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(Coroner's Report Form of Inquiry.)

Vancouver, B.C.
June 9th, 19 42

Report of INQUIRY as to Cause of Death of

NONOYAMA, Shokichi

Age **61 yrs** Sex **Male** Birthplace **Japan** Date of death **June 8th, 1942**
Nationality **Canadian** Race **Japanese**

Remarks **On June 8th, 1942 at 9:00 A.M., Supt. Salt, of the R.C.M.P., Hastings Park, Vancouver, B.C., telephoned the Vancouver Coroner, concerning the death of Shokichi Nonoyama, Japanese, interned there. He had been interned on March 4th, 1942 from Prince Rupert, B.C., where he had been a cannery worker. Since coming to Vancouver he had been ill and had been under the care of Dr. Shimo Takahara, as well as under the medical care of Drs. Grauer and Cook, Gov't. employees. Apparently he suffered from a heart ailment and due to this fact he had been given special concessions by the police. As he was under detention when he died and as the police were not desirous of having**
(cont'd. below)

Where found _____

Found by _____

Post-mortem findings **By. Dr. H.H. Pitts showed Coronary stenosis due to conorary sclerosis with myocardial degeneration and dilatation and oedema of the lungs.**

(con'td. from above)--any undue criticism, they asked for an official investigation and autopsy. Such investigation was carried out.

ENTERED

ACKNOWLEDGED

Wounds, etc. **none**

Address of deceased **Home: Prince Rupert, B.C. Interned--Hastings Pk. Vancouver**

Address of next of kin **Wife L. Aki Nonoyama, present address, unknown, but under police detention.**

Opinion of Coroner
The investigation and the autopsy shows that he had died from natural causes. I personally made an inspection of the Hastings Park detention camp and found everything in very good order. This man had been ill prior to coming to Vancouver and I do not think that his detention had any bearing whatsoever as to his death.

Municipality or district responsible **Vancouver, B.C..**

Undertaker **Center & Hanna Ltd.,** ~~Burns~~ **at Vancouver Crematorium.**

J. Whitbread, Coroner.
Jno. Whitbread.

NOTE.—Depositions or statements of witnesses (if any) to be attached to this form.
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AUTOPSY REPORT

V. G. H.

WARD Outs.AUTOPSY NO. A-42-397(Coroner) HOSP. No.DOCTOR J. D. WHITEHEADSHOKICHI NONOYAMA NAME

DIED June 7 1942 AUTOPSIED June 9 HRS. P.M. 9.30 am. BY HHP.

LENGTH 159 cms. PUPILS R. L. P. M. RIGIDITY pres. LIVIDITY pres.

RACIAL ORIGIN Japanese COLOR yellow SEX male AGE 62

DEVELOPMENT good NOURISHMENT fair OEDEMA 0

The body is that of a well developed but only fairly well nourished Japanese male 62 yrs of age. There is nothing particularly noteworthy on external examination beyond the fact that the body has been embalmed.

The usual midline incision is made, from ^{umbilicus}annubrium to symphysis.

The lungs are patchily adherent to the chest wall by old fibrous adhesions, especially at the base of the right lung which is quite adherent to the superior aspect of the right diaphragm where fairly large plaques of almost hyaline fibrous tissue are present.

The lungs are very edematous; this may be partially due to the embalming fluid, but probably also to ante mortem process, and the right weighs 960 grms., the left 720 grms. On section, they show quantities of edematous fluid exuding from the bronchi and bronchioles; there is no other evidence of any lesion, such as tuberculosis or carcinoma.

The heart lies free in the pericardial sac and is definitely dilated, especially the **right** auricle. The heart free of clot weighs 510 grms. and the coronaries are markedly beaded and tortuous. On opening the heart, the valves are all apparently quite intact and the ascending aorta is quite sclerotic. On opening the coronary arteries, the lumina are seen to be very markedly narrowed in many areas by cal-

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cific plaques, but there is no definite thrombosis, and this calcification extends down into the very small radicles of both right and left coronaries. The left is probably much more involved than the right. The heart muscle is somewhat hypertrophied, especially the left ventricular wall, and towards the apical portion, shows fine patchy fibrosis.

