Name of Claimant OKA, Sozaburo Case 629

Custodian File 4837

REAL PROPERTY											Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)			V.L.A. Mission Village			
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% there-of	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices		Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices:		
						% of Total	Amount		% of Total	Amount	
					1276.		1065.01				1065.01

PERSONAL PROPERTY								
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear						
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column	

NETS					
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price	Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing	Percentage Total Award to Total Claim	Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing	Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price

MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS								
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price	
70.00	20.00	6.00	28.57	40.00	11.42			17.42

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION	1082.43

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PART 1, REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927, CHAPTER 99.

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B E F O R E

(HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.M. EDMANSON, SUB-COMMISSIONER).

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20 APPEARANCES:

G.E.A. RICE, Esq., K.C.,	appearing for the Dominion Government.
L.S. TURCOTTE, Esq.,	appearing for the Claimant.

MISS LILLIE THOMAS,	Secretary.
MRS. LUCIE HANDFORD,	Official Interpreter.
S.R. HOWARD, Esq.,	Official Reporter.

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THE SECRETARY: Case No. 629, Sozaburo Oka.

SOZABURO OKA, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. TURCOTTE:

Q Mr. Oka, you are making a claim to the Commission for loss which you say you suffered as a result of the sale of your five acre farm at the Coast?

A Yes.

10 Q I am showing you a statement showing when you bought the farm, how much you paid for it, what you did with it afterwards, what buildings you built on it, and how much you think it is worth (indicating). Is the information on that true to the best of your memory and belief?

A Yes, this is correct.

MR. TURCOTTE: Exhibit 1.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Now when you bought this farm, how much

20 did you pay for it?

A $625.00.

Q And what was on that farm when you bought it?

A There was only bush on there.

Q Any buildings?

A No.

Q So that all the improvements that are shown on your form now were bought, or put on by yourself, is that correct?

A Yes, put on by myself.

30 Q Now you show on here $800.00 paid for labour to

contractor. Was that in one amount?

A Yes.

Q I mean, you gave a contractor a contract to build the house? A: Yes.

Q Who supplied the material? Who paid for the material?

A I bought the material myself and had the building made by a carpenter.

Q And you say the material cost you $800.00 and you paid $800.00 to the contractor?

A Yes.

Q Now those are round figures. Would that be exactly correct, or to the best of your memory, approximately what you paid?

A I am certain of the amount I paid for the lumber but the other is just an estimate.

Q An estimate? A: Yes.

Q I see. And in what buildings did you have electricity?

A In all the buildings.

Q Well, what about the brooder houses?

A I had electricity in my own dwelling and the two room cabin and the chicken house.

Q Now what did you use those five acres for, what business were you in?

A I had chickens there and I was also growing strawberries and raspberries.

Q How many chickens did you usually keep?

A About 600 chickens.

Q About 600 chickens? A: Yes.

Q Now you are also claiming for the loss arising from the loss of your chattels for which you are claiming $90.00 for incubators, wheel barrow, two beds, a stove and two heaters. Is the information on that form (indicating) true to the best of your memory and knowledge?

A Yes, this is correct.

MR. TURCOTTE: Exhibit 2.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

10 MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Now you are claiming $35.00 for two incubators. Do you remember how much you paid for them? A: When I bought them one cost me $30.00 and the other cost me $35.00.

Q I see. And do you remember when you bought them?

A In 1939.

Q '39? A: Yes.

Q Now you are claiming for a kitchen range. May I have the J.P. form, Mr. Rice? Was there any

20 inventory taken in this, Mr. Rice?

MR. RICE: Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: And in this connection, if my learned friend will file the analysis of personal property first.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Are you going to file the analysis of personal property now, Mr. Rice?

MR. RICE: Yes, I will, your Honour.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

MR. RICE: There was a long list of chattels in this

30 case, your Honour, but apparently the claimant

received most of them or they were disposed of to his satisfaction, and so the claim has been cut down for that reason.

MR. TURCOTTE: There is no evidence that he has received anything.

MR. RICE: There is evidence of what his claim is.

MR. TURCOTTE: Pardon?

MR. RICE: There is evidence of what his claim is.

MR. TURCOTTE: I would like to point out, your Honour, about the Custodian always arguing about a man forgetting something. He didn't put it into his J.P. form, or he didn't put it into this form or that form, and in many a case the Custodian comes along with a two page list and the claimant claims for about five articles only.

MR. RICE: Why should we clutter up the record by showing a list such as this when only a few of the items are being claimed by the claimant?

MR. TURCOTTE: The shoe is on the other foot, your Honour, in this case.

MR. RICE: Is my learned friend trying to amend his claim now, the one that he has filed?

MR. TURCOTTE: No, but I am just pointing out that in a large number of cases such as this one, the claimant has forgotten many articles that he left on the place and makes no claim for them.

I would like to file the inventory, your Honour.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Exhibit 4.

MR. TURCOTTE: Have you got an original copy of the J.P.

form, Mr. Rice?

MR. RICE: No, I don't think so.

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Well, Mr. Oka, the Custodian says --

MR. RICE: -- Hold on, I am wrong.

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Do you remember before you left the Coast the Custodian had you sign a form?

A Yes.

Q Is that your signature (indicating)?

A Yes, that is my signature.

10 MR. TURCOTTE: A I will put that in as an exhibit.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Now the Custodian says that in Exhibit No. 5, which you signed, and also in the inventory which he took, Exhibit 4, that there is no record whatever of the kitchen range for which you are claiming $25.00 for. Did you have a kitchen stove?

A I am sure I had a kitchen range.

Q Well you were married?

20 A Yes.

Q And did you have any family?

A Yes.

