: Witness, what was the reason that you didn't answer

the one request from the Custodian which you acknowledge having received at an earlier date?

As: When he left --

MR. McMASTER: I wonder if he would repeat his answer? My interpreter says you apparently didn't catch it. Just ask the witness to repeat the answer he just gave you.

THE INTERPRETER: Will you please repeat the question?

MR. McMASTER: Q: He has acknowledged receiving at
10 least one letter from the Custodian, asking him to file a J.P. form. Will he tell his honour why he didn't comply with that request at an earlier date than the date on the J.P. form he just filed.

As: He had asked someone to do it for him and this person thought it wasn't necessary, and, another thing, as I had already told about the boat itself, I didn't think it was necessary for me to reply at an earlier date.

MR. McMASTER: That is all, your honour.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: That is all, thank you.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

Gordon Hambleton
G. Hambleton
Official Reporter

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