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**OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN**

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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Canada.  
8th January, 1943.

FILE NO. ....  
Legal Section  
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Personal and Confidential

Dear Mr. Shears:-

I have not had an opportunity of writing you since returning to Ottawa, and there are many things that I realize require attention. I have, however, been up to my ears in work, with particular reference to arranging a memorandum to be considered by a Special Committee of the Cabinet relating to your office and its future policy.

I was supposed to go to New York last week-end, but postponed the trip in order to be here for the meeting with the Cabinet, which was to be held early this week. Events have intervened, and the meeting has been postponed from day to day, but I am hopeful that it may be held Friday morning. In any event, I leave Friday evening for New York, but expect to be back Sunday or Monday noon. I do not know what will come of the New York trip, but Dr. Coleman is insistent that I remain in Ottawa.

I have not forgotten either the Nanaimo Shipyards or the Royston Lumber Company deals, but the latter will have to await the Cabinet meeting before I can get a decision, and you might tell Mr. Wray this. As regards the Nanaimo Shipyards, I have made several attempts to see Admiral Stevens, who is handling the matter here, and I may possibly see him Friday, but more likely early next week. I can assure you that I am not allowing these matters to drag. You might tell Mr. Coffey that I have not forgotten him, and will drop him a line as soon as I return from New York.

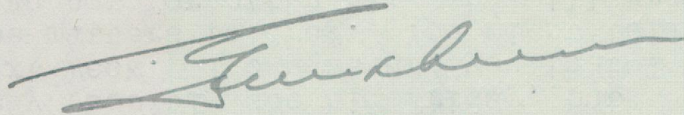
I know that you are up to your ears in work, but I hope that your sense of humour is holding out, and that your good wife is keeping you well fed.



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Mercia and I both send our personal regards to yourself, your wife and the staff.

Yours very sincerely,



G. W. McPHERSON,  
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary  
of State and/or Custodian.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.



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Victoria Building,  
7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa, Canada.  
January 12, 1943.

CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Shears:-

I have received some correspondence from your Department during the past week and have answered some of the letters, and expect to be able to deal with them all today or tomorrow. But, in order that you may know that I have not forgotten my promise to press for a definite determination of policy here, I think it is advisable to review events since my arrival, but would request that this letter remain on your personal file and its contents be considered as confidential by you for the present.

Upon my arrival in Ottawa, on December 30th, I discussed, in a general way, the Vancouver office, with Dr. Coleman, and presented my report to him for the Custodian. I advised that I was proceeding to New York the following weekend to discuss my position there, but he stated that a special committee of the Cabinet was anxious to have me attend the meeting to discuss the general Vancouver situation, and requested that I defer my trip south. It was anticipated that the meeting would be held possibly on Monday, the 4th instant, but owing to unforeseen events, it could not be arranged until yesterday, and was held at 2.30 p.m. in the office of the Honourable T. A. Crerar.

*Friday.*  
In anticipation of the meeting, and in an attempt to get my position clarified in New York, I went to New York ~~Thursday~~ night, returning here Monday morning at 11.15. For your information, the situation in New York has not yet been clarified, but I am hoping to have a definite decision by the end of this week.

I attended the special meeting of the committee of the Cabinet in the afternoon, and the decisions of the committee as to policy are far better than I had hoped to obtain, but since they necessitate certain amendments to existing Orders-in-Council, and these amendments cannot be passed until Thursday, I am not in a position to discuss the entire picture at this time, since I do not believe in counting our chickens before they are hatched, but I will write you immediately the Order-in-Council is dealt with. Incidentally, the amending Order-in-Council is being drafted by myself, and will be approved by Dr. Coleman.

Since some of these matters will require careful consideration by you, and are going to upset your organization, one of them I think should be mentioned here, although it will be subject to the approval of the Order-in-Council, and that is that the Soldier Settlement of Canada will withdraw from the farm picture entirely.



This, of course, is extremely confidential, but I think you should know that Mr. Murchison has agreed to our taking Mr. McKay into our organization to handle the farm problems. I appreciate that this will require considerable diplomacy in so far as Mr. Richardson is concerned, but I would suggest that it can be dealt with along the line that we will require a farm expert in view of the withdrawal of the Soldier Settlement, whose advice will no longer be available. Mr. Richardson could ~~either~~ work with Mr. McKay, dealing in particular with the chattels involved, co-operating in this regard with Mr. Green. You might turn this problem over in your mind, but in the meantime, continue to have leases prepared and approved by Mr. Barnet, until you are officially advised of the change. Mr. McKay's salary will be set by the Deputy Custodian here, since it will have to take into consideration the remuneration he is now receiving.

You will recall that we had many discussions as to the interpretation of the words "management and control," with particular reference as to the Custodian's power to liquidate, and it is intended to definitely give this power by amending Order-in-Council. In anticipation of this amendment being approved, I wired P.S. Ross and Sons and yourself about the Royston Lumber Company Limited, and Mr. Wray may be instructed to proceed with the sale of the Deep Bay Logging Company Limited, if Mr. Stewart has not already arranged it. The necessary orders, of course, will have to be prepared and signed.

As regards the radios and cameras, this is a matter separate and distinct from the other problems discussed, and may be made known to the staff, and the policy carried out.

In so far as the Press are concerned, if they should hear of it, I would suggest that the only thing to tell them is that radios and cameras are not being released to Japanese residing in the Province of British Columbia. I am writing you a separate letter dealing with these articles, so that you may put it on the proper file.

I am also writing you about the fishing vessels and the disbursements incidental to their administration, and that letter speaks for itself.

As regards the disposition of chattels, this matter was considered, and I believe a policy of liquidation will be adopted, but the method of carrying out the liquidation is being considered by Dr. Coleman and Mr. MacNamara, the Deputy Minister of Labour, and I will advise you when they have reached a decision. In the meantime, the present policy regarding chattels should be continued. I am also writing you a letter dealing with the policy of insurance now being followed, this policy having been approved.

I had a meeting with Admiral Stevens this morning concerning the Nanaimo Shipyards, and I am writing a letter dealing with this situation, one copy being



912 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.,  
November 2, 1942.

Mr. Justice Cameron,  
Court House,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Re: Etsuji Morii

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

During the course of my testimony this morning I was requested by Mr. Locke, K.C., to produce correspondence which I referred to. I have been successful this afternoon in locating the correspondence and I am enclosing ribbon copies made from the Custodian's file and wish to hand them to you direct, assuming that this is the proper course to follow. I regret that I have been called East and have arranged to leave tonight, otherwise I would be pleased to deliver these letters personally.