Q How many? A: One.

Q So that you must have had something to cook on, is that right?

A Yes.

Q Now did you sell the kitchen stove yourself?

A No.

Q Where was it when you left?

30 A It was left in the house.

Q Now then you are claiming for two heaters and they say they can't find either of them, but they say that you took one heater with you. Did you bring a heater to Alberta, or wherever you went to, or was it shipped to you?

A I left both behind. One was left in the house and the other was left in the cabin.

Q I see. Could I look at Exhibit 4, please. (Exhibit 4 to Mr. Turcotte).

10 Now by heaters, do you mean stoves that you used for heating the house, or the houses, or had they anything to do with the chickens?

A No, they were being used in the house.

Q That is for heating the house?

A Yes.

Q I notice in addition to that there are two brooder stoves; that has nothing to do with your heaters, has it?

A They were quite different.

20 Q They were quite different?

A Yes.

Q I see. That is all. Oh, I would just like to make a comment on the farm appraisal report.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: That is not in yet.

MR. TURCOTTE: Pardon?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I say it has not been filed yet.

MR. TURCOTTE: If my learned friend will file it now.

(APPRAISAL REPORT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

MR. TURCOTTE: Referring to Exhibit 6, your Honour, I

30 note that the examination of the house was made in

this manner, "From looking through windows suggest whole interior needs redecorating". I would suggest that the appraiser did not make a very careful examination of the house for the purpose of making a careful value of it.

MR. RICE: I am submitting, your Honour, that the real estate was sold for its fair market value.

I am submitting, your Honour, as wellthat the property sold or disposed of by the Custodian was sold for its fair market value. I am submitting that the kitchen range, there is no record of it at any time, and the Custodian is not responsible for the same, and if theCustodian is responsible for the same, or any other articles, the claim made with regard to it by this claimant is exorbitant.

I wish to submit as an exhibit, your Honour, a real property summary, and we can attach perhaps to it the temporary personal property summary and have them as one exhibit.

(DOCUMENTS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 7).

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q: I show you a document (indicating). Is that your signature? A: Yes.

MR. RICE: This is an inventory dated the 22nd of October, 1942, and signed by the claimant on the 28th of October, 1942, showing the chattels left on the claimant's property.

MR. TURCOTTE: Your Honour, I do not like to raise this objection at this moment but this is the third case

this morning in which my learned friend has produced documents which were not in the Custodian's file which was presented to me. Now up to the present time we have got along very well in that the Custodian has made available to the counsel for the claimant the complete file of the documents which were going to be used. I realize, of course, that that is a sort of way of checking up on the truthfulness of the claimant to some extent, but at the same time this is not a lawsuit. This is an investigation by a Commission, and, so far as I am concerned, I have endeavoured to present our claim honestly and if there is anything out of the way in any of them I have informed the Court, and I certainly do not like these documents being presented without having an opportunity to see them.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Where have they been?

MR. RICE: They have been in some other file and the reason that they were not left on the main file is because they have not been claimed by the claimant. All I am saying is that some of the items claimed by him were not claimed by him at another time. It has nothing to do with the claim that has been presented here.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: You mean the whole document does not refer to the claim.

MR. RICE: For instance, this inventory that I am submitting now covers two beds, and springs, a dresser, four window blinds, four window screens, wooden frames, length of half-inch pipe, two tables,

small tables, berry trays, metal trough, two drinking foundains and a platform scale.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: He isn't claiming any of them.

MR. RICE: I do not think there are any of those that are claimed.

MR. TURCOTTE: Yes, but my learned friend now comes along and says at one time this man signed that that is all the property he had in British Columbia.

MR. RICE: That is right. That is what he signed, "This represents all my chattels remaining in any protected area in British Columbia", and that is signed by him.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Under those circumstances it seems to me that that document should have been made available to them at the very beginning, don't you think so?

MR. RICE: No, it has nothing to do with the claim filed.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Inferentially it states that the things for which he now claims were not then available or were not claimed for.

MR. RICE: There are only two items in dispute, your Honour, that is there is a kitchen range filed with us that we have no record of at any time, and there are two heaters, one of which was sold, no, oh yes, two heaters, one of them was apparently sold and the other was not found. Now this list here doesn't show that there were any heaters.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Of course for that very reason the thing should have been made available to him.

MR. RICE: All I am putting it in for is that it does not cover the chattels and when he signed it he might have made a mistake, it is true, but in October, 1942, he signed the statement that these were all the chattels that he had left at that time.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. RICE: That is all I have to say. There are only two items here in dispute. Of course, if my learned friend might dispute the amounts that we received when we sold them as not being enough, but I am not arguing about that at all. They were sold at auction.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Of course in an ordinary lawsuit, if you did not include it in your affidavit of production, you couldn't produce it now, and in the preparation of affidavits you have got to show everything that in any way relates to the case.

MR. RICE: I have not been trying to hide anything. As a matter of fact, every file that has been sent to me by the Custodian was turned over first to my learned friend.

MR. TURCOTTE: Yes, but this is the third case this morning that we have run up against the same thing, and it puts me in an awkward position.

MR. RICE: I do not know that it puts you in an awkward position. It may put your client in an awkward position, and it doesn't give him a chance possibly to disabuse his mind.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: When you put Mr. Turcotte in an

awkward position you also place the claimant in an awkward position. It seems to me that the claimant should have the benefit of knowing all the documents that are available. However, I think that should be kept in mind as far as future claims are concerned. I do not know whether it makes an awful lot of difference now.

MR. RICE: Is it all right for this to go in as an exhibit, your Honour?

10 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: The inventory, you want to have it filed, is that right?

