

23-2-2-12-9 Property Permits, Alberta.

VOLUME No. 1

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

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FILE TITLE..... ALBERTA

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AIR MAIL

O t t a w a,
January 31, 1947.

Registrar of Land Titles,
Attorney General's Department,
Legislative Buildings,
Province of Alberta,
Edmonton, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

By Order in Council P.C. 270 of January 23, 1947, effective as of that date, the provisions of Order in Council P.C. 946 of February 5, 1943, which prohibited persons of Japanese origin anywhere in Canada from acquiring legal title to real property, or leasing such property for periods longer than one year, without first obtaining a licence from the Dominion Minister of Labour, were revoked.

It will therefore be in order for Registry Offices to register after January 23, 1947 any transfer of interest in real property to a person of Japanese origin without a licence from the Minister of Labour for such transfer. I would be obliged if you would advise the Registrars in your local Offices accordingly.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.
Deputy Minister of Labour.

HTP:MS

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A. MacNamara.
Deputy Minister of Labour.

HTP:MS

Dear Sir:

effective as of this date
By Order in Council P.C. 270 of January 23, 1947, certain sections of
the Japanese control Order, P.C. 946, were ~~revoked or amended~~. *the Japanese*
order in Council P.C. 946 of Feb 1, 1943

~~Among the sections revoked in full was Section 5B,~~ which prohibited
persons of Japanese origin anywhere in Canada from acquiring legal title to real
property, or leasing such property for periods longer than one year, without first
obtaining a license from the Dominion Minister of Labour, *were revoked*

after Jan 23, 1947
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~~transfer of~~ real property to a person of Japanese origin, *after Jan 23* ~~from now on~~, and I would
be obliged if you would advise the Registrars in your local Offices accordingly.

*without a license
from this Department,
the transfer of license
for such transfer.*

REGISTERED
AIR MAIL

Ottawa, January 27, 1947.

Mr. W. E. Everson,
Assistant Supervisor,
Japanese Division, Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Everson:

I enclose license for George Y. Higa
of Lethbridge, Alberta, to purchase property in that
city, and would be obliged if you would forward it to
him as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP/LM



L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.
946 of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C. 5973 of
September 14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

GEORGE YOSHIHISA HIGA of Lethbridge, Alberta,

(Reg. No. 14599)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

ALL AND SINGULAR the West Half of Northwest Quarter of 21--8--20,
West of the 4th Meridian, District of Lethbridge, Province of Alberta;
and containing 76 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres more or less.

Dated at Ottawa, Canada,

this 27th day of Jan'y. 1947

(SIGNED) HUMPHREY MITCHELL

Minister of Labour

January 25,

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TO: Honourable Mr. Mitchell

RE: Property Licenses for Japanese

Applications have been received from the under-listed Japanese to purchase property, and issuance of the attached licenses in these cases is recommended:

1. George Y. Higa -- Naturalized Canadian, served in the Canadian Army in the late war, has lived all his life in Alberta and has been co-operative in every way, is purchasing a small farm in that province under the Veterans Land Act.

2. H. Fujino -- Canadian-born, evacuated in 1942 and moved to Revelstoke several months ago, where he now wishes to purchase a house for residential purposes.

A. MacNamara

RTF/VE
Encl.



FORM "A"



APPLICATION

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY 5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) GEORGE YOSHITAKA HIGA
(Reg. No.) #46512714599, (National Status) Can. Canadian Born

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

W¹/₂ of R. W¹/₄ of 21 - 8 - 20 West of 4th Meridian

and consisting of 76¹/₂ acres, with buildings: house

Are you living on this property? no; if so since when? _____

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

for full scale irrigated farming

Name of vendor: W. S. Houlton; Address: Smith Farms

Date: Jan. 13, 1947

G. Y. Higa
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a) This man was born in Alberta. His family is very well thought of in this district, and he is a veteran of World War II. He is purchasing the land through D.V.A., and the application was sent to us through them.

(b) Subject's file has been checked at Head Office and reveals that he is married with four children. Please note that he is a Naturalized Canadian and not Canadian Born as stated above. Subject was registered in Alberta in 1941 and has since resided in that province. He has co-operated in every way with this office.

(c)

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

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H.T. Pammett.

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AIR MAIL.

OTTAWA, January 20, 1947.

Mr. J. F. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Japanese Placement,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
360 Homer St.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

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I am enclosing copy of a license issued
to T. Iwaasa of Raymond, Alta., on the recommenda-
tion of the Soldier Settlement and Veterans' Land Act
Division of the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

This man served in the Canadian Army in
Britain and Europe from 1941 to 1946 and has qualified
under the Veterans' Land Act. We are advised that the
Regional Advisory Committee and the Raymond Town Council
and Rehabilitation Committee all support this veteran's
application.

Accordingly the license has been issued in
this case and sent forward directly to Iwaasa through
the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

A. MacNamara.

HFP:FD

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L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.
946 of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C. 5973 of
September 14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

TORU IWAASA of Raymond, Alberta,

(Reg. No. -----)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

ALL AND SINGULAR the Southeast Quarter and the South Half of the Northeast
Quarter of 15-6-20 West 4th M, in the Raymond District, Province of
Alberta; and containing 240 acres more or less.

Dated at Ottawa, Canada,
this 18th day of Jan'y. 1947

(SIGNED) HUMPHREY MITCHELL.

Minister of Labour

cc to Mr. J.F. MacKinnon.

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OTTAWA, January 20, 1947.

O
Mr. O.C. White,
Superintendent, Agricultural Branch,
Soldier Settlement and Veterans' Land Act,
Department of Veterans' Affairs,
OTTAWA.

Your file 40716.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of January 15, concerning a property license for Mr. T. Iwaasa of Raymond, Alta., I am enclosing a license signed by the Minister of Labour to permit Iwaasa to purchase the property detailed in your letter. It is presumed that this license will be forwarded by you to Mr. Iwaasa as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP:FD

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

OTTAWA. January 17, 1947

MEMORANDUM To: The Minister

Re: Property Licenses for Japanese

Applications have been received from the underlisted Japanese who desire to purchase property, and issuance of a license in each of these cases is recommended:

(1) Toru Iwaasa - This man is a Canadian-born veteran who was discharged from the Canadian Army on February 20, 1946, after serving in Britain and Europe for over four years. He desires to purchase a farm of 240 acres in Raymond, Alberta, which has been approved by the local Citizens Rehabilitation Committee.

(2) Y. Inamasu - A Japanese National who evacuated to Regina in 1942 and has co-operated with the Government in every way. He desires to purchase a residence in that city, where he has employment as a chick-sexer.

(3) Mrs. T. Tsumura - Naturalized Canadian, in Ontario since 1942 and co-operative in every way, desires to purchase a house in Toronto in which she has been living with her family for over a year.

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A. MacNamara.

*Recommended
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SOLDIER SETTLEMENT AND VETERANS' LAND ACT

YOUR FILE NO. 40716
PLEASE QUOTE

Ottawa, Jan. 15, 1947

Mr. A. MacNamara,
Deputy Minister of Labour,
Ottawa, Ont.

Attention: Mr. H.T. Pammett

Re: IWAASA, Toru M.35932

The above noted is of Japanese race, is a veteran of the Canadian Army, and has been recommended for qualification under the Veterans' Land Act. His service records show that he enlisted in the Canadian Army at Lethbridge, Alta., on the 10 June 1941, and was discharged on 20 February 1946, by reason of demobilization. His Discharge Certificate shows that he served in Canada, the United Kingdom, and Continental Europe.

The veteran made application for qualification under the Veterans' Land Act in February of 1946, and appeared before a Regional Advisory Committee on the 6 March 1946, when he was recommended as suitably qualified for full-time farming. As he had not located a farm at the time he received his qualification, he requested that consideration of his establishment be delayed until he had located a suitable farm. We are now advised by our District Office at Edmonton that the veteran wishes to be established on the S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ & S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of 15-6-20 W.4th M. containing approximately 240 acres. This land is located in the Raymond area, and we are in receipt of a copy of a letter, dated 9 April 1946, from Mr. D.M. Holladay, Secretary of the Citizens Rehabilitation Committee of Raymond, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, Lethbridge, Alta., which states that the town council of Raymond recommends approval of the application of the veteran for the purchase of a farm in the Raymond District.

As this veteran has been considered qualified for establishment under the Veterans' Land Act in the Raymond District and in view of the favourable report of the Citizens Rehabilitation Committee, it would be appreciated if your consideration could be given to grant him a license to acquire the land on which he wishes to be established.

This case was discussed in telephone conversation with you, yesterday's date, and in view of the conversation, this letter is addressed for your attention instead of being sent, as in the past, to the Honourable Mr. Mitchell.

O.C. White
O.C. White

Superintendent, Agricultural Branch

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

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H.T. Pammett.

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Your File: 84476

Ottawa, December 20, 1946

Mr. Gordon Murchison,
Director,
Soldier Settlement and Veterans' Land Act,
Department of Veterans Affairs,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr. Murchison:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of December 12 to the Honourable Mr. Mitchell recommending issuance of a property license to Mr. George Y. Higa of southern Alberta.

In view of this man's record, there will be no difficulty in issuance of a license in his case, and I am enclosing three copies of an application form which should be sent forward to him in order to obtain the necessary particulars, especially the legal description of the property which he wishes to purchase.

The application should be sent forward when completed by Higa to Mr. W. E. Everson, Alberta Supervisor, Japanese Division, Department of Labour, 1102 Fifth Avenue South, Lethbridge, Alta., or, if the matter is urgent, the forms can be sent indirectly to this office after completion.

If you wish the license sent to you for forwarding after issuance, would you please advise me, otherwise it will be sent to Mr. Everson to be passed on to Higa directly by the usual channel.

Yours very truly,

HSP/IM

A. MacNamara.

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SOLDIER SETTLEMENT AND VETERANS' LAND ACT

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Our File: 84476

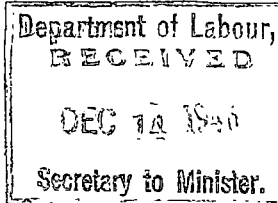
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OTTAWA, Dec. 12, 1946

The Honourable Humphrey Mitchell,
Minister of Labour,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Mitchell



Re: HIGA, George Yoshihisa H.45127

The governing regulations established by Order in Council P.C. 946 of the 5th day of February, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C. 5973 of the 14th day of September, 1945, provide in part (sub-section 4(a) of Regulation 3B) - the Minister of Labour may, if it appears to him to be in the public interest so to do, grant to a person of the Japanese race a licence to acquire land which such person would by reason of this Regulation be denied the capacity to acquire. This is a formal recommendation looking to the issuance of such a licence to George Yoshihisa Higa, a person of the Japanese race who served in the Armed Forces of Canada during the late War.

George Y. Higa served in the Canadian Army from the 17 April 1945 to the 4 May 1946, when he was discharged on demobilization. During his service he served in the United Kingdom and India, with the Canadian Intelligence Corps. He has been granted a ten per cent disability pension as a result of his service, and the pension number is 559281.

This veteran is reported to have been born in Okinawa, Japan, and to have come to Canada with his parents when he was one year of age. He has farmed with his father and brothers in Southern Alberta since he was twelve years of age. He made application for qualification under the Veterans' Land Act, and appeared before a Regional Advisory Committee of our Regional Office, Lethbridge, on the 21 October 1946. He has been well recommended by the Committee for establishment in full-time farming in Southern Alberta. Mr. W. Aitken, Secretary, Lethbridge Citizens Rehabilitation Committee states in a letter, dated 16 November 1946, that the Citizens Committee has considered the case and recommends qualification under the Veterans' Land Act.

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On 28 May 1946 I wrote to you concerning Mr. Harry Higa, also a veteran and brother of the above noted. On 1 June 1946 you favoured me with a reply accompanied by a licence on behalf of Harry Higa, permitting him to acquire and hold a property near Lethbridge, Alta.

In view of the satisfactory recommendation of the Regional Advisory Committee which has examined this veteran's qualification for establishment under the Veterans' Land Act, and the favourable report from the Secretary of the Lethbridge Citizens Rehabilitation Committee, the granting of a licence to Mr. George Y. Higa is placed before you for your approval and the issue of a licence.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "G. S. Macdonald", is written over a large, diagonal handwritten "X" mark.

Director.

MCC/EP

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

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H.T. Pammett.

B.F.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, December 11, 1946

MEMORANDUM To: The Minister

Re: Property Licenses for Japanese

Applications have been received from the under-listed Japanese to obtain licenses to purchase property, and issuance of licenses in these cases is hereby recommended:

(1) James Shimbashi - Naturalized Canadian and veteran of the Canadian Army in World War I, has resided in Alberta for 35 years and wishes to purchase a farm of 160 acres on which he has been living since 1943.

(2) Ken Kitamura - Naturalized Canadian, co-operative in every way, moved east recently to set up business in Toronto, wishes to purchase a house in East York near Toronto which is vacant at present.


A. MacNamara.







L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

JAMES SEIMBASHI of Barnwell, Alberta,

(Reg.No. 14785)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

ALL AND SINGULAR The Northeast Quarter of 21-9-17. Fourth Meridian,
as registered in the Registry Office for the District, and at or near
the town of Barnwell, Province of Alberta: being a total of 160 acres
more or less.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 11th day of December, 1946.

Acting Minister of Labour



DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

AIR MAIL

7th December 1946

A. MacNamara, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Labour,
O T T A W A.

Re: APPLICATION TO PURCHASE PROPERTY

We enclose application to purchase
property submitted by James SHIMBASHI, Registration No.
14785, of Barnwell, Alta.

J. F. MacKINNON.

Enc.

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE
JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY
5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) James SHIMBASHI

(Reg. No.) 14785, (National Status) Naturalized Canadian

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real
property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

N.E. Quarter 21-9-17 Fourth Meridian
Barnwell, Alberta

and consisting of 160 acres, with buildings: House and Farm Buildings

Are you living on this property? Yes; if so since when? 1943

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

Residence - lives on the land and farms it

Name of vendor: D.E.Wilde; Address: Welling, Alberta

Date: Dec. 4, 1946

J. Shimbashi
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest
Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)
(a)

The above named has been a resident of Alberta for 35 years, and is
a veteran of World War I. He is well thought of in the Barnwell
district, as well as in the Raymond district, where he formerly
resided.

(b) Subject's file has been checked at Head Office and reveals that he
was registered at Raymond, Alta. in 1941 and has since resided
in the province of Alberta. He was in the Canadian Army in the
first Great War. He has been co-operative in every way.

(c)

Your File 46 D 1066-4-H 1

Ottawa, December 5, 1946.

Inspector A. W. Parsons,
Special Section,
R.C.M. Police,
Justice Building,
OTTAWA.

Dear Mr. Parsons:

I wish to acknowledge your letters of
November 16 and December 4, concerning property
purchase by H. Kikuchi, No. 08296 of Edmonton,
Alberta.

I would advise that this man on
November 14 completed an application form for a
property license, which license was issued by
the Minister of Labour on November 23. The
property which he proposed to purchase is in the
City of Edmonton, Alberta.

Yours very truly,

HTP/LMM

A. MacNamara.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO BE
ADDRESSED:—

THE COMMISSIONER.

R. C. M. POLICE.

OTTAWA

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
HEADQUARTERS

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IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

FILE NO. [REDACTED]

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Department of Labour	
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To:.....	
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Re: Hisao KIKUCHI
Waterways, Alta.

Further to our letter of the 16th ultimo relative to the alleged purchase of property by the above-named person of the Japanese race, attached hereto please find a copy of our Edmonton Detachment report dated the 20th ultimo together with forwarding minutes.

2. It would appear that KIKUCHI purchased the property on November 2, 1946. You will note that he claims to have corresponded with your supervisor at Lethbridge and may also have written direct to you concerning this matter.

A.W. Parsons
(A.W. Parsons), Inspector
for Officer i/c Special Section

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Encls.

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CONFIDENTIAL

December 4, 1946

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(A.W. Parsons), Inspector
for Officer i/c Special Section

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Encls.

O t t a w a,
December 4, 1946.

AIR MAIL

REGISTERED

Mr. W. E. Everson,
Assistant Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Ave. South,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sir:

I enclose Licence signed by the Acting
Minister to permit property purchase by Mr. N. TAKEDA of
Rosemary, Alberta. Would you please have this delivered
to the applicant as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

HTP:MS

A. MacNamara.

Mr. Brown:

• It didn't know
whether to question
this - he is buying
58 lots each
30' x 30' in the village,
which seems a lot
of land - unless it
is a farm.

Should it go
through?

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November 29

46.

TO: Minister.

Re: Property License for Japanese.

Applications have been received from the under-listed Japanese to purchase property, and issuance of the attached licenses is hereby recommended:

1. K. & F. Kobayashi - Canadian born, in Toronto area since 1943, co-operative in every way, wish to purchase a house in Toronto which is now vacant.
2. T. Maruyama - Japanese national in Manitoba since September, co-operative in every way, wishes to purchase a house at St. Vital, Man.
3. H. Tazumi - Canadian born, in Manitoba since 1942, and reported as industrious and co-operative, wishes to purchase 50 acres for farming where he is already living at St. Norbert, Man.
4. N. Takeda - Japanese national, living at Raymond, Alta., since 1918, and well thought of in the district, wishes to purchase a farm near Rosemary, Alta.

A. MacNamara.

HTP:PD



L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE.
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

NAKA TAKEDA of Rosemary, Alberta,
(Reg.No. 14757)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

~~ALL AND SINGULAR All of Section 6-21-15 With, lying south of Railway track~~
~~and East of Reservoir; along with 132 acres in North half of 31-20-15~~
~~With, lying N. and E. of Matziwan Creek; along with North Half 27-20-16~~
~~With and All of 34-20-16 With; All registered and being in the Province~~
of Alberta, Rosemary District, and comprising 1332 acres more or less.
Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 29th day of November, 1946.

Minister of Labour

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE
JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY
5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) NAKA TAKEDA - Rosemary. Alberta
(Reg. No.) 14757, (National Status) Japanese National,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real
property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)
All of Section 6-21-15-W4th Lying South of Railway track and
East of Reservoir, with 132 acres in N $\frac{1}{2}$ of 31-20-15 W4th.
lying N. & E. of Matziwan Creek,
N $\frac{1}{2}$ 27-20-16 W4th and
all of 34-20-16 W4th all in the Province of Alberta
and consisting of 1332 acres, with buildings:

Are you living on this property? yes; if so since when? last 6 years

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

I live on part of said land, 339 acres is under cultivation-
remainder is pasture land only

Previously I lived and farmed at Raymond ~~for~~ since 1918
Name of vendor: James Hall; Address: Brooks, Alberta

Date: 20 November, 1946

Naka Takeda
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest
Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a) The above Japanese is an old time resident of Alberta, having
lived in Raymond since 1918, before moving to Rosemary recently.
He has always been well thought of by both Occidentals and Orientals.

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(b) Subject's file has been checked at Head Office and reveals that he
is married with five children. He was registered with the R.C.M.P.
in Raymond, Alberta in 1941 and has since resided in that province.
Subject has co-operated in every way.

(c)

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

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AIR MAIL

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Ottawa, November 30, 1946.

Mr. James Shimbashi,
Barnwell, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of November 22, to the Deputy Minister of Justice, concerning purchase of land, has been referred to this Department which now has jurisdiction over the matter.

As a veteran of World War I and a long-time resident of Alberta, there will be no difficulty in obtaining a license to purchase property in your case. I am enclosing three copies of an application form which should be completed carefully, particularly the legal description of the property which you wish to purchase. These three copies should be sent immediately to Mr. W. H. Everson, Alberta Supervisor, Japanese Division, Department of Labour, 1102 Fifth Avenue South, Lethbridge, Alberta.

Yours very truly,

HJP/LAM

A. MacNamara.

K.M.21/8-486.

O.C. RCMP "E" DIVN. VANCOUVER.

SIR:

FORWARDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION. You will be advised of any instructions we receive from the Japanese Division of the Department of Labour relative to the purchase of property by this Japanese.

Edmonton, 28-11-46.

/ML

(C. BATCH) INSP.
I/C "K" DIVN. C.I.B.

THE COMMISSIONER - RCMP - OTTAWA.

SIR:

FORWARDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

S.U.I.

Edmonton, 28-11-46.

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(C. BATCH) INSP.
I/C "K" DIVN. C.I.B.

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DIVISION FILE No. K-M 21/8-486

DIVISION "K" SUB-DIVISION Edmonton DETACHMENT Edmonton

PROVINCE Alberta. DATE Nov. 20th, 1946.

FILE REFS. RE: 08296 Hisao KIKUCHI - Japanese
Application to Purchase Land.

HEADQUARTERS

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SUB-DIVISION

DETACHMENT

F46-723

P.C.R.

Memo. of the
Insp. i/c "K"
Div. C.I.B.
8-11-46.

A. R. V. No.

1. With reference to the Memo. of the Insp. i/c "K" Div. C.I.B. dated Nov. 8th, 1946 and correspondence referred to therein. Enquiries were made by the writer and it was ascertained that the above named Japanese purchased a House and lots situated at 12541-127th St., in this City and is now residing at this address.

2. KIKUCHI was interviewed by the writer, and stated that he had purchased this property on Nov. 2nd, 1946 and was in possession of an Agreement of Sale. The Agreement of Sale was drawn up by Messrs. Ciroux and Fraser 39 Garipey Block, and the Vendors name was given as Samuel PATTON. The sum of \$1800.00 was made on the down payment, and a balance of \$950.00 is still owing.

3. KIKUCHI also stated that he had written to the Supervisor of Dept. of Labour Japanese Division, Lethbridge, Alta. in connection with the purchase of the above property, but had been advised to communicate with the Dept. in Ottawa, Ont.,

4. A check made at the Land Titles Office, Edmonton, Alta. failed to disclose any information that would indicate that they were aware of, or gave their approval of the sale of this property to this Japanese.

CONCLUDED HERE
H.O. to Dept. Concerned.

R. C. Duncan Cst.
(R.C. Duncan) Reg. No. 11991.

O. C. "K" DIVISION, EDMONTON
Sir: FORWARDED.

Supt.
Commanding Edmonton Sub-Division.

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Japanese Division
Department of Labour
Lethbridge, Alberta

Sir: FORWARDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION. Would you please advise me of any instructions you might have with regard to this Japanese buying property in the City of Edmonton.

Edmonton, 28-11-46.

/ML

(C. BATCH) INSP.
I/C "K" DIVN. C.I.B.



PLEASE ADDRESS
THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF JUSTICE
OTTAWA

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Nov. 28th, 19 46

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... I enclose letter dated November
22nd from James Shimbashi of Barnwell, Alta.,
... with reference to the purchase of land together
with our above numbered file. I am forwarding
the file in order that you will have an opportunity
of considering the earlier correspondence in
connection with Mr. Shimbashi. I should be glad
if you would return it at your earliest con-
venience.

Mr. Shimbashi's letter has not been
acknowledged.

-Enc.

W. R. Jackson
A/Asst. Deputy Minister.

The Deputy Minister of Labour,
O T T A W A, Ontario.

Barnwell Alberta,
November 22, 1946.



The Deputy Minister of Justice,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir:

I would like to obtain information regarding the purchasing of lands by myself.

I am of Japanese racial origin but became a Canadian by Naturalization in Nov. 1916, having resided in Alberta for the last 35 years. I am a Veteran of World War I, enlisted in the 50th Battalion of the Canadian Army, proceeding Overseas and serving until honorably discharged in 1919.

In April 1943, I applied for permission to acquire land but was informed to wait until the cessation of hostilities due to the Defence of Canada Regulations Section 39E. I have farmed on leased land since then, but find it very difficult to do specialized farming on such.

An early reply would be appreciated as I would like to make farm preparations for 1947.

Yours truly,

James Shimbashi

RE (J.R. 6586-17-43)

WHEREAS by Regulation 39E of the Defence of Canada Regulations (Consolidation) 1942, it is provided that no person of the Japanese race shall, except as thereafter provided, have the capacity, after the 24th day of February, 1942, during the continuation of the state of war now existing to acquire or hold land in Canada and that no conveyance made or executed after the said date shall be effective to convey to or for the benefit of a person of the Japanese race any land in Canada;

AND WHEREAS it is further provided that the Minister of Justice may, if it appears to him to be in the public interest so to do, grant to a person of the Japanese race a licence to acquire or hold land in Canada and that a person of the Japanese race to whom such a licence is granted shall have the capacity to acquire or hold land in Canada in accordance with the terms and conditions of such licence;

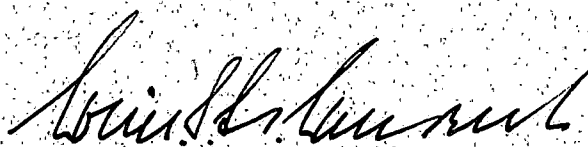
AND WHEREAS application has been made on behalf of one James Shimbashi, farmer, of Welling, Alberta, for a licence to lease the North East quarter of section 21, Township 9, Range 17, West of the 4th Meridian, in the Province of Alberta, for a period of three years commencing in the month of April, 1943;

AND WHEREAS The Attorney General for Alberta has given his approval to the issuance of a licence aforesaid;

AND WHEREAS it appears to the undersigned, the Minister of Justice, to be in the public interest to grant a licence as aforesaid.

NOW THEREFORE I, Louis St. Laurent, Minister of Justice, hereby grant to James Shimbashi, farmer of Welling, Alberta, a licence to lease the said North East quarter of section 21, Township 9, Range 17, West of the 4th Meridian in the Province of Alberta for a period not exceeding three years commencing in the month of April, 1943.

DATED at Ottawa this 21st day of April, 1943.



Minister of Justice.

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

23-2-2-12-9

H.T. Pammett.

P.A.

B.F.

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AIR MAIL
REGISTERED

Ottawa, November 26, 1946

✓
Mr. W. E. Everson,
Assistant Supervisor,
Japanese Division, Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Everson:

I enclose license signed by the
Minister to permit property purchase by H. Kikuchi
of Edmonton and would be obliged if you would send
it forward to him by registered mail as soon as
possible.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

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L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

HISAO KIKUCHI of Edmonton, Alberta,

(Reg.No. 08296)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely: .

ALL AND SINGULAR the South Half of the most Northerly One(1) Acre
throughout of Block No.One(1) in Haamann Estate, a subdivision of the
City of Edmonton, Province of Alberta, registered as Plan 495 R in the
Land Titles Office for the North Alberta Registration District(Lands).

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 23rd day of November, 1946.

Minister of Labour

November 22,

46

To: The Minister

Re: Property Purchase by Japanese

Applications have been received from the under-listed Japanese to purchase property, and issuance of licenses in these cases is recommended:

(1) Mr. & Mrs. M. Imada - Canadian born, in Hamilton area since September last, co-operative in every way, wish to purchase property on which they are already living.

4 (2) H. Kikuchi - Canadian born, in Edmonton area since June last, wishes to purchase property of which he can obtain possession November 23. He has been co-operative in every way.

(3) Mrs. M. Matsui - Naturalized Canadian, in Toronto since September last and co-operative in every way, wishes to purchase property of which she has been guaranteed possession in May, 1947.

(4) Mrs. F. Okawa - Canadian born, co-operative in every way, in Hamilton area since June last and now in Toronto, wishes to purchase property in which the family has been living since October 1.

A. MacNamara.

HTF/LM

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



CANADA

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FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY 5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) HISAO KIKUCHI

(Reg. No.) 08296, (National Status) Canadian Born,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

The South Half of the most Northerly One (1) Acre throughout of Block One (1) in Hasmann Estate, a subdivision of the City of Edmonton, in the Province of Alberta, of record in the Land Titles Office for the North Alberta Land Registration District as Plan 495 R.

and consisting of 4 lots. acres, with buildings: Dwelling and shed

Are you living on this property? No; if so since when? _____

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes? (Give particulars)

Yes, the property is required for my own residence, but I cannot obtain Possession of same until November 23rd, 1946.