I would appreciate your indulgence to point out that in the course of my testimony this morning I was speaking entirely from memory on a matter which happened in May last, since which time I have been involved in considerable detail relating to Japanese. I, therefore, do not find it strange the original report on my investigation was sent to Colonel Hill and a copy to Major Taylor, which is just the reverse of my testimony this morning. The correspondence, I believe, explains the reason for this.

I note that my report does not refer specifically to \$20.00 but I must have picked this information up, possibly from Mr. Thornton, and incorrectly attributed it to Mrs. Hosaki. You will also note that this letter refers to two additional matters concerning which I am, of course, unable to testify.

As stated in the last paragraph of my letter of May 2nd, copy of which is enclosed, I have no personal knowledge as to the truth of any of the statements made but I do feel that in fairness to the two Japanese referred to, in case there is anything in the charges, that their names should be treated in confidence and I would respectfully request this, particularly if Mr. Morii is present and if the letter is read into the records.

Yours truly,

G. W. McPherson  
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary  
of State and/or Custodian.

GWMcP/FC.



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501 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.  
May 2, 1942.

Confidential

Major A. C. Taylor,  
Chairman,  
B. C. Security Commission,  
Marine Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Major Taylor:

Re: Mr. Morii.

As a result of the interview which took place in your office a few days ago Mr. Thornton has endeavoured to prove the statements made by him and I advised him that if he could do so, I would forward a report on the matter to the proper parties. Since Mr. Morii is not employed by your Commission and on the suggestion of Ass't Commissioner Mead, I have forwarded a report to Col. Hill. A copy of my letter to him is enclosed for your information.

Yours truly,

(G. W. McPherson)  
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary  
of State and/or Custodian.

GWMcP/FC



I arranged an interview with Shoshichi Hosaki and Mrs. Hosaki on Saturday April 25th. The interview was held at the home of Mr. Frederick Field, Chartered Accountant, 501 Royal Bank Bldg., Vancouver, B. C., and Mr. Hosaki, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Frederick Field, Mr. and Mrs. Hosaki's staff, a Japanese lady as interpreter, who was of no importance, and myself. May 2, 1942.

Col. C. H. Hill,  
Officer Commanding,  
"E" Division,  
R.C.M.P.  
Vancouver, B. C.

Re: Mr. Morii

As you have no doubt been advised by members of the B.C. Security Commission, certain rumours relating to the above party were brought to my attention by a Mr. Thornton, who states that he was previously attached to the Japanese Consulate. I advised the Commissioners of these rumours and arranged an interview with the Chairman of the Commission for Mr. Thornton. Mr. Thornton repeated the rumours to the Chairman and, after considerable discussion, the Chairman advised that Mr. Morii was not working for the B.C. Security Commission and I am not informed as to whether or not he is working for your detachment. In any event, in view of the liaison existing between this office and your office both here and in Ottawa, and on the suggestion of Ass't Commissioner Mead, I feel that the rumours should be brought to your attention, for such action as you may desire.

Being satisfied as to the bona fide of these statements of Mr. Thornton and in view of the fact that I do not wish to be classed with rumour mongers in these difficult times, and particularly in view of the serious nature of the rumours, I considered it advisable to obtain some confirmation of Mr. Thornton's statements before bringing the matter to your attention.

Statements made by Mr. Thornton were to the effect that a certain Japanese lady, as a result of representations made to her and in view of the fact that her husband was held in the Immigration Shed, placed some money in a box of chocolates and delivered the chocolates to the above party's home, and that subsequently her husband was released. The statement was made at the interview with the Chairman of the B.C. Security Commission that the party referred to, namely, Mr. Shokichi Hosaki, had a tumour on the brain, had been found insane and had been removed to an institution. Subsequent to the meeting I ascertained that this was not according to the fact and that this party and his wife were not only residing in the City of Vancouver but were in the process of packing their personal effects to go to the sugar beet area, leaving Vancouver, according to their statements, on Sunday, April 26th.



I arranged an interview with Shokichi Hosaki and Mrs. Hosaki on Saturday April 25th. The interview was conducted in the office of Mr. Frederick Field, Chartered Accountant, and there were present Mr. and Mrs. Hosaki, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Frederick Field, Miss Fox of the Custodian's staff, a Japanese lady as interpreter, whose name is unimportant, and myself. Department, I thought that the information should be given to you.

Mr. Hosaki produced his police registration card Number 06636, a receipt from the Immigration authorities for \$10.50, and a statement which indicates that he was detained on February 20th at 5 P.M. and released on March 4th at 1:30 P.M. The \$10.50 paid to the Immigration authorities appear to cover meals and his detention had nothing to do with the B.C. Security Commission or the police departments.

Mrs. Hosaki stated she did not know why her husband was picked up but she was greatly disturbed and a friend, whose name she would not give, told her to get in touch with Mr. Morii who would no doubt assist her. She admitted she purchased a two pound box of chocolates at a corner store operated by a relative, whose name she would not give, and that she did put some money in the box, the amount of which should would not state, and that she did take the chocolates and the money to Mr. Morrii's place on Cordova Street. She stated that when she arrived there Mr. Morii was out but that there was a man there and she gave the box to him for Mr. Morii and subsequently her husband was released. I have discussed this matter with Mr. Taylor of the Immigration Department and, of course, realize that the release had no connection whatever with the gift to Mr. Morii, if any such gift were made.

Another matter which I feel should be brought to your attention since it deals with the above party, is information given to me by Mr. Wright, Manager of the Sun Life Assurance Company, whom I assume is a well-known and reputable citizen of this city. Mr. Wright came to my office yesterday morning to turn over to the Custodian a cheque for a Mr. Kobayashi, a former agent of the Sun Life in this city. His reason for coming was because he believed this party had been interned. On checking the records I found this man was not so and he was surprised since Mr. Kobayashi had told him personally that he was going up to the R.C.M.P. to ask that he be interned. I considered this a strange request by a Japanese and asked Mr. Wright to clarify the statement. Mr. Wright stated that this party was their best salesman among the Japanese and that he had absolute confidence in him and he did excellent work in the recent Victory Loan campaign. Mr. Wright stated that Mr. Kobayashi advised him that he was not prepared to deal with Mr. Morii as to the terms of his evacuation or prepared to make any arrangement for deferrment and that he felt so insulted over the fact that Mr. Morii appeared to have some control over the evacuation that he would sooner be interned than come under his control. He left Mr. Wright's office with the intention of applying for internment but appears to have been evacuated rather than interned so the cheque was not accepted by this office.