MR. RICE: Yes, your Honour.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: That will be Exhibit 8.

(INVENTORY MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 8).

MR. RICE: Q: Are you sure you did not ship a heater with the rest of your goods when you came to Alberta?

A No, I am sure it was not.

Q Why didn't you claim it when you signed that document in October?

20 A The man to whom I leased the house had sub-let it and I thought that he still had the heater in the house.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: There is another thing to be said about these forms here, and that is that they were obviously prepared in the office of the Custodian.

MR. RICE: Yes, I believe that is right.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: And sent to the claimant.

MR. RICE: Well I think when it is sent, he is asked to sign it whether it is correct or not.

30 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Well then you can easily understand

how some of these people who are not conversant with our language, like ourselves, when they go to complete this form might, as a matter of form, complete it.

MR. RICE: As a rule, your Honour, a person hesitates in signing anything until somebody explains it to him.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I know.

MR. RICE: It was not as though he was brought into the Custodian's office and told to sign the document, that they were in a hurry; they have had plenty of time to have these explained to them.

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THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Have you got the letter that they wrote when they sent this document, because this says as follows: "This represents all my chattels remaining in any protected area in British Columbia."

Now, it might very well be accurate in that sense that all the rest of the chattels had disappeared and he signed it on that basis.

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MR. RICE: I have not before me, your Honour, a copy of the letter.

MR. TURCOTTE: May I have a look at that, your Honour?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

(Document to Mr. Turcotte).

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: At the very bottom of that document there is that statement, Mr. Turcotte.

MR. TURCOTTE: I might point out, your Honour, that in 1945 the Custodian sold two incubators and I cannot see any incubators on this inventory signed in 1942.

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THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: He sold a switch box, sold a chest of drawers, sold tools, 110 bricks, pick, hammer, cups and saucers, chinaware, bucksaw, all of those things, and none of them are mentioned in that inventory.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes. So that it may have been signed on the basis of the very last statement made in Exhibit 8.

10 MR. RICE: Q: I think you told my learned friend that you paid $800.00 for the building material, but you were not sure just what you paid the contractor?

A I paid $800.00 for the materials, and the carpenter's estimate was $600.00 but I included $200.00 for labour put in by my brother.

Q Did you actually pay your brother $200.00?

A Yes, I did.

Q And what you paid for material, was it exactly $800.00? A: Approximately $800.00.

20 Q Approximately $800.00?

A Yes.

Q Do you know definitely what it was or are you guessing? A: It was not under $800.00.

Q Well, what about the contractor? Did you pay him exactly $600.00?

A It was actually about $610.00.

Q Have you got any record?

A No, I have not.

30 Q Then you are speaking, you are relying on your

memory of something that took place about 18 years ago, is that it?

A Yes.

Q And the same way with the building material? Have you any record of that?

A The amount includes some paint that I paid $22.00 for.

Q But where do you arrive at the figure of $800.00? Have you any record of that?

10 A It is too long ago for me to remember accurately.

Q Then why do you say it was $800.00? Is that as near as you can guess?

A Yes, it is as near as I can remember.

Q All right.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Is that all?

MR. RICE: Yes, your Honour.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: That is all, thanks.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

"S.R. HOWARD"
Official Reporter.

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

SUB-COMMISSIONER.

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Lethbridge, Alberta.
August 31st, 1948.

(PROCEEDINGS RESUMED PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT).

MR. RICE: If it pleases your Honour, I would like to speak to a case that was heard yesterday, Case No. 629, Sozaburo Oka.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. RICE: Your Honour inquired about a letter that was forwarded to the claimant enclosing an inventory.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes, I know.

MR. RICE: Enclosing an inventory of the claimant's goods which document was filed as Exhibit No. 8.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. RICE: I have that letter now and I would like to submit it as part of Exhibit 8.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: All right, you can attach it to Exhibit No. 8.

(LETTER MADE PART OF EXHIBIT NO. 8).

MR. RICE: I would like to point out, your Honour, that in addition to these claims files there is another file that is called the master file and from the master file there are certain documents segregated that make up the claim file, and those that do the work in the Custodian's office when they make up the claim file consider that all relevant matters have been segregated from the master file. It so happened yesterday that there were two or three items that my learned friend was interested in and I think on one or two occasions I even showed him what

I was intending to use against the witness or claimant but there has been no intention or desire on the part of the Custodian to hide any material that is in any of those files, either the master or the claimant's file.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Oh no.

MR. RICE: And that letter, as your Honour pointed out, was a sort of mandatory request. It is not a letter that perhaps should have been written to tell the claimant to revise the list if it was not correct. It just says to sign and return the form as soon as possible.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Of course, I imagine that these men in these offices are not too particular in dictating the communications to the claimants.

MR. RICE: You must take into consideration, your Honour, that when the war was on it was not easy to get competent men and the Custodian was placed in the position that he had to hire a large staff to take care of 15,000 or more people who were evacuated and it was impossible to employ adequate help.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: At the same time one can only interpret the documents and the correspondence in the light of what is actually said. However, I suppose that Mr. Justice Bird will look after all that.

MR. RICE: Yes, all right.

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

Certified a true and accurate transcript.

"S.R. HOWARD"; Official Reporter.

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

SUB-COMMISSIONER.

Case No. 629.

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

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

ACKNOWLEDGED

File 4637

Letter

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

(1) NAME OKA Sozaburo (RCMP) Reg. No. 13679
(Print) Surname Given Name

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address Haney, B.C.