The abdominal viscera are in normal position.

The liver weighs 1040 grms. and beyond a moderate degree of congestion, shows nothing noteworthy.

The gall bladder is intact.

The spleen weighs 200 grms. and on section presents a rather congested cut surface, but otherwise is not noteworthy.

The gastro-intestinal tract is intact throughout, except that at the terminal ileum it is rather firmly adherent to the brim of the pelvis by old fibrous adhesions. The omentum is adherent at this point, where an old calcified, apparently tuberculous gland about the size of a large filbert nut is also present.

The kidneys weigh each 210 grms. and on stripping the capsules, the cortical aspect of each is seen to be extremely pitted, of a nephrosclerotic type. On section, the cortex of each kidney is seen to be well defined; there is some narrowing at the point of the arteriosclerotic pitting, but the pelvis and calyces of each kidney are intact.

The bladder and prostate show nothing noteworthy.

The abdominal aorta shows a marked degree of arteriosclerotic change and atheromatous ulceration with calcification.

The brain is next examined and found to weigh 1440 grms. The vessels comprising the circle of Willis are surprisingly elastic and thin, considering the degree of arteriosclerotic change in the thoracic and abdominal vessels. On section of the brain, no evidence of

infarction, hemorrhage or tumor growth is noted.

DIAGNOSIS:

Marked coronary arteriosclerosis, with coronary stenosis.
Myocardial degeneration with dilatation and hypertrophy.
Chronic pleurisy.
Edema of lungs.
Nephrosclerosis.
Generalized arteriosclerosis.

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MICROSCOPIC FINDINGS.

Heart: Sections show a very marked degree of fragmentation of the myocardium with a moderate degree of hypertrophy of the fibres which are generally swollen and turbid, and throughout there is a well marked rather patchy fibrosis.

DIAGNOSIS: Myocardial degeneration with hypertrophy, fragmentation and fibrosis.

Sections through the spleen and liver show marked chronic passive venous congestion with a moderate chronic cholangitis in the liver.

Sections through the kidneys show a moderate but very definite nephrosclerotic process.

H.H.PITTS

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Serial No. 11093

**REGISTRATION OF ORIENTALS UNDER
O.C. P.C. 117 BY R. C. M. POLICE**

Name NONOYAMA Shokichi Status Naturalized Canadian

Address P.O. Box 22, Prince Rupert, B.C. Single or Married Married
c/o North Pacific Cannery, Skeena.

Place of Birth Yokohama, Japan Date of Birth Nov. 18, 1880

Sex Male Age 61 Height 5' 3 3/4" Weight 135

Hair Grey Eyes Brown Comp. Sallow

Special Marks of Identification: Scar on nose

Date of Entry to Canada June 14, 1907

Port of Entry Victoria, B. C. Ex. S.S. Tosa Maru

Father's Name Deceased Father's Serial No. _____

Mother's Name " Mother's Serial No. _____

Name of Husband (Wife) NONOYAMA Aki Serial No. of
Husband (Wife) 11094

Occupation Cannery Worker

Number and Type of Fishing Licence (if any) _____

Property Owned (Registration No. of Boat, if any) _____

Address of Wife (Husband) _____

Number of Children under 16 years of age _____

Name	Age	Address

Number and Date of Birth and/or Naturalization Certificate _____

Is Japanese Nationality claimed as well as Canadian Nationality? _____

Is return to Japan contemplated? _____

If so for what reason? _____

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
JAPANESE REGISTRATION
"E" DIVISION

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

Our File No. 11093
DIV. FILE No.
H. Q. FILE No.

Hastings Park,
Vancouver, B. C.,
June 9th, 1942.

Handwritten signature and scribbles

Dr. J. Whitbread,
6111 Sperling Avenue,
Vancouver, B. C.

Re: Shokichi NONOYAMA Jap.Reg.No.11093
Hastings Park Clearing Station
Sudden Death

With reference to the above named who died at about 5:20 A.M., on the 8th instant, at Hastings Park Clearing Station, please be advised that our file contains the following information.