Mr. Wright stated that Mr. Kobayashi advised him that Mr. Morii had collected a considerable sum of money for obtaining deferrments for Japanese. Mr. Wright further stated that he would be prepared to make this statement at any time to the chairman of the B.C. Security Commission. However, since Mr. Morii is not working for that Commission it appears to be a matter more directly concerning your department.

Mr. Frederick Field, Chartered Accountant, advised me some time ago that Mrs. Nagata, the wife of an internee, came to see him with a story about Mr. Morii demanding \$300.00 from her for some organizational work. He advised me that his advice to her was to tell Mr. Morii to come and see him. Mr. Morii did not come.







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501 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.,  
April 24, 1942.

Major A. C. Taylor,  
Chairman,  
B. C. Security Commission,  
Marine Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Major Taylor:

I have your letter of April 23rd. It appears from same that there is a slight misunderstanding as to the nature of my remarks at the Advisory Board meeting yesterday.

In the past I have found that any controversial matter as between this organization and your Commission has been settled on the spot by direct discussion with you and I would not introduce at any Advisory Board meeting, particularly in view of my position as an ex-officio member of it, any controversial matter, but since the matter referred to was introduced by a prominent member of that board and since, representing a Government department, I had received certain information, I felt it was my duty to disclose the information to the Board at the time the discussion was taking place.

I regret if my remarks were interpreted as a personal insinuation against the party referred to but the information given to me was of such a serious nature that I felt it should either be disproved or established as fact. You will appreciate that the Custodian's organization cannot conduct, and in fact is not the proper organization to conduct, an investigation into rumours of this kind but I did state that I was endeavouring to obtain affidavit evidence and would make same available to the proper parties if and when obtained.

One of the parties who has given me certain information concerning the individual referred to has expressed the desire to meet you personally and he will be in my office in a half hour. I realize that your time is fully occupied but, in order that the matter may be placed on a proper footing, I would respectfully suggest that you grant my informant an interview as soon as possible and I, personally, if you so desire, will be prepared to attend with him.

In order that no time may be lost in tracking down these rumours, I am having this letter delivered to you by hand and would appreciate a telephone call as soon as possible as to whether or not you would desire to meet my informant whose name I do not desire to mention in writing since I have not his permission to do so.

Yours very truly,

(G. W. McPherson)  
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary  
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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

MARINE BUILDING

VANCOUVER, B. C.

April 23, 1942.

Mr. G. W. MacPherson,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Royal Bank Bldg., City.

Dear Mr. MacPherson:

Since you saw fit today to develop some very controversial arguments at the Advisory Board meeting this Commission feels that it is only right that you should justify your statements by proof of the insinuations made. Several members of the Advisory Board are anxious to receive your reply.

Sincerely.

"Austin C. Taylor"

Chairman, B.C. Security Commission.

ACT/JM



501 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.,  
July 9, 1942.

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

C. L. Drewry, Esq.,  
Norwich Union Insurance Society,  
12 Wellington Street East,  
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Corbet:

I am enclosing this personal note in my letter to you about Mr. Noble. The situation, to be quite frank, has worried me considerably. Mr. Noble's work appears to be in order; the only disquieting feature is the information which your associated company gave you about his integrity. As I recall, the conviction was mentioned.

I have discussed the matter with Mr. Banfield, Mr. Field, Mr. Noble and Mr. Noble's lawyer, and I have obtained a copy of the Court Judgment certified by the official Court Stenographer. I am enclosing a copy of this Judgment.

Mr. Noble is completely broken up over the whole affair and while I have tried to see him today, I am advised that he had a slight heart attack and is at home.

I do not know whether or not a great injustice has been done but I have not been able to get him to state whether or not he wishes to proceed with the bond application since he does not wish to run the risk of having it refused and I can understand this. He feels that the company have indicated what their decision will be and will not look favourably on the application at this time regardless of any evidence put before it.

The lawyer knows, from his talk with Mr. Banfield, that no real enquiry was made and that is the reason I am writing you this personal letter. If it is a fact that the company has not made a proper enquiry and that the facts are not as given to you, then I think your associated company may have done the man an injustice,



but I realize that the company is at liberty to accept or refuse any business at its discretion without disclosing the reason. I do feel, however, that since this is a matter which concerns yourself and this office directly, and since a man's honour is involved, the bonding company without having a formal application filed, should make all the enquiries it would make if the application were filed and then unofficially let me know whether or not the bond would be granted. After reading over the Court Judgment, a copy of which I am enclosing, I must say that I am greatly disturbed and I know that you would not want this man's reputation to be ruined simply because the bonding company has expressed an opinion on other than a thorough investigation and would not be prepared to alter this decision on a formal application.

I trust you will consider this letter as purely personal as between us and not written in any critical sense about the company itself. I would appreciate it if you would write me personally about this matter as soon as possible.

Mercia and I send our regards and thank you for your note. In due course we will accept your kind invitation to visit in Toronto.

Yours very sincerely,

GWMcP/FC.



# NORWICH UNION LIFE INSURANCE SOCIETY

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MANAGER FOR CANADA



HEAD OFFICE FOR CANADA  
12 WELLINGTON ST. EAST  
TORONTO

July 13th, 1942.

PRIVATE AND  
CONFIDENTIAL

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Glenn:

I have your letter of the 7th instant with enclosures, for which I thank you.

Immediately on receipt of your letter I discussed this whole matter once again with the Assistant Manager of the Fire Office, and have taken the liberty of furnishing to them from the Application Form which Mr. Noble completed and which I have been holding here pending further word from you, the names of the references which he has given, so that these can be followed up.

I understand, too, that the Fire Office will take the matter up again with the Credit Association to which you have referred.

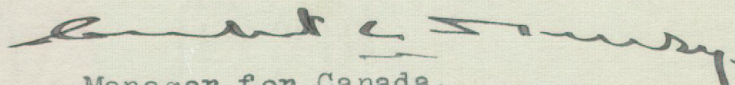
I am sure I need not tell you that the Fire Office is just as anxious, indeed perhaps more so, that no injustice should be caused this man by reason of their previous intimation to me that they do not desire to write this Bond.