(3) Present Address Stirling, Alberta

(4) REAL ESTATE

(a) Street Address (if any) Haney, B.C.
City or Municipality, Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)
Dewdney Trunk Road, Whonnock, B.C.
Lot 3 of part of the North West quarter of Section 15,
~~Township 12, Map 1973, District of New Westminster,~~
C. of E. 50497

(c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):
(i) Farm
(ii) ~~Residence~~ Type of business
(iii) ~~Business~~
(iv) ~~Any other type of property~~ (describe)

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

(e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):
(i) Land - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $
(ii) Buildings - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $
(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $
(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - $ 2870.00
(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - $ 1276.00
(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - $ 1594.00

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

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

(b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)
In house and ~~xxxx~~ incubator house

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation
left in houses

(over)

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

In custody of the Custodian.

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

1. (1) 2 incubators Estimated value $35.00	~~Estimated Value~~ $	
Custodian's selling price 7.00 Loss		28.00
2. (2) wheel barrow Estimated value 10.00	Estimated Value $	
3. Custodian's selling price 3.00 Loss	~~Estimated Value~~ $	7.00
4. (3) White bed & spring. Est. value 10.00	Estimated Value $	
Custodian's selling price 2.00 Loss		8.00
5. (4) Brown bed & spring. Est. value 15.00	Estimated Value $	
6. Custodian's selling price 8.00 Loss	~~Estimated Value~~ $	7.00
7. (5) Kitchen range	Estimated Value $	25.00
8. (6) 2 heaters	Estimated Value $	15.00
9.	Estimated Value $	
10.	Estimated Value $	
	TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS $	90.00

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

(f) Total claim including real and personal property (this figure can be arrived at by adding items 4(f) and 5(e) - $ 1684.00

(6) (a) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard. (Vancouver, Kamloops, Nelson, Lethbridge, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto or Montreal.)

LETHBRIDGE

(b) Do you require the services of an interpreter at the hearing? Yes or no Yes

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

DOMINION OF CANADA)
of)
TO WIT:)

I, Sozaburo OKA of the Village
of Stirling in the Province of Alberta

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

DECLARED before me at the Town)
of RAYMOND)
in the Province of Alberta) S. Oka
this 15 day of November)
A.D. 1947.) A Commissioner &c.

W. L. Jones

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

Oka, Sozaburo
(Claimant's Name)

REAL ESTATE
(Farm Land)

13679
Reg. No.

LAND	Acres	Date of Purchase	From Whom	Cost Price	Cleared Uncleared or cultivated at date of Purchase	Improvements at date of Purchase	Estimated value at Date of Sale
Uncleared	2.50	1928	~~Soka~~ S. OKA	625.00	uncleared	Nil	$625.00
Cultivated not planted	1.25						
Cultivated and not in crop							
List Crops							
Strawberries and raspberries	1.25						
Total	5.00						

IMPROVEMENTS SINCE PURCHASE OTHER THAN BUILDINGS (e.g. cultivation, plants, trees or special equipment)

Description	When Made	Cost	
Clearing 2½ acres	1929-1930	$150.00	$150.00
7 fruit trees	1931 1932		

BUILDINGS

Type	Size	Finish	Date Built	Cost Material	Paid for Labour	Value of Own Labour	Allowance for Depreciation	Estimated Value
House with porch	22x38	siding V-joint inside full basement	1930	$800.00	$800.00 to contractor			1500.00
Chicken House	20x128	double board and floors	1939-40-41	360.00		$350.00		710.00
Brooder House	12x14	double board	1940	30.00		30.00		60.00
Brooder House	14x16	and floors and	1941	30.00		30.00		60.00
	14x16	glass	1942	30.00		30.00		60.00
2 roomed cabin	12x24		1942	75.00 paid this for building				75.00
Shacks	6x8, 8x12 10x14	old lumber		125.00 moving and repairing				125.00 30.00
								$3395.00

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DATE August 30/48
FILED BY R. S. Lucotte

Comments re Appraiser's report not covered by above information:

House, 2 roomed cabin and chicken house were equipped with electricity

Claim $2870.00
Sold for 1276.00
$1594.00

~~2870.00~~

My income from this farm was about $1000.00 a year. I kept 600 chickens.

Assessed value		
	Land	$450.00
	Improvements	700.00
		$1150.00

x S. Oka.
Signature

Oka, Sozaburo
(Claimant's Name)

PERSONAL CHATTELS

13679
Reg. No.

Description of Major Items (and particularly of goods lost, stolen or destroyed)	Approximate Date Purchase	New or Used When Purchased	Price Paid	Condition when Evacuated	Estimated value at Date of Evacuation
2 ~~xxx~~ incubators	1938		$60.00	good	$35.00
Wheelbarrow	1938	homemade		good	10.00
White bed and spring	1930	New	22.00	good	10.00
Brown bed and spring	1932	New	18.00	good	15.00
Kitchen range	1930	Used	25.00	good	25.00
2 Heaters	1941-2		24.00	good	15.00
					$110.00
				Sold for	20.00
				Claim	$90.00

Description of Storage of Goods:

Left in buildings.

EXHIBIT No 629-2.
DATE August 30/48
FILED BY L. A. Turcotte

General Statement as to Chattels not Described above:

Additional Comments, if any:

S. Oka.
Signature

ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

FILE No. 4837 EXHIBIT No.

NAME OKA, Sozaburo (Mr.)