On March 23rd, 1942, at about 7:00 P.M. the subject of this file registered into Hastings Park Clearing Station from Prince Rupert, B. C.

On March 30th, 1942, Dr. F. W. Grauer, at Hastings Park Clearing Station issued the following embodied memorandum.

"Re: Shokichi Nanoyama Jap.Reg.No.11093
Hastings Park

Permission is hereby granted for this man to live with Mr. Anano, at 363 E. Cordova Street, until such time as Police orders requiring his further movement. He has heart disease of a severe nature and is under Dr. Shimatakahara's care."

Under date of April 2nd, 1942, Dr. Grauer also issued the following embodied memorandum.

"Permission is granted for the above patient to reside at the home of Mr. Anano, 363 Cordova Street, for a period of two weeks to enable him to have his teeth extracted and be fitted for a plate.

"Man wishes to return to Manning Pool when dentist treatment is completed."

In accordance with the above, on April 2nd, 1942, Mr. J.F. Gawthrop, Officer in Charge, Hastings Park Clearing Station, issued the following instructions:

"Permission is hereby granted to Shokichi Nanoyama Jap.Reg.No.11093, who is suffering from heart disease of severe nature and is under Dr. Shimatakahara's care, to be released from the Clearing Station and to reside at the home of Mr. Anano, 363 E. Cordova Street, Vancouver, B.C., and to remain there until further

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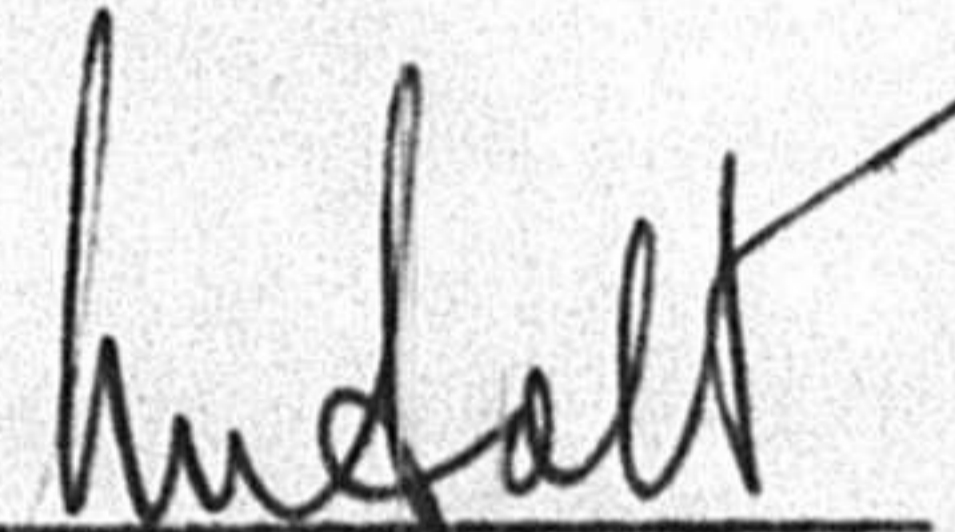
orders of the R.C.M.Police.

"Recommended by Dr. F.W. Grauer, of the
Medical Department, of the B. C. Security
Commission."

On May 4th, 1942, at 2:30 P.M., subject of this file re-
turned to Hastings Park Clearing Station and registered in.
On May the 8th, 1942, the subject of this file reported to
Mr. F. Booth, at Hastings Park Manning Pool and was given an
order to report with his family to the R.C.M.Police at
Building "A", Hastings Park, on May 9th, for the purpose of
being evacuated to an Interior Housing Project for elderly
persons and those unfit for road work. Evacuation in this
connection was delayed.

On May 20th, 1942, he was again ordered to report to
"B" Building, in Hastings Park, at 1:00 P.M., May 23rd for
evacuation to the Interior Housing Project at Slocan. On
May 29th he was given another deferment until 9:00 A.M.,
on June 18th.

No further information is available from our file, with
the exception of the information contained on the attached
form for Registration of Orientals under P.C. 117.



(E.C.P.Salt) Supt.

In Charge Japanese Registration

DEM:HM
Encl.