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They are sending out their correspondence by air mail so that the matter can be speeded up as quickly as possible, and have agreed to discuss it with me again just as soon as word is received from Vancouver.

Yours very truly,



Manager for Canada.

CLD:NC



## GUARANTEE DEPARTMENT

## APPLICATION FOR GUARANTEE BOND

Party to be Bonded MUST answer fully each question on this Form.

# Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Limited

of Norwich, England

HEAD OFFICE FOR CANADA

TORONTO

Proposal for a Guarantee of \$ 10,000 from Mr. Albert John Noble  
 of Capilano, B.C. as accountant at 685 West Hastings St.  
(G. W. McPHERSON) Vancouver, B.C.  
 in the service of Authorized Deputy of the Secretary  
of State and/or Custodian  
 All communications are regarded as STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.

1. Full name of Applicant Albert John Noble Age 60
2. Residence (Full P.O. Address) Capilano Road, North Vancouver, B.C.
3. Birthplace Croydon, England How long resided there? about 10 years
4. Single, married or widower married Number of children 2
5. How many persons are dependent on you for support? One
6. How long have you lived in the city or town where you are now employed? 14 years
7. How long have you been in the service of the above employer? Since March 11, 1942
8. Do you own or rent the house in which you live; or do you board? Own
9. What is the NET salary or remuneration you will receive from this appointment? \$250 per month
10. Are you engaged in any other business or calling than above? No  
 If so, state what it is and what you derive from it.....
11. Do you receive any income from any other sources whatsoever? No

State particulars and gross annual income from all sources.....



22. Please state below names of your parents, if living, or other nearest relatives:—

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS
Fances Mary Noble	wife	Housewife	Capilano BC
F. E. Margaret Noble	Daughter	School teacher	"
H. John Noble	Son	Civil servant	Victoria

23. State FULLY in space below your occupations during the past ten years, whether employed or not, giving full particulars:

FROM YEAR	TO YEAR	IN THE SERVICE OF	AS Nature of Position or Occupation	AT Place or Depart- ment where Em- ployed or Located	Correct Post Office Address of Employers	Name of Manager or Supt. under whom you worked
1932	1935	Own account	Accountant	522 West Pender St.		
1935	1936	B.C. Co-op. Socy.	Treasurer	(Defunct)		
1936	1940	GROUP OF COMPANIES				
		Old Colony Trading Co. Ltd.			secretary, director & liquidator.	
		Prospecting Synd. of Canada Ltd.			not operating.	
		Kootenay Ore Hill Gold Mining Co. Ltd.				
		Highland Surprise Gold Mining Co. Ltd.				
		Silver Star Mines Ltd.			secretary, director & liquidator.	
1941	1942	Helliwell, MacEachlan & Barrow Wade, Guthrie & Frederick Field & Co. (to be sold)		Chartered Accountants	Vancouver BC	

24. Please give the names of three or four persons well acquainted with you who are householders in good standing and not related to you.  
NOTE: Addresses given must be correct and full as possible, otherwise the issuing of Bond will be delayed.

NAME	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS (IN FULL) (Give Street Numbers)	CITY, TOWN, PRO- VINCE OR STATE
Mr. Rev. H.P. Barnett	clergy man	Chilliwack BC	
Mr. John W. Spence	Retired	1221 West 38th Ave.	Vancouver BC
Mr. Ian Cameron	Solicitor	5787 Blenheim St.	"
Mr. John C. Doig	Tailor	3093 West 29th Ave.	"

I hereby declare that I have in the replies made above, stated the truth without any reservation whatever, and I agree to pay or see paid the annual premium payable for bond applied for.

Dated June 19, 1942 (Signature of Applicant) J. Noble

Bond to date from

N.B.—AGREEMENT ON BACK MUST ALSO BE SIGNED.



12. Do you own Real Estate in your own name? yes If so, please state:—

LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (ASSESSED)	ENCUMBRANCE
<u>Capilano BC</u>	<u>Lot 3 of M, SL 601/7</u>	<u>\$ 2,812</u>	<u>none</u>
	<u>Lot 8 of 22, SL 601/7</u>	<u>\$ 155</u>	<u>-a-</u>

13. What Personal property do you own?

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Stocks or Shares <u>67,000 shares Highland Surprise 500 mines, Problematic (development)</u>	
Mortgages <u>—</u>	
Other Property <u>Furniture, auto etc</u>	<u>\$ 3,000</u>

14. Is your life insured? No If so, please state:—

DATE	AMOUNT	NAME OF COMPANY	FORM OF POLICY			TO WHOM PAYABLE
			Ord. Life	End.	Pay Life	

15. Have you any debts, judgments against you, or other liabilities? No If so, please state:—

AMOUNTS	TO WHOM OWING	DETAILS AND NATURE OF LIABILITIES
Debts		
Judgments		
Other Liabilities		<u>Current gas, say \$50</u>

16. How soon do you expect above to be paid off? within a month

17. Are you surety or endorser for anyone? No

Give particulars

18. Were you ever Bankrupt or Insolvent, or did you ever compound with your creditors? No

State in what year..... Have you received a full discharge? .....

19. Have you ever been discharged from any position? No

State particulars

20. Do you furnish additional security to that now applied for? No

State particulars

21. Has a proposal ever been made to any other guarantee company for a bond? No

Name of Company ..... Was it accepted or refused? .....

If refused, state reason.....



# Agreement

(To be signed by Applicant)

**Between** the undersigned and the **Normich Union Fire Insurance Society Limited:**  
(hereinafter called the "Society.")

1.—I hereby bind myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns to indemnify and save the said Society harmless and on demand to pay it any and all claims, demands, loss and damages of every nature and kind (including all costs or expenses whatsoever, directly or indirectly incurred) which the said Society shall at any time pay, sustain or claim to have paid or sustained by reason of or in consequence of such suretyship or other suretyship in lieu thereof, and any and all renewal, extension and continuation thereof, or additional suretyship.

2.—I agree that the vouchers or other evidence of payments made by the said Society under or claimed by the said Society to have been made under its obligation or suretyship shall be conclusive evidence of the fact and extent of the liability of the undersigned to the said Society, whether such payments were made to discharge a penalty thereunder or incurred in the investigation of a claim made thereon, or adjusting a loss or claim in connection therewith, and whether voluntarily made or paid after suit and judgment against said Society.