REG. No. 13679

DATE	INVENTORY	DETAILS OF CLAIM		SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND
DECLARATION Apr.20/42.	TAKEN BY			AUCTION	TENDER &c		
EVACUATION May 6/42(?)	DATE						
2 incubators		(1) 2 incubators	35.00	7.00			
2 brooder stoves		(2) wheel barrow	10.00	3.00			
2 heaters		(3) White bed & spring	10.00	2.00			
garden tools		(4) Brown bed & spring	15.00	8.00			
- will be left in the		(5) Kitchen range	25.00				
Custody of Mr. Wilfred		(6) 2 heaters	15.00				7.50
Woolsey, Lessee.			110.00	20.00			7.50

Additional Sales:

Miscellaneous	(M)	19.05
Furniture	(F)	1.00
Kitchenware	(K)	2.25
Tools	(T)	3.60
Farm Equipment	(FE)	2.00

RECAP OF CLAIM:

$70.00	Sold Auction $20.00
25.00	No record at anytime
15.00	1 decl. not found & 1 taken with them.
$110.00	Credit - $20.00

o. 4837 EXHIBIT No. _____ CASE No. _____

o. 1367 9 VENUE LETHBRIDGE.

SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND	NO RECORD AT ANYTIME	ABANDONED	NO ACCOUNT, THEFT &c	UNSOLD	REMARKS
N	TENDER &c							
.00								
.00								
.00								
.00								
				25.00				
			7.50					1 heater taken with them.
.00			7.50	25.00				
.05								
.00								
.25								
.60								
.00								
them.								

EXHIBIT No. 629-3
DATE August 30/48
FILED BY G. R. A. Rice

J. Spratt.

Sept. 2, 1942.

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS LEFT ON PROPERTY
OF
OKA, Sozabura #13679.
2908 Dewdney Trunk Rd., Whonnock, B.C.

EXHIBIT No. 629-4.
DATE August 30/48
FILED BY R. L. Lucotte

In Storage Shed.(locked)

✓ 2 Brooder covers.
✓ ~~2~~ 1 " stoves. 1 missing
✓ 5 bdles. shingles.
NV ✗ 3 Metal chick troughs. Rusty
✗ 1 Shovel. missing
✗ Metal scraper.(long handle) Missing
✓ Wheelbarrow.
✓ Manure fork.
✗ Potato fork. missing
✓ D.B. Axe.
✓ 15 lengths galv. stove pipe & roof fitting.
✓ Lge. switch box & outlet attached.
✗ Sml. rat trap.
✓ Kalsomine brush.
✗ 2 Boxes.(cont. window glass) missing
✗ Sml. quantity of stove wood.
NV ✗ Aluminum pot.

In 3 room house.(locked)

✓ 2 Charters Incubators(oil) & 8 egg screens.
✗ 2 Bread pans.
✓ Carpenters brace.
✗ Water pitcher. Broken
✓ Tether chain.
✗ 2gal. Stone crock.
✓ Window.(loose, 4 panes)
✗ 4gal. Stone crock.
✗ Window blind. No Value
N.V. wet ✗ Lge. pkg. White Wonder Flakes.
✓ Enameled dish pan.
✓ 3 Boxes.(cont. dishes.)
✓ Bath board.
No Value ✗ 2 Boxes.(cont. misc. NV)
Wicker basket.(cont. vin. btles)
N.V ✗ Potato fork.(poor) Broken
Broken ✗ 2 Jap. tubs.
✓ Watering can.
No value ✗ Sml. towel rack & cabinet.(HM)
No Value ✗ Iron hoop.
✗ 300' mixed lumber.

Keys for all locked buildings in care of lessee.

In 3 room house.(cont.)

Box.(4-qt. sealers & vinegar btles.)
Box.(5-2qt. btles. of preserves & (2-pt. " " ")
Box.(5-2qt. btles. of preserves & (2-2qt. " empty, & 4-1qt. btles. empty.)
1gal. Glass jug.(cont. unknown)
Box.(4-2qt. btles. of preserves & (2-qt. " empty & 1-pt. empt
Ctn.(2-2qt. btles. of preserves) N.G.
Ctn.(7-qt. btles. of preserves) N.G.

✓ Carpenter Square
✓ Deep crockery bowl.
✓ Sml. scythe.
✗ Paper bag.(cont. socks) No Value
✗ 18-3½' lengths of V joint.
✓ Lantern.
✓ Electric light cord.
✓ Lunch pail.
Camp stove.
✓ Buck saw.
✗ Stove pipes.(in wall) No Value Rusty
✗ 28 Egg holders(cardboard, each 36) wet No Value
✗ 4 Benches.(homemade) No Value
Copper wash boiler.
✗ 4 Sml. tables.(homemade) No Value
✗ Lge. rice tin.
✗ 9 Berry trays. Left on Place
✓ Egg scales.
2 Kitchen chairs.
✗ Sack.(cont. 25# salt.) No Value
✗ Ctn. (cont. rags) No Value
✓ Door mat.
✗ Ctn.(cont. books) No Value
✗ 20' 1" rope. No
N.V. ✗ Bdle. of sacks. Full of Rat Holes
✗ Pr. rubber boots. Worn out
N.V. ✗ Candy pail(dishes & 2-qt. sealers) Rusty
✗ Sack.(cont. 20# dried peas) Eaten by Rats
Framed picture.
✓ 1-6gal. Stone crock lid.
✓ Hammer.
✗ 2 Candy pails & 1 bucket. No Value
No Value ✗ Pot.(cont. light bulbs) Burnt out
✗ Enameled pot. Holes
✓ 110 Bricks. (used)
✗ Box.(cont. rags) No Value
✓ Pick.
✓ Weed scratcher.
Broom.(broken handle) No Value
✓ Jap. tub.(100' insulated wire & (2 aerials & insulators)

Signed J. Morgston
Wm. Anderson.