Name of vendor: SAMUEL PATTON; Address: 12341 - 127th Street, Edmonton

Date: November 14th, 1946

Hisao Kikuchi
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)
(a)

As this man has been in Waterways (over 600 miles north of Lethbridge) since relocating to Alberta we have no knowledge of his reputation, character, etc. to complete 2 (a)

"W.E.E."

(b) Subject's file has been checked at Head Office and reveals that he is a single man. He was evacuated to New Denver, B.C. in 1942. In June, 1946 he moved to Waterways, Alta. Subject signed for repatriation to Japan. He has co-operated in every way.

(c)

AIR MAIL

Ottawa, November 23, 1946.

Mr. W. E. Everson,
Assistant Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

I have received an application prepared by J. S. Okano, No. 10064 of Magrath, Alberta, to purchase a house and lot in that area, dated November 12, 1946.

As you are aware, we have not been granting licenses to Japanese evacuees in the sugar beet area of Southern Alberta, although a number have been issued to persons in Northern Alberta and to old-time residents of the Province.

In cases such as Okano's, in addition to remarks under 2A, you might send a covering confidential letter in cases where there are any special and distinguished circumstances which might warrant making an exception in the issuance of licenses. In Okano's case, he is not apparently working in agriculture but in a woollen mill. Is he a skilled workman whom the factory is anxious to retain permanently? Is he the only Japanese in the town? Are any local organizations or leading citizens willing to recommend that he be allowed to purchase property?

Such factors as the above might be detailed in a covering letter of such cases, and I will await a report of this nature before making a decision on the application of Okano.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

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Mr. Brown

I drafted
license for ~~the~~
Kikuchi at
Edmonton but
not for Okano
at Ingrath in
S. Alberta. I
presume we still
refuse licenses
to evacuees in
South Alberta.

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Industrial Relations	
Information Division	
Japanese Division	
Labour Gazette	
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National Registration	
National War Labour Board	
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DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



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1. I, (Name in full:) James Sueyeyuki OKANO
(Reg. No.) 10064, (National Status) Canadian Born,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

The North one hundred and sixty five (165) feet of the West two hundred and twenty (220) feet and the South eighty-two and five tenths (82.5) feet of the North two hundred and forty seven and five tenths (247.5) of the West one hundred and fifteen (115) feet all in Block 32 according to a plan of record in the Land Titles Office for the South Alberta Land Registration Dist. and consisting of about 1.5 acres, with buildings: Barn. Shed. House

Are you living on this property? Yes; if so since when? Oct. 1, 1946

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

For residence

Name of vendor: T.A. Carter; Address: Magrath, Alta.

Date: Nov. 12th, 1946

James S. Okano.
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a) The above Japanese has been living in the Magrath district for over three years, most of that time being employed by the Magrath Woollen Mills, where he is presently employed. He is considered a good citizen and is well respected in the community.

(b) Subject's file has been checked at Head Office and reveals that he is single. He was evacuated to Magrath, Alta. and has since resided at that point. He has been co-operative in every way.

(c)

known as Magrath (39853)

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Roc 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

B.F.

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ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO BE

ADDRESSED:-

THE COMMISSIONER,

R. C. M. POLICE.

OTTAWA

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
HEADQUARTERS Department of Labour

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

FILE NO. [REDACTED]

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Re: Hisao KIKUCHI,
Waterways, Alta.

The attached sheaf of correspondence emanating from our Edmonton Office is forwarded for your information.

2. You will note that enquiries are being made at Edmonton to determine whether any property has been purchased by this Japanese and whether the Land Titles Office approved the purchase. You will be advised of the results in due course.

Purchase of Property

[Signature]
(A.W. Parsons), Insp.,
for Officer i/c Special Section

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

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CONFIDENTIAL

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(A.W. Parsons), Insp.,
for Officer i/c Special Section

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

K-M-21/8-486

Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

FORWARDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION together with
attachments.

Edmonton, 8-11-46.

/ML

(C. BATCH) INSP.
I/C "K" DIVN. C.I.B.

THE O.C. RCMP - "E" DIVISION - VANCOUVER.

SIR: FORWARDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION together with
copies of attachments. You will be further advised
regarding this matter.

2. Copies to Commissioner.

Edmonton, 8-11-46.

/ML

(C. BATCH) INSP.
I/C "K" DIVN. C.I.B.

THE COMMISSIONER - RCMP - OTTAWA.

SIR: FORWARDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION together with
three copies of attachments referred to.

Edmonton, 8-11-46.

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(C. BATCH) INSP.
I/C "K" DIVN. C.I.B.

K-M-21/8-486.

Edmonton, November 8, 1946.

Edm. S/Div: 46-408-1-47.

The Officer Commanding,
R.C.M. Police,
Edmonton Sub-Division.

Re: 08296 Hisao KIKUCHI - Japanese -
Application to Purchase Land.

1. I am forwarding herewith two copies of the following correspondence:

Letter of Hisao Kikuchi dated 31st October, 1946,
addressed to the City Commissioners.

Reply of Mayor H. D. Ainlay dated 5th November,
1946.

Letter of City Solicitor dated 6th November, 1946,
addressed to this Force.

2. Would you please have the required inquiries made to ascertain whether any property has been purchased by this Japanese and also whether the Land Titles Office gave their approval for the purchase of land by a person of the Japanese Race.

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(C. BATCH) INSP.
I/C "K" DIVN. C.I.B.

COPY /ML

10271 - 98 St.,
Edmonton, Alta.
Oct. 31st/46.

City Commissioner,
Edmonton, Alta.

Dear Sirs:

I, Hisao Kikuchi of Waterways, Alberta,
with my family desire to take up permanent
residence in the City of Edmonton.

I am a Canadian born of Japanese origin
planning to buy property here. I have the
approval of the Land and Title Office on
this matter.

I hereby submit my application in writing
and sincerely hope you will accept it.

Yours truly,

"Hisao Kikuchi"

COPY /ML

November 5th, 1946.

Mr. Hisao Kikuchi,
10271 - 98th Street,
Edmonton, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 31st
October requesting permission to take up
permanent residence in Edmonton with your
family and purchase property here, the City
has no jurisdiction in this matter and it
is suggested that you apply to the local
R.C.M.P. office and obtain from them the
necessary permission to move from Waterways
to Edmonton.

Yours truly,

CITY COMMISSIONERS

"H. D. Ainlay"

Mayor.

COPY /ML

THE CITY OF EDMONTON

November 6, 1946.

Officer Commanding,
"K" Division,
R. C. M. P.,
Edmonton, Alberta.

Dear Sir:-

re Japanese - Hisao Kikuchi.

With reference to conversation with you herein and your request that I write you with regard to the application of the above man to come to Edmonton to live. I now enclose copy of Mr. Kikuchi's letter dated 31st ultimo to the City Commissioners and of the Commissioners' reply thereto of the 5th instant.

I would like to thank you and members of your staff for your courtesy in giving me the necessary information in this matter, and if there is any further information I can give to you, please let me know.

Yours truly,

"T. E. Garside"

City Solicitor.

G/P

(ENCL.)

TO : CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

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Air Mail
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Ottawa, October 29, 1946

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Mr. D.C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Archibald:

X
I enclose license signed by
the Minister yesterday on behalf of S. Kosaka
of Raymond, Alberta, and would be obliged if
you would transfer this to him as soon as
possible.

It is noted that the application
was completed on October 5, and should have reached
here within a maximum of one week. Actually, it
reached here October 28 and the license was issued
the same day.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP/LM

*re: application
for passport*

October 28,

46.

to: The Minister.

Re: Property Licences for Japanese

- (1) T. BANDO - Canadian-born, co-operative in every way since evacuation, wishes to purchase a house in Toronto which is now empty.
- (2) Miss S. JIKEMURA - Canadian-born, co-operative in every way, in Toronto since 1943, wishes to purchase the house in which her family is now living.
- (3) K. ODA - Japanese National, in South West Ontario since May 1943 and co-operative in every way, wishes to purchase a farm of 100 acres in the County of Kent.
- (4) S. KOSAKA - Naturalized Canadian, resident for thirty years near Raymond, Alberta and co-operative in every way, wishes to purchase a house in town so that his children may go to school.
- (5) M. SARAYAMA - Japanese Canadian, residing in Revelstoke, B.C. since 1943 and co-operative in every way, wishes to purchase a lot in that area which he has been living since 1944.
- (6) F. YAMAMOTO - Residing in Revelstoke, B.C. since 1942 and co-operative in every way, wishes to purchase 1½ acres with house in which he has been living since 1945.
- (7) S. & J. TABE
& T. SASAKI - Naturalized Canadians, in Fort William area since last August and employed there in sawmill and laundry work, co-operative in every way, wish to purchase a house in the city of Fort William which will be vacated by the owners when the purchase is completed.

I would recommend issuance of a Licence in each of the above cases, as attached.

HEP:MS

A. MacNamara.

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L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

SHIYOZO KOSAKA of Raymond, Alberta,

(Reg.No. 14761)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

ALL AND SINGULAR Lot No.Two(2) in Block Thirty-Five(35) as registered
on Plan Raymond 2039 I, for the City of Raymond, Alberta.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 28th day of October, 1946.

(SIGNED) HUMPHREY MITCHELL

Minister of Labour

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

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JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 946 OF FEBRUARY
5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) Shiyozo KOSAKA

(Reg. No.) 14761, (National Status) Naturalized Canadian,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real
property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

Lot 2 Block 35 Plan Raymond 2039I

and consisting of 1 acres, with buildings: None

Are you living on this property? No; if so since when?

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

For residence

Name of vendor: Leonard L. Christensen; Address: Raymond, Alberta

Date: Oct. 5, 194 6

S. Kosaka
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest
Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a)

The above man has been a resident of the Raymond district for
approximately 30 years, farming 640 acres 9 miles south of the
town. The school in that district has been closed, and in order
that his six children might continue their education he wishes
to purchase a lot and build a house in Raymond. *W.H.*

(b)

Subject's file has been checked at Head Office and reveals that he
is married with five children. He was registered in Raymond, Alta.
in 1941. Subject has co-operated in every way.

(c)

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Rm 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

23.2-2-12-9

H.T. Pammett.

B.F.



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AIR MAIL.

OTTAWA, October 17, 1946.

Mr. ~~Roscoe~~ F. Gibb,
Treasurer,
Picture Butte Sugar Makers Savings
and Credit Union Ltd.,
Picture Butte, Alta.

Dear Sir:

re Your letter of October 4 to the
Secretary of State for Canada, concerning
sale of real property to a person of Japanese
origin, has been transferred to this Department
which has jurisdiction over Japanese in Canada.

The Japanese who is interested in
purchasing your property must get in touch with
the Alberta Supervisor, Japanese Division,
Department of Labour, 1102 Fifth Ave., South,
Lethbridge, Alta., and complete an application
form for a property license. The application
will be forwarded to this Office where it will
be given careful consideration.

Until a property license is issued by
the Minister of Labour, no person of Japanese
origin can acquire legal title to real property
in any part of Canada.

Yours very truly,

HTP:FD


A. MacMmara.

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CANADA

Department of Labour

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE OCT 15 1946

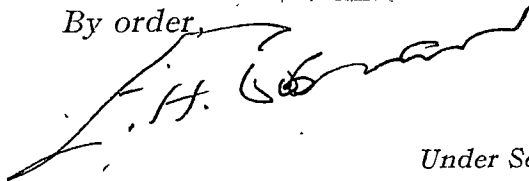
Ottawa, October 15, 1946.

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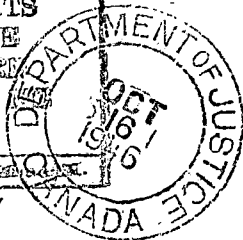
Transferred for necessary action to

Deputy Minister of Justice,
OTTAWA.

By order,



Under Secretary of State.



Justice

Picture Butte Sugar Makers Savings and Credit Union Ltd.

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UNDER SECRETARY
OF STATE

Picture Butte, Alta.

October 4, 1946

Secretary of State,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Gentlemen,

The following inquire was addressed to the Land Titles Office at Calgary, Alberta, who have referred me to your Office:

I own in the Village of Picture Butte a town lot in which a Canadian-Japanese is interested as purchaser. He is one of the Japanese evacuated to the prairies from the British Columbia coast early in the war period.

Will you kindly advise me if he is able to own property in Canada, and if a Land Transfer can be legally made to said Japanese, and if so, will the Land Titles Office make a Certificate of Title for the said lot to him.

Your very early reply will be much appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Transferred to:
Department of Labour
October 16, 1946
(not acknowledged)

Roscoe F. Gibb
Roscoe F. Gibb, Treasurer

W.R. Jackson
Acting Deputy Minister of Justice

Ottawa, October 15, 1946.

Roscoe F. Gibb, Esq.,
Picture Butte Sugar Makers Savings
and Credit Union Ltd.,
Picture Butte, Alta.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge the receipt of your
letter of the 4th October.

The matter to which you refer is one
which appears to relate to the work of the Department
of Justice. I have, therefore, transferred your
communication to the Deputy Minister of Justice in
order that your enquiry may receive attention.

Yours very truly,

E. H. Coleman,
Under Secretary of State.

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

23-2-2-12-9

H.T. Pammett.

B.F.

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Air Mail
Registered

Ottawa, Ontario.
September 24th, 1946.

~~P~~
Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Placement Officer, Japanese Division,
✓ Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue, South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Archibald:

I enclose licence signed by the Minister to permit
purchase of property by Juzo Saruwatari, of Raymond, Alberta.

Will you please have this placed in the hands of the
applicant as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

Att.

28/9/46

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

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H.T. Pammett.

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re
L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

✓ JUZO SARUWATARI of Raymond, Alberta,

(Reg.No. 14760)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

ALL AND SINGULAR Lot No.One(1) in Block No.56, as Registered on Plan

Raymond 2039 I; and comprising one acre/in or near the Town of Raymond,
(more or less)

Alberta, with house and garage.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 21st day of September, 1946.

24/9/46


Minister of Labour

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 946 OF FEBRUARY 5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) JUZO SARUWATARI

Japanese race

(Reg. No.) 14760, (National Status) Canadian Citizen,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

Lot 1 Block 56 Plan Raymond 2039 I.

and consisting of 1 acres, with buildings: House & Garage

Are you living on this property? no; if so since when? _____

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars) own residence I have lived on a farm 14 miles from town and have 3 children attending school-there is now no school operating in my district and children must come to town of Raymond to school therefore require residence in town.

Name of vendor: Mrs Luella Nilsson; Address: Raymond, Alberta

Date: 11 Sept, 194 6

Juzo Saruwatari
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a) We checked on this man in the Raymond District and was informed that he had been a resident there for over 25 years, and that he had been a good citizen, and was very prompt in paying his bills.

(b) Subject's file has been checked at Head Office and reveals that he is a married man with five children. He is Naturalized Canadian. He was registered in Raymond, Alta. in September, 1941. He did not sign for repatriation to Japan. Subject has co-operated in every way.

(c)

23-2-2-12-9

Ottawa, September 5, 1946

Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division, Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Archibald:

We have had under consideration applications
for property license from George Kozaka (#07807) of
Picture Butte (July 24) and Y. Tadokoro (#01873) of
Raymond, Alberta, (August 12). X

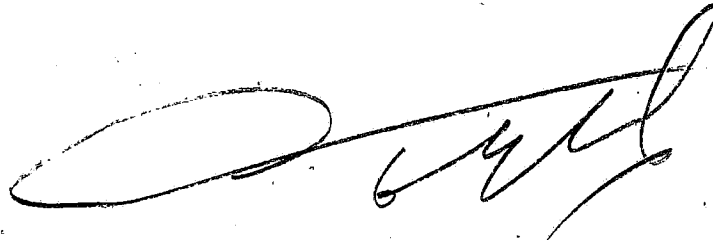
In view of present circumstances in Alberta,
applications to purchase property received from
Japanese evacuated to Alberta in 1942 or afterwards
are being held pending clarification of the Provincial
Government's attitude.

I would be obliged therefore if you would
advise the two applicants above mentioned that
property licenses are not being issued at the
present.

Yours very truly,

HTP/LM

A. MacNamara.



DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY 5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) Yukiharu TADOKORO

(Reg. No.) 01873, (National Status) Canadian Born,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

The South 70 ft. of Lot 10

Block 4. Plan Raymond 5822E.J.

and consisting of - acres, with buildings: 3 Rooms

Are you living on this property? Yes; if so since when? February 1946

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

Own Residence

Name of vendor: Douglas Heggie; Address: Raymond, Alberta

Date: August 12, 1946

John Yukiharu Tadokoro
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a)

This man is a Canadian Born Japanese, evacuated to Alberta in 1942. Previous to that he had lived in Vancouver at 911 W. 70th Ave., on which property he paid yearly taxes of \$124.34 for 11 years. He is a good citizen and is anxious to own his own home in Raymond.

(b) Subject's file has been checked at Head Office and reveals that he is a married man. He was evacuated in 1942 to Alberta where he has since resided. He has been co-operative in every way.

(c)

*application to
purchase property*

Mr Brown

This is an
average evacuee
with no special
circumstances.

If we issue
license there will
be dozens with
equal claim.

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CENTRAL REGISTRY, DIVISION
MEMORANDUM

TO

Mr. H. Bennett
Room 128

FROM:

REMARKS:

For cooling please

DATE

7/8/46

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta
August 8, 1946.

CONFIDENTIAL
AIR MAIL

Mr. H.T. Pammett,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ont.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of August 5th
in connection with an application from one, George KOSAKA,
to purchase a house and lot in Picture Butte.

This man has been working in Picture Butte
since coming here in 1942, and is at the present time employ-
ed as a mechanic there. His brother, Sam, is operating a
blacksmith and electric welding shop in Picture Butte and
is employing three Occidentals.

These families are well liked and highly
respected in the district. I doubt very much if there
would be any serious objection to the issuing of a license
to this man to purchase a house in the town.

It is quite possible there would be
similar applications from Japanese evacuees wishing to
reside there, but I would not attempt to venture a guess
as to how serious this might become once the ice was broken.

The bitterness shown towards these people
in the early stages has, in this district at least, pretty
well disappeared.

Yours truly,

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D.C. Archibald
Supervisor
Dept. of Labour
Japanese Division

DCA/L

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TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

27-2-2-12-9

H.T. Pammett.

P.A.

B.F.

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VIA AIR MAIL

Ottawa, August 5th, 1946.

Mr. D. C. Archibald, O
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue, South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Archibald:

I have received an application form, dated July 24th, in the name of George Kosaka (No. 07807) to purchase a house and lot in Picture Butte, Alberta.

This man is an evacuee, and we have in the past followed the policy of refusing to issue licences to such persons. We would be interested, however, in learning whether favourable consideration in this case would be warranted because of any special circumstances, and also whether the issuance of a licence to Kosaka would be the cause of strong protests in the vicinity and would lead to a flood of similar applications *from* Japanese evacuees.

In other words, we would like your confidential views as to whether the present situation in Alberta would warrant issuance of such licences, and whether the atmosphere has changed in the last six months.

Yours very truly,

*re property
licenses*
A. MacNamara.

HTP:IM

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DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

CANADA
APPLICATION

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE
JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY
5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945,

1. I, (Name in full:) George KOSAKA

(Reg. No.) 07807, (National Status) Canadian Born,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real
property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

Lot 1 - Block 1
Plan 1433 - EO in the village of Picture Butte, Alta.

and consisting of 1 Lot acres, with buildings: 4 room bungalow

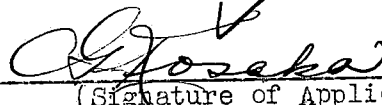
Are you living on this property? Yes; if so since when? March 1946

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

For residence

Name of vendor: Paul Shimek; Address: Picture Butte, Alberta

Date: July 24, 1946


(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest
Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a)

This man is a very good type, and has always been most co-operative
since his evacuation to Alberta. He is well thought of by both
Occidentals and Japanese, and is known to be industrious, honest
and hard-working

(b) Registered under O.C.P.C. 9760 with R.C.M.P. 1941 - always very
co-operative.

(c)

*Application to
purchase property*

REGISTERED

OTTAWA, July 29, 1946.

AIR MAIL.

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Mr. D.C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Ave., S.,
Lethbridge, ALTA.

I enclose license signed by the
Minister to permit ^apurchase of property by
Miss Y. Yoneyama of Edmonton Alberta and would
be obliged if you would see that this reaches
her safely as soon as possible.

A. MacNamara.

HTP:FD

July 27,

46.

TO: Honourable Mr. Mitchell

RE: Property Licenses: ⁰ Miss Y. Yoneyama of Edmonton,
and Mr. G. Takahashi of Montreal.

1. Attached is draft license to permit Miss Y. Yoneyama of Edmonton to purchase eight acres without buildings close to that city. Miss Yoneyama is Canadian-born Japanese evacuee who settled at Edmonton in 1942 and is now a dentist employed by the Provincial Government of Alberta and stationed in the Health Division at Andrew, Alberta. The Provincial Government Welfare Officer who handles Japanese cases states that she holds a responsible position and is considered trustworthy and competent. A testimonial on her behalf is attached. She wishes to establish a home for her parents, who have been co-operative with this Department at all times.

2. Mr. G. Takahashi, a Japanese National evacuated to Montreal, has been co-operative in every way. He wishes to purchase a house and lot in Montreal which the owner is vacating November 1.

I would recommend issuance of a license in each of these cases.

A. MacNamara.

HTP/VM
Encl.

Jim Brown

This young lady
is an evacuee, but
has been employed
as a dentist by the
Alberta govt.
since 1942.

Will I
prepare a license
to purchase?

AMF

FROM	TO
Minister	
✓ Asst. to Minister	
Secy. to Minister	
Deputy Minister	
Secy. to Deputy Minister	
Accountant	
Administrative Officer	
Annuities	
Can. Vocational Training	
Central Registry	
Clippings	
Ind. Prod. Co-op. Board	
Industrial Relations	
Information Division	
Japanese Division	✓
Labour Gazette	
Legislative Research	
Library	
National Employment Service	
National Registration	
National War Labour Board	
Personnel	
Research & Statistics	
Solicitor	
Stenographers Pool	
Supplies	
Translators	
Technical Personnel, W. B.	
Unemployment Insurance	004664
Welfare Clinic	



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
July 25, 1946.

Mr. H.T. Pammett,
Dept. of Labour
OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find Application Form "A"
for a license to acquire property in Edmonton, Alberta, by
Dr. Yachiyo YONEYAMA.

Would you please forward the license as
soon as possible, as the Vendor is anxious to close this
deal.

Yours truly,

W.E.Everson
Asst. Supervisor
Dept. of Labour
Japanese Division

Pammett
Everson

C O P Y.

SHORT & CROSS, DUNCAN, CROSS & JOHNSON,
Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries,
Bank of Nova Scotia Building,
Jasper & 100A St.,
EDMONTON, Alta.

D.C. Archibald Esq.,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 - 5th Avenue South,
LETHBRIDGE, Alberta.

JUL 2 1945

Re: Dr. Yachiyo YONEYAMA,
Andrew, Alberta.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find an application in triplicate for a license to acquire real property in Canada by Dr. Yoneyama, a person of the Japanese race, under the provisions of Order in Council P.C. 946 of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C. 5973 of September 14, 1945.

Dr. Yoneyama is a young lady who is a dentist and is employed by the Lamont Health Division and is presently stationed at Andrew, Alberta. She is supporting both of her parents who are presently residing in Edmonton and it is her intention to acquire the property mentioned in this application for the purpose of building a residence for her parents.

I have known Dr. Yoneyama for the past few years and have always found her to be an honest and upright young lady. She has been employed by the said Health Unit for a number of years and from all reports that I have had I have found that she has given excellent service to the community.

Trusting that her application will meet with your approval and that you will grant her a license at your earliest convenience, we are,

Yours truly,

DUNCAN CROSS AND JOHNSON

Per: ?



L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

MISS YACHIYO YONEYAMA of Edmonton, Alberta,

(Reg.No. 13608)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

ALL AND SINGULAR Lots Thirty-one(31) to Thirty-Eight(38) inclusive, in
Block Two(2) in Terrace Heights, a subdivision of part of River Lot Thirty-
One(31) in the Edmonton Settlement in the said Province, of record in the
North Alberta Land Registry Office as Plan 2011 A.O.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 27 th day of July, 1946.

(SIGNED) HUMPHREY MITCHELL

Minister of Labour

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY 5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) Yachiyo Yoneyama

(Reg. No.) 13608, (National Status) Canadian,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

Lots Thirty-one (31) to Thirty-eight (38), inclusive in Block Two (2) in Terrace Heights, a subdivision of part of River Lot Thirty one (31) in the Edmonton Settlement in the said Province of record in the Land Titles Office for the North Alberta Land Registration District as Plan 2011 A.O.

Reserving thereout all mines and minerals and consisting of 8 acres, ~~with buildings~~ without buildings

Are you living on this property? no; if so since when? ----

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

for the residence of my parents, Rikizo Yoneyama and
Yone Yoneyama

Name of vendor: Louise Preston; Address: Sub. P.O. 23, Edmonton
Murphy Alberta

Date: July 3rd, 1946

Yachiyo Yoneyama
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a)

This young lady is a dentist, employed by the Provincial Government and presently stationed in the Lamont Health Division at Andrew, Alta. The Provincial Government Welfare Inspector in our office states that she holds a responsible position and is considered trustworthy and competent.

(b)

Subject and her parents were evacuated to Edmonton, Alberta in 1942, where they have since resided.

Her parents are both Naturalized Canadians. They have been co-operative with this Department at all times.

(c)

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

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AIR MAIL

O t t a w a,
July 25, 1946.

REGISTERED

Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Ave. S.,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose Licence signed by the Minister
to permit purchase of property by Mr. T. Ohama of Rainier,
Alberta and would be obliged if you would put this into his
hands as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

HTP:MS

*re property
per. mem*

A. MacNamara.

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L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

MR. TONO OHAMA of Rainier, Alberta,

(Reg.No. 03487)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

ALL AND SINGULAR The South Half of Section Eleven (11), Township Sixteen(16),
West of the Fourth Meridian; and Part of Section Two(2), Township Sixteen(16),
Range Sixteen(16), West of the Fourth Meridian, West of Marks Drain; and
consisting in all of 520 acres more or less, with buildings.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 23rd day of July, 1946.

(SIGNED) HUMPHREY MITCHELL

Minister of Labour

Fitz Brown

• The Ohama
Case seems a bit
confused but the
evidence seems to
show he was
Alberta-born,
although he says
he was fishing at
the coast a few
years.

HTP

FROM		TO
✓	Minister	
	Asst. to Minister	
	Secy. to Minister	
	Deputy Minister	
	Secy. to Deputy Minister	
	Accountant	
	Administrative Officer	
	Annuities	
	Can. Vocational Training	
	Central Registry	
	Clippings	
	Ind. Prod. Co-op. Board	
	Industrial Relations	
	Information Division	
	Japanese Division	✓
	Labour Gazette	
	Legislative Research	
	Library	
	National Employment Service	
	National Registration	
	National War Labour Board	
	Personnel	
	Research & Statistics	
	Solicitor	
	Stenographers Pool	
	Supplies	
	Translators	
	Technical Personnel, W. B.	
	Unemployment Insurance	
	Welfare Clinic	004673

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, July 23, 1946.

MEMORANDUM TO: Hon. Humphrey Mitchell.

Re: Property Licenses for Japanese.