3.—I also agree that the said Society may decline to become surety for me upon the bond hereinbefore applied for and that it may cancel or withdraw from such bond, if executed, or any renewal or continuation thereof. I do further release and discharge said Society or any person acting on its behalf, and every person, association, firm or corporation furnishing it with any information concerning me or my affairs, from any and all claims, demands, actions or damages that may have or purport to have arisen by reason of the disclosure or furnishing of any information obtained concerning me or my affairs.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this.....nineteenth.....  
day of.....June....., 1912.....

Ad. Boile

Applicant's Signature

Signed in the Presence of

Chas. Beattie



GUARANTEE DEPARTMENTAPPLICATION FOR GUARANTEE BOND

Party to be Bonded MUST answer fully each question on this Form.

# Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Limited

of Norwich, England

HEAD OFFICE FOR CANADA

TORONTO

Proposal for a Guarantee of \$ 10 000 from Mr. Albert John Noble  
 of Capilano Bc as accountant at 685 West Hastings St  
(G. W. McPHERSON) Vancouver Bc  
 in the service of Authorized Deputy of the Secretary  
of State and/or Custodian  
 All communications are regarded as **STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.**

1. Full name of Applicant..... Albert John Noble Age 60
2. Residence (Full P.O. Address)..... Capilano Road, North Vancouver Bc
3. Birthplace Croydon, England How long resided there? about 10 years
4. Single, married or widower..... married Number of children..... 2
5. How many persons are dependent on you for support?..... One
6. How long have you lived in the city or town where you are now employed? 14 years
7. How long have you been in the service of the above employer? Since March 11 1942
8. Do you own or rent the house in which you live; or do you board? Own
9. What is the NET salary or remuneration you will receive from this appointment? \$250 per month
10. Are you engaged in any other business or calling than above? No  
 If so, state what it is and what you derive from it.....
11. Do you receive any income from any other sources whatsoever? No

State particulars and gross annual income from all sources.....



R E X

vs. question of whether or not I don't think Mr Kennedy should

HIGHLAND SURPRISE GOLD MINES  
LIMITED.

Before: H.S.WOOD ESQ K.C.  
Police Magistrate.

June 20th, 1941.

THE COURT.

MR CAMERON. In this case counsel are here: I am impressed with the Crown's contention, to my mind it is unreasonable, with all due respect to other opinions, and, therefore, I have to find the company guilty, but, in view of the letter that Mr Castellou read from the Inspector of - from Mr DeBeck, the superintendent of Brokers, I will suspend sentence.

Now, the next thing is with regard to the individual directors: there is some point there. with regard to Mr

MR CAMERON. I am appearing for Mr Noble in that respect.

THE COURT. You don't want any penalty imposed upon him, I suppose?

MR CAMERON. No, I don't see how it would be justice, in view of the fact that he was advised by the Solicitor for the Company that what he did was correct, and he was merely acting in the capacity of Secretary in executing that duty. Furthermore, this letter that was sent to the Superintendent of Brokers was sent by the Company's solicitor himself and it was drafted by him. We had nothing to do with that, as far as we knew we were advised by Mr Kennedy, our solicitor, that everything was in order. After all, if the layman cannot depend upon his solicitor's advice....

THE COURT...You think Mr Kennedy should suffer?

MR CAMERON. No, I don't think he should suffer if it was a



question of a mistake in law, I don't think Mr Kennedy should suffer either, but I am not appearing directly on behalf of Mr Kennedy, I am appearing for Mr Noble.

THE COURT. You say it was Mr Kennedy's fault, otherwise your man would not have done it?

MR CAMERON. My man was merely a cog in the machine and he acts in accordance with the instructions given to him by his solicitor.

THE COURT. Yes. What do you say about that, Mr Castillou; is that correct?

MR CASTILLOU. I have nothing further to say.

THE COURT. If that situation is correct how can I do other than follow Mr DeBeck's suggestion, with regard to Mr Noble, he is as innocent as the company. I will suspend sentence.

I hereby certify the foregoing to  
be a true and accurate report of the  
proceedings here.

Chas. H. Sullivan  
Official Court Reporter



REFER TO FILE NO.

YOUR FILE NO.

LAW OFFICES  
**IAN CAMERON & CO.**  
VANCOUVER, B.C.

July 2, 1942.

Mr. G. W. McPherson,  
Custodian of Enemy Property,  
Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

An old client of ours, Mr. A. J. Noble, who is employed in your accounting department, has consulted us with regard to a bond which was applied for on his behalf to the Norwich Union Insurance Company. He has been advised the application was subsequently withdrawn, he was led to believe that this was done because of his association with a group of mining companys.

Proceedings were started by the Attorney General's Department under the Securities Act against the Highland Surprise Gold Mines Limited, for an infraction of the said Act.

I attended the trial on behalf of the minority group of share-holders, who had been extremely active in having the prosecution brought about.

Mr. Noble was a leading member of this minority group. At the trial, the Highland Surprise Company was convicted of an infraction of the Securities Act, but sentence was suspended. At the time the prosecution requested permission from the trial magistrate to proceed against the directors individually. This the Magistrate refused to do, and stated that while the company had been guilty of a technical infraction of the Act, this was merely because they had been improperly advised by the Company's Solicitor.



Mr. G. W. McPherson

Page Two.

For these reasons, no blame whatever can be attached to Mr. Noble as a director of this company. It seems to me that it is a grave injustice to him that his application for bond should have been refused.

In view of this fact, it is respectfully submitted that a further application for bond should be launched at once.

We would be pleased to hear from you with regard to this matter.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ian Cameron". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

IAN CAMERON.

IC:RB



501 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
July 7, 1942.

C. L. Drewry, Esq.,  
c/o Norwich Union Life Insurance Society,  
12 Wellington Street East,  
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Corbet:

Re: Mr. Noble

We have not replaced Mr. Noble up to the present time and there have been several developments lately.

I received a long letter from his lawyer outlining the situation as regards the conviction of the Gold Mining Company and I talked to the lawyer for about half an hour regarding this case and Mr. Noble personally. The lawyer had nothing but praise for Mr. Noble in the whole matter and advised that the conviction was against the company for an infringement of the Securities Act. The Magistrate refused to permit the Directors to be prosecuted on the grounds that they had taken legal advice from a Mr. Kennedy who, unfortunately for the company, had advised them wrongly.