FORM "JP"

FILE No. "4837"

EXHIBIT No. 629-5

DATE August 3/48

FILED BY "G.E.A.Rice

Haney

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE SECTION

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having property in any protected area. The proper administration of this property requires such persons to give full particulars as requested in this form.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: OØA, Sozaburo "K"

HOME ADDRESS: Dewdney Trunk Rd., Whonnock, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 13679 SEX: Male AGE: 39

OCCUPATION: Farmer

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

EMPLOYER: None

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Yatsuko

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Dewdney Trunk Rd., Whonnock, B.C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Hajime (M)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Dewdney Trunk Rd., Whonnock, B.C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 10

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 5 acres - Dewdney Trunk Rd., Whonnock, B.C. - Township 12 - Subdivision 3 N.W. quarter - Section - Lot 15.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 2 storey, 6 room house - 2 room house, chicken house, barn.

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) $1,000.00 Fire Insurance on house - particulars unknown.

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) $20.70 paid to the corporation of the district of Maple Ridge, B.C. 1941 taxes paid.

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Leased to Wilfred Woolsey - for $40.00 per year for strawberry crop and house etc.,

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: In owner's possession

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

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN ¼ acre of strawberries - a few fruit trees.

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: See page 1, Section 2.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

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

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE:

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

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

2 incubators - 2 brooder stoves, 2 heaters - garden tools - will be left in the custody of Mr. Wilfred Woolsey, Lessee.

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

1 goat - 2 dogs -

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY None

FORM "JP

FILE No.

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom)

None

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

$100.00 Victory Bond - 1941 loan - in owner's possession.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: Bank of Montreal, Haney, B.C. - $14.80 -

9. LIFE INSURANCE: Sun Life Assurance Co., for $2,000.00 - Beneficiary - wife - Yatsuko - Premium $82.00 annual payment - 25 year endowment - Policy in owner's possession.

Son's policy - Sun Life Assurance Co., for $1,000.00 - Beneficiary - father - Sozaburo - premium $49.70 annual payment - 20 year endowment.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS: None

I, the undersigned, hereby voluntarily turn over to the Custodian all my property in the protected area as set out above, excepting fishing vessels, deposits of money, shares of stock, debentures, bonds or other securities, if any.

I certify that the above information is true and complete and fully discloses all my property of every description in any protected area in British Columbia and sets forth all my liabilities direct and indirect.

Dated this 20th day of April 1942

(Signature) "S. Oka"

"F. T. Williams"
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.
Oct. 4/48 M. Abbott

BC-122-P
BC-1881-B

S.S. Form No. 43
(Sheet 1)

Farm Appraisal Report

File No. JL-242

Land Description Lot 3 of N.W.¼ Sec.15, Tp.12.

Containing 5 Acres

Owner's Name S. OKA Post Office Address R.R.#1, Haney, B.C.

Nearest Rail Point Haney - C.P.R. Distance 2½ miles

Market Town Haney - 2½ miles; New Westminster - - - - Distance 22 "

Church (give denomination) All in Haney Distance 2½ "

Nearest School A. Robinson Distance 120 yards

State how property was identified: Posts on South end.

Roads: State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.

Yes. It fronts on the Dewdney Trunk Road, hard surfaced.

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Is this district a good one? Normally - yes.

Employment opportunity Limited to cannery, brickyard and 2 mills - ½ - 4 miles.

Predominating Nationality and religion: British - Protestant.

Describe Fencing and its condition: No fencing. Value $

Water supply: Usual dug well in clay - normally sufficient domestic supply. Value $

BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	22 x 32	Frame	1½ st.	Shgl.	est. 10	Wood	fair	800.00
Poultry Hse	.20 x 128	"	8'	Shke.	3-4	"	"	300.00
BARN 2 roomed	12 x 24	"	10'	"	3-5	"	poor	40.00
BARN Cabin.	x							
	x							
GRANARY	x							
Brooder Hse.	12 x 14	"	7'	"	4	"	good	30.00
" "	12 x 16	"	7'	"	4	"	"	30.00
" "	12 x 16	"	7'	"	3-4	"	"	30.00
	x							

Electric light installed.

Total present day value $ 1230.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm $ 1000.00

Is dwelling habitable without repairs? Yes. If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it habitable? From looking through windows suggest whole interior needs re-decorating $ 50.00-$60.00.

Describe the basement and chimneys: Full basement. Earth floor only. Brick chimney to ground.

No. rooms downstairs? I judge 3 Upstairs? attic How finished Wood papered.

Are buildings painted? House was Condition of paint poor.

Distance from nearst bush All clear

Note: Particular care must be taken when examining and reporting on foundations, sills and roofs.

ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB-SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
2.5	Practically level	Clay loam, average 7"	Clay	Small garden, few poor oats & weeds.	100.00	250.00

Area which can be cultivated without cost other than for breaking.

LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB-SOIL		VALUE PER ACRE

Area which can be cultivated after a reasonable amount of clearing timber, stones, drainage, etc.

	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB-SOIL	NATURE OF RECLAMATION NECESSARY	RECLAMATION COST PER ACRE	VALUE PER ACRE	
2.5	Level	Clay lm. 8"-10"	Clay	Clear logged off land & second growth.	150.00	20.00	50.00

Area Unsuitable for Cultivation.

CHARACTER OF LAND E. G. HILLY, SWAMPY, ROCKY.	NATURE OF TIMBER IF ANY AND WHETHER MARKETABLE	VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE

Total value of Land $ 300.00

Total added by buildings to value of farm $ 1000.00

Total fruit trees add to value of farm (for use in orchard districts only) $ -

Total value of farm $ 1300.00

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:

Owner has left the district and rented for nominal figure & taxes to adjoining neighbor. A dirty piece of land.

State most suitable type of agriculture for farm bearing in mind the district's limitations, if any.

Make useful homesite to work out from. Equipped to carry 600 poultry.