Applications have been received from the under listed Japanese to purchase property, and issuance of licenses in these cases is hereby recommended:

1. Mr. J. Gishi -- a non-evacuee who has lived in the Kamloops area for many years, wishes to purchase 15 acres for vegetable gardening. ✓
2. Miss Y. Mitobe -- Canadian born, in the Toronto area since 1944, wishes to purchase a house at 72 MacGregor Avenue in Toronto, which is vacant. This girl and her family have been cooperative in every way. ✓
3. Mr. T. Goto -- Canadian born, family quiet and cooperative, wishes to purchase a house at St. Vital, Manitoba, which is not occupied at present. ✓
4. Mr. T. Ohama -- Canadian born, a non-evacuee who has farmed in the Rainier (Alberta) District for many years, wishes to purchase farmland in that area. He has a good recommendation from one of the local merchants, and is well thought of by the community.

*Recommended
as 012
G. H. H.*

A. MacNamara
A. MacNamara.



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

AIRMAIL.

Department of Labour

JUL 22 1946

TO:	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	NOTE & REPLY
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19th July 1946

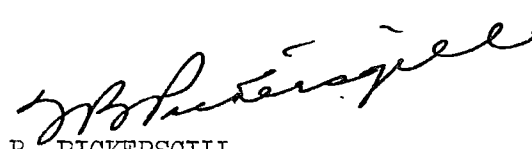
A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

Re: APPLICATIONS FOR PROPERTY LICENSE.

We are attaching Forms "A",
application for a license to acquire real property, sub-
mitted by the persons listed below.

OISHI, Fujiro X
MITOBE, Tsamu X
GOTO, Toshiaki X
OHAMA, Tono

No. 06558
" 11773
" 05462
" 03487


T.B. PICKERSGILL,
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY 5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945,

1. I, (Name in full:) TONO OHAMA

(Reg. No.) 03487, (National Status) Canadian - by birth,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property; (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)
The South Half of Section 11, Township 16, Range 16, West of the 4th Meridian and 200 acres of pasture land described as Part of Section 2, Township 16, Range 16, West of the 4th Meridian, West of Marks drain,

and consisting of 520 acres, with buildings: Dwelling, barn, granaries, etc.

Are you living on this property? Yes; if so since when? 1942

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

I want this farm for business reasons and I desire to reside on same.

Name of vendor: Mr. J. W. Bennett 2712 - 16 A Street S.E.
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Bennett; Address: Calgary, Alberta

Date: June 25th, 1946

Tono Ohama
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)
(a)

This man is an Alberta born citizen and has farmed in the Rainier district for many years. He is well thought of by residents of the district, and is considered to be industrious, honest, energetic and an intelligent asset to the community.

(b) Subject registered with R.C.M.P. 1941, always co-operative, evacuated to Alberta early in March 1942.

(c)

Ramona Okama
July 10th 1946

The B.C. Security Commission
Lethbridge Alberta,

JUL 15 1946

Dear Sir,

Enclosed are the forms for application
for property also a letter from Carl J. Anderson.

Regarding myself I was born in Calgary
Alberta August 15th 1912.

My father started farming around
1910 farming in the Calgary district till 1927
till his death.

My mother is a Canadian citizen and has
been in Canada since 1906.

I was brought up on a farm and have
farmed in Alberta most of my life except ^{for} a few
years that I was engaged in fishing.

Kindly consider my application and for
any further information kindly write.

Yours truly
Jono Okama

BOW SLOPE SHIPPING ASSN. LTD.

LIVESTOCK - LUMBER - FARMERS' SUPPLIES

SCANDIA, ALBERTA

June 29, 1946

JUL 15 1946

To Whom it May Concern,

Gentlemen:

This certifies that I have known Mr. Tona Ohama of Rainier for almost six years. In that time he has proved himself industrious, energetic, honest, and an intelligent asset to the community.

I can heartily recommend him to be a responsible citizen, and I believe that a sale of farm land to him would be acceptable to this entire district.

Yours truly,

Carl J. Anderson
Carl J. Anderson

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room [redacted], Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

23-2-2-12-9

H.T. Pammett.

B.F.

P.A.

004679

AIR MAIL
REGISTERED

Ottawa, July 16, 1946.

B.C. Sec.
Mr. D.C. Archibald,
Supervisor,
Department of Labour,
Japanese Division,
1102 Fifth Avenue,
LETHBRIDGE, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the original property license for Mr. K. Takaguchi of Raymond Alberta along with the second application form which you asked to have returned without action. It is understood that Mr. Takaguchi is going ahead with the purchase of the original piece of property as already licensed.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

Encls.
HTP/BC

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street, Department of Labour

VANCOUVER, B.C.

AIRMAIL.

JUL 18 1946

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26th July 1946

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

Re: APPLICATION TO PURCHASE PROPERTY,
TAKAGUCHI, Kichizo, No. 14716.

We are enclosing Application Form
"A" submitted by the above-named.

We are also enclosing copy of letter
received from Mr. D.C. Archibald, which is self-explanatory,
and original Licence signed by the Minister after a previous
application, which is not now required.

T. B. Pickersgill

T.B. PICKERSGILL,
Commissioner.

C O P Y.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR - Japanese Division,

Box 145,

LETHBRIDGE, Alberta.

June 21st, 1946.

Dept. of Labour, Japanese Division,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: PURCHASE OF HOUSE,
Kichizo TAKAGUCHI, No. 14716.

Enclosed please find Application
Forms "A" to cover purchase of house in Raymond by above-
named.

On March 27th this man made application
to purchase a house in Raymond, occupied by J. McLean, who
was classed as an undesirable tenant. However, the owner
has been unable to evict this tenant as yet, and as Mr. TAKAGUCHI
is anxious to move into town, he has decided to buy this other
house, as described in enclosed application.

We are attaching License issued by
Dept. of Labour for purchase of house applied for originally,
as he will not need it now.

"D.C. ARCHIBALD."

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room [REDACTED], Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

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A. GLADSTONE VIRTUE, K.C.

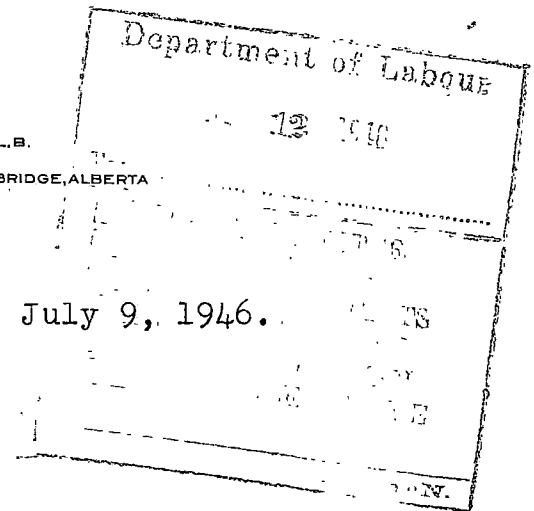
BARRISTER, SOLICITOR
NOTARY PUBLIC

AND WILLIAM STAFFORD RUSSELL, B.A. LL.B.

McFARLAND BUILDING, OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE

LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA

PLEASE REFER TO FILE NO. 3212



Deputy Minister of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Picture Butte Buddhist Church.

We wish to inform you that the license which
you forwarded to us has been handed over to the
trustees herein who in turn returned it to us for
safekeeping.

Yours truly,

VIRTUE & RUSSELL

Per

WSR/fg

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
July 9, 1946.

Mr. H.T. Pammett,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of
July 8th, in which you state that the original license
sent to Mr. K. Takaguchi has not been received at your
office.

This license was returned to our Vancouver
Office, when the new application forms for permit to
purchase the second house in question were forwarded there.
Apparently it has not reached your office as yet, but
when you do receive it we would appreciate if you would
forward this permit to our office, and we will place it
in the hands of Takaguchi.

*re property
licenses
K Takaguchi*

Yours truly, *B.C.S.C.*

K.W.
D.C. Archibald
Supervisor
Dept. of Labour
Japanese Division

15/7/46
/L.
c.c. Vancouver

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

23-2-2-12-9

H.T. Pammett.

P.A.

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AIR MAIL.

OTTAWA, July 8, 1946.

Mr. D.C. Archibald,
Supervisor, Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Ave., S.,
Lethbridge, Alta.

I wish to acknowledge your letter of July 5,
concerning property permit for Mr. K. Takaguchi
of Raymond Alta.

The original license which Mr. Brewerton mentions
for the East half of Lots 17 and 18, Block 10, Raymond
20391, was issued on April 17 to Mr. Takaguchi and
sent forward to you by registered mail April 18, to
be given to him.

We have no record here that this license was ever
returned to this Office or that any application was
made by Mr. Takaguchi for a license to buy other property.
As far as is known the original permit is still in his
hands.

Would you please advise further on this matter.

A. MacNamara.

HTP:FD



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
July 5, 1946.


Mr. H. T. Pammett,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing a self-explanatory letter
from Mr. G. H. Brewerton of Raymond.

It is unfortunate that this mix-up occurred
in this case, owing to Mr. Brewerton being away at the time,
but we hope that you will be able to comply with his request.

Yours truly,


D.C. Archibald
Supervisor
Dept. of Labour
Japanese Division

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Enc.

Raymond Alta
July 4th 1946

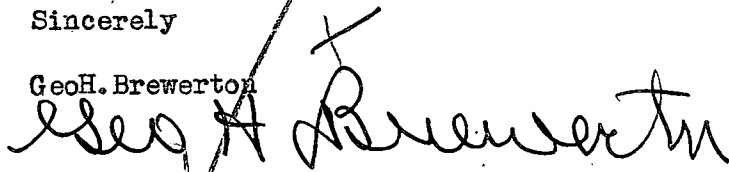
Mr. Archibald,
Lethbridge Alta,

Dear Sir;

A few months ago the writer sold a house and lot in Raymond Alta.
th Mr.K. Takaguchi, a Japanese. The sale was contingent on securing
permit from Ottawa. The permit was granted. However there was a family
in the house at the time. The family had paid no rent for over a year and
when they learned of the sale to Mr Takaguchi they promised to move from
the house. The writer in the meantime went to Vancouver. Later I learned
they were still in possession of the house. Thinking they were going
to remain there Mr. Takaguchi cancelled his purchasing permit and made
a pplication for a permit to purchase another house. However at the
present time the family has vacated the house and Mr. Takaguchi would
like to get the original permit. Hoping you will be able to cancel the
second application and reissue the original permit I am

Sincerely

GeoH. Brewerton



I regret any inconvenience I am causing you.

The original permit was for house situated on Pt. Lots 17 and 18
Block 10. Raymond 2039I

23-2-2-12-9

REGISTERED.

OTTAWA, July 4, 1946.

AIR MAIL.

✓
Mr. A.G. Virtue, K.C.,
Barrister, Solicitor, etc,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the application received with your letter of May 25, I am enclosing a License signed by the Minister of Labour to permit the trustees of the Picture Butte Buddhist Church to purchase the property in that town on which the church is situated.

Would you please have this put into their hands as soon as possible and advise me when this has been done.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP:FD

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REGISTERED.

OTTAWA, July 4, 1946.

AIR MAIL

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Mr. A.J. Hosie,
Drope and Hosie Limited,
Insurance and Financial Agents,
1747 Scarth St.,
Regina, Sask.

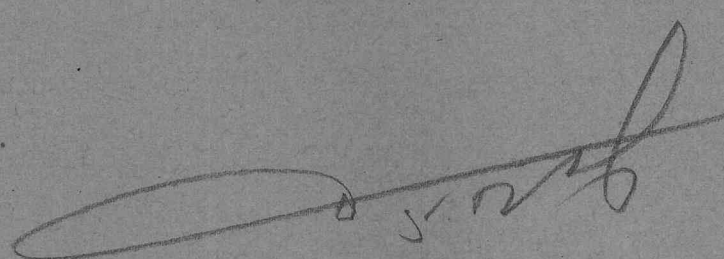
Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the License
for Mr. George Tanaki, amended, to permit him to
purchase Lots 16 and 17 in Block 250, as requested.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP:FD

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Mr. Bennett

July 2, 1946.

AIR MAIL

Mr. A. MacNamara,
Deputy Minister of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of your letter
of June 28th.

It would appear that an error was made in the
application of Mr. George Tamaki, because he is purchasing Lots
16 and 17 in Block 230 and we would appreciate it greatly if you
would insert the word "sixteen" above the word "seventeen" on the
License, which we are now enclosing. We regret very much that we
overlooked inserting Lot 16 in the application.

We would appreciate it if you could let us have this
back by return Air Mail.

Yours very truly,

DROPE & HOSIE, LIMITED.

By

[Signature]

AJH/VS

*The combined size of the
2 lots is 50' x 125'*



MINISTER OF TRADE AND COMMERCE
CANADA

Department of Labour

JUL 1 1946

OTTAWA

DRAFT LETTER
June 29, 1946.

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YOUR COMMENTS

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Mr. A. MacNamara,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr. MacNamara:

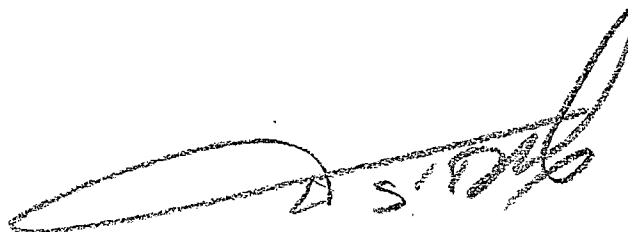
Under date of June 15th you wrote Mr. MacKinnon regarding the purchase of certain property in Picture Butte, Alberta, as a church property for the Buddhist Congregation there. It has taken us some time to get information from our representative for this area at Lethbridge, Mr. Turcotte, but for your information I am enclosing copy of a letter which has come in from him this morning.

Mr. MacKinnon is out of the city but I think he would wish you to be guided by Mr. Turcotte's wishes in this matter.

Yours faithfully,



A.C.L. Adams,
Private Secretary.



C O P Y

Lethbridge, Alta.,
June 27, 1946.

The Honourable James A. MacKinnon
Minister of Trade and Commerce,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr. MacKinnon:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter relative to the purchase of a property at Picture Butte by the Buddhist Congregation for the purpose of using it as a church.

This raises the whole question of the permanent residence of about 3000 Japanese in Southern Alberta. To date the Government has not announced its policy. The Premier of Alberta said sometime ago that he expected the Dominion Government to live up to its undertaking to remove the Japanese from Alberta when the emergency was over.

Personally I can see no reason why Southern Alberta should not accept its fair share of Japanese. However 3000 is not a fair share. I am of the opinion that the granting of this request at this time might possibly be interpreted by the public as a decision on the part of the Government to permit all the evacuees now in Southern Alberta to remain here. Prior to the evacuees coming here there were practically no Japanese at Picture Butte. The permanent Japanese residents in Southern Alberta lived at Raymond.

There is the further point that if the Government intend to deport all Buddhist priests who are in Canada under yearly permit it would be rather contradictory to give a permit to build or buy a church.

However all people are entitled to practice their religion according to their own conscience and if they wish to build or buy a church the Government in my belief should not deprive them of this right.

I think you will be criticised no matter what decision you come to, but in reviewing the question as a whole, I am of the opinion that permission should be granted.

Yours very truly,

(SGD) L.S. Turcotte



SOLDIER SETTLEMENT AND VETERANS' LAND ACT

Box 125, Lethbridge, Alberta,

22nd June, 1946.

YOUR FILE NO. D.O. 8-6

PLEASE QUOTE A/955 A

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Mr. A. MacNamara,
Deputy Minister of Labour,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Re: HIGA, Harry - M60113, Sergeant
L.S.D. 4,5 & 6 of Sec. 27-9-21 W.4th.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of June 1st to our Director at Ottawa, we are enclosing, herewith, a signed statement by the above veteran acknowledging receipt of a license from your Department to acquire the above land under the Veterans' Land Act of the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Yours faithfully,

W. Clinton Miller

(W. Clinton Miller)
Regional Supervisor.

M:F

Encl.

File No. A/955-A

Lethbridge - Alberta.

Re: L.S.D. 4, 5, & 6 of Sec 27-9-21 W.4th

I, Harry Higa do hereby acknowledge receipt of Department
of Labour License dated 31st May, 1946 authorizing me to
acquire and hold the above property.

Harry Higa
(Signature)

Witness: J. H. Higa

Date: 21 June, 1946



MINISTER OF TRADE AND COMMERCE
CANADA

OTTAWA, June 17th, 1946.

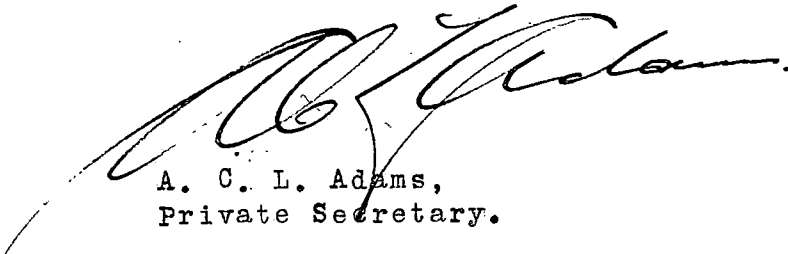
Mr. A. MacNamara,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
O T T A W A.

Dear Mr. MacNamara,

Your letter of June 15th has been received in Mr. MacKinnon's absence. Although we have received strong representations that the Priest who was at Raymond, a Reverend Ikuta, should be allowed to remain in Canada, we have nothing on our files in regard to Picture Butte.

I am writing Airmail immediately to Mr. Turcotte of Lethbridge to see if he has any particular ideas in connection with this, and will write you further just as soon as this comes in.

Yours sincerely,


A. C. L. Adams,
Private Secretary.

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MM

Ottawa, June 15, 1946

Honourable James A. MacKinnon,
Minister of Trade and Commerce,
O t t a w a

Dear Mr. MacKinnon:

I attach copy of memorandum I had
drafted for the Minister's consideration and I
have not yet sent it.

It just occurred to me that the
matter might be of some interest to you and before
coming to a definite decision that we should obtain
the benefit of your advice.

It is true that the Japanese people
have been using this church since July, 1942, and there
have been no representations.

A further report from Mr. D.C. Archibald
is attached.

May I hear from you? I am very much
obliged.

Yours very truly,

Encl.

A. MacNamara

MacNamara

June 14, 1946.

To: Mr. J.F. MacKinnon.

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A. MacNamara

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Mr. Macdonald

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Remarks:

*Should this be sent
to Hon. G. A. Macdonald
Minister of Trade & Commerce?*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

OTTAWA, June 14, 1946.

MEMORANDUM To: Mr. J.F. MacKinnon.


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May I hear from you? I am very much obliged.


A. MacNamara

NWLB-75A

June 13,

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To: The Minister

Re: Property License: Buddhist Congregation,
Picture Butte, Alberta.

The elected trustees of the Buddhist congregation at Picture Butte, Alberta, have applied through A. G. Virtue, K.C., for a license to purchase the church property, which contains also living quarters for the priest and a small Japanese grocery store.

The property is owned by Mr. F. Schneider, who wishes to dispose of his holdings in Picture Butte and desires to give the congregation first chance to purchase the church property. Our local officials state that there does not appear to be any serious objection to the church in the vicinity, the feeling being that people should be allowed to worship as they wish.

The majority of the congregation are Japanese Canadian evacuees and the church has been in operation in this building since July, 1942.

The congregation is said to be a continuing body, and the purchase would be made under the provisions of the "Lands of Religious Societies Act" of the Province of Alberta for the use of all Japanese Buddhists, both evacuees and old-time residents in the district.

In view of the circumstances I would recommend issuance of a license issued in the name of the trustees as designated on the attached draft license.

A. MacNamara.

RTP/LM

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, June 13, 1946

MEMORANDUM To: The Minister

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In view of the circumstances I would recommend issuance of a license issued in the name of the trustees as designated on the attached draft license.

The 2 Trustees to whom the license is to be issued are Jap. Canadians who have lived in the district prior to 1942 and are old time residents -

A. MacNamara.

*Recommended
A. MacNamara*

[Signature]
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L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

BOKUTOMI KANASHIRO #14687

Picture Butte, Alberta,

YUUCHI OSHIRO #14666

of

in trusteeship for the Picture Butte Buddhist Church
(Reg.No. _____) Congregation,

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

ALL AND SINGULAR: Lot 3 Block 2, according to a plan of record in the Land
Titles Office for the South Alberta Land Registration District as Picture
Butte 6764 D.I., and containing two buildings.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 13th day of June, 1946.

Minister of Labour



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BOKUTOMI KANASHIRO #14687

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of Picture Butte, Alberta,

(Reg.No. _____) in trusteeship for the Picture Butte Buddhist Church
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a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

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Minister of Labour



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

AIRMAIL.


11th June 1946.

Attention: Mr. Pamnett.

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

Re: PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT PICTURE BUTTE, ALBERTA,
FOR BUDDHIST CHURCH AND STORE.

With reference to your letter of May 27th to Mr. Archibald, please find attached Application Form "A", signed by the representatives of the Buddhist congregation at Picture Butte, and copy of letter to us from Mr. Archibald, dated 31st May.


T.B. PICKERSGILL,
Commissioner.

c.c. sent to: Mr. T.B. Pickersgill

O t t a w a,
June 1, 1946.

Mr. G. Murchison,
Director,
Soldier Settlement and Veterans' Land Act,
Department of Veterans' Affairs,
O t t a w a, Canada.

Your File: 8 - 6

Dear Mr. Murchison:-

The Honourable Mr. Mitchell has asked me to acknowledge your letter of May 28 recommending issuance of a property licence for Mr. Harry Higa who wishes to purchase a farm near Lethbridge under the Veterans' Land Act. I am enclosing a Licence signed by the Minister for the above purpose, and using the particulars of the property as mentioned in your letter.

Would you please ask the official in charge of your operations in Alberta to advise this office as soon as the Licence has been given to Mr. Higa.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP:MS

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, May 31, 1946

MEMORANDUM

To: The Minister

Re: Property License: Harry Higa of
Lethbridge, Alberta.

The above-mentioned Japanese is 25 years of age and was born in Alberta. He was raised on farms in the Lethbridge area. Higa served overseas with the Canadian Army from March, 1941, to January, 1946.

Higa now desires to acquire a farm in the Lethbridge area under the Veterans' Land Act, and the Director of Soldiers Settlement and Veterans' Land Act recommends that a property license be issued for this purpose.

In view of the circumstances, I would strongly recommend issuance of a license in this case.

A. MacNamara
A. MacNamara.

*Revised
G. M.*



L I C E N S E

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TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

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of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

MR. HARRY HIGA of LETHBRIDGE, Alberta,

(Reg.No. _____)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely: .

A property of one hundred and twenty (120) acres, more or less, being
situated in Section 27-9-21 West 4th, near Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 31st day of May, 1946.

(SIGNED) HUMPHREY MITCHELL

Minister of Labour

May 31,

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To: The Minister

Re: Property License: Harry Higa of
Lethbridge, Alberta.

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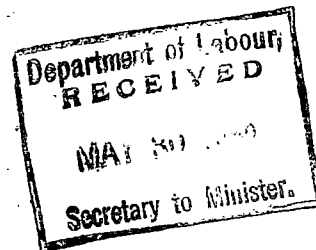
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

OTTAWA

May 28th, 1946.

Mr. Mitchell
The Honourable Humphrey Mitchell,
Minister of Labour,
O t t a w a, Ontario.



Dear Mr. Mitchell:

1. The governing regulations established by Order in Council P.C. 946 of the 5th day of February, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C. 5973 of the 14th day of September, 1945, provide in part (sub-section 4(a) of Regulation 3B) - the Minister of Labour may, if it appears to him to be in the public interest so to do, grant to a person of the Japanese race a licence to acquire land which such person would by reason of this Regulation be denied the capacity to acquire. This is a formal recommendation looking to the issuance of such a licence to Harry Higa, a person of the Japanese race who served in the Armed Forces of Canada during the late War.

2. Higa now 25 years of age was born on the 11th of June, 1920, at Hardieville, Alberta, and at the age of six moved to a farm property near Lethbridge operated by his father. He enlisted in the Armed Forces of Canada at Calgary on the 3rd of March, 1941, and after service in the United Kingdom and Continental Europe was discharged at Calgary on the 24th of January, 1946. While Overseas, he married and his wife, who was born at Edinburgh, Scotland, arrived in Canada on March 22nd last. This ex-soldier has applied for establishment in Full Time Farming under the provisions of the Veterans' Land Act. References speak well of him and of his ability to farm. The property on which he seeks settlement is one of a 120 acres in Sec. 27-9-21 W. 4th, located six miles from Lethbridge. The purchase price is \$7,500.00, of which amount The Director, The Veterans' Land Act, is asked to advance \$4,320.00, with the veteran putting up the balance.

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3. It is not altogether clear whether the property on which Higa seeks establishment is in the immediate vicinity of the farm on which he was raised, but it seems reasonable to assume from the favourable references received that there would be no hostility in the community to his establishment. The situation is therefore placed before you with a recommendation for favourable consideration.

Yours very truly,

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Director.

C O P Y.

LETHBRIDGE, Alberta.

May 31, 1946.

Dept. of Labour, Japanese Division,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Answering Mr. Pammett's letter of May 27th (copy attached) re purchasing of property at Picture Butte for Buddhist Church and store, also living quarters for priest on the same lot.

The district covered by this church is known as the Lethbridge Northern Irrigation District, and prior to evacuation there were only 6 Japanese families residing here. At the present time at least 40% of the Japanese evacuees live in this district, of which Picture Butte is the centre.

- (1) The majority are Canadian-born and naturalized Canadian Japanese evacuees.
- (2) Since evacuation the first meeting held in this Church was in July, 1942.
- (3) Yes - see letter attached.
- (4) This store carries a small stock of groceries including essential food for Japanese use, and is operated by the Congregation, with any profit going to help pay the minister.
- (5) Some 80% of the Japanese in this district are of the Buddhist faith. A great many of which buy a portion of their groceries from this store.
- (6) There does not appear to be any serious objection to the Church. The feeling is that a person should be allowed to worship as he sees fit. The local merchants, however, are somewhat worried about this competition.
- (7) Mr. Schneider, the present owner, lost his wife a short time ago, and has decided to dispose of his holdings in Picture Butte. Inasmuch as these buildings have been used as a Church, store as well as residence for the Minister during the past four years, and a considerable amount of improvements made by the Japanese, Mr. Schneider considers it only fair that they be given the first chance to purchase same.

"D.C. ARCHIBALD."

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



CANADA

FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY 5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. ^{WE} I, (Name in full:) Bokutomi KANASHIRO and Yeuchi OSHIRO

(Reg. No.) 14687 & 14666, (National Status) Canadian Born,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

Lot 3 Block 2

According to a plan of record in the Land Titles Office
for the South Alberta Land Registration District as Picture
Butte 6764 D.I.
and consisting of _____ acres, with buildings: Two Buildings

Are you living on this property? No; if so since when? _____

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

One building to be used as store and Buddhist Church, the
other for the Minister's residence

Name of vendor: Frederick Schneider; Address: Picture Butte, Alberta

Date: May 30, 1946

Bokutomi Kanashiro
Yeuchi Oshiro
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a)

The above two signatures are those of Non-Evacuees, who are old time residents of this district, born in Alberta and are over 21 years of age. See attached letter.

(b) Subjects' files at Head Office have been checked, and reveal that both these men lived in Alberta prior to evacuation, and were registered at Iron Springs and Picture Butte, Alta. in Sept. 1941. Subjects have always been co-operative.

(c)

Picture Butte, Alberta.
May, 29th 1946.

We hereby certify that the following two members
are elected as trustees for purchasing property for
our Church in Picture Butte, Alberta.

BOKUTOMI KANASHIRO. Reg. No.14687.
YEUCHI OSHIRO. " No.14666.

Signed,

Rev. Y. Kawamura
Yutetsu Kawamura. Minister.