I then called on Mr. Banfield and asked him whether or not your company had made elaborate investigations. He advised me that he thought the only report they had acted on was the report of the Retail Credit Association here, but if an application were filed a complete investigation would be made, possibly resulting in an examination of the Court Papers, etc.

Acting on this information I spoke to Mr. Field who was with me when I saw Mr. Banfield and Mr. Field took this up with the Retail Credit Association, who are friends of his, and they told him that it was on this investigation that they based their report and that in view of the situation they were going to have the Court Papers examined and discuss the case further with the Attorney General.

I then discussed the matter with Mr. Noble and told him it was up to him whether or not he wished this office to proceed with the application and he must take the consequences if a bond were refused. ~~Mr. Noble advised me that he wished the application to be made.~~

I do not wish you to think that I am asking any special consideration but rather that I think this whole matter should be considered strictly on its merits regardless of the connection of your office with this case. So far as we know Mr. Noble's work has been entirely satisfactory and it will be practically impossible to replace him at the present time, but this should not enter into the consideration of whether or not a bond should be granted. I do not feel we should let Mr. Noble go if he wishes an application filed without filing the application and if a bond is refused we will let him go but if a bond is granted I will feel justified in keeping him. We feel it is up to the bonding company to make the decision as to his integrity.

Yours very sincerely,

GWMCP/FC.



About a month ago I was handed a letter from Mr. Milson with regard to taking the inventory of Kuba's stock situated at 703 No. 1 Road, Steveston. On arrival at the Custodian's office in Steveston I called to see Mr. Robinson and found he was not there and, in turn, I handed the letter to Mr. Sterling who, after a short conversation, stated that Mr. Robinson wasn't there, but in view of the fact that I had a letter from Mr. Milson he would take me down to Kuba's store and turn the key over to me.

On arrival at Kuba's store Mr. Sterling stated there were people living in the back section of the store but he had a key for the door leading in from the back into the store. He unlocked the door and made mention there was no sense of him being there at that particular time and that he would leave me to take the stock. I mentioned at that time my intentions were to make an appraisal and to check all the chattels which now remained on the premises. Mr. Sterling said "is it necessary for you to check the chattels as well" and I stated it was. After looking around upstairs at furniture, etc., I asked him where the sixteen parcels of personal belongings were and his answer to that question was very vague and as though he did not feel inclined to offer any suggestion as to where they were, and I just let it go at that.

Mr. Sterling mentioned before leaving that should I be there later than five o'clock, to turn the key over to Mr. Robinson, who lived at the back or in one of the other houses of the Custodian's office.

About 7:30 that night I was still taking the inventory there and I noticed many discrepancies in the stock and I made a notation of one particular item of a chime clock which was inventoried at \$15.00, and so I mentioned it to Mr. Robinson on meeting him this same evening. At the time I said there were many discrepancies in the stock and one particular item amounting to \$15.00 I failed to find on the premises. He stated that the chime clock was taken from Kuba's store and they now had it in their office, and then I mentioned to him that I would include that in my inventory.



In winding up the sale of Kuba's store I sold the balance of the stock to another party, who is now renting the building, and Mr. Robinson was called in to check off my inventory of the chattels which were not included in my original purchase of the stock. I had Mr. Robinson check off the entire chattels, of which I had a list, and which they have a list of here in this office, to protect myself after I left the premises. Mr. Robinson was good enough to check them all off and found them to be there. I then asked Mr. Robinson to return to me the chime clock which he had in the office and which belonged to the Kuba stock. In turn Mr. Robinson made a statement, in front of a truck driver whom they have hauling the different chattels, that the clock which he mentioned to me that he had taken out of Kuba's store he now finds from Mr. Sterling did not belong to Kuba's stock and was taken over to the Custodian's office by a Mr. Green who is affiliated with the sale of Red Cross goods out there, and who, incidentally, lived next door to Kuba's. I thought it rather strange that at that late hour Mr. Robinson should mention to me that the clock did not belong to Kuba's stock.

During this time I had a further letter from Mr. Milson asking me to go to Steveston and make an inventory of the stock of Omiya's store owned by Kitagawa. I arrived in Steveston Friday noon and found that Mr. Robinson was in Vancouver, and Mr. Sterling's statement to me was that he would finish his business in Vancouver and he would not be back in Steveston until Monday morning, and that I would not be able to get the key for Omiya's store until Monday morning. I considered it strange at that time that Mr. Sterling would tell me I would have to wait until Monday morning to get the key when it was there on the premises, seeing that he was good enough to give me the key to Kuba's store previous to this, so I dismissed it from my mind.

The following Sunday I drove out to Steveston prior to winding up the complete sale, to take from Kuba's stock, which I then owned, certain articles which I needed for my own personal use. On arriving in Steveston I drove up at the rear of Kuba's store, which is right alongside of Omiya's store, and in getting out of the car I noticed the only entrance to Omiya's store, which was a door, was wide open, and I asked the young lad



who was nearby who was in there and he said Mr. Robinson was there with two other men. I thought it very strange that Mr. Robinson would be out there Sunday when I understood from Mr. Sterling that he would not be back until Monday morning, and so I waited in the car for an hour before they left the store. Mr. Robinson walked alongside of my car but apparently didn't notice me and left with the two other men.

At 7:30 the same evening I was leaving Steveston and I noticed Mr. Robinson with several other men across the street in a discussion so I made it my own business to stay around Steveston for a little while as I felt in my own mind that Omiya's store might be broken into. At the time I noticed Mr. Robinson he was with Mr. Enright, a policeman appointed by yourselves to protect your property out there. I drove past the Custodian's office at nine o'clock and again at ten o'clock and noticed Mr. Robinson looking out the front window of the Custodian's office. I thought this was rather strange as his own living quarters were in the extreme rear and not in any part of the office. At eleven o'clock that evening I noticed Mr. Enright, the policeman, with two other men who appeared to be in Air Force uniform. Near twelve o'clock that night I walked down towards the tram as I noticed someone watching me, and made as though I was getting aboard the tram. The tram went out and I was behind a pole out of sight. Mr. Enright had taken the two men down towards Omiya's store and when the tram went out he finished his discussion and the two men walked down towards the store and went into the lane. I came out from behind the pole and started to walk towards Omiya's store and one of the Airforce men looked out to see whether everything was clear and they saw me walking up. He called the other fellow and they both walked up the street. I felt then that they thought I was watching them. They walked up the street and down again and went in the side of the policeman's place, found he wasn't there and walked down the street again. I left them for a little while and walked past the Custodian's office and found Mr. Robinson still looking out the window, with the lights on, and he was there until five minutes to one. At that time I had to get the tram back to Vancouver as it was the last tram.