Noxious weeds:

Bad.

Give approximate detail and amount of all annual taxes and names of Taxing Authorities: Municipality Maple Ridge - Land, School & Library. $22.67.

Date: June 9th, 1942.
Place: New Westminster, B.C.

I certify that the above report is based on a personal examination of the whole farm made on the 5 day of June 1942.

Inspector's Signature "T. GODFREY"

Note: (Use Form 43 (Sheet 2) in connection with this form.)

S.S. Form No. 43
(Sheet 2)

Farm Appraisal Report

NL-.42 - S. OKA

Remarks: This property is vacant. Mrs. W. Woolsey adjoining this lot on the East, informs me that she has arranged with the owner to pay the taxes & $20.00 a year. She has the privilege of having a tenant in the house if she wishes. In an effort to keep down thistles, Mrs. Woolsey has put in a patch of oats in front and has a small vegetable garden under way, and hopes to get sufficient strawberries from a small patch just about hidden by weeds. Unless thistles are cut more than once, there will be a forest of them by August. Otherwise there are no outstanding features of the property.

Am informed the owner normally worked at the Box Mill on his sister's lots adjoining on the West.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

REMARKS: re general lie of land, fertility of soil, irrigation, drainage or dyking and reclamation.

Better drainage is required; land is dirty and has had little care.

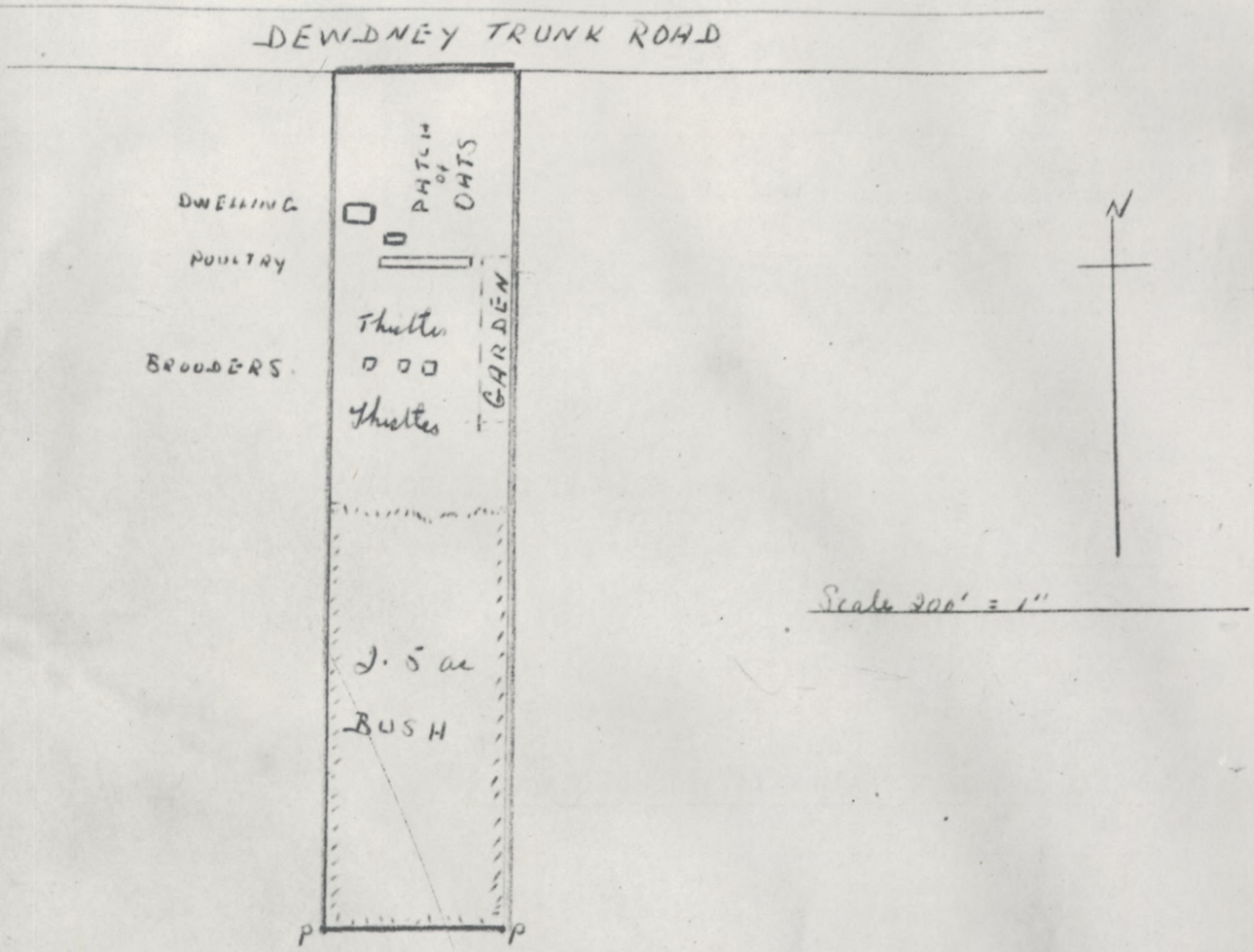
ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

ORCHARDS, SMALL FRUITS, ETC. (Give number, age, variety and condition of all tree fruits, condition and area of each kind of small fruits.)

	Present Value
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
Total	$

Amount fruit trees add to value of farm $

Diagram of Property



Following careful review of this appraisal report, it is my opinion that the present value is $ 1300.00

Date 11th June 19 42.

"I.T. BARNET"
District Superintendent.