M. Kosaka
Moichi Kosaka, President.

T. Isogai
Tomejiro Isogai. Chairman.

Y. Hinatsu
Yohei Hinatsu. Secretary.

c.c. sent to: Mr. Archibald

O t t a w a,
May 29, 1946.

Mr. Yachiyo Yoneyama,
89 Prince Arthur Ave.,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to acknowledge your letter of May 27 concerning the possibility of purchasing one acre of land in the Edmonton District when you return to that Province next month.

I am enclosing three copies of an application form on which Section 1 should be completed clearly and completely. The forms should then be handed or mailed to Mr. D. C. Archibald, Alberta Supervisor, Japanese Division, Department of Labour, 1102 5th Avenue South, Lethbridge, Alberta. As soon as the application is received, it will be given careful consideration.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP:MS

O t t a w a,
May 29, 1946.

REGISTERED

Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 5th Avenue S.,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a property Licence signed
by the Minister to permit Mr. F. Maruyama of Raymond,
Alberta to purchase a property in that town. Would you
please see that this is delivered into the hands of the
applicant as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP:MS



L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

MR. FUSAKICHI MARUYAMA of Raymond, Alberta

(Reg.No. 14571)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

All and singular the north fifty(50) feet of Lots 14, 15, 16, in Block 13,
Raymond 20391, in the town of Raymond, Alberta,

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 27th day of May, 1946.

Minister of Labour

necessary that I obtain a permit from your Department. Would you kindly forward me same to the above address. I am at present attending the National Convention of Canadian Scientists in Toronto and shall be returning to Edmonton on the 15th. of June where my address will be Sub. P.O. 9 Edmonton.

It would be very much appreciated if this matter could receive early consideration.

Yours truly,
Yachiyo Yoneyama.

AIR MAIL

Ottawa, May 27, 1946.

Mr. A. Gladstone Virtue, K.C.,
Barrister, Solicitor, Etc.,
McFarland Building,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

The Honourable Mr. Mitchell has asked me to acknowledge your letter of May 23 concerning the possibility of securing property license on behalf of the congregation of the Buddhist Church at Picture Butte, Alberta.

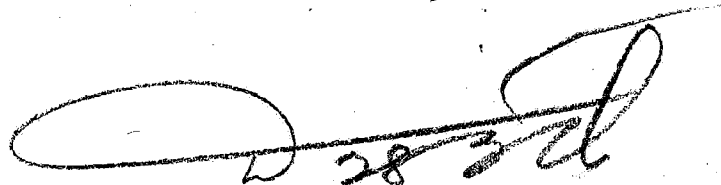
I would suggest that you have the duly elected trustees or officials of the congregation get in touch with Mr. D. C. Archibald, Alberta Supervisor, Japanese Division, Department of Labour, 1102 Fifth Avenue South, Lethbridge, Alberta, and fill out a regular application form for a property license, giving full particulars.

When this application is received, we will be prepared to give full consideration to all aspects of the situation.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP/LM
c.c. to Mr. D.C. Archibald.



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TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

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B.F.

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AIR MAIL

Ottawa, May 27, 1946

Mr. D.C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division, Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue S.,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Archibald:

The attached is copy of a self-explanatory letter to Mr. A.C. Virtue, K.C., who is acting for the Buddhist congregation at Picture Butte, re their desire to get a property license to acquire title to the Church and store premises at Picture Butte. The reason given is that Mr. Fred Schneider of Picture Butte, the owner, desires to sell the property without delay.

When you are approached by representatives of the congregation for the purpose of completing an application, would you please obtain the following information and send it forward either under Section 2 of the application or in a covering letter:

- (1) Whether the congregation is made up of a majority of old-time Japanese residents of the district and a majority of Japanese with Canadian citizenship.
- (2) How long the congregation has been in existence and how long it has been meeting in the premises now under consideration.
- (3) Whether the persons designated as trustees or officials of the congregation, in whose name the property license is to be issued, were in fact duly elected at a regular meeting of the congregation, with evidence in writing to this effect.
- (4) Whether the co-operative store is operated by or on behalf of the congregation or as a separate business, and what arrangement there is between the two entities concerning the property.

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(3) What proportion of the Japanese in the area, both old-time and evacuee people, make use of the Church and/or the co-operative store.

(4) The general attitude of the occidental population in the Picture Butte area toward this Church.

(7) Any other particulars which will be of use in getting the picture and deciding on the issuance of a license.

Would you please have the application sent forward in duplicate to Vancouver as quickly as possible after it is completed, as Mr. Virtue states that the owner is demanding immediate action.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP/LM

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA..... May 25..... 1946

MEMORANDUM To: The Minister

Re: Property License: F.K. Maruyama, Raymond, Alta.

The above-mentioned Japanese has applied for a permit to purchase a lot in Raymond, Alberta. He is an old-time resident of the Raymond district and is well and favourably known in the district having farmed 20 acres for many years. The records indicate the he is of good character.

I would accordingly recommend issuance of a license in this case.



A. MacNamara.



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May 25,

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To: The Minister

Re: Property License: F.K. Maruyama, Raymond, Alta.

The above-mentioned Japanese has applied for a permit to purchase a lot in Raymond, Alberta. He is an old-time resident of the Raymond district and is well and favourably known in the district having farmed 20 acres for many years. The records indicate the he is of good character.

I would accordingly recommend issuance of a license in this case.

HTP/LM

A. MacKenara.

A. GLADSTONE VIRTUE, K.C.

BARRISTER, SOLICITOR
NOTARY PUBLIC

AND WILLIAM STAFFORD RUSSELL, B.A., LL.B.

McFARLAND BUILDING, OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE

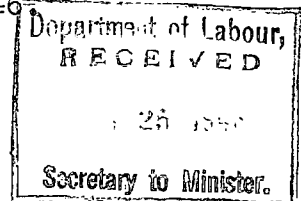
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AIRMAIL

May 23, 1946

The Honourable Humphrey Mitchell,
Minister of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.



Dear Sir:

We are acting as solicitors for the Buddhist Church at Picture Butte, Alberta, a small town about twenty-five miles north of Lethbridge.

This Church has been established for four or five years and is composed for the most part of Canadian born Japanese who are British subjects. The remainder of the congregation is made up of Japanese born persons, some of whom have been naturalized.

For the past four years more or less, the Church in question has been renting a small property at Picture Butte, Alberta, as a Church building and minister's residence. The owner of the property is one Fred Schneider of Picture Butte.

Owing to a recent bereavement in his family, Mr. Schneider is in a position where he finds it necessary to sell the property and the Church in question must either buy the property or move out.

Under these circumstances, we apply on behalf of the Church for permission to purchase the property in question, which would be used as a Church and minister's residence and, combined therewith, a co-operative store which is operated by the congregation as such.

The purchase would be made in the names of certain persons as trustees for the congregation under the provisions of the "Lands of Religious Societies Act" of the Province of Alberta.

We understand that the owner of the property requested or demanded immediate action on the part of the congregation and for that reason we are airmailing this letter to you and shall appreciate having your reply as soon as possible.

May 23, 1946.

The Honourable Humphrey Mitchell - 2

We believe this case can be distinguished from the ordinary purchase of land by Japanese individuals, particularly on the ground that the congregation is a continuing body and even if some of the members should be sent away from the Province of Alberta, the congregation would still continue to function.

Yours truly,

VIRTUE & RUSSELL

Per

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'A. Russell', written over the word 'Per'.

AGV/fg



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Department of Labour

MAY 24 1946

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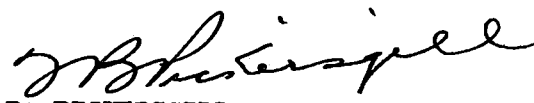
AIRMAIL.

21st May 1946

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

Re: APPLICATION FOR PROPERTY LICENSE,
Fusakichi MARUYAMA, No. 14571.

We attach Application Form "A" submitted
by the above-named, a non-evacuee resident of the Raymond
district, Alberta.


T.B. PICKERSGILL,
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY 5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) Fusa Kichi Maruyama
Serial No. 14371
(Reg. No.) C.Y. 314007, (National Status) Japanese,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

North 50 Feet of Lots 14, 15, 16, Block 13,
Raymond 20391 Pool Room

and consisting of Town property acres, with buildings: _____

Are you living on this property? No; if so since when? _____

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

For Business Purposes.

Roscoe Larsen
Name of vendor: Asael Erile Palmer; Address: Raymond, Alberta

Date: May 7, 1946

J. Maruyama
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)
(a)

This Japanese is an old-time resident of the Raymond District, farming 20 acres of titled land - 15 in sugar beets - besides renting 15 acres. He is well and favorably known in the District. He is a widower, his wife having died 6 years ago.

(b) Records at Head Office have been thoroughly checked and subject is found to be of good character. He was registered at Raymond, Alberta where he has since resided. Did not request repatriation to Japan.

(c)

TO CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

B.F.

P.A.

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Ottawa, May 20, 1946.

AIR MAIL

Mr. T.E. Pickersgill,
Commissioner of Japanese Placement,
Japanese Division, Department of Labour,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Pickersgill:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of May 15
quoting paragraph 11 of report from the Lethbridge
Sub-Division of the R.C.M. Police concerning Christensen
Brothers acquiring property on which a Buddhist Church
is to be erected, and suggesting the possibility of
a prosecution under P.C. 5973.

We do not feel that any action should be
taken at this time on this matter.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

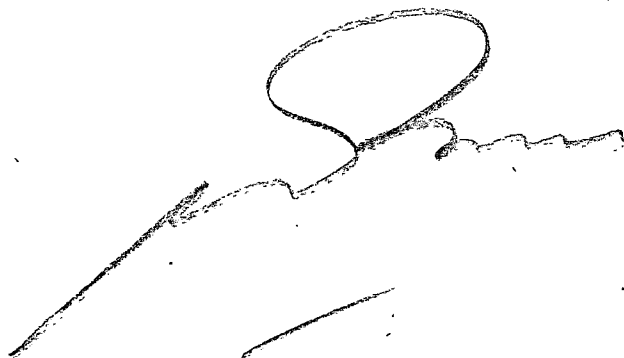
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c.c. Insp. A.W. Parsons

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He doesn't suggest any
action being taken at this
time in the matter.



Department of Labour

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To:

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Department of Labour

To:

AIRMAIL.

15th May 1946

Attention: Mr. Brown.

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

Re: ACQUIRING PROPERTY UNDER P.C. 5973.

I am quoting below paragraph 11 of a recent report prepared by A/Cpl. J.S. Connors of the Lethbridge Sub-Division of the R.C.M.P.

"On the 21st April the Raymond Buddhists held their re-dedication of a Shrine obtained from Royston, B.C., to which the leading citizens of Raymond were invited and at which a banquet was served. The affair cost them about \$300.00 in addition to \$700.00 for bringing the Shrine to Alberta. School teachers, leaders of the various churches and Town Council members attended and the Japanese Buddhist Association feel that the affair has done much in the way of tolerance between the Japanese and Occidentals. Rev. IKUTA and K. TAGAGUCHI of the Raymond Bukko Kai visited interior B.C. during April and informant states that they intended to encourage Japanese to move to Alberta. Two Buddhist priests, Rev. HIRAHARA and Rev. ASAKA arrived in Raymond from Slokan Valley, B.C., for the Shrine dedication and they will also officiate at the opening of the new Japanese Hall at Coaldale. At present the Hall, which is being built by Christensen Brothers, is intended as a Japanese Community Hall. Source states that the Buddhist Associations are donating heavily towards the building and eventually it will become a Buddhist Church, with the Coaldale Buddhists seeking a Buddhist priest from B.C. to locate in Coaldale. The building will remain in the name of Christensen Brothers, although the money is being provided by the Japanese, until such time that it is legal for the Japanese to acquire the land upon which it is situated. There has been no noticeable antagonism on the part of the Coaldale residents to the erection of this building."

The following is a copy of a forwarding minute from the O.C. "K" Division at Lethbridge, suggesting that Christensen Brothers may be contravening Order-in-Council P.C. 5973 and if so, what action do we wish taken?

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"The Commissioner, Japanese Placement,
Japanese Division, Department of Labour,
Vancouver, B.C.

Sir: Forwarded for your information. I draw your attention to paragraph 11 hereof in which it will be noted that the Christensen brothers are possibly contravening Section 3B, paragraph 5(a) of Order-in-Council P.C. 5973. Would you please advise me if you require any further investigation made into this particular matter. One copy of newspaper clipping of 13th April, 1946 attached hereto.

"C. BATCH" Insp.
i/c "K" Division, C.I.B."

It appears to me that this action of Christensen Brothers would represent a contravention of Section 3 B, paragraph 5 (a), but I would appreciate knowing if you agree. Furthermore, if this does represent a contravention, do you think that we should ask the R.C.M.P. at Lethbridge to bring this to the attention of Christensen Brothers, advising them that their action is a violation of the regulations and proposing to them what they should do before proceeding further?

I will be glad to have your advice.


T.B. PICKERSGILL,
Commissioner.

REGISTERED

Ottawa, May 13, 1946

AIR MAIL

Mr. D.C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue, S.,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Mr. Archibald:

I am enclosing licence signed by the Honourable
Mr. Mitchell to permit Mr. Harry Y. Hironaka of Raymond, Alta.
to purchase the property described therein. Would you please
see that this is put into his hands as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

*in property permit
for Harry Y. Hironaka*

A. MacNamara

HTP/MML

[Handwritten signature]
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May 9, 1946.

To: The Minister.

Property Licence: Harry Y. Hironaka,
Raymond, Alberta.

I am enclosing in triplicate a draft licence for the above-mentioned Naturalized Canadian Japanese to purchase a one-acre lot with house for residential purposes at Raymond, Alberta. This man is an old-time resident of the district and a successful farmer. He is reported to be very co-operative and to have a good reputation among the occidentals of the district. As he is not an evacuee, he does not come under the 1942 Agreement with the Province of Alberta.

I would accordingly recommend issuance of the licence in this case.

A. H. Brown.

HTP:WBD
Encl.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

OTTAWA, May 9, 1946.

MEMORANDUM To: The Minister.

Property Licence: Harry Y. Hironaka,
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I would accordingly recommend issuance of the licence in this case.


A. H. Brown.

Encl.

Recommended

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L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

Mr. Harry Y. Hironaka

Raymond Alberta

_____ of _____
(Reg.No. 14566)

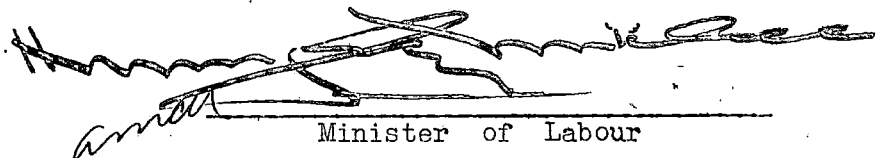
a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

All and singular a one-acre lot registered as Lot 2, Block 60, on Plan

2039 I, in the town of Raymond, Alberta, and containing a two-storey frame
house and other buildings.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this Ninth day of May, 1946.


Minister of Labour



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Department of Labour

MAY 9 1946

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7th May 1946

AIRMAIL.

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

We are enclosing Application for
Property Licence Form "A", made out in the name of
Harry Y. HIRONAKA, non-evacuee resident of the
Raymond district, Alberta.

T. B. Pickersgill

T.B. PICKERSGILL,
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

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JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY
5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) Harry Y. Hironaka

Japanese
(Reg. No.) Serial No. 14566, (National Status) Married Nat. Can.

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real
property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

A two story four room frame house on Lot 2, Block 60,

Plan 2039 I

and consisting of One acres, with buildings: Barn & Chicken house

Are you living on this property? No; if so since when? _____

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

Own Residence

Name of vendor: Steve Molner; Address: Raymond Alberta

Date: April 16, 1946

Harry Y. Hironaka
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest
Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a) This Japanese is an old-time resident in this district and a
very successful farmer. He is well thought of by both Occidentals
and Japanese.

(b) Naturalized Canadian - married - 3 Canadian Born children.
Bears good reputation - non-evacuee - files at head office
do not reveal anything of subversive nature - has always
been very co-operative.

(c) _____

c.c. for the information of Mr. T.B. Pickersgill

Ottawa, May 7, 1946

AIR MAIL

REGISTERED

Mr. D.C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue, S.,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Mr. Archibald:

I am enclosing original licence for
Mr. S. Oishi of Raymond, Alberta, to purchase a lot of 100
acres near that town. Would you please see that this is put
into his hands as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara

HTP/MML

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L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

Mr. SANEYOSHI OISHI of Raymond, Alberta,

(Reg.No. _____)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:
All and singular the northerly 100 Rods of the S.W. Quarter of Section 16
in Township 6 Range 19 West of the 4th Meridian in the Prov. of Alberta,
subject to such rights and conditions as are set forth in Transfer registered
as 2167 J, consisting of 100 acres with buildings near Raymond, Alberta.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this Sixth day of May, 1946.

A handwritten signature in ink, appearing to read "H. J. Mitchell", written over a horizontal line.

Minister of Labour

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, May 6, 1946.

MEMORANDUM TO: The Minister.


Re: Property Licences: Japanese Evacuees

Attached in triplicate are draft licences to permit the following Japanese to purchase property:

- (1) S.D. FUJIMOTO, Canadian born, of Toronto. This man wishes to reunite his family by buying a house where he can bring them together.
- (2) K. KUBO, Japanese National, of Montreal. This property is in a cosmopolitan district and now vacant. Kubo has a good record and is well recommended by Canon Powles and the local Placement Officer.
- (3) S. OISHI, Japanese National, of Raymond, Alberta. This man has resided in the district for 21 years, farming 480 acres, and is well recommended by his neighbours. He wishes to buy a residence near Raymond so that his children can go to school.

The above-mentioned three applicants are all reported as being co-operative and well-behaved persons, by our Placement Officials, and issuance of licences in these three cases is accordingly recommended.


A. MacNamara.



O t t a w a,
May 4, 1946.

Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Ave. South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing copy of a letter received
by the Minister of Justice from M. SAKAMOTO of Taber, Alta.
who desires to buy or lease farm property.

You might advise this man that we are not
issuing permits for purchase of property by evacuees in
Alberta at the present time, but are willing to give considera-
tion to issuance of a licence for him to lease farm property
for a period of years, subject to the provisions of the 1942
Agreement with the Province of Alberta.

If SAKAMOTO wishes to rent land for a period
up to one year, he can do so without licence.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP:MS

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

P.A.

B.F.

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O t t a w a,
May 3, 1946.

Mr. G. R. de la Vergne, Jr.
Barrister, Solicitor, Notary Public,
Brooks, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

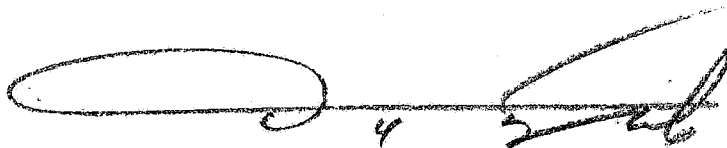
The Deputy Minister of Justice has
forwarded to this Department your letter of April 27 requesting
a property permit for Mr. T. Ohama of Rainier, Alberta, to
purchase property in that district.

If Mr. Ohama will apply directly to Mr.
D. G. Archibald, Alberta Supervisor, Japanese Division, Depart-
ment of Labour, 1102-5th Ave. South, Lethbridge, Alberta, his
application will be given careful consideration.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HJP:MS



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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Department of Labour	
To: <i>Mr. Paul</i>	6 1946
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AIRMAIL.

3rd May 1946

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

Re: APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE PROPERTY,
Kumataro KUBO, No. 00438, and
Saneyoshi OISHI, No. 14736.

We are attaching one copy each of
application Form "A" submitted by the above-mentioned
persons, and duly filled in by this office and their
local placement offices.

T.B. Pickersgill
T.B. PICKERSGILL,
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY 5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) SANEYOSHI OISHI

(Reg. No.) _____, (National Status) _____,

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

The Norhterly One Hundred (100) Rods of the South West Quarter of Section Sixteen (16) in Township Six (6) Range Nineteen (19) West of the Fourth Meridian in the Province of Alberta, subject to such rights and conditions as are set forth in Transfer registered as 2167 J. and (see attached paper) and consisting of 100 acres, with buildings: house, barn, etc.

Are you living on this property? no; if so since when? ✓

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

Name of vendors Wm.G. Boyson formerly Stirling, Alberta, now Turin, Alberta
Pearl B. Nilsson; Address: formerly Raymond, Alberta
(Administratrix of Wm, Boyson Est, now Rosemary, Alberta
Date: 17 April, 1946

S.M. Oishi
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a)

This man has been a resident of Raymond district for 21 years, and farms 480 acres of dry land 9 miles south-east of Raymond. He has 7 children under 12 years of age, and wishes to move near Town of Raymond, so that children may attend school.

(b) Japanese National, registered under O.C.P.C.9 760 in Alberta, Sept. 12th, 1941. Co-operation with authorities at all times - wishes to remain in Canada -

(c)

The Northerly One Hundred (100) Rods of the South West Quarter of
of Section Sixteen (16) in Township Six (6) Range Nineteen (19) West
of the Fourth Meridian in the Province of Alberta, containing One
Hundred (100) acres more or less
Subject to the right of expropriation of certain portions thereof and
to such other rights and conditions as are set forth in Transfer
registered as 2167 J. and
Reserving unto His Majesty all coal and the right to work the same

The northerly fifty acres of the above land is registered in the name
of Pearl Boyson Nilsson as Administratrix of the Estate of William
Boyson, late of the Village of Stirling in the Province of Alberta,
deceased,
The rest of the above described land is registered in the name of
William George Boyson, formerly of Stirling, Alberta and now of
Turin, Alberta

Raymond, Alberta, April 17th, 1946.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that I have known
Mr. Saneyoshi Oishi for the past 21 years. He has lived in
this community during the whole of that time. He is a married
man and has seven children. He is a good farmer and owns some
land but desires to purchase more land as it is essential that
he get more land as his family is large enough to help and
it is necessary for them to maintain themselves.

Yours truly

J. H. Walker
Hubert Fallon

MEMORANDUM
Minister of Justice

Ottawa, May 2nd, 1946. *Heave*

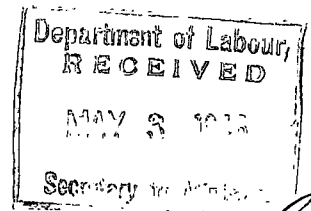
Referred to: George G. Greene, Esq.,
Private Secretary.

Unacknowledged.

letter
with
memo
J. G. Greene
Private Secretary 004754

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April. 29. 1946.

Minister of Justice.
Ottawa. Can.



Honorable Sir.

I am a evacuee of Japanese origin and was moved from the Pacific coast in May of 1942. I have been employed on this farm as a sugar beet labour since then. I am a Canadian born and educated and as I have a family of five children the oldest being ten years. And I find that as a farm labour I can only exist from day to day and cannot save any money for the "rainy day" and I am sure that since the war is over we are bound to have some depression in years to come and being a big family I am not sure of our existence if it is sure to come. So I am writing this letter in hopes that you will give me permission either to buy or rent a farm so that I can establish myself and family.

I was a berry farmer out at
the coast and ~~seen~~ as it is
now sanctioned that we could
go back there. I wish to start
a truck farming here and would
be glad if I can obtain a
permit to either buy, lease or
rent some land.

Thanking you for your
trouble and hoping that my
request is granted.

Yours truly -

M. Sakamoto.

Copy sent to Mr. Archibald.

Mr. *Mundell*
THIS FILE WAS SENT TO YOU

C. R. de la Vergue Jr., B.A.

Barriater, Solicitor, Notary Public

Brooks, Alberta.



April 27, 1946.

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The Deputy Minister of Justice,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

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Re: Tono Ohama of Rainier, Alta.

Mr. Ohama is a natural born British Subject of Japanese ancestry. Mr. Ohama was born at Calgary, Alberta on August 15th, 1912 and has resided in the Province of Alberta ever since with the exception of one stay of about four years in British Columbia. He has never been in any trouble whatever with the Police, not even for a traffic violation. Mr. Ohama has lived in this district for the past five years and bears a good name and reputation here.

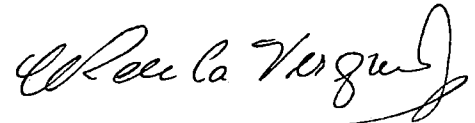
Mr. Ohama is anxious to purchase the South Half of Section 11 in Township 16, Range 16, West of the Fourth Meridian and also some 200 acres of pasture land described as part of Section 2, Township 16, Range 16, West of the Fourth Meridian, West of Marks drain. The land would be purchased from Mr. J. W. Bennett and his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth R. Bennett. Mr. Bennett and his mother are at the present time purchasing this land from The Board of Trustees of the Eastern Irrigation District.

I believe that it is still necessary for a person of the Japanese race to obtain a permit in order to purchase land in Canada. If this is correct, could a permit be obtained in this case? It would seem to me that the natural born British Subject who has spent most of his

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life in the Province of Alberta and who has a clear record should be given every consideration in an application of this kind. Your advice in this regard would be appreciated very much indeed.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "C. R. de la Vergne Jr.", written in dark ink.

C. R. de la Vergne Jr.

CRV/RP

Copy for the information of Mr. T. B. Pickersgill.

AIR MAIL

REGISTERED

Ottawa, April 18, 1946.

Mr. D. G. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 - 5th Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing an original license in
name of Mr. K. Takaguchi of Raymond, Alberta, to
purchase the property in the town of Raymond for
which he made application under date March 27, 1946.
Would you please see that this license is delivered
into his hands as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

ETP/LBN

A. MacNamara.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, April 17, 1946.

MEMORANDUM TO: The Minister.

RE: Property Licence for K. TAKAGUCHI #14716

The above-mentioned Japanese has lived in the Raymond area for many years, and is not an evacuee from British Columbia under the 1942 Agreement. He has been farming $1\frac{1}{2}$ sections near Raymond for a long time and has a very good reputation among the people of the District.

He is applying for a Licence to purchase a house in the town of Raymond in order that his children may attend the local school. It is reported that no objection is expected to his purchase of this house and lot in the town of Raymond.

In view of the above, I would recommend issuance of a Licence to purchase in this case.



A. MacNamara.



L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

Mr. Kichizo Takaguchi of Raymond, Alberta


(Reg.No. 14716)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

All and singular the East half of Lots 17--18, Block 10, Plan of Raymond
2039 I, being a half-acre with dwelling in the town of Raymond, Alberta.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this Seventeenth day of April, 1946.


Minister of Labour

April 17,

46.

TO: The Minister.

✓
RE: Property Licence for K. TAKAGUCHI #14716

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In view of the above, I would recommend issuance of a Licence to purchase in this case.

A. MacNamara.

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*Please leave application
attached hereto
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DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "A"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C.946 OF FEBRUARY 5, 1943, AS AMENDED BY ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 5973 OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1945.

1. I, (Name in full:) KICHIZO TAKAGUCHI
(Reg. No.) 14716 C.Y. 376817, (National Status) JAPANESE;

do hereby make application for a license to purchase the following real property: (Give exact legal description of the property, or attach same.)

E 1/2 LOTS 17-18
BLOCK 10
PLAN RAYMOND 2039 I

and consisting of 1/2 acre, with buildings: DWELLING

Are you living on this property? NO; if so since when? —

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

TOWN RESIDENCE (OWNS 1 1/2 SECTIONS
OF FARM LAND)

Name of vendor: Geo. H. BREWERTON; Address: RAYMOND ALTA

Date: MARCH 27, 1946

K. Takaguchi
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.)

2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)

(a)
This man is an old-time resident and operates a large farm in the Raymond District. He is well thought of by both Occidentals and Japanese. He wishes to purchase the house now occupied by J. McLean, who is in arrears in his rent and an undesirable tenant. His reason for moving into Raymond is so that his children might attend school in town.

(b) VANCOUVER OFFICE REPORT

Mr TAKAGUCHI is a non-evacuee but was registered in Raymond Alberta on September 12th 1941 and has lived in that area for a number of years. Our record would indicate that this man is very well thought of in the neighbourhood and he has already established himself as a good citizen as he owns one and a half sections of land in the area and is in the business of a vegetable grower.

There does not appear to be any objection from the town of Raymond to this man living in the area.

J. N. Lister
J. N. LISTER
General Manager

Department of Labour-Japanese Division

TO CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Hammett.

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
April 3, 1946.

Mr. H.T. Pammett,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Sir:

We regret our mistake in forwarding application forms for property purchase signed by K. TAKAGUCHI to Ottawa instead of Vancouver.

The letter from Vancouver to which you refer, together with a copy of Mr. MacNamara's letter to Mr. Pickersgill, explaining the proper procedure, arrived here at the same time as a number of letters pertaining to Repatriation (also written on onion skin paper), and found its way into the Repatriation file in error. This letter was not found until these forms were sent forward to your office.

These have now been completed and forwarded to Vancouver, and trust one copy will reach your office in due course.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
D.C. Archibald
Supervisor,
Dept. of Labour,
Japanese Division.

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TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

23-2-2-12-9

H.T. Pammett.

P.A.

B.F.

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AIR MAIL

Ottawa, April 1, 1946.

Mr. D. G. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue S.,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the two copies of application form for property purchase signed by Takaguchi.

Would you please add to this form under B (a) your comments on the application, according to instructions from Vancouver and mention particularly whether any family is at present residing in the house Takaguchi wishes to buy. Also we would like to know what the general attitude is in Raymond to such a purchase, and other relevant information.

Two copies should then be sent forward to Vancouver for their action as soon as possible, of which one will be sent forward to this Office for consideration.

Yours very truly,

HFP/LMS

A. MacNamara.



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
March 29, 1946.

Mr. A. MacNamara,
Deputy Minister,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Attention: Mr. H.T. Pammett

Dear Sir:

Am enclosing Application Forms (A) in duplicate signed by K. TAKAGUCHI, of Box 109, Raymond, Alberta, who is desirous of purchasing a home in the town of Raymond. This man is an old-time resident of the Raymond District, and farms quite extensively. He has four children of school age, and is anxious to move to town so as to be closer to the School.

Yours truly,

K. C. Archibald
D.C. Archibald
Supervisor,
Dept. of Labour,
Japanese Division.

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TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

P.A.

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AIRMAIL

Ottawa, March 22, 1946.

Mr. L. S. Turcotte,
Barrister & Solicitor,
Bank of Nova Scotia Bldg.,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

The Honourable Humphrey Mitchell has asked me to acknowledge your letter of March 20 concerning the possibility of Mr. S. Oishi of Raymond, Alberta, obtaining a property license to buy land in that District.

Would you please ask Mr. Oishi to visit the office of Mr. D. C. Archibald, Alberta Supervisor to the Japanese Division, Department of Labour, 1102 Fifth Avenue, South, Lethbridge, in order to fill out an application form. As soon as this is received by us, it will be given careful consideration.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

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L. S. Turcotte, LL.B.

Barrister and Solicitor

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA BUILDING

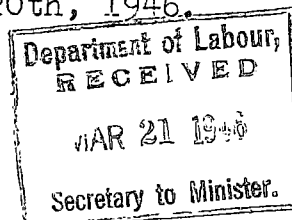
PHONE 4331 P. O. BOX 442

LETHBRIDGE

ALBERTA

REFER TO NO.
YOUR FILE NO.

March 20th, 1946.



Minister of Labour,
Government of the Dominion of Canada,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Sir:- Re: Saneyoshi Oishi, Raymond, Alberta

The above named is a man of Japanese racial origin who has resided in the Raymond District for the past 21 years. He is a Farmer and owns some land near Raymond.

He now wishes to buy some land from clients of ours and would like to obtain a permit to do so.

The land consists of two fifty acre tracts, one belonging to the Estate of William Boyson deceased, and the other to William Boyson Jr. It is situated a few miles from Raymond and is described as part of the South West Quarter of Section 16, Township 6, Range 19, West of the 4th Meridian. The proposed purchase price is \$6500.00 and includes compensation for water right and buildings.

Mr. Oishi gives the following names of people, men of reputation in his community, to whom you might refer regarding his character.

1. Scott Salmon, Machinery Dealer,
Raymond, Alberta.
2. J. H. Walker, Business Manager
for Knight Sugar Company,
Raymond, Alberta.
3. H.F. Allen, Merchant,
Raymond, Alberta.

I would appreciate your letting me know if Mr. Oishi can obtain a permit to buy this land, and if so what formalities are required.

Yours very truly,

L. S. TURCOTTE.


Brian W. Strang

BWS:EM

Per

AIR MAIL

Ottawa, March 18, 1946.

Mr. Roy Y. Kitagawa, 
Raymond Alberta.

Dear Mr. Kitagawa:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of March 11 to the Minister of Labour concerning the possibility of securing a licence to purchase a house in the town of Raymond.

The Provincial Supervisors of the Japanese Division, Department of Labour, have been provided with blank application forms for property licences. I would suggest that you visit Mr. Archibald's office and fill out an application form, which will be carefully considered when it reaches this office.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

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AIR MAIL
REGISTERED

Ottawa, March 16, 1946

Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 Fifth Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Archibald:

Further to my telegram of March 15,
I enclose signed license for Mr. K. Kurio, Reg.
No. 12698, to lease for one year the property he
desired, with option of renewal to March 31, 1948,
and further renewal to March 31, 1949.

Would you please see that this
license is put into the hands of Mr. Kurio as
soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamera.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, March 15, 1946.

MEMORANDUM TO: Honourable Mr. Mitchell

Re: Property licence: Kuijiro Kurio, Reg. No. 12698,
Magrath, Alberta.

The above mentioned Japanese National has applied for a permit to lease farm land in Alberta, as described upon the attached draft licence, for a period of three years. In view of the existence of the 1942 Agreement between the B.C. Security Commission and the Province of Alberta, I feel that it would not be advisable to grant a licence for a lease beyond one year in that Province. I therefore requested our Alberta Japanese Supervisor to inquire whether the parties would agree to a lease for one year, with an option for renewal for a further period of one year, and in event of such option being taken, for a further option for renewal in the third year. I have received an urgent message in reply that this plan is satisfactory, but that the parties concerned are very anxious to get the matter arranged immediately as farming operations have already commenced in the area.

Kurio wishes to lease 160 acres from Paul Shimik of Picture Butte, Alberta, 15 acres to be planted in sugar beets, 25 acres on potatoes and other vegetables, 120 acres on grain. The rental will be \$1100 per year.

Kurio was a fruit and vegetable grower at Sullivan, B.C., prior to the evacuation in 1942. Since that time he has been working for the same farmer in growing crops, particularly sugar beets, and the whole family have proven very satisfactory workers. Their local reputation is reported as very good.

In view of the above circumstances, and the need for maximum farm production this year, I would recommend issuance of a licence to Mr. Kurio on the above terms, and the additional condition that any such lease is subject to the Agreement of May 6, 1942, with the Province of Alberta, as long as this Agreement is in effect.

OK.
Encl. *Recommended*
Am

Anna MacNamara
A. MacNamara.

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L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO LEASE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

Mr. Kiijiro Kurio of Magrath, Alberta

(Reg.No. 12698)

a License to lease for a term of One(1) years to March 31, 1947
the following real
property, namely: (with option of renewal to March 31, 1948 and following year,
to March 31, 1949)

All and singular the northeast half of 27-11-21-W4, being a total of 160
acres, near Magrath, Alberta:

SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT OF MAY 6, 1942, BETWEEN THE
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION AND THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this Fifteenth day of March, 1946.


Minister of Labour

March 13,

46.

TO: Honourable Mr. Mitchell

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Sagath, Alberta.

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Encl.

A. MacNamara.

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Veuillez expédier la dépêche suivante aux conditions mentionnées au verso auxquelles je consens par les présentes

Ottawa, March 15, 1946

D.C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor, Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 - 5th Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alta.

RE YOUR LETTER MARCH THIRTEEN APPROVAL HAS BEEN GIVEN FOR
KURIO LEASE FOR ONE YEAR WITH OPTION OF RENEWAL (stop)
PARTIES MAY BE ADVISED AT ONCE TO PROCEED ON THIS BASIS
(stop) LEASE WILL BE MAILED IMMEDIATELY

A. MacNamara
Deputy Minister Labour.

(Chg. Dept. Labour).

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

March 13th, 1946.

Mr. A.H. Brown,
Department of Labour - Japanese Division
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Application for Lease for
Kuijiro KURIO No. 12698.

Our Mr. Everson interviewed the above mentioned yesterday together with Paul Shemik the farmer concerned and they mutually agreed to accept your recommendation for a one year lease with an option to renew at that time.

Both Mr. Shemik and Mr. Kurio are very anxious to get this matter settled as soon as possible, as farming operations have already commenced in this part of the country.


Anything that can be done to hasten this matter will be appreciated by all concerned.

Yours truly,

D.C. Archibald

D.C. Archibald,
Supervisor,
Department of Labour,
Japanese Division.

*Mr. Brown
please write Archibald
and say lease approved
to him 9 min for
lease in terms as
for his letter of
March 13
revised lease
form accordingly
AS*

TO:  CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.

B.F.


P.A.

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R E G I S T E R E D .

OTTAWA, March 18, 1946.

AIR MAIL.

Mr. Yasuo O'Shiro,
Raymond,
ALTA.

Dear Mr. O'Shiro,

In reply to your letter of March 5, requesting
a licence to lease for three years certain land
from Mr. John H. Rider of Coaldale, Alta., I have
pleasure in enclosing a licence signed and sealed
by the Minister of Labour for this purpose. Would
you please acknowledge receipt of this document.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP:FD

about

Raymond, Alta.
Mar. 11, 1946.

To the Minister of
Department of Labor
Ottawa, Canada

Sir: —

I, Roy Yoshikazu Kitagawa wish
to apply for a permit - to buy, a
house in the town of Raymond; -
Site no: 62, S. 66, Lot 2, Block 60,
Plan 20392, for residential purposes.

Both my father and I hold steady
jobs in town and the children
attend schools of Raymond, thus
making it necessary for us to
reside in town.

Please forward to us the
necessary application or permit forms
so that we may be able to buy.
Thanking you I remain

Yours truly,
Roy J. Kitagawa

Raymond, Alberta

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, March 11, 1946

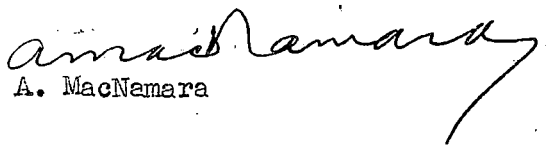
MEMORANDUM to the Minister

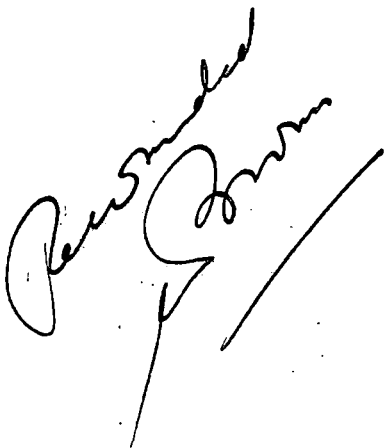
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In view of the circumstances outlined above, I would strongly recommend issuance of a licence to lease property in this case.


A. MacNamara





L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO LEASE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

Mr. Yasuo O'Shiro of Raymond, Alberta

(Reg.No. XXXXX)

a License to lease for a term of three(3) years the following real
property, namely:

All and singular the west half of Section Three(3), Township Nine(9),
Range Nineteen(19), west of the 4th Meridian, near Coaldale, Alberta.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this Eleventh day of March, 1946.


Minister of Labour

March 11,

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to the Minister

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

AIR MAIL

Department of Labour

Box 145,

Lethbridge, Alberta,

March 9, 1946.

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Im [Signature]

Mr. A. MacNamara,
Deputy Minister,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Sir:

We have your wire of March 8th, which
reads as follows:

"APPLICATION RECEIVED YASUO OSHIRO OF RAYMOND TO
LEASE LAND FOR THREE YEARS STOP THIS MAN AN ARMY
VETERAN AND LICENSE WILL PROBABLY BE GRANTED STOP
PLEASE ADVISE NEXT MAIL HIS REGISTRATION NUMBER
ALSO LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN DISTRICT AND ANY
FURTHER INFORMATION OF INTEREST STOP URGENT"

Yasuo OSHIRO of Raymond is 26 years
of age, one of a family of 7, born in this District
and living here all his life except for some 4½ years
spent in the Army. He received his Discharge last
July.

This family is well and favourably known
in the Raymond District. His regimental number is M35914,
and his National Registration Card shows Electoral District
No. 220 Polling Division 35. He does not have a Japanese
Registration Number, as he was not aware that this was
necessary, but he will make application to his local R.C.M.P.
immediately.

Trusting that this is the information you
require.

Yours truly,

DEPT. OF LABOUR - JAPANESE DIVISION

D.C. Archibald

Supervisor

DCA/L

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Ottawa, March 8, 1946.

AIRMAIL

Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Archibald: Re: Application for Lease for
Kuijiro Kurio No. 12698.

In order to avoid any possible difficulties arising out of charges of bad faith by the Provincial Government in event of our approval of the three-year lease requested, would it be possible to arrange this matter by approval of the lease for one year to the 31st of March next with an option to the Japanese to renew the lease for the next year and in event of such option being taken for next year, for a further option for the renewal of the lease for the following year.

Please see if you can arrange the matter on this basis and if not, please wire us.

Yours very truly,

A. H. Brown.

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

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H.T. Pammett.

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to
Veuillez expédier la dépêche suivante aux conditions mentionnées au verso auxquelles je consens par les présentes

OTTAWA, MARCH 8, 1946

MR. D.C. ARCHIBALD, ✓ *B.C. Security Commission - out*
ALBERTA SUPERVISOR,
JAPANESE DIVISION, DEPT. OF LABOUR,
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WEP/AMM
Chg. Dept. Labour

A. MACNAMARA

*re leasing
land Yasuo Oshiro*

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CANADIAN NATIONAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY

(OPERATING ITS OWN LINES AND THOSE OF THE GREAT NORTH WESTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY AND CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS). HEREINAFTER CALLED THE COMPANY.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS UPON WHICH TELEGRAPH AND CABLE MESSAGES SHALL BE TRANSMITTED ARE PRESCRIBED BY ORDER NO. 49274, DATED DECEMBER 5TH, 1932, OF THE BOARD OF TRANSPORT COMMISSIONERS FOR CANADA AND PUBLISHED IN THE CANADA GAZETTE.

IT IS AGREED BETWEEN THE SENDER OF THE MESSAGE ON THE FACE OF THIS FORM AND THIS COMPANY THAT THIS COMPANY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR DAMAGES ARISING FROM FAILURE TO TRANSMIT OR DELIVER, OR FOR ANY ERROR IN THE TRANSMISSION OR DELIVERY OF, ANY UNREPEATED TELEGRAM, WHETHER HAPPENING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF ITS SERVANTS OR OTHERWISE, OR FOR DELAYS FROM INTERRUPTIONS IN THE WORKING OF ITS LINES, FOR ERRORS IN CIPHER OR OBSCURE MESSAGES, OR FOR ERRORS FROM ILLEGIBLE WRITING, BEYOND THE AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR SENDING THE SAME.

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OTTAWA, MARCH 8, 1946

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
March 6, 1946.

Mr. H.T. Pammett,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ont.

Dear Sir:

Further to Mr. Everson's letter of February 19th, in which he enclosed two application forms for Kujiro KURIO #12698, this man was in the office today, and is very anxious to know whether or not he is going to get his license to rent the land referred to, as Spring is just around the corner.

Might we please be advised at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

DEPT. OF LABOUR - JAPANESE DIVISION

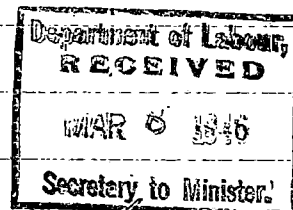
D. C. Atchibald

Supervisor

DCA/L

Raymond, Alberta.
P.O. Box 117,
5th March 46.

The Minister of Labor,
Japanese Division, Ottawa.
Sir -



I, Yasuo Oshiro, of Raymond make application for a permit for the leasing for 3 yrs. the land of John H. Ryder of Coaldale, Alta. Benig, one of the very few Japanese-Canadians allowed to enlist in the Canadian Army with 4½ yrs. service of which 3 yrs. were spent overseas. I do hope you will give my application every consideration. I have lived in this vicinity all my life and you will please find enclosed recommendations from two prominent citizens of this community. Also enclosed is the land owner John H. Ryder's signature of his willingness to lease to me. As it is very imperative that I get this permit as soon as possible I do hope my application will be accepted as soon as it is possible. Verification of my army career can no doubt be found with the Minister of National Defence. Hoping my application meets with your approval -

Ref. No. - 1935914.
Unit - R.C.E. (4th Arm'd Div.)

Yours truly,
Y. Oshiro

Raymond, Alta.
5th Mar. 46.

To whom it may concern -

This is to certify that we
the undersigned can personally
recommmend the character
of G. Oshiro of this community.
This person has served in
~~the~~ H.M. Forces and
should be given every
consideration.

Signed

Dick Kinsey
President of
Raymond Branch Canadian
League.

Wes Jensen Mayor of
Lewistown, Pa. 004794

Coaldale Consolidated School District No. 9

R. B. GREER
SECRETARY-TREASURER

Coaldale

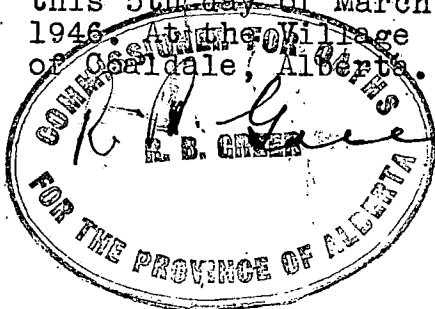
Alberta

Coaldale, Alberta.

March 5th, 1946.

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This is to certify that I John H? Rider of Coaldale, Alberta,
desire to lease unto Mr. ^{YASUO}~~Yasuo~~ Oshiro, of Raymond Alberta, my
West Half of Section Three (3) Township Nine (9) Range Nineteen
(19) West of the 4th Meridian.

Sworn to before me
this 5th day of March
1946. At the Village
of Coaldale, Alberta.



Signed.

John H. Rider

Corresp on 23-23-11

AIR MAIL

Ottawa, March 4, 1946

Mr. W. L. Jones,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Municipality of Raymond,
Raymond, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

The Honourable Mr. Mitchell has asked me to acknowledge your letter of February 25 concerning Japanese resident in Raymond district. You do not state whether the views expressed therein are your personal opinions or whether they are conveyed to this Department as an official resolution of the Town Council.

✓ No person of Japanese origin can legally purchase real property without a prior license signed by the Minister of Labour, and these up to now have not been granted in Alberta except in an occasional case where the prospective purchaser was not an evacuee.

The agreement of May 6, 1942, between the British Columbia Security Commission and the Province of Alberta stated that the Japanese evacuees placed in Alberta under the agreement would be removed after the termination of hostilities if the province so requested at that time. We have had no official word from the Provincial Government on this matter.

On the other hand, the Federal Government has received a great many representations from farm organizations and individual farmers, including some from the Raymond district, explaining at some length their serious and increasing need for farm help during the coming season, and requesting that the Japanese be permitted to remain since they provided 65% of the hand labour for sugar beet growing last year in Alberta. They are also said to be the best labour for this purpose that the farmers ever had.

I am sure that upon consideration you will see that there are two sides to this question, and particularly now that hostilities have ended.

Yours very truly,

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, March 1, 1946.

MEMORANDUM TO: Honourable H. Mitchell

RE: Property licence: Kuijiro Kurio, Reg. No. 12698,
Magrath, Alberta.

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A. MacNamara
A. MacNamara.

Encl.

*Recommended
on terms set out
in the letter
to the Hon. Mr. Mitchell*



L I C E N S E

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A. MacNamara.

HTP/vm
Encl.

AIR MAIL

Ottawa, February 28, 1946

Mr. T.O. Ives,
Rice & Paterson,
Barristers, Solicitors, Etc.,
Canadian Bank of Commerce Building,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Ives:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of February 20 concerning the granting of property licenses in Alberta, and with particular reference to the application of the Tamura Brothers.

Such applications for lease or purchase of property by Japanese are given careful consideration, and each is decided on the merits of the individual case, such circumstances as length of residence in the vicinity, any army service, neighbourly attitudes, family record, etc., being taken into account.

We are unable to say at this time when the Tamura application can be reviewed, as various unpredictable factors enter into the picture.

Yours very truly,

HTP/LM

A. MacNamara.



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

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A. MacN.	

AIRMAIL.

21st February 1946

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

Re: Kuijiro KURIO, No. 12698.

We have received your telegram of February 21st with reference to the above-mentioned. This man is a Japanese national and has not requested repatriation. He was evacuated directly to Alberta in 1942. According to his file he was a fruit and vegetable grower at Sullivan, B.C., prior to the evacuation, and there does not appear to be anything of particular significance on his file.

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OTTAWA FEBRUARY 21 1946

T B PICKERSGILL
COMMISSIONER OF JAPANESE PLACEMENT
DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
360 HOMER STREET
VANCOUVER B C

PLEASE ADVISE NEXT MAIL RECORD OF KUJIRO KURIO OF
MAGRATH ALBERTA WHO HAS APPLIED TO RENT FARM IN THAT AREA

Chg. Dept. of Labour.
HTP:FD

Copy 23-2-3-10
A. MacNamara,
Deputy Minister of Labour

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RICE & PATERSON

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, NOTARIES, &C

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CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE BUILDING
LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA
CANADA

Department of Public Works

February 20, 1946.28

A. MacNamara, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

RE: Tamura Brothers

We thank you for your airmail letter of February 13th advising that at the present time a license cannot be granted to these persons for the purchase of property in Alberta.

In your letter you suggest that the Application will be kept on file and reviewed at a later date.

For our information would you advise if any licenses are being granted at the present time or is your Department's policy at the present to refuse all applications. If it is your policy to refuse applications at the present time will you kindly advise as to how long it may be before a review of this file can be made.

Yours truly,

RICE & PATERSON

Per

J. J. J.

TOI/BC



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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
February 19, 1946.

Mr. H.T. Pammett,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Sir:

Following your instructions we have had Mr. KURIO sign the application to rent land, and as requested we are returning two copies to you.

This family has been on the same farm since coming to Alberta, and have proven very satisfactory workers. They have caused this office no trouble, and their local reputation is very good.

This man would like to know, at as early a date as possible, if his application is accepted, as seed potatoes are very hard to get, and he is anxious to make arrangements to obtain them, and Spring is not very far distant.

Yours truly,

DEPT. OF LABOUR - JAPANESE DIVISION

W.E. Everson

[Signature]
Asst. Supervisor

WEE/L
Enc.

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



FORM "B"

A P P L I C A T I O N

FOR A LICENSE TO LEASE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA BY A PERSON OF THE
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(Reg. No.) 12698, (National Status) Japanese National,

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property, or attach same)

and consisting of 160 acres, with buildings: Yes

Are you living on this property? No; if so, since when? --

Is the property required for your own residence or for business purposes?
(Give particulars)

For my family residence.

Name of landlord: Paul Shimik

Address: Picture Butte, Alberta

Length of lease: 3 years; rental: \$1100.00 per annum

Date: 19 February, 1946

Kujiro Kurio
(Signature of Applicant)

(NOTE: i. This application is to be submitted in triplicate to the nearest
Placement Office, Japanese Division, Dominion Department of Labour.
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2. Remarks: (For Departmental use only)
(a)

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

Lethbridge, Alberta,
February 16, 1946.

Mr. H.T. Pammett,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Sir:

re: Masuo Mark MIKADO #09160 C.B.

Replying to your letter of February 5, 1946
re the above person renting or leasing land in Alberta.

I have interviewed this man in regard to this
application and he now states that owing to his not being able
to get a suitable agreement on the property, he has given up
the idea for the time being.

Yours truly,

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DEPT. OF LABOUR - JAPANESE DIVISION

[Signature]
D.C. Archibald
Supervisor

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POK

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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H.T. Pammett.



P.A.

B.F.

Mar. 8/46

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AIR MAIL

X
Ottawa, February 15, 1946.

Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102-5th Ave. S.,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sir:

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I enclose copy of a letter written
apparently by Kujijiro Kurio of Magrath, Alberta,
and endorsed by F. N. Robinson of the Magrath
Detachment concerning the desire of the former to
rent a plot of land for three years.

Would you please have this man fill
out the attached application form in triplicate
in your presence and send forward two signed copies
to this Office with your remarks under Section 2
concerning the man's record, the neighbourhood
attitudes etc. At the same time Kurio should be
advised that any such licence if granted is subject
to the agreement of May 1942 with the Province of
Alberta.

Yours very truly,

HTP/WH

A. MacNamara.

Handwritten signature and date: 2/2/46

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RICE & PATERSON

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, NOTARIES, &C

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LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA
Department of Labour
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February 14, 1946

The Deputy Minister of Labor
Ottawa, Ontario

Dear Sir:

Re: Property License for Fred M. Tamagi

We acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 21st instant enclosing License for Mr. Fred M. Tamagi to acquire a parcel of land in Coaldale containing about ten acres. Mr. Tamagi has now called and signed a receipt for this License and we enclose the same herewith.

Yours very truly,

RICE & PATERSON

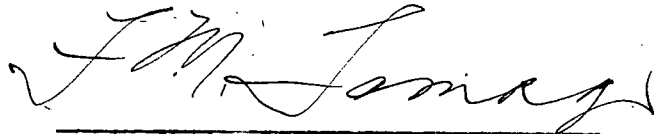
Per *Rice*

GEAR:LLD
Enc

C/w/r/ke

I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE to have received from RICE & PATERSON, License as issued by the Department of Labour for a person of the Japanese Race to acquire real property in Canada, about ten acres, which Licence bears date January 16, 1946.

DATED at the City of Lethbridge in the Province of Alberta, this 12th day of February, A.D. 1946.


Fred M. Tamagi

Ottawa, February 13, 1946

AIR MAIL

Mr. D. C. Macstevish,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 - 5th Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Mr. Macstevish:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of February 9 returning property licence for R. Maeda. It is regrettable that the property in question was disposed of before the licence could be issued to Mr. Maeda.

The signed licence is, however, being retained on file here, in the event that this man may be able to make some arrangement for rental with the new owner of the property.

If Mr. Maeda wishes to make application for any other piece of property, would you have him fill out the attached application form in triplicate in your presence, advising him at the same time that any such licence, if issued, is subject to the agreement between the British Columbia Security Commission and the Province of Alberta, dated May 6, 1942. Under Section 2 "Remarks", you should insert any further particulars on the application and send forward two copies to this office.

The applicant should be instructed that if at any time prior to issuance of the licence the conditions of rental should change, he is to inform your office immediately and you can in turn wire this office. This will minimize the issuance of useless licences by the Minister.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara

HTP/AIL

Ottawa, February 13, 1946

AIR MAIL

Rice and Paterson,
Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries, etc.,
Canadian Bank of Commerce Building,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dear Sirs:

I wish to acknowledge with thanks your letter of February 7 containing information about the Tamara brothers who applied on January 10 through your firm to purchase land in the Province of Alberta.

After due consideration, it has been decided that we cannot at present issue a licence to these persons for the purchase of property in Alberta, but their application will be kept on file and reviewed at a later date.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara

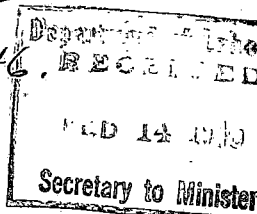
HTP/AML

20/2/46

Box 61,

Magath, Alta

Feb. 12th 1946



Re; Kujiro Kuris - No. 12698, Magath

The above named wishes to make an application for a permit to rent the following described land for a period of three years. N.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ of 27-11-21 - 24. This land is owned by one Paul Shimmik of P.O. Box 27, Picture Butte. 40 acres of this land is under irrigation and the rest of it is dry land. Applicant will have a 15 acre sugar - beet contract and will raise potatoes and other vegetables on the rest of the irrigated land. The dry land will have to be devoted to grain. The rental on this land will be \$1100.00 per year have being cash. As ~~ap~~ we wish to raise potatoes we will have to know as soon as possible whether or not we can occupy the land as the seed potatoes have to be obtained at once from the authorized sources. As it is nearly spring we would ~~would~~ like the quickest answer possible.

Please forward ~~the~~ it to Japanese Division in Lethbridge.

Kujiro Kuris.
over the page.

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This applicant states it is not possible to maintain his family of 10 on a sugar beet contract alone. Although this Japanese is from B.C. he has stated that he does not wish to return to that Province. His land & property has been sold but he is still in possession of the title to the property.

F.N. Robinson 8478

No. 9410 Detachment.



DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
JAPANESE DIVISION

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
February 9, 1946.

Mr. H. T. Pammett,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Property Licence for R. MAEDA of Turin, Alta.

We called on Mr. MAEDA to deliver license sent by the Minister of Labour, permitting him to lease land, but unfortunately this land was sold on February 2nd to someone else just two days before the license was received at this office. Needless to say Mr. MAEDA was very much disappointed that these papers did not come a week sooner.

We are enclosing license, as it is made out for this particular piece of land, and would be useless for any other property.

Yours truly,

DEPT. OF LABOUR - JAPANESE DIVISION

D.C. Archibald
Supervisor

DCA/L
Enc.



L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO LEASE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

Mr. Rokusuke Maeda of Turin, Alberta.

(Reg.No. 10610)

a License to lease for a term of Three(3) years the following real
property, namely:

All and singular the N.E.33 Section of Township 11; 19 Range; W. of $\frac{1}{4}$
consisting of one hundred and sixty (160) acres.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 25th day of January, 1946.


Minister of Labour



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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
February 9, 1946.

Mr. H.T. Pammett,
Dept. of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ont.

Dear Sir:

re: K. & N. SUGIMOTO

Applications to Lease & Purchase Land

Our Mr. Everson called on the above family yesterday, and learned that the deals they had pending for land had fallen through, as the land had been disposed of to other parties. However, they are still hopeful of securing some real property, and will undoubtedly be writing you at a later date, making application for a license for other property.

By the way, this family are old time residents of the Raymond District and are well and favorably known, and very much respected.

Yours truly,

DEPT. OF LABOUR - JAPANESE DIVISION

D.C. Archibald

Supervisor

DCA/L

20/2/46

Ottawa, February 8, 1946

AIR MAIL

Mr. G. Kosaka,
P.O. Box 376,
Picture Butte, Alta.

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of February 1
concerning the possibility of obtaining a licence to
purchase a house in Picture Butte.

I regret to advise that for the time being a
licence cannot be issued for this purpose, but your
application will be kept on file and reviewed at a
later date.

Yours very truly,

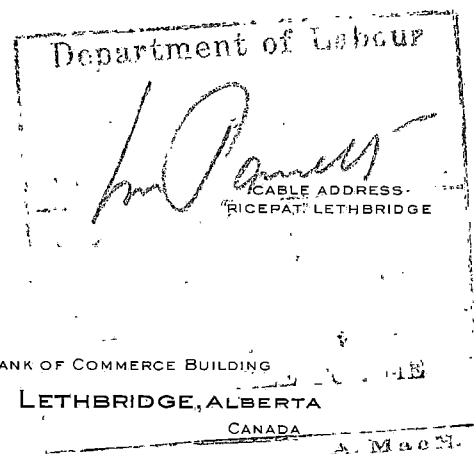
A. MacNamara

HTP/MML

RICE & PATERSON

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, NOTARIES, & C

G. E. A. RICE, K. C., LL. B.
G. C. PATERSON, K. C., LL. B.
A. J. CULLÉN, B. A.



February 7, 1946.

A. MacNamara, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Labour,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Sir:

RE: Tamura Brothers

Your airmail letter of January 15th addressed to Mr. G. C. Paterson has been handed to the writer for reply.

The land which the Tamura Brothers wish to purchase is described as follows:

The North half of Section Eleven (11), Township Twenty-One (21), Range Fifteen (15), West of the Fourth Meridian, in the Province of Alberta, containing Three Hundred and twenty (320) acres more or less, reserving thereout all mines and minerals.

At the present time title to this land stands in the name of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Irrigation District. The land was sold by the Irrigation District under an Agreement for Sale to John Dick, and the Tamura brothers have apparently negotiated for a sale of the land to themselves at a price of \$5,500.00 being a payment of \$3,000.00 cash, the balance in two annual instalments with interest at the regular rate.

We are advised by the Irrigation District that the land contains 118 acres of irrigable land and 202 acres non-irrigable. John Dick's contract is in good standing and the balance owing to the District amounts to \$480.00. Water rates have been paid to the end of the year 1945.

Morikiyo Tamura, the eldest of the three brothers, was born in the Hawaiian Islands in December 1904. He came to Canada when two years of age, living in

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British Columbia until 1926 when he went to Ontario and Quebec for five years working for the Westinghouse Corporation. He graduated from the University of British Columbia in 1926 with a degree B.A. Sc. in Electrical engineering. In 1931 he returned to British Columbia where he remained until 1942, coming to Alberta in that year and living near Lucky Strike, Alberta, until August of 1943 when he went to Raymond, Alberta. Morikiyo is married, has three children, all born in Canada. His wife, Toshiko, was also born in Canada. He has never lived in the Brooks area, but has been working on farms in the Raymond Irrigation area.

Makoto Tamura was born in British Columbia in August 1917. He lived at Haney, British Columbia until the spring of 1942 when he came to Lucky Strike, Alberta. He worked for the Provincial Department of Public Works for a few months and moved to Raymond, Alberta in August 1943. He is single and a farmer by trade. In 1945 he worked in the Brooks area at Rosemary at the farm of one N. Takeda.

Yukio Tamura was born in July, 1920, in British Columbia. He attended the University of British Columbia and graduated with the degree B.Sc. in agriculture. Like his brothers, he came to Lucky Strike, Alberta, in 1942, and then moved to Raymond. At the present time he is working for N. Takeda at Rosemary in the Brooks irrigation area.

All three brothers were raised on a farm at Haney, British Columbia. The three of them have worked in the Sugar Beet fields at Raymond and have now obtained their releases from this work.

The writer notices that in Mr. Paterson's original airmail letter to you of January 10th the land described consists of 240 acres belonging to one P. A. Gellings of Rosemary. You will note however that the Tamura brothers have decided against this land and are anxious to obtain a permit for the purchase of the land above described belonging to John Dick.

We will appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

RICE & PATERSON

Per *JD Jrs*

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AIR MAIL

O t t a w a,
February 5, 1946.

Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102-5th Ave., S.,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sir:

We have received a letter from Mr. Masuo M. MIKADO of Magrath, Alberta requesting permission to buy or rent the south east quarter of Section 17 Township 5 Range 22 West of 4th meridian.

This man is an evacuee and claims to be Canadian-born. We have also received a supporting letter of reference from the Chief of Police of Magrath.

We are not prepared to consider at this time granting a licence to an evacuee to purchase land in Alberta, but consideration may be given to granting him a licence to rent land for a reasonable number of years.

Would you therefore ask him to visit your office and fill out the enclosed application forms in your presence, retaining one for your file and sending two signed copies directly to this office.

Under "remarks" you should give any information on this man's file which will be of value in considering the case. You might confirm the fact that he has not signed for repatriation, and also advise whether any members of the family are or have been in the Canadian Army, in this war or the last.

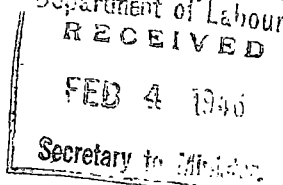
Further, at the time the application is made out, you might point out to Mr. MIKADO that any licence which might possibly be issued for him to lease land would be strictly subject to the provisions of the 1942 Agreement with the Province of Alberta so long as this Agreement is in effect. If you have not a copy of the 1942 Agreement available, you might refer to my letter on the case of R. MAEDA, in which I quoted Section 10 of the Agreement.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP:MS

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C/o Magrath P.O.
Magrath Alta.
Feb 1/46.

Dominion Minister of Labor,
Dear Sir,

Since the buying or renting
of the farm lands is still
prohibited for us, Japanese Canadian
I would like to apply for the
permit to rent this farm land
described below in South Alberta
S.E. quarter of Section 17
Township 5 Range 22
West of 4th meridian
Irrigation on this land and
also sugar beet contract.

As it might be necessary
I will also enclose short

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personal history of myself
and also the letter from the
owner of this land.

My personal history:-

Born to the Japanese parents
in the year 1917, in the
province of British Columbia
I am Canadian citizen by birth.
In 1942 our family was
removed from our farm on
B.C. coast, so we came to
Alberta to assist in sugar
beet growing. Now I and
others in our family have
four years experience on the
irrigation farm, and able
to take full charge of this
farm and to improve
the same.

3.

Will you kindly issue me
this permit to rent this farm
soon as possible, so I could
make the plans for this
coming year or coming spring?
Thanking you very much
And please let me know
whether it is possible for me
to get the permit to buy
half of this same farm.

Thank you again

Yours truly
Masuo M. Mikado

Box 376
Picture Butte
Alberta
Feb 1st / 46.

McNamara
Dept. Labour
Ottawa :-

Dear Mr. McNamara :-

I would like to get a permit to
buy a house in Picture Butte. I am
a Canadian born Japanese. Mr. Iverson
of Lethbridge Labour Dept. instructed me
to write to you and that Mr. Plonmett
would help me.

Thanking you for your trouble.

Yours Sincerely
Gosaka

P.O. BOX 167

TELEPHONE 88

MUNICIPALITY OF THE

Town of Magrath

"The Garden City"

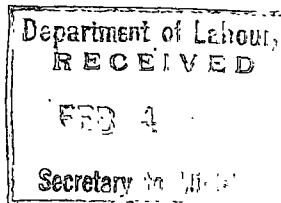
Office of the
SECRETARY-TREASURER

The Home of:
Golden Fleece Woollen Mill
Alberta Canning Company

Magrath, Alberta

Feb 1st

Honourable Minister of Labor,
Ottawa



Dear Sir:-

as Mr Masao M. Mikado is desirous of leasing a farm, are buying, and is making application to your Department asking your permission for the same. I thought I would drop you a line regarding this gentleman - his ability and etc; In the first place I have an irrigated farm for sale also one piece for rent - and knowing Mr Mikado to be a very efficient farmer, and also knowing him to be a very fine law abiding citizen. I have no objection to renting or selling if it meets with the approval of your Department. I beg to state that I am Chief of Police here in our Town, and know these people and their life since coming into our Province, and furthermore that the community is concerned so far as the people of this renting land.

An early reply would be appreciated as spring is coming on and farm labor is scarce.

Yours truly

J. H. Bridge
Chief of Police

23-2-2-12

AIR MAIL

O t t a w a,
January 31, 1946.

Mr. H. Stevens,
Raymond Agency,
Guardian Assurance Co., Ltd.,
Raymond, Alberta.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to acknowledge your letter of January 25 concerning the possibility of selling houses to Japanese.

The Regulations require that any person of Japanese origin in Canada wishing to purchase or lease (for a period longer than one year) real property of any sort, must obtain a permit from the Minister of Labour before undertaking such purchase or lease.

The person desiring to purchase or lease should send in an application to this office giving full particulars of his own situation, including a full legal description of the property in question, as it is registered in the Provincial Registry Office.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

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O t t a w a,
January 30, 1946.

REGISTERED

✓
Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 5th Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

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Re: Property Licence for R. MAEDA of Turin, Alberta

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing a Property Licence signed by the Minister permitting the above-mentioned Japanese evacuee to lease the land described thereon for a period of three years. You will note the covering letter addressed to Mr. MAEDA advising him that this Licence is issued subject to the provisions of the Agreement between the British Columbia Security Commission and the Province of Alberta dated May 6, 1942.

There is enclosed also a Statement to be signed by Mr. MAEDA BEFORE he is handed the Property Licence. One copy can be left with him and the two signed copies sent back to this office as soon as convenient, for our record.

Yours very truly,

HFP:MS

A. MacNamara.

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O t t a w a, January 30, 1946.

Mr. Rokusuke Maeda,
Box 39,
Turin, Alberta.

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing a Licence signed by the Minister of Labour permitting you to lease the real property described thereon for a period of three years.

It should be clearly understood that this Licence is issued subject to the provisions of the Agreement signed on May 6, 1942 between the British Columbia Security Commission and the Province of Alberta which specifies, in Section 10:

The Commission agrees to remove or to have removed from the Province, upon the termination of the state of war now existing between Canada and Japan, the Japanese temporarily placed or maintained within the Province pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, as requested so to do by the Province.

Would you therefore please sign two copies of the attached acknowledgement and return them to Mr. Archibald or his Deputy for transmission to this Office.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HFP:MS

STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, ROKUSUKE MAEDA, #10610, of Turin, Alberta, do hereby declare that I am aware of the provision in the Agreement of May 6, 1942 between the British Columbia Security Commission and the Province of Alberta, that Japanese evacuees brought into that Province from British Columbia will be removed upon the termination of the war if the Province so requests at that time.

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(Date)

(Signature)

(Witness)

23-2-2-12

AIR MAIL

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January 30, 1946.

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Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Alberta Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102 5th Avenue South,
Lethbridge, Alberta. ✓

RE: K. & N. SUGIMOTO -- Applications to Lease and Purchase Land

Dear Sir:-

On April 1, 1944, the R. C. M. P. reported that Kisaburo SUGIMOTO, #14609, of Raymond, Alberta, applied to lease the South 80 acres of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of 20-22-5-W4, at present owned by Isaac Sabey of Magrath. The lease was to be for three years at a rental of \$2900. a year.

On August 12, 1944, it was reported that Kanao SUGIMOTO, the eldest son, declared that the family wished to purchase two lots of 10 acres each adjoining their farm on the East and West, owned by Ralph Brothers and R. H. Dahl respectively.

In October 1944 another son, N. SUGIMOTO, #14622, wrote to the Department of Justice requesting permission to purchase about 30 acres of land adjoining their farm, presumably referring to the lots mentioned in the previous paragraph.

A permit was refused at the time and he renewed his request in March 1945.

In view of the fact that this family are not evacuees and have a very good record, we are willing to consider their application at the present time. Would you, therefore, interview the family as soon as convenient, or have one of your staff do so, to find out whether they wish to buy or lease, or both, and upon what terms in either case. The name of the vendor or lessor should be given in full, and a

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full legal description of the land as it is registered in the Alberta Registry Office.

I would also appreciate any other particulars which you can obtain from your records, the R. C. M. Police records, and responsible officials in the neighbourhood, concerning this family. Particular mention should be made of any war service by any members of the family. I presume that none of them applied for repatriation.

If you would forward the above particulars when obtained, we will give careful consideration to the issuance of a licence.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNemara.

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Copy sent to: Mr. Pickersgill and Mr. Archibald ✓

Same letter sent to: Mr. Frank Toshio Yamasaki,
c/o A. A. Wilde,
Welling, Alta.

23-2-2-12

O t t a w a,
January 30, 1946.

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Mr. Takejiro Hirasawa,
c/o Mr. Paul H. Redd,
Welling, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of January 18
applying for a permit to purchase land in Alberta in order to start
a farm of your own.

I regret to advise that at the present time it is
not considered advisable to grant a Licence to you for the above
purpose, but your application will be kept on record and given later
consideration.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

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Box 39.

Turin, Alto.
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Deputy Minister of Labor,
Parliament Buildings,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir:

I have not yet received your permission to rent Mr. Bowley's farm. If I am to be given this privilege, it is necessary that I receive a definite answer at your very earliest convenience, as Mr. Bowley must locate a tenant or a buyer as soon as possible. As I stated before, I am very anxious to rent his farm.

per. Jm.

Yours truly,
R. Maeda.
Rokusuke Maeda.
Japanese Reg. No. 10610.

% A. A. Wilde
Welling, Alta.
January 25-46

Mr. A. Mac Namara,-
Deputy Minister of Labour,
Department of Labour,
Ottawa, Canada.

Sir,-

I am Canadian born and educated Japanese. Lived in B.C. until evacuation of May, 1942. I was an independent Salmon Gill net fisherman in Steveston, Lulu Island and owned boat, home and property there on Brites Road. And am sole support of my father and mother. My father came out here in 1900, took out naturalization paper in 1903 and has lived here since.

Since 1942 I have worked in

Welling as a beet labourer on the farm of
Mr. A. A. Wilde.

I now wish permission to get a
permit to buy my own farm. I do hope this
will meet with your approval, trusting
to hear from you soon.

I am, Sir, your loyal subject,
Frank. Toshio Yamasaki.

MONTREAL



Guardian Assurance Company Limited

OF LONDON, ENGLAND

Raymond Agencies.

Raymond Alta.

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Dept of Labour.

Japanese Division.

Ottawa. Ont.

Dear Sir

Would you Please inform us as to whether it is
Permissible to sell houses to Japanese or not , We have
several of them that wish to buy homes in our district.
We have asked the Mounted police about the matter , and he
told us to write you for a permitt, if we had to have one
Would appreciate. your kind attention to this matter .

Yours truly

Raymond Agencies,

Per H. Stevens.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, January 24, 1946.

MEMORANDUM TO: Hon. Mr. Mitchell:

Re: Property Licence: Rokusuke Maeda,
Reg. No. 10610.

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The terms of the lease are that the landlord will pay the taxes on the land and will receive one-third of the grain crop and one-fifth of the sugar crop. The water rates will be shared on the same proportion as the crops.

Our officials in British Columbia and Alberta report that Mr. Maeda and his family have had a clear record and have been self-supporting since evacuation. They have not asked for, or been given, any assistance from the Japanese Division. The six children are Canadian born and range in age from thirteen to twenty-five years. None of the family has requested repatriation. A copy of a reference is also on file from the Chief Constable of the municipality at Ladner, B.C., where they formerly lived.

In view of the above, I would recommend issuance of a licence in this case to permit Mr. Maeda to lease this property for a period of three years.

A. MacNamara
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L I C E N S E

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TO LEASE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

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Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

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Minister of Labour

January 24,

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HTP/RS

A. MacNamara.

Box 39,

Turin, Alta.

Jan. 21, 1946.

Mr. H.T. Pammett,
Department of Labor,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your letter of January 11th, I am very sorry that I could not obtain the information you asked for until to-day.

The following is a legal description of Mr. Rawley's property.

N.E. 33 Section; Township 11;
19 Range; W. of $\frac{1}{4}$.

The terms of the lease are as follows:

$\frac{1}{3}$ of the grain crop and $\frac{1}{5}$ of the sugar-beet crop would be Mr. Rawley's share.

Mr. Rawley will pay the taxes of the land and the water rates will be paid

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according to our share.

The lease will extend over a duration of three years after which I will be given an option to buy the farm.

I fully appreciate your prompt consideration of this matter. As I wrote you before I am anxious to have this matter settled as soon as possible as Mr. Bowley must locate a tenant or a buyer very soon.

Thanking you very much,
I remain,

Yours truly,
R. Maeda
Rokusuke Maeda.
per. Jm.



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.
January 18th 1946

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Labour,
Ottawa, Ont.

Attention Mr H. T. Pamnett

Dear Sir,

Re: Rokusuke MAEDA Reg No. 10610

leasing farm

In reply to your letter of January 11th regarding the above party's request that he be allowed to lease a farm in Turin area, for your information Mr Maeda is a Naturalized Canadian, 57 years of age, who did not sign for voluntary repatriation. He arrived in Canada in 1907 and has never returned to Japan. He was naturalized on September 8th 1908.

Mr Maeda was evacuated from Ladner B. C. where he carried on a business as a barber, owning his own premises, to Turin in May 1942 and has resided there ever since as a self-supporting family. This man has a clean record.

During our visits to Alberta we have met this gentleman on several occasions, and he has always been very co-operative.

Yours truly,

J. N. Lister
J. N. LISTER
General Manager.

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Ottawa, January 21, 1946.

AIR MAIL

REGISTERED

✓
Mr. G.E.A. Rice, K.C., LL.B.,
Rice and Paterson,
Barristers, Solicitors, Etc.,
Canadian Bank of Commerce Building,
Lethbridge, Alberta.

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Re: Property Licence for Fred M. Tanagi

Dear Mr. Rice:

Subsequent to our correspondence, the Honourable Mr. Mitchell has approved a recommendation for the issuance of a property licence to the above mentioned Japanese, and the original licence is enclosed herewith.

I would be obliged if you would advise this office when you have given the licence to Mr. Tanagi.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamera.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

AIRMAIL.

18th January 1946

Attention: Mr. Pamnett.

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

Re APPLICATION FOR LICENCE TO PURCHASE
PROPERTY.

We have your letter of January 15th referring to a request that you have received from Rice and Paterson, Barristers and Solicitors of Lethbridge, requesting on behalf of the people of Japanese origin mentioned in your letter, that a licence be issued for them to purchase farm property in Alberta.

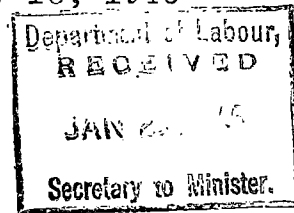
We have checked the files of these men and find that Makoto and Yukio TAMURA are Canadian-born, but that Morikiyo TAMURA is listed as a United States citizen as he was born in Hawaii December 13th, 1904. He was three years old when he came to Canada. The father is a Japanese national. None of the members of this family signed for repatriation and there is nothing on their records which would serve as any reason why they should not be given such a licence. They are however, Japanese evacuees and hence are subject to the terms of the present agreement which the Dominion Government has with the Alberta Government.

We are wondering if it would be wise to issue any such licences in Alberta to Japanese evacuees. This would be tantamount to our assuming, in granting a licence to purchase farm property, that the persons concerned would be locating permanently in the province. Perhaps it might be unwise to place ourselves in this position until at least a discussion is held with the Alberta Government concerning the existing agreement.

T.B. Pickersgill
T.B. PICKERSGILL,
Commissioner.

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c/o Mr. Paul H. Redd,
Welling, Alberta
January 18, 1946



Mr. Humphrey Mitchell,
Minister of Labour,
Parliament Buildings,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

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Some time late in 1943, I wrote to the Minister of Justice asking him whether I could purchase land in Alberta, but as it was wartime, he replied that it would be impossible to do so at the time. Now that the war is over, I would like you to consider this matter and let me know at your earliest convenience.

I am a Japanese Canadian being naturalized in 1910 and was a berry farmer in British Columbia for some 20-odd years before the war. I was evacuated with my family of eight to help in the production of sugar beets which I have done for the past four years. With this experience to my knowledge, I would like to start to have a farm of own here in S. Alberta.

I have spoken to the R.C.M.P. And to Mr. Archibald, Department of Labour, Japanese Division in Lethbridge and they said to inquire directly to you about this matter.

Please give this request your fair and understanding consideration.

Yours very truly,

T. Hirasawa

TAKEJIRO HIRASAWA

*22/1/46
re purchasing land*

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Bf Jan 31/46

Ottawa, January 15, 1946

AIR MAIL

✓
Mr. G.C. Paterson, K.C.,
✓ Rice and Paterson,
Barristers and Solicitors, etc.,
Canadian Bank of Commerce Building,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sir:

✓ I wish to acknowledge your letter of January 10
concerning the Tamura brothers who wish to purchase land near
Rosemary, Alberta.

Before this is given consideration, we will
require a clear legal description of the land as registered.
It will be helpful also to know further particulars about the
background of these men, including information about the length
of their residence in the district, whether they have been
residing on and working this land already, etc. The terms of
purchase should also be outlined.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara

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Ottawa, January 15, 1946

AIR MAIL

Mr. T.B. Pickersgill,
Commissioner of Japanese Placement,
Department of Labour,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Pickersgill:

We have received a request from Rice and Paterson, Barristers and Solicitors, Lethbridge, Alta., for a property licence on behalf of Makoto Tamura, Morikiyo Tamura and Yukio Tamura, brothers, who desire to purchase 240 acres near Rosemary, Alberta for general farming.

I would be obliged if you would send us any particulars on the record of these persons which would be helpful in considering this case, and also any information which Mr. Archibald may have on file.

We are receiving a number of such requests for property licence, and intend to prepare a revised application form which can be used by applicants and forwarded through your offices before reaching Ottawa, so that the necessary information can be obtained in a systematic manner.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA, January 15, 1946

MEMORANDUM To: Honourable Mr. Mitchell.

Re: Property Licence: Fred Masuyei Tamagi, (#14847)

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The agreement of sale for this property was reached on November 17, 1941, and \$500.00 was paid in cash, the balance of \$2250.00 to be paid later by instalments. It will be noted that the purchase was arranged before the beginning of the war with Japan.

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In view of the facts as outlined above, I would recommend issuance of licence in this case. Our officials report that he has a clear record.

A. MacNamara
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January 15

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L I C E N S E

FOR A PERSON OF THE JAPANESE RACE
TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY IN CANADA

Pursuant to the provisions of Order in Council P.C.946
of February 5, 1943, as amended by Order in Council P.C.5973 of September
14, 1945, the Minister of Labour does hereby grant to

Mr. Fred Masuyei Tamagi of Coaldale, Alberta.

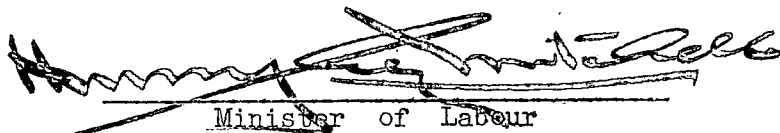
(Reg.No. 14847)

a License to acquire and hold the following real property, namely:

All and singular Lots 1 to 28 inclusive, Block 16; Lots 1 to 20 inclusive,
Block 17; Lots 21 to 25 inclusive, Block 17; all according to a plan of
record in the Land Titles Office as Coaldale 6476 A.A., comprising about
ten(10) acres.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

this 16th day of January, 1946.


Minister of Labour



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

AIR MAIL

Box 145,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
January 15, 1946.

Mr. A. MacNamara,
Deputy Minister of Labour,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA, Canada.

ATTENTION: Mr. H.T. Pamnett

Dear Sir:

re: Rokusuke MAEDA #10610

This will acknowledge your letter of January 11th regarding the above man's application for permit to lease a farm in the Turin area.

It just so happened that our Mr. Everson was going out to that neighborhood, and I asked him to drop in and casually talk to these people regarding their plans for the coming year. Mr. MAEDE stated that he was very anxious to rent a piece of land in the Turin District and he felt that the time had now come when he should re-establish himself and his family. I might add that this family has been domiciled on the same farm since the time of evacuation, back in 1942, and they have been doing, I understand, casual farm labour, as well as beet work for their employer. This man has a wife and a family of six, ranging in age from 13 to 25.

Mr. MAEDE also stated that while in British Columbia, they lived by themselves in the Ladner District, and ~~they~~ they get along exceptionally well with Occidentals, and that the people in the Turin District have used them very kindly, so they would like to remain there if possible.

We have had no trouble whatever with these people in the four years that they have resided in this District, and they have been self-supporting and have not asked for or received any assistance from this office.

Am enclosing a copy of a letter taken from their file in this office signed by the Chief Constable of Delta, B.C., which might be of some value to you.

Yours truly,

DEPT. OF LABOUR - JAPANESE DIVISION

D.C. Archibald

Supervisor

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C O P Y

THE CORPORATION OF DELTA

Ladner, B.C.

April 20, 1941.

To Whom it May Concern:

This is to certify that I have personally known the bearer Rukusuke MAEDA as a resident of this Municipality for the past thirty two years.

During this time Mr. MAEDA operated a barber shop in Ladner, which has been a credit to the Community. He has raised a family of seven children all of whom were educated here. I have always found this family to be honest and good workers and always willing to co-operate with me at any time. During the thirty seven years Mr. MAEDA has been in Canada, neither he nor any of his family have returned to Japan. He has been a British Subject for over thirty years.

Owing to circumstances this family will have to leave this District and make a new home for themselves, and I am satisfied that they will make friends wherever they go as they are leaving a host of friends here.

Any courtesies shown the MAEDA family will be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly

Sgd: P. Fenton

Chief Constable
Municipality of Delta

RICE & PATERSON

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, NOTARIES, & C

G. E. A. RICE, K. C., LL. B.
G. C. PATERSON, K. C., LL. B.
A. J. CULLEN, B. A.

CABLE ADDRESS
"RICEPAT" LETHBRIDGE

CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE BUILDING

Department of Labour
LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA
CANADA

January 11th, 1946.

AIRMAIL

Deputy Minister of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Fred M. Tamagi

We are in receipt of your favour of the 3rd instant respecting the above named who resides at Coaldale. In our letter to you we referred to the above as "Fred Tamagi". His proper name is Fred Masuyei Tamagi and he is the father of Fred Igo Tamagi. Our client apparently is a Japanese national.

He informs us that he applied for naturalization in 1913 in Calgary when there was an election on, or they were getting ready for one. Several Japanese were included in the list to be naturalized which was being handled by a political party and the opponents to that party apparently opposed the application for all Japanese who were on the list to be naturalized. Then again, Mr. Tamagi made application for naturalization in 1924. At that time he was informed that naturalization certificates were not being granted to people of Japanese origin and his application was accordingly refused. The applicant has been residing in the Lethbridge district since 1916.

He first operated a grocery and restaurant business in Raymond. In 1921 he sold out his business in Raymond and moved to Lethbridge where he worked in a coal mine for two years. Then he worked selling Life Insurance for the Sun Life Assurance Company for two years. He then moved to Diamond City, a small village about 10 miles north of Lethbridge, where he worked in the coal mine for four years. At Diamond City he also operated a grocery store.

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His daughters ran the store and he worked in a mine. In 1932 he started farming near Coaldale and practically went broke on account of the low prices of products that prevailed at that time. Potatoes at that time were selling at \$6.00 per ton, whereas today they sell at \$40.00 per ton. He returned to Lethbridge then and worked in a barber shop. About 1936 he returned to Coaldale and started market gardening again. This time market gardening proved more successful. He also had a family of five boys and three girls to help him. He occupied rented land until 1941 when he purchased two blocks in the Village of Coaldale from John H. Rider. The two blocks contain about ten acres. The ten acres are irrigated and he uses it for raising tomatoes, cucumbers, etc. He also rents land in the neighborhood to raise potatoes and other vegetables. He usually runs 60 or 70 acres of potatoes annually. He has a Dominion and Provincial licence to ship beets and other vegetables. He has two large root cellars on his ten acre farm, each 20 feet by 140 feet. He also has a public service vehicle licence to truck vegetables from Lethbridge to Calgary.

When he purchased the land from Mr. Rider, which is described as Blocks 16 and 17, Plan Coaldale, 6476 A A. The purchase price was \$2750.00. He paid \$500.00 down and has paid for the balance since by instalments. Prior to the 5th of June he paid Mr. Rider in full for the property at which time Mr. Rider signed a transfer. On account of war conditions, however, Mr. Tamagi has never been able to register the transfer, and we are asking for your permission to register this transfer at the present time.

Yours very truly,

RICE & PATERSON,

GEAR:KK

Per: 
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TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

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AIR MAIL

O t t a w a, January 11, 1946.

Mr. Rokusuke Maeda,
Box 39,
Turin, Alta.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to acknowledge your letter of January 7 addressed to the Honourable the Minister of Labour concerning the possibility of renting a farm for two or three years on a crop-share basis.

If you will send me a full legal description of the property concerned, and full particulars of the terms of lease, this matter will be given careful consideration.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP:MS

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AIR MAIL

O t t e w a, January 11, 1946.

Mr. T. B. Pickersgill,
Commissioner of Japanese Placement,
Department of Labour,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Mr. D. C. Archibald,
Supervisor,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
1102-5th Ave., S.,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sirs:-

We have received from Mr. Rokusuko Maeda
Reg. #10610, an application for a permit to lease a farm in the
Turin area for two or three years. He gives as references Messrs.
Fred Martin and Albert Frumexie, both of Turin.

The land is to be rented from Mr. Virgil
Rowley of Turin.

I would be obliged if you would send me
as soon as convenient any information on your records concerning
Mr. Maeda which will be useful in considering this application.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HYP:MB

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CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE BUILDING

LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA
CANADA

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January 10, 1946.

Department of Labor,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sirs:

We have been consulted by the following persons of the Japanese race: Morikiyo Tamura, born in the Hawaiian Islands, an American citizen, and his brothers, Makoto Tamura and Yukio Tamura, born in British Columbia.

These parties desire to purchase land near Rosemary in the Province of Alberta, consisting of 240 acres of irrigated land, for general farming purposes, the land belonging to one P. A. Gellings of Rosemary.

They desire to get the necessary permit for this purpose, and we should appreciate very much if you would write us and let us know what further information you require in order to pass on their application.

Yours truly,

RICE & PATERSON,

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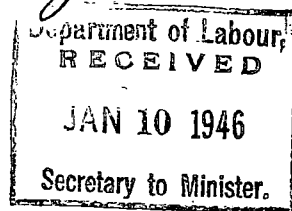
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Air Mail

Box 39,

Turin, Alta.

Jan. 7, 1946.



The Minister of Labor,
Parliament Buildings,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir:

I am appealing to you for your permission to remain in Turin, to take up farming. At present, I have a very good opportunity to rent a farm, but under the present Canada Act, we, Japanese are not allowed this privilege. I am, therefore, appealing to your department for a just and fair consideration of my present status and of my fervent desire of becoming a permanent resident here.

Since evacuating from British Columbia, in 1942 my family of 7, and I have worked as beet laborers and have managed 50 acres of beets successfully. Now we have every desire to establish ourselves in farming.

I have been a naturalized citizen since 1908, and my wife since 1913. Since coming to Canada, my wife and I have never returned to Japan, and we have no desires of returning now -004868

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ever in the future. All my children were born in Canada and have attended English schools. They have no Japanese education whatsoever.

For any information concerning our character, may I refer you to Mr. Fred Martin, a prominent merchant and to Mr. Albert Frumerie, agent for the Alberta Wheat Pool, both of Turin. By my record at the Japanese Labor Division in Lethbridge you will note that we have managed without any financial help from that department.

The farm which I have the opportunity to rent belongs to Mr. Virgil Bowley of Turin. I would like to rent it for 2 or 3 years with an option to buy. The farm consists of 160 acres of irrigated land, of which 30 acres is used for sugar beets and 90 acres for grain. The terms of the rent are based on a crop share. The owner asks for 2 tons of beets per acre and $\frac{1}{3}$ of the grain crop. By these terms I am certain that my family and I can carry on successfully.

It is very necessary, that I receive an answer from you at your most earliest convenience, as the opportunity to rent this farm is 004869

not open for long. If possible I
would like an immediate answer.
Your permission will be of a great
importance to me and I appeal to you
for a just consideration.

Yours truly,
R. Maeda.

Rokuseke Maeda.
Japanese Reg. No. 10610.

AIR MAIL.

OTTAWA, January 3, 1946.

Rice & Paterson,
Barrieters, Solicitors,
Canadian Bank of Commerce Building,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sirs: Re: Fred Tamagi.

I wish to acknowledge your letter of December 10, concerning the above mentioned who is applying for a License to complete the transfer of land purchased from Mr. John H. Rider, of Coaldale, Alta., in 1941.

Your letter states that Fred Tamagi is a Canadian of Japanese origin. Our records indicate that Fred Tamagi, senior, is a Japanese national and that he has a Canadian born son 19 years of age who is also known as Fred Tamagi. Would you please advise as soon as possible which of the above mentioned persons is applying for a License in this case and give the man's full name for our information.

It would be helpful also if you could advise us how long the applicant has resided in the district and particularly whether he has been residing on the lot purchased from Mr. Rider.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

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PLEASE WIRE INFORMATION ON RECORD OF FRED TAMAGI JAPANESE
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A. MacNamara
DEPUTY MINISTER OF LABOUR

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(OPERATING ITS OWN LINES AND THOSE OF THE GREAT NORTH WESTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY AND CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS). HEREINAFTER CALLED THE COMPANY.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS UPON WHICH TELEGRAPH AND CABLE MESSAGES SHALL BE TRANSMITTED ARE PRESCRIBED BY ORDER NO. 49274, DATED DECEMBER 5TH, 1932, OF THE BOARD OF TRANSPORT COMMISSIONERS FOR CANADA AND PUBLISHED IN THE CANADA GAZETTE.

IT IS AGREED BETWEEN THE SENDER OF THE MESSAGE ON THE FACE OF THIS FORM AND THIS COMPANY THAT THIS COMPANY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR DAMAGES ARISING FROM FAILURE TO TRANSMIT OR DELIVER, OR FOR ANY ERROR IN THE TRANSMISSION OR DELIVERY OF, ANY UNREPEATED TELEGRAM, WHETHER HAPPENING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF ITS SERVANTS OR OTHERWISE, OR FOR DELAYS FROM INTERRUPTIONS IN THE WORKING OF ITS LINES, FOR ERRORS IN CIPHER OR OBSCURE MESSAGES, OR FOR ERRORS FROM ILLEGIBLE WRITING, BEYOND THE AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR SENDING THE SAME.

TO GUARD AGAINST ERRORS, THE COMPANY WILL REPEAT BACK ANY TELEGRAM FOR AN EXTRA PAYMENT OF ONE-HALF THE REGULAR RATE; AND, IN THAT CASE, THE COMPANY SHALL BE LIABLE FOR DAMAGES SUFFERED BY THE SENDER TO AN EXTENT NOT EXCEEDING \$200.00, DUE TO THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE COMPANY IN THE TRANSMISSION OR DELIVERY OF THE TELEGRAM.

CORRECTNESS IN THE TRANSMISSION AND DELIVERY OF MESSAGES CAN BE INSURED BY CONTRACT IN WRITING, STATING AGREED AMOUNT OF RISK, AND PAYMENT OF PREMIUM THEREON AT THE FOLLOWING RATES, IN ADDITION TO THE USUAL CHARGE FOR REPEATED MESSAGES, VIZ: ONE PER CENT. FOR ANY DISTANCE NOT EXCEEDING 1000 MILES, AND TWO PER CENT. FOR ANY GREATER DISTANCE.

THIS COMPANY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR THE ACT OR OMISSION OF ANY OTHER COMPANY, BUT WILL ENDEAVOR TO FORWARD THE TELEGRAM BY ANY OTHER TELEGRAPH COMPANY NECESSARY TO REACHING ITS DESTINATION, BUT ONLY AS THE AGENT OF THE SENDER AND WITHOUT LIABILITY THEREFOR. THE COMPANY SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MESSAGES UNTIL THE SAME ARE PRESENTED AND ACCEPTED AT ONE OF ITS TRANSMITTING OFFICES; IF A MESSAGE IS SENT TO SUCH OFFICE BY ONE OF THE COMPANY'S MESSENGERS, HE ACTS FOR THAT PURPOSE AS THE SENDER'S AGENT; IF BY TELEPHONE, THE PERSON RECEIVING THE MESSAGE ACTS THEREIN AS AGENT OF THE SENDER, BEING AUTHORIZED TO ASSENT TO THESE CONDITIONS FOR THE SENDER. THIS COMPANY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE IN ANY CASE FOR DAMAGES, UNLESS THE SAME BE CLAIMED, IN WRITING, WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE TELEGRAM FOR TRANSMISSION.

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(EXPLOITANT SES PROPRES LIGNES DE MÊME QUE CELLES DE LA "GREAT NORTH WESTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY", DE LA "GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY" ET CELLES DES CHEMINS DE FER DU GOUVERNEMENT CANADIEN)—CI-APRÈS NOMMÉE LA COMPAGNIE.

LES CLAUSES ET CONDITIONS SUIVANT LESQUELLES LES DÉPÊCHES PAR TÉLÉGRAPHE ET PAR CÂBLE SERONT TRANSMISES SONT PRÉSCRITES PAR L'ORDONNANCE NO. 49274 DE LA COMMISSION DES TRANSPORTS DU CANADA EN DATE DU 5 DÉCEMBRE 1932 ET PUBLIÉE DANS LA GAZETTE OFFICIELLE DU CANADA, AINSI QUE PAR L'ORDONNANCE NO. 57471 EN DATE DU 22 MAI 1939.

IL EST CONVENU ENTRE L'EXPÉDITEUR DE LA DÉPÊCHE AU RECTO ET LA COMPAGNIE, QUE LA DITE COMPAGNIE NE SERA PAS RESPONSABLE DES DOMMAGES POUVANT RÉSULTER DU DÉFAUT D'EXPÉDITION OU DE LIVRAISON, OU D'UNE ERREUR DANS L'EXPÉDITION OU LA LIVRAISON D'UNE DÉPÊCHE NON-RÉPÉTÉE. POUR UN MONTANT EXCÉDANT LE PRIX PAYÉ POUR L'ENVOI DE LA DITE DÉPÊCHE, QUE CES DOMMAGES SOIENT DUS OU NON À LA NÉGLIGENCE DES EMPLOYÉS DE LA DITE COMPAGNIE, OU AUTREMENT, OU À DES RETARDS CAUSÉS PAR L'ARRÊT DU FONCTIONNEMENT DES APPAREILS TÉLÉGRAPHIQUES, OU À TOUTE ERREUR DANS UNE DÉPÊCHE DUE À SES CHIFFRES ET À SES TERMES OBSCURS OU À UNE ÉCRITURE ILLISIBLE.

POUR ÉVITER TOUTE ERREUR LA COMPAGNIE RÉPÈTE UNE DÉPÊCHE MOYENNANT UN PAIEMENT ADDITIONNEL DE LA MOITIÉ DU TAUX RÉGULIER, ET DANS CE CAS LA RESPONSABILITÉ DE LA COMPAGNIE SERA LIMITÉE À \$200.00 S'IL Y A DANS L'EXPÉDITION OU LA LIVRAISON DE LA DITE DÉPÊCHE ERREUR OU RETARD RÉSULTANT DE LA NÉGLIGENCE DE LA COMPAGNIE.

LA RESPONSABILITÉ DE L'EXPÉDITION ET DE LA LIVRAISON PARFAITE D'UNE DÉPÊCHE S'ASSURE PAR CONTRAT ÉCRIT DANS LEQUEL EST STIPULÉ LE MONTANT DU RISQUE ET SUR PAIEMENT, EN PLUS DU TAUX POUR LES DÉPÊCHES RÉPÉTÉES, D'UN SUPPLÉMENT CALCULÉ SUR LA BASE SUIVANTE: UN FOUR CENT POUR UNE DISTANCE N'EXCÉDANT PAS 1,000 MILLES ET DEUX POUR CENT POUR UNE PLUS LONGUE DISTANCE.

LA DITE COMPAGNIE NE SERA PAS RESPONSABLE DU FAIT OU DE L'OMISSION D'UNE AUTRE COMPAGNIE, MAIS S'EFFORCERA TOUJOURS DE FAIRE PARVENIR LES DÉPÊCHES À DESTINATION EN SE SERVANT DE CETTE AUTRE COMPAGNIE LORSQUE NÉCESSAIRE. DANS CE CAS ELLE NE SERA CONSIDÉRÉE QUE COMME MANDATAIRE DE L'EXPÉDITEUR ET N'ENCOURRA AUCUNE RESPONSABILITÉ PERSONNELLE. LA RESPONSABILITÉ DE LA DITE COMPAGNIE COMMENCERA SEULEMENT QUAND LES DÉPÊCHES AURONT ÉTÉ PRÉSENTÉES ET ACCEPTÉES À UN DE SES BUREAUX D'EXPÉDITION. LORSQU'UNE DÉPÊCHE EST APPORTÉE À UN DES BUREAUX DE LA COMPAGNIE PAR UN DE SES MESSENGERS CE MESSENGER EST CONSIDÉRÉ COMME MANDATAIRE DE L'EXPÉDITEUR. LORSQU'UNE DÉPÊCHE EST COMMUNIQUÉE AU BUREAU DE LA COMPAGNIE PAR TÉLÉPHONE, LA PERSONNE QUI REÇOIT CETTE DÉPÊCHE EST CONSIDÉRÉE COMME MANDATAIRE DE L'EXPÉDITEUR ET EST CENSÉE AVOIR TOUTE AUTORITÉ POUR CONSENTIR, AU NOM DE L'EXPÉDITEUR À CES CONDITIONS. DANS AUCUN CAS LA COMPAGNIE NE SERA RESPONSABLE POUR DOMMAGES À MOINS QUE DEMANDE N'EN SOIT FAITE PAR ÉCRIT DANS LES SOIXANTE JOURS QUI SUIVENT LA REMISE DE LA DÉPÊCHE À LA DITE COMPAGNIE.

AUCUN EMPLOYÉ DE LA COMPAGNIE N'A LE DROIT DE CHANGER CES RÈGLEMENTS. LA VERSION ANGLAISE DES PRÉSENTES CONDITIONS PRÉVAUDRA.

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OTTAWA DECEMBER 18 1945

T B PICKERSGILL
COMMISSIONER OF JAPANESE PLACEMENT
DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
360 HOMER STREET
VANCOUVER B C

PLEASE WIRE INFORMATION ON RECORD OF FRED TAMAGI JAPANESE
CANADIAN COALDALE ALBERTA APPLYING FOR TRANSFER OF PROPERTY
PURCHASED 1941

HTP:FD
CHG. DEPT. OF LABOUR.

A. MacNabara
DEPUTY MINISTER OF LABOUR

RICE & PATERSON

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, NOTARIES, & C

CABLE ADDRESS
"RICEPAT" LETHBRIDGE

G. E. A. RICE, K. C., LL. B.
G. C. PATERSON, K. C., LL. B.
A. J. CULLÉN, B. A.

CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE BUILDING

LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA
CANADA

December 10th, 1945.

A. MacNamara, Esq.,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Mr. MacNamara:

Re: Fred Tamagi

We have your favour of the 3rd instant. On the 17th of November, 1941, John H. Rider, of Coaldale, Alberta, farmer, agreed to sell to Fred Tamagi, a Canadian of Japanese origin, Lots 1 to 28 inclusive, in Block 16, 1 to 20 inclusive, in Block 17, Lots 21 to 25 inclusive, in Block 17, all according to a plan of record in the Land Titles Office as Coaldale 6476 A.A., at and for the price and sum of \$2750.00, payable \$500.00 in cash, and the balance to be paid when Tamagi was in a position to do so. On January 6th, 1944, Tamagi paid in full for this property and is now anxious to acquire title.

As the land was purchased before the regulations forbidding Japanese to purchase land in Canada came into effect, on behalf of Mr. Tamagi we are requesting that you grant permission for him to register a transfer of the lands in question. For your further information we may say that Mr. Tamagi has been in the market and garden business here for some time and the above described lots are used principally for raising and storing vegetables.

Yours very truly,

RICE & PATERSON,

GEAR:KK

Per: *GEAR*
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AIR MAIL

OTTAWA, December 3, 1945.

Rice & Paterson,
Barristers & Solicitors,
Canadian Bank of Commerce Building,
Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sirs:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of November 1st, to the Deputy Minister of Justice concerning the acquisition of land by persons of Japanese race. Your letter has been forwarded to this Department as the matter is now under the jurisdiction of the Minister of Labour.

Prior to September 1945, the acquisition of real property by persons of the Japanese race was covered by Section 39 (e) of the Defence of Canada Regulations, and provided that purchase of real property or lease of same for periods of longer than one year was permissible only upon a permit from the Minister of Justice.

By Order in Council P.C. 5973, of September 14, 1945, the power of issuing permits for purchase or lease as above was transferred to the Minister of Labour. Otherwise, there is no change in the Regulations covering purchase or lease.

Any person desirous of obtaining a permit from the Minister of Labour should send forward complete particulars to this Office, where they will receive careful consideration.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNanara.

[Handwritten signature and date 12/1/46]

HTP:PD

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DWM/MC



Department of Labour

PLEASE ADDRESS
THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF JUSTICE
OTTAWA

OTTAWA November 29, 1945.

J.R. 6586-10-45

I enclose herewith letter dated November 1st
from Messrs. Rice & Patterson, Barristers, Lethbridge
Alberta relating to the acquisition of land by
Japanese persons.

Encl.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M. J. A. Macleod", is written over the typed name.

Asst. Deputy Minister.

The Deputy Minister,
Dept. of Labour,
Ottawa, Ontario.

RICE & PATERSON

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, NOTARIES, &C

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T. O. IVES, B.A., LL.B.



CABLE ADDRESS
RICEPAT. LETHBRIDGE

CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE BUILDING

LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA
CANADA

J.R. 6586-10-45

November 1st, 1945.

Deputy Minister of Justice,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: N. Takeda

Under section 39 E. of Defence of Canada Regulations, persons of the Japanese race were prohibited from acquiring land after the 24th of February, 1942, "during the continuation of the state of war now existing."

Will you kindly advise if there has been any change in these regulations and if a Declaration of Peace makes it possible for people of the Japanese race to take title to land.

Yours very truly,

RICE & PATERSON,

GEAR:KK

Per: *GEAR*
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PMA/G

PLEASE ADDRESS
THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF JUSTICE
OTTAWA

OTTAWA

Department of Labour

APR 3 1945

To:

☐ DRAFT LETTER
☐ YOU HANDLE
☐ YOUR COMMENTS
☐ SEE ME PLEASE
☐ NOTE & RETURN
☐ GET FILE FOR ME

March 31st. 19 45.

A. M. J. J.

J.R. 6586-41-45

The Deputy Minister of Labour, O t t a w a

Re: N. Sugimoto, Raymond, Alberta.

With further reference to my letter of the
5th instant, enclosed is further letter from the above
party, which has not been acknowledged.

Encl.

F. P. Varcoe
Deputy Minister

N. Suginoto
Box 27,
Raymond, Alta.,
March 26, 1945,

Minister of Justice,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir:

I received your letter a while back stating that my request is given consideration. May I thank you for your considerate promptness.

In further statement may I remind you that spring is here and my request will be of great help to me. I would appreciate it if only a right to rent land may be granted to me.

We have all also received notice from our Labour Minister at Ottawa, that any person of

The Japanese race who wishes to return to Japan make applications to our nearest R. C. M. P. detachment.

This question to us was never thought of and we still have that thought that we are Canadians.

We do not look upon Japan as our country and we do not hope to have to. Although we have been barred down as in the present state, we kept on farming and doing all we could to do our part in helping Canada, in hopes that the war time regulations would give us a break soon.

Therefore I ask you in earnest for a better consideration to the citizens of Raymond who have been here from before.

Please remember that I still have faith in my request being answered.

Yours truly
J. Sugimoto.

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PLEASE ADDRESS
THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF JUSTICE
OTTAWA

OTTAWA March 5th, 1945.

J.R. 6586-41-45

The Deputy Minister of Labour, O t t a w a

Re: N. Sugimoto,
Raymond, Alberta.

In view of the proposed amendment to regulation 39E of the Defence of Canada Regulations, I enclose correspondence respecting the above party, together with letter of the 1st instant from Sugimoto and copy of our reply thereto, which I would ask you kindly to note.

Encls.

Intd
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GP

F.P. Varcoe
Deputy Minister

PMA/G

March 5th,

45.

J.R. 6586-41-45

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 1st instant, your application will be given further consideration, and you will be advised as soon as a decision has been reached.

Yours truly,

Deputy Minister

N. Sugimoto, Esq.,
Box 27,
Raymond, Alberta.



Deputy Min. of Justice
Ottawa.

H. Sugimoto
Raymond, Alta,
March 1, 1945.

Dear Sir.

Since receiving the enclosed letter I have not heard from you since.

I realize you have many other important problems to confer with, but as you know time waits for no one and therefore I would much appreciate you giving my problems another consideration.

In the war time regulation book we are considered and classed as Enemy aliens. That point is what I cannot see. I consider the few that have resided in Raymond the greater part of our lives are as good a Canadian citizen as any of the other Nationality. Yet we are barred down.

Another thing is we by no means intend to boast about our selves but we have been better citizens than many of the

German, Hungarian and Italian people
of the district.

Yet many of them are able to purchase
land, hold business and so forth.

The fact is this. We have had
great faith in Canada and we do not
intend to give it up at this date.

Especially The Second Generation,
as myself, what have we to depend on,
for our future and what future is there
for us the way we have been considered.

I know that you will consider this
fact and give us a break as true
Canadians.

Once again may I ask for your
best cooperation and immediate attention
to the matter.

Thank You.

Yours truly
J. Legitimate



DWM/DH

PLEASE ADDRESS
THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF JUSTICE
OTTAWA

OTTAWA January 11, 1945.

J.R. 6586-41-44

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge your letter of
January 2.

I regret that for the moment
there is nothing that I can add to my letter
of December 28 to you. Your letter of
January 2 has, however, been noted.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "F.P. Varcoe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Deputy Minister.

N. Sugimoto, Esq.,
Box 27,
RAYMOND, Alberta.

DWM/DH

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January 11, 45.

J.R. 6586-41-44

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge your letter of
January 2.

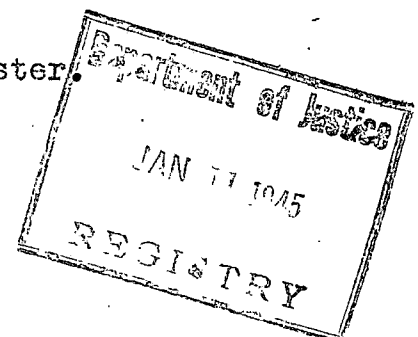
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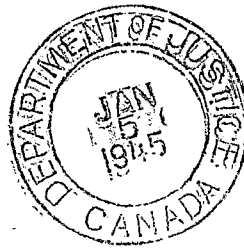
F. P. Varcoe

Deputy Minister.

N. Sugimoto, Esq.,
Box 27,
RAYMOND, Alberta.



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N. Sugimoto
 Raymond, Alta.
 Jan 2nd, 1945

Deputy Minister of Justice
 Ottawa

J.P. 6586-41-44

Dear Sir:

I am thanking you for your letter in respect to my permission to acquire land. I also acknowledge the standpoint of view which you based the answer on. That, I realize is a decided fact but certainly where there are good reasons for wanting to apply for such a permit, there is a way that more consideration can be given to us. Although of Japanese origin it is clearly seen by any one requesting our circumstance that we are nothing but Canadians. There were quite a few inquiries made upon this and why you have failed us is a disappointing fact to us.

So far we have done our best to aid Canada in her winning the war and do not intend to give up our loyalty on account of a few minor facts but as the case seems

to be it seems hopeless to us.

I personally think that such a grant can be released without much further request.

As far as the older generation is concerned it makes little or no difference, but with us born Canadians and having lived here for the past life it really seems hopeless. Why they treat us as such I can clearly see. It is on account of the B. C. people & their government.

But with our few here in Alberta from before it is absolutely different. Just why we should be treated as such I cannot understand.

Therefore I sincerely wish you would reconsider the fact & please give us a permit.

If further request and information is necessary it may be obtained from any source here in Raymond. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain,
Thank you.

Yours truly
J. H. Leggett



DH

PLEASE ADDRESS
THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF JUSTICE
OTTAWA

OTTAWA, December 28, 1944.

J.R. 6586-41-44

Dear Sir:

Your letter received October 22nd
by the Minister of Justice, requesting a licence
to acquire land, has been referred to me.

I am directed to inform you that for
the present it has been decided that no licences
are to be granted to persons of Japanese origin
to acquire the ownership of real property as you
propose.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "F.P. Varcoe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Deputy Minister.

N. Sugimoto, Esq.,
Box 27,
RAYMOND, Alberta.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MEMORANDUM

Jan. 11, 1945.

MR. VARCOE:

J.R. 6586-41-44

An application for a licence to acquire land was made by a Japanese person resident in Alberta. He has apparently been resident there since before the war and is a Canadian-born Japanese. He was informed that for the present it has been decided that no such licences are to be granted. He has written again pressing for reconsideration in view of the fact that he is not an evacuee and is a Canadian-born citizen.

Attached is a draft letter.

D.W.M.

DH

December 28, 44.

J.R. 6586-41-44

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by the Minister of Justice, requesting a licence
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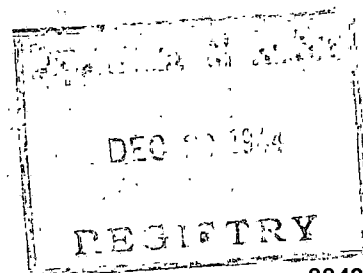
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propose.

Yours truly,

F. P. Varcoe

Deputy Minister.

N. Sugimoto, Esq.,
Box 27,
RAYMOND, Alberta.



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ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO BE
ADDRESSED TO:
THE COMMISSIONER,
ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE,
OTTAWA

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
HEADQUARTERS



PLEASE QUOTE
[Defence of Canada]
FILE NO.

J. R. 6586-41-44
OTTAWA, December 18, 1944.
CANADA

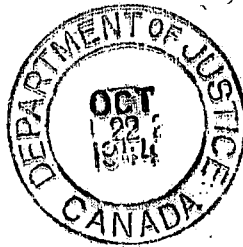
The Deputy Minister, Department of Justice, OTTAWA.

We would refer to your letter of the 22nd ultimo enclosing a request from N. SUGIMOTO, Box 27, Raymond, Alberta, for permission to purchase land.

2. As of possible assistance to you in reaching a decision in this matter we are enclosing a copy of Lethbridge Detachment report dated 8.12.44, dealing with the background and loyalties of the applicant and his family. Also enclosed is SUGIMOTO'S original letter.

Enc.

[Signature]
for Commissioner.



N. Sugimoto
Box 27
Raymond, Alta.

Deputy Minister of Justice.
Ottawa,
Dear Sir:

According to the war time regulations, I understand that Japanese are not able to buy nor rent land. There are however a few points of my circumstances that I would like to have considered very carefully. My full particulars may be obtained from the nearest R.C.M.P. detachment in any case of doubt as to my following statement.

My father (N. Sugimoto) is a naturalized Canadian since 1916 and has resided in this local area for the years since. His occupation was and is farming. Since him and his brother or (my uncle) came to this country they never returned once and every

pinny earned was spent here in this country. My uncle was in Great War I and killed at Vimy Ridge. His name is one of the few on the honor list at the Raymond town Hall monument.

At the present time we are growing garden and row crops such as beets and potatoes. During the last two years we have been supplying our products to the army and imprisonment camps at our district. We do not and have not ^{grown} raised any wheat for the past ten years.

The people in our district consider us as nothing but absolute ^{loyal} Canadians. The reason for this is because we have supported this district in every way of progress and supported all interests of the country especially the Victory loan drives. (This statement may be verified by the local canvasser, Mr. L. MacPhee.)

I was educated here in Raymond and am a born and ~~reputed~~ Canadian.

Now at present our farm of a few acres
of irrigated land is surrounded by a
few lots of good suitable land which
is for sale and for immediate sale.
This land in pieces of ten acres or so
lies next to mine and benefits me by all
means and to some one else is of no use.
It also squares our field off also. These
pieces are not exceeding more than thirty
acres in area so if you will kindly render
me a permit to acquire this I would
greatly appreciate such. It is only a
small matter and I'm sure you can help
me. If nearby reference is necessary
please see our local M.P. (Mr J. H. Black-
more at Ottawa). My Japanese Registration
number is 14622. Please give this your
immediate attention as it may be too late.

Thank you and awaiting your reply
I remain,
Yours truly
H. Sugimoto

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DIVISION FILE NO.

DIVISION: **K** SUB-DIVISION: **Lethbridge** DETACHMENT: **CIB (Intell)**
PROVINCE: **Alberta** DATE: **8-12-44**

FILE REFS. RE: **N. SUGIMOTO . Japanese Registration No: 14822.**
Raymond - Alberta.

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1. This report has reference to memorandum of the Asst. Intelligence Officer dated November 27th 1944 with attached copy of letter from N. Sugimoto of Raymond requesting permission to purchase land.

2. Enquiries were made in the Raymond district on the 7th instant concerning the Sugimoto family. It was found that the writer of the letter concerned, Naomichi Sugimoto, was absent from the district being employed at Burmis, Alberta. He is the second eldest son of Kisaburo Sugimoto, O.R. #14609 who owns 40 acres of land two miles west of the town of Raymond and has resided in Canada since 1908 and has lived in the Raymond district since 1909 when he came from the Vancouver B.C. area to take employment with the Knight Sugar Company. (K) Kisaburo Sugimoto is the father of ten children, all born in the Raymond district the eldest being 27 years of age. The family is wholly of the Japanese race and with the exception of one married daughter the family reside at home and work on the farm. K. Sugimoto was naturalized on February 28th 1916 and owned a section of land south of Raymond until 1934 when he sold the land to a Hutterite Colony and moved to his present location where he bought 40 acres of land in 1934. He is one of the original men of the Buddhist Church at Raymond and the family are staunch Buddhists. K. Sugimoto, commonly known as "Blackie" in the district, became a successful vegetable and mixed farming, farmer and has built a modern home on this property and has up-to-date machinery including three tractors and a truck. The family gained the reputation of being the most progressive Japanese in the district and mixed well in the community. A brother of K. Sugimoto enlisted in Canada during the last war and was killed at Vimy Ridge, however none of the Sugimoto family have enlisted in the present war. The eldest son, Kanao, applied for enlistment in the R.C.A.F. in 1940 as pilot material but was not accepted as such and he did not wish to enter the other branches.

3. I interviewed Kanao Sugimoto at the family farm located on the N.E. 1/4 of the 6-12-21 W 4th and he stated that his brother had written on behalf of his father and the members of the family who would eventually inherit the land. He stated that they owned 40 acres which was split up into four ten acre plots and that two ten acre plots were available for purchase adjacent to their land which would square off their farm. Ten acres on the west owned by A.H. Dahl and ten acres on the east owned by Ralph Brothers of Raymond. He stated that in addition to the 40 acres which they farmed they had been renting 30 acres of the A.D. Woolley estate since 1935. Their land was originally in the Raymond Town lots known as plan 1346 J and now in the Sugar City Municipality S.D. 137.

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K-M-125 Re: N. SUGIMOTO. J.R. #14622.
Raymond - Alberta.

3. Kanao Sugimoto continued to state that during the early spring of 1944 the family had attempted to purchase land in the Lethbridge Northern district not being aware that Japanese could not buy land and that they eventually ended up losing considerable money to the land agent and for the services of lawyers. An application had been made by his father Kisaburo Sugimoto to the Deputy Minister of Justice for permission to rent land during the spring of 1944 without sanction being obtained. He stated that they had also referred the matter to their local M.P. Mr. John H. Blackmore at Ottawa without obtaining further result.

4. Enquiries were continued in the Raymond district regarding the Sugimoto family and all sources stated that they were well regarded even though they were Japanese. Mr. P. COPE, druggist and Mayor of Raymond, stated that he had known the family for at least 20 years and he could say that they were progressive, quiet and well behaved. That he had employed the eldest son for some time on his farm land and had also employed one of the daughters as a maid in his home. That they took an interest in the community life and contributed to local endeavors.

5. Mr. L. MacPhee, Manager of the Ellison Milling Company at Raymond stated in part as follows. - "I have known 'Blackie' SUGIMOTO and his family for the past 17 years and having done a lot of business with him I feel that I know him better than most of the Japanese although by reputation I am supposed to do more business with the Japanese than any other business man here. For that reason I have always been given the job of canvassing the Japanese during the War Loan drives. I was one of the first men in Raymond who opposed the evacuation of Japanese from B.C. to this district but I must say that there are some Japanese who are very good citizens and in my opinion Blackie Sugimoto and his family are certainly one of them. He has by far invested the most money in Victory Bonds than any other Japanese here. He has several thousand. In the sixth loan I went to his home and listened to his tale of woe about being taken in for about \$600.00 when he tried to purchase some land north of Lethbridge. It seems that he paid for the land and then it came to attention that he being a Jap could not buy it. I believe the Custodian got hold of the money and before he was finished it cost him plenty for lawyers etc. He was pretty sore about the whole thing because he always claimed to be a Canadian through his naturalization and he had brought his children up as good Canadians. I did not expect him to buy a bond in view of this but he bought a \$500.00 bond anyway. The next loan he bought a \$1000.00 bond. (cont'd)

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Re: N. SUGIMOTO JR #14623.
Raymond, Alberta.

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5. Mrs MacPhee - cont'd) "Now I would not go so far as to state that K. "Blackie" Sugimoto bought these bonds just through being patriotic but I feel sure that he believes more in Canada than the great majority of other Japanese whom I know sell their bonds shortly after they buy them. Sugimoto and his sons are good business heads and they realize that bonds are a good investment and that their future lies with this country. The family is co-operative and are well liked in the district." ends.

6. There is no record here of K. Sugimoto or members of his family being engaged in questionable activities. The following is quoted from report of D/A/Cpl. S.M. Murray dated the 10-1-42 under heading Japanese Conditions, Canada - Generally, K 945-67, LS 52-121. "During the Xmas holidays three of the Japanese in the Armed services were back at Raymond on leave, being T. Iwassa, S. Oshiro and S. Takahasi. They visited many Japanese homes where parties were held in their honour and the colony put on a large banquet in the auditorium of the Buddhist Church inviting thereto a number of leading citizens including the local M.L.A. J.H. Walker and Mayor Percy Cope. During this banquet K. Sugimoto stated, "In behalf of the Young Japanese Association of Raymond, we are back of the boys at the front, and all of us Japanese of Raymond are willing to do our best to back Canada which is now our country." (ends) The K. Sugimoto referred to herein is Kanao Sugimoto, eldest son of K "Blackie" Sugimoto and brother of Naomichi Sugimoto, subject of this file.

7. Please note that a similar application was made by the father of N. Sugimoto to the Deputy Minister of Justice during 1944.

CONCLUDED.

O.C."K" Division, RCMP. EDMONTON

J. Connors Const.
(J.S. Connors) #12625.

FORWARDED for your information and that of the Department concerned. HANDED OVER TO DEPARTMENT CONCERNED.

Inspector.

Leth: 9-12-44

(E.D. Fryett)

C:J

Commanding Lethbridge Sub-Div.

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Re: N. SUGIMOTO, Japanese Registration No.
14622. Raymond, Alberta.

K-M-125

The Commissioner,
R. C. M. Police,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Sir:

Forwarded for your information. The SUGIMOTO family
bear an extremely good reputation in the Raymond district.

CONCLUDED - HANDED OVER

Edmonton
12-12-44
K:JF

J. D. BIRD, Supt.,
i/c "K" Division, C.I.D.

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November 22, 44

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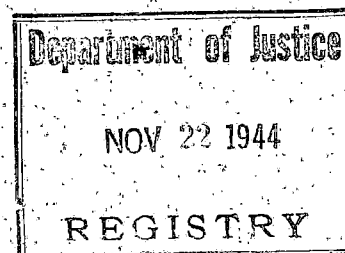
The Commissioner,
R. C. M. Police,
O t t a w a.

I enclose herewith an undated letter
from N. Sugimoto, Box 27, Raymond, Alberta,
requesting permission to purchase some land.
Will you please let me have a report on Mr.
Sugimoto and return the enclosed letter with
your reply.

F. P. Varcoe

Deputy Minister.

Encl.



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May 25th,

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To: The Commissioner, R.C.M. Police.

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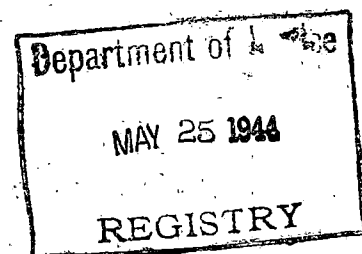
J.R. 6586-41-44
Re: Kisaburo Sugimoto,
Raymond, Alberta.
Your File [REDACTED]

Referring to your letters of April 15th and May 6th, I enclose copy of a letter dated May 13th from the Deputy Minister of Justice to the above mentioned party, which is self-explanatory.

E. Miall

Enc.

Asst. Deputy Minister.



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P.O. Box 27

ATTACH
AND
RETURN

Raymond, Alberta
April 21, 1944

~~Mr. [unclear]~~
~~[unclear]~~
The Minister of Justice
Department of Justice
Ottawa, Ontario

Dear Sir: Kisaburo Sugimoto - J.R. 14609.

I have been advised by the R.C.M. Police of
Magrath, that it is necessary for me to make an
application for a permit to rent land in Alberta.

I have given to the R.C.M.P. all the particulars
in connection with the renting of the land, and
would like to obtain a permit to rent the following
land for a period of three years, the south 88 acres of
the S.E. 1/4 of 20-22-5-W4 owned at the present
time by Isaac Sahoy of Magrath. It is my intention
to raise on this land sugar beets and potatoes and
possibly some small vegetables. This land is under
irrigation but has not been used for the raising
of sugar beets or potatoes but has been raising grain.
The land will be worked by my sons who were born in
Raymond, Alberta; I am a naturalized Japanese holding a
Japanese registration card no: 14609, and was
naturalized at Lethbridge, Alta, on February 28th 1916.
The rent for this land is \$40 per yr.

Yours truly,

K. Sugimoto

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OTTAWA

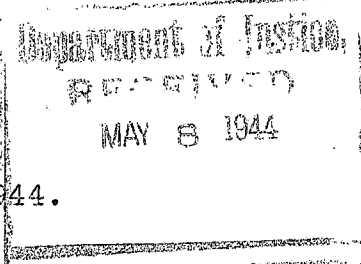
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OTTAWA,

CANADA

May 6th, 1944.



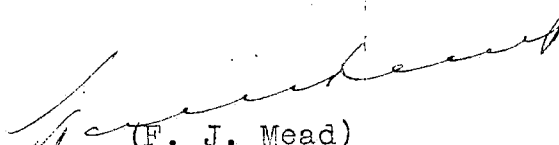
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Deputy Commissioner.

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DIVISION FILE No. 44K 269/14-1

DIVISION Lethbridge SUB-DIVISION Lethbridge DETACHMENT Magrath

PROVINCE Alberta DATE April 24th 1944.

FILE REFS. RE: Kinaburo SUGIMOTO - J. R. No. 14609
Raymond, Alberta.

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P.C.R.

Magrath
4-4-44

A. R. V. No.

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2. With reference to Paragraph 4 of the letter from the Intelligence Officer; The Sugimoto family, the applicant being the father are classified as being wholly of the Japanese race. There is absolutely no mixed blood in the family.

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4. There being no further enquiries indicated in connection with this matter I am concluding this file.

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CONCLUDED

G.O. "E" Division,
R.C.M.P., EDMONTON.

P.M. Robinson Reg No 8478
Magrath Detachment.

Cpl.

FORWARDED for your information. This has reference to memorandum of the Assistant Intelligence Officer dated April 14th, 1944. CONCLUDED.

Leth. 26-4-44
H:K

(E. D. Fryett)
Inspector.
Commanding Lethbridge Sub-Div'n.

DIARY DATE

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Re: Kisaburo SUGIMOTO - J.R. No. 14609
Raymond, Alberta.

The Deputy Attorney General.

Sir:

FORWARDED for your information.

Edmonton,
28-4-44,
EP/ML

J. D. BIRD, Supt.,
i/c "K" Division, C.I.D.

The Commissioner,
Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Sir:

FORWARDED for your information.

CONCLUDED F. I. U.

Edmonton,
28-4-44,
EP/ML

J. D. BIRD, Supt.,
i/c "K" Division, C.I.D.

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May 13th,

44.

J.R. 6586-41-44

Dear Sir:

Your letter of April 21st to the Minister of Justice, requesting a licence to acquire land, has been referred to me.

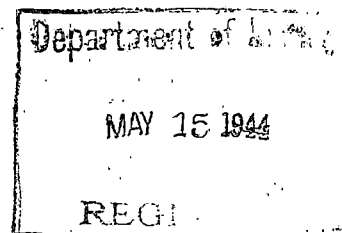
I am directed to inform you that for the present it has been decided that no licences are to be granted to persons of Japanese origin to acquire the ownership of real property as you propose.

Yours truly,

E. P. Varcoe

Deputy Minister.

K. Sugimoto, Esq.,
P.O. Box 2F,
RAYMOND, Alberta.



DWM/DH

April 22nd, 44.

To: The Commissioner, R.C.M. Police.

J.R. 6586-41-44
Re: Kisaburo Sugimoto,
Raymond, Alberta.
Your [REDACTED]

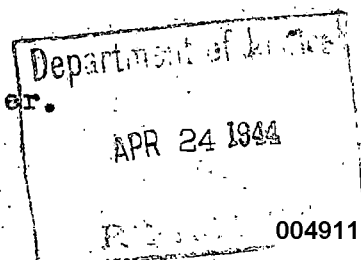
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I acknowledge your letter of April 15th and the enclosure therein mentioned.

I have not received any application as yet in this regard, but should be glad if you would forward the additional material to which you refer, when it is received by you.

E. Miall

Asst. Deputy Minister.



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R. C. M. P. POLICE.

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OTTAWA, April 15, 1944.

CANADA

The Deputy Minister, Department of Justice, O T T A W A.

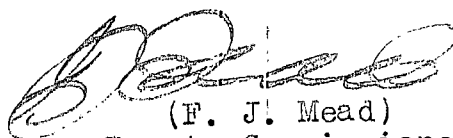
J.R. 14609.

Re: Kisaburo SUGIMOTO

-----Raymond, Alberta.

1. Attached is a copy of Magrath Detachment (Alberta) report dated the 4th instant in which it will be noted that the above named Japanese wishes to apply for a license to rent land pursuant to Regulation 39E of the Defence of Canada Regulations.
2. We have written to our Officer Commanding at Edmonton under even date instructing that the subject be advised to communicate his application direct to your Department setting out full details including definitely the length of time the proposed rental will run. At the same time our Officer Commanding was asked to determine absolutely whether or not the subject is a person "wholly of the Japanese race" vide Regulation 39E(6)(d).
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4. It will be noted that the subject is not an evacuee from British Columbia. He has resided in the Raymond district since 1908 and at the present time owns a 40 acre farm.
5. You will no doubt be receiving the actual application for a license in the near future and the additional information requested from our Officer Commanding at Edmonton will be forwarded to you immediately on its receipt here.

Enc.



(F. J. Mead)
Deputy Commissioner.

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DIVISION FILE No.

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REG

Lethbridge

Magrath

PROVINCE

Alberta

DATE

April 4th 1944.

RE:

Kisaburo SUGIMOTO, J.R. 14609, Raymond, Alberta.

Reg. 39 E Permit to rent land, Defence of Canada Reg.

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DETACHMENT

P.C.R.

A. R. V. No.

DIARY DATE

SET FOR.....

1. On April 1st 1944 a request was made by the above named Japanese that he wished to make an application for a permit to rent the South 80 acres of the S.E. 1/4 of 20-22-5-W4 at present owned by Isaac Sabey of Magrath. This land is under irrigation and at the present time and for the past number of years has been raising grain. It is the intention of Sugimoto to raise the following crops on this land. 30 acres of potatoes, 20 acres of sugar beets 10 acres of vegetables, 10 acres of pig feed, and 10 acres cannot be cultivated. There is no doubt but that these crops will be of greater advantage to the district than the crops that have been raised in recent years.

2. This Japanese came to Canada in 1907 or 1908 and has resided in the Raymond district since 1908. He worked for the old Knight Sugar Company at Raymond from 1908 to 1921 at which time the present Canadian Sugar Plant was constructed. He has farmed in a small scale all the time and at the present time owns 40 acres and is renting 30 acres of irrigated land. Due to the fact that there are 11 children in the family and the eldest boys have taken to farming he finds that he has insufficient land to keep the family occupied and therefore this request for a permit to rent.

3. The family is one of the best known and most respected families in the Raymond district. The very best of references can be obtained by Mr. Sugimoto from any of the old Raymond residents, every assistance has been extended to them in an effort to obtain land for them. The farmers adjoining their present farm say they are the best of neighbors and are good farmers. The children have either gone through or are passing through the public and high schools of Raymond, they are very well spoken of among the people of the district.

4. Mr. Sugimoto has been Naturalized since February 28th 1916 at which time he appeared before His Honour Judge Jackson at Lethbridge, Alberta. I am of the opinion that the granting of a permit to this Japanese will be well taken by the residents of the Raymond district.

5. The rent being asked for the 80 acres is \$900.00 per year, and it is hoped that it could be extended to a 3 year period.

6. There being no further enquiries indicated I am concluding this file.

Expense Nil

CONCLUDED

J. H. Robinson

Cpl.

F.E. Robinson Reg No 0478

Magrath Detachment.

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Re: Kisaburo SUGIMOTO, J.R. 14609, Raymond, Alta.
Reg. 39 E Permit to rent land, Defence of Canada Reg

O.C."K" Division
R.C.M.P., EDMONTON

FORWARDED for your information and that
of the department concerned. CONCLUDED.

Inspector

Leth:4-4-44 (E.D.Fryett)
H:J Commanding Lethbridge Sub-Division
The Deputy Attorney General.

Sir:

FORWARDED for your information. As subject
is naturalized it is thought likely that Reg. 39E is not
applicable, but in view of the contents of para. 5, we are
referring this matter to Ottawa for their consideration of
the proposed 3 years lease.

Edmonton,
6-4-44,
EP/ML

J. KELLY, Supt.,
for officer i/c "K" Division, C.I.D.

The Commissioner,
Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Sir:

FORWARDED for your information. Your
advice in this matter is requested, please.

STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION.

Edmonton,
6-4-44,
EP/ML

J. D. BIRD, Supt.,
i/c "K" Division, C.I.D.



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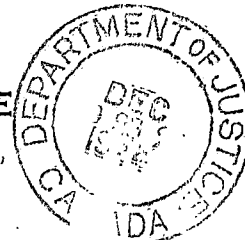
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FILE NO. [REDACTED]

OTTAWA, December 18, 1944.

CANADA

The Deputy Minister, Department of Justice, O T T A W A.

We would refer to your letter of the 22nd ultimo enclosing a request from N. SUGIMOTO, Box 27, Raymond, Alberta, for permission to purchase land.

2. As of possible assistance to you in reaching a decision in this matter we are enclosing a copy of Lethbridge Detachment report dated 8.12.44, dealing with the background and loyalties of the applicant and his family. Also enclosed is SUGIMOTO'S original letter.

Enc.

for Commissioner.

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DIVISION FILE NO.

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DETACHMENT

Lethbridge

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PROVINCE

Alberta

DATE

8-12-44

RE:

N. SUGIMOTO . Japanese Registration No: 14622.
Raymond - Alberta.

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P.C.R.

Lethbridge
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A. R. V. No.

1. This report has reference to memorandum of the Asst. Intelligence Officer dated November 27th 1944 with attached copy of letter from N. Sugimoto of Raymond requesting permission to purchase land.

2. Enquiries were made in the Raymond district on the 7th instant concerning the Sugimoto family. It was found that the writer of the letter concerned, Naomichi Sugimoto, was absent from the district being employed at Burmis, Alberta. He is the second eldest son of Kisaburo Sugimoto, O.R. #14609 who owns 40 acres of land two miles west of the town of Raymond and has resided in Canada since 1908 and has lived in the Raymond district since 1909 when he came from the Vancouver B.C. area to take employment with the Knight Sugar Company. (K) Kisaburo Sugimoto is the father of ten children, all born in the Raymond district the eldest being 27 years of age. The family is wholly of the Japanese race and with the exception of one married daughter the family reside at home and work on the farm. K. Sugimoto was naturalized on February 28th 1916 and owned $\frac{1}{2}$ section of land south of Raymond until 1934 when he sold the land to a Hutterite Colony and moved to his present location where he bought 40 acres of land in 1934. He is one of the original men of the Buddhist Church at Raymond and the family are staunch Buddhists. K. Sugimoto, commonly known as "Blackie" in the district, became a successful vegetable and mixed farming, farmer and has built a modern home on this property and has up-to-date machinery including three tractors and a truck. The family gained the reputation of being the most progressive Japanese in the district and mixed well in the community. A brother of K. Sugimoto enlisted in Canada during the last war and was killed at Vimy Ridge, however none of the Sugimoto family have enlisted in the present war. The eldest son, Kanao, applied for enlistment in the R.C.A.F. in 1940 as pilot material but was not accepted as such and he did not wish to enter the other branches.

3. I interviewed Kanao Sugimoto at the family farm located on the N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of the 6-12-21 W 4th and he stated that his brother had written on behalf of his father and the members of the family who would eventually inherit the land. He stated that they owned 40 acres which was split up into four ten acre plots and that two ten acre plots were available for purchase adjacent to their land which would square off their farm. Ten acres on the west owned by R.H. Dahl and ten acres on the East owned by Ralph Brothers of Raymond. He stated that in addition to the 40 acres which they farmed they had been renting 30 acres of the A.D. Woolley estate since 1935. Their land was originally in the Raymond Town lots known as plan 1346 J and now in the Sugar City Municipality N.D. 137.

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R. C. M. POLICE,
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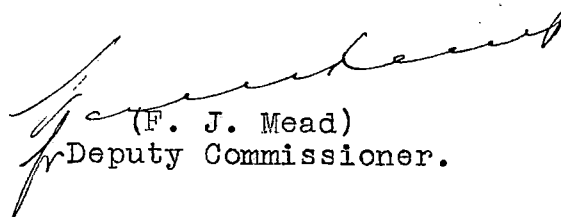
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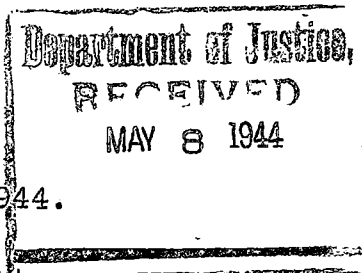
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SUB-DIVISION
Lethbridge

DETACHMENT
Magrath

PROVINCE **Alberta**

DATE **April 24th 1944.**

RE: **Kisaburo SUGIMOTO - J. R. No. 14609**
Raymond, Alberta.

s.15(1)

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P.C.R.

Magrath
4-4-44

A. R. V. No.

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Magrath Detachment.

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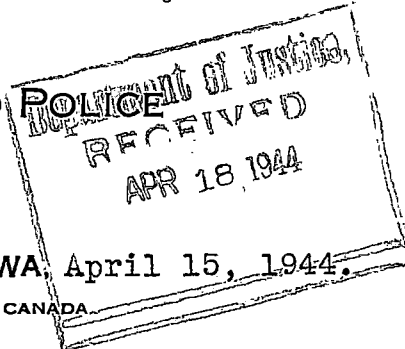
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