The following week I went out to Steveston again and had difficulty in finding Mr. Robinson and he was carrying the keys for Omiya's store in his pocket. I had to wait for him until four o'clock in the afternoon to come back to get into Omiya's store. He explained to me then that the store had been broken into by several boys and the police had caught them and so on, and that he wanted me to know that before I went in to take the stock. After we had finished the discussion we went into the Omiya store with my intention of starting to take the stock. My suspicions were further aroused on entering the store when I found several cartons packed with merchandise from the store. It didn't look to me as though the stock was placed there by the Japanese as all the other stock was on the shelves, and particularly when the assortment of merchandise in the cartons was of a mixture of everything that was there, such as Standfield's underwear, men's shirts, ladies' wear and so on, and it looked very much to me as if those cartons were packed ready to be taken out by somebody. Mr. Robinson mentioned to me while in the store that several of the cannery people had mentioned to him that they would like to buy certain chattels in the store and he felt that it might be a good thing to sell them what they wanted. He stated that he had never taken them into the store even though they had asked him, and so on leaving Omiya's store that evening at 7:30 I asked Mr. Robinson who the two men were he had in Omiya's store on Sunday afternoon. A little flustered he stated that "that man I had in there was from the cannery", so I left the store that night with the thought in mind that I wasn't very interested in taking inventory of the stock out there unless I had somebody else with me to verify the stock which I would take, and also that this other party and I would live on the premises for a week to ten days until the stock was completely taken. This thought was conveyed to Mr. Milson and the stock later offered for tender without the inventory being taken.



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

VANCOUVER, B.C.

TO .....

FROM *No. 14* .....

SUBJECT .....

*"Sun"* FEB 16 1944

**AUCTION  
SALE**

High-Grade Household Furniture and Medical Office Equipment.

Thursday, February 17  
Starting at 1:30 p.m.,  
210 Powell Street (Upstairs)

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian, pursuant to the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

Walnut bed, dresser and bench, 2 green leather chesterfields, 3 tapestry chesterfields and chairs, Duo-Therm heater, walnut dressers, tables, wardrobes, walnut end and chesterfield tables, Congoleum squares, mirrors, maple breakfast set, Empire combination gas and coal range, McClary combination gas and coal range, heaters, Toronto couch, wicker baby carriage, coal oil and electric heaters, battleship linoleum, gas plate, kitchen cabinet, gramophone.

AND

Medical Cabinets, tables and trays, 4-drawer steel filing cabinets. And many other items too numerous to mention.

Terms of sale—cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**  
AUCTIONEERS AND APPRAISERS  
PA. 3564



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
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TO FILE

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM Yarc. "Sun"

SUBJECT No 32

JUNE 27/44

**AUCTIONS**

**AUCTION SALE**

Radios, Garage Equipment, Household  
Furniture, Adding Machine, Large  
Office Safe, 600 lbs. Assorted  
Nails, etc.

Starting 10:30 a.m.

**Wednesday, June 28th**

Continuing Same Hour June 29

At 992 Powell Street

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943), we will offer for sale the following

**HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ETC.**

Beds, dressers, wardrobes, tables, chairs, stoves, heaters, etc., etc.; 12 English china cups and saucers, part English china dinner sets, new aluminum and enamel pots and pans, alarm and mantel clocks, table lamps, electric vibrators, radio gramophone attachment, selection of new Stanley tools, selection of new pre-war paint brushes, fishing rods, reels and tackle, etc., etc. McClaskey adding machine.

**SELECTION OF MANTEL AND  
CONSOL RADIOS  
GARAGE EQUIPMENT**

1 Bear brake-testing machine, 1 Manly tire changer, selection of new and old skid chains, 1 high-pressure oil tank and dolly, towing bars, roll of barbed wire, steel garage door, metal cabinets, oil cans, large office safe and approximately 600 lbs. new assorted nails, etc., etc.

The radios and household furniture will not be sold until after 2 p.m., Wednesday, June 28th.

The safe, garage equipment etc. will be sold Thursday, June 29th, starting 10:30 a.m.

Terms of sale—Cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**  
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VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM "SUN"

SUBJECT No 31

**AUCTION  
SALE**

**RADIOS, HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE AND LARGE  
SELECTION OF GARDEN  
TOOLS.**

**Wednesday, June 14**

**Starting at 10:30 a.m.**

**at 992 Powell St.**

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

Beds, dressers, wardrobes, tables, chairs, stoves, heaters, large assortment of garden tools including lawn mowers and hose, 2 barber chairs, large selection of crockery, glassware and etc.

**ALSO**

**Radios: Mantel and console.**

Terms of Sale: Cash.

**Thompson & Binnington, Ltd.**

Auctioneers & Appraisers

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JUNE 13/44



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File

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM

Vanc. "Sun"

JUNE 12/44

SUBJECT

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**AUCTION SALE**

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

**Tuesday, June 13th**

Starting at 2 p.m.

**At 250 Cassiar Street**

One Mason & Risch walnut piano and stool, beautiful 3-piece chesterfield suite, 1 bed-chesterfield like new, 1 walnut tea wagon, 1 mahogany writing desk, 1 lazy boy chair with matched stool, 1 mahogany chesterfield table, 2 tri-light lamps, 3 Axminster rugs in fine shape, 1 Axminster runner 25 ft. by 54 inches, 1 electric fireplace, 1 pair matched walnut twin beds complete with Slumber King springs, 1 walnut bed 4 ft. 6 inches, 1 dresser, 2 high boys, 2 bookcases.

**Also Special**

2 high-grade barber chairs with sterilizer and other equipment, 8 bentwood chairs, 3, 8-ft. banquet tables, 2 lawnmowers, 1, 50-ft. hose, and other miscellaneous goods.

**W. G. Willard**

Auctioneers and Appraisers  
MAR. 5542



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TO FILE

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM VANCOUVER SUN.

JUNE 3, 1944.

SUBJECT No. 29

*Sum 6/3/44*  
**Auction Sale**

(Continuation Sale)

LARGE STOCK OF GENTS'  
READY - TO - WEAR,  
CHINAWARE, ETC.

STARTING MONDAY

JUNE 5TH,  
10:30 a.m. Sharp, at

**MAIKAWA'S STORE**

369 Powell Street

and Continuing Same Hour Each  
Day Until Everything is Sold.

Starting Monday we will con-  
tinue selling this new pre-war  
stock of Gents'

Shirts — Socks — Pants — Un-  
derwear (pure wool and mix-  
tures) — Ties — Hats — Dry-  
Back Shirts and Pants — Work  
and Dress Trousers — Sweaters,  
Etc., Etc.

ALSO

Large selection of Crockery —  
Glassware, Etc., Etc.

Terms of Sale, Cash

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**

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TO FILE

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM VANCOUVER SEN

MAY 30, 1944

SUBJECT 1628

**AUCTION SALE**

Radios, Frigidaire Cabinet  
with Unit (like new), Ches-  
terfield Suites, and Large  
Selection of Household Fur-  
niture.

**WEDNESDAY, May 31st**

Starting 10:30 a.m.,  
at 992 Powell Street

Under instructions from the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

Frigidaire Cabinet with Unit, one  
Steam Press and Boiler, 2 Ches-  
terfield Suites, Beds, Dressers,  
Cupboards, Stoves, Chairs, Car-  
penter Tools, Garden Tools, large  
selection Glassware, Crockery,  
Marine Searchlight, Marine Com-  
passes, Etc., Etc.

— ALSO —

Large selection of Radios—Man-  
tel and Console, Battery and  
Electric Models.

Radios and Furniture will not be  
sold before 2:00 p.m.

Terms of sale, cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**  
Auctioneers and Appraisers  
P.A.C. 3564



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MEMORANDUM

TO.....

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM VANCOUVER SUN.

MAY 25, 1944.

SUBJECT NO 27

(CONT.)

**AUCTION SALE**  
\$6000 Pre-War Stock of  
Gent's Furnishings, High-  
Grade China, Etc.  
Continuing  
**Friday and Saturday**  
**May 26th and 27th**  
10:30 a.m.  
**At 369 Powell St.**  
DON'T MISS THIS SALE,  
EVERYTHING TO BE SOLD  
TERMS OF SALE, CASH  
**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**  
Auctioneers and Appraisers  
*Sun* Pac. 3564 *55*



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IN GREATER VANCOUVER

**Auction Sale**

\$6000 Pre-War Stock of Gent's  
Furnishings, High-Grade  
China, Etc.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

TO FILE

FROM NEWS HERALD

SUBJECT No. 37

Starting Today, May 22nd,  
10:30 a.m. Sharp, at Maikawa's  
Store, 369 Powell St., and Con-  
tinuing Same Hour Each Day  
Until Everything Sold.

MAY 22, 1944

Under instructions from the  
Secretary of State of Canada act-  
ing in his capacity as Custodian  
pursuant to the Revised Regulations  
Respecting Trading with the Enemy  
(1943), we will offer for sale by  
public auction the following high-  
grade pre-war stock of merchandise:

Large stock of gents' pure wool  
dress and work socks, large stock of  
underwear, pure wool and mixtures;  
dress and work shirts, popular  
makes; summer combinations, flan-  
nel trousers, work trousers, serge  
trousers, Iron Man pants, corduroy  
pants, canvas overalls, cardigan wool  
lumber jackets, zipper sport jackets,  
wool zipper and button coats, wool  
jerseys, wool pullovers, large se-  
lection of ties, scarfs, belts, gloves,  
towels, hankies, mitts, tie clips,  
quantity of gents' hats, caps, boots,  
shoes, etc.

Also selection of high-grade  
Chinaware, Lacquerware, Brassware,  
etc.

Don't Miss This Sale.  
Everything to Be Sold.

TERMS OF SALE, CASH.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**

Auctioneers and Appraisers

Pacific 3564



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IN GREATER VANCOUVER

TO FILE

FROM Vanc. SUN

SUBJECT No 26

VANCOUVER, B.C.

MAY 18, 1944.

**AUCTION**

**SALE**

RADIOS, LARGE SELECTION  
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,  
LARGE ELECTRIC CHICKEN  
INCUBATOR, ELECTRIC  
BROODER, FEED TROUGHS,  
2 BARBER CHAIRS, Etc., Etc.

**Friday, May 19th**

Starting 10:30 a.m. at  
992 Powell Street

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943), we will offer for sale the following:

2 barber chairs, 2 Singer sewing machines, gramophones, beds, dressers, tables, counters, show-cases, cupboards, large electric chicken incubator, electric brooder, feed troughs, wheelbarrows, lawn mowers, garden tools, hand saws, Stanley plane, 2 new Atlas lathe chucks, new drill grinding attachment, photography equipment, large selection glassware, crockery, knick-knacks, etc.

ALSO

Large selection of radios, console and mantel models.

Terms of Sale — Cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**

Auctioneers and Appraisers

P.A. 3564



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IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO F.I.L.E.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM "SON"

MAY 8, 1944

SUBJECT No 25

**AUCTION  
SALE**

Radios, Household Furniture,  
Large Egg Incubator, Gar-  
den Tools, Etc., Etc.,

**TUESDAY, MAY 9th**

Starting 10:30 a.m.,

**At 992 Powell Street**

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian Pursuant to the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

Large selection radios (mantels and consoles), modern Moffatt electric range, gas range, modern gas fireplace, Coleman coal oil heater, dressers, wardrobes, beds, tables, chairs, counters, chester field suite, good hose and reel, lawn mower, garden tools, large egg incubator, large selection of glassware, crockery, new toys and Christmas decorations, pots pans, violins, etc., etc.

The radios and household furniture will not be sold until after 2:00 p.m.

Terms of Sale—Cash

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**  
Auctioneers and Appraisers  
P.A. 3564



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO Auction File

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM THE "PROVINCE"

MAY 1, 1944

SUBJECT No. 24

**Auction Sale**

Radios, Frigidaire 4-Hole Ice Cream Cabinets, Electric Button-Hole Machine, Electric Hemstitcher, Beatty Washing Machine, Dental Equipment, Etc.

Tuesday, May 2, Starting  
10:30 a.m. sharp, at  
992 Powell Street

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

Two 4-hole Frigidaire ice cream cabinets with units; three showcases, one ice display showcase, electric button-hole machine