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DATE Aug. 30/48

FILED BY G.E.A.Rice

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File 4837.
V.L.A. B.C. 122-P

JAPANESE NAME: Sozaburo OKA - - Reg. No. 13679.

CATALOGUE NO: Part of The Director The Veterans' Land Act first offer.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2908 - Dewdney Trunk Road, Whonnock, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 3 of part of the North West quarter of Section 15 Township 12 Map 1973 Municipality of Maple Ridge in the District of New Westminster.

TITLE: In the name of Sozaburo OKA.

ENCUMBRANCE: Vesting 24907 - 3rd November 1942.

ASSESSED VALUE: 1942-
Land $450.00
Improvements $700.00 Total $1150.00 Taxes $22.67.

CLASSIFICATION: Inspector reported September 2nd, 1942 farm of 5 acres, 3½ of which were cleared with 1/8 acre in strawberries and 7 fruit trees, 1½ storey frame house 24 x 40, 5 rooms, good condition; also 1 storey frame house 18 x 36, 3 rooms, fair condition, not occupied; storage shed 12 x 16, good; 2 chicken houses 12 x 16, good; manure shed 12 x 12, fair; chicken house 20 x 130, fair. Property occupied at date of inspection by Wilfred WOOLSEY.

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: This property was rented on the 21st March 1942, by the owner to Wilfred WOOLSEY for 1 year from the 1st March 1942 with option to extend, the lessee to pay taxes so long as occupied. Lessee paid the taxes of 1942 - $22.67 on the 16th July 1942.

Property leased on the 12th April 1943 by the Secretary of State to Abram A. REMPEL for 8 1/3 months from the 21st April 1943 to the end of the year with storage space reserved at a rental of $65.00 of which rental $40.00 was paid to the Custodian and allowed as accrued rental to the Director The Veterans Land Act. Lease handed to the Director The Veterans Land Act on the 11th August 1943.

SOLD: To The Director The Veterans' Land Act for $1276.00 as at 1st January 1943.
Approval of Advisory Committee 1st June 1943.

FUNDS: Released to the credit of Sozaburo OKA, sale price $1276.00 less Certificate of Encumbrance $1.00, registration fee $3.00, legal fee $15.00, total $19.00. Net amount released $1257.00.

TITLE: Included in C. of T. 171304-E and payment of consideration included in cheque to the Custodian dated 22nd March 1944.

"Ian Macpherson"

OLD C. OF T.
NO. 78725-E: In possession of Sozaburo OKA.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file and on record by accounting department.

DATED May 21st, 1946.

"Ian Macpherson"

IM:ML

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

October 4/48.

m.a. G Hyde

(Part of Exhibit 629 - 7)

TEMPORARY PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 4837 7th November, 1946.

Re: Sozaburo OKA - Reg. No. 13679

CHATTELS: The above Japanese registered with the Custodian on the 20th April, 1942, and declared he was leaving a quantity of chattels with the lessee of his property. He was evacuated on the 6th May, 1942. On the 2nd September, 1942, our fieldmen inspected the property and inventoried the chattels. It was found that a few items had been taken with them but there was still a considerable quantity of low value merchandise there. They had the tenant sign his responsibility for the items he was using. OKA acknowledged our inventory was correct on the 28th October, 1942.

Some of the smaller personal and household articles were shipped to him by the tenant at OKA's request.

All saleable chattels remaining on the property were removed to public auction on the 22nd February, 1945, where they were sold for the net sum of $21.50. A quantity of the small tools could not be located and were apparently stolen, and and a number had to be abandoned as not being worth the expense of handling.

The platform scales left with the next door neighbour are still to be sold by appraisal in the near future. "See letter Dec.3/46"

LIVESTOCK: The above Japanese declared a goat and two dogs. These however were apparently disposed of prior to their evacuation as there were none on the property when inspected.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE: The B.C. Electric Railway refunded the sum of $12.14 to this Office to OKA's credit being their security deposit with them.

BONDS & INVESTMENTS: OKA declared having a Victory Bond, but this was not brought under control by the Custodian.

BANK ACCOUNT: OKA declared a bank account at Haney, but this also was not brought under control by the Custodian.

LIFE INSURANCE: OKA declared having Sun Life Insurance policies covering his own and his children's lives. These were not brought under the administration or control of the Custodian.

This file reveals no other personal property assets.

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

"W. E. Anderson"

. . . . . .

WEA:HA

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

October 4, 1948.

M.A. [illegible]

EXHIBIT No. 629 - 8
DATE Aug. 30/48
FILED BY
G.E.A.Rice

File #4837.

22nd October, 1942.

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS LEFT ON
S. OKA'S PROPERTY AT
2908 Dewdney Trunk Rd., Whonnock,B.C.

In Main house.

2 Beds & Springs.
Dresser.
4 Window blinds.
4 " screens.

In Basement.

22 lge. Wooden frames
1-24' length ½" pipe.
2 sml. Tables (home-made)
4 Berry trays.

In Chicken house.

Metal trough.
2 Drinking fountains

At Lessee's home.

Platform scale.

This represents all my chattels remaining in any protected area of British Columbia.

Confirmed:

DATE: "28th October 1942" SIGNED: "Sozabura Oka"

Please sign and return one copy to the Custodian.

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

October 4, 1948.

L.A. Hyde m.a.

(Part of Exhibit 629/8)

4837

22nd October, 1942.

Mr. Sozaburo Oka, #13679,
c/o E. J. Fawns,
Box 26,
Raymond, Alta.

Dear Sir:

We attach hereto list in duplicate covering chattels remaining in this area. Please sign and return one copy to us as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

R. D. Richardson,
Farm Department.

WEA:GF

Encl:

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

October 4, 1948.

S. Hyde
M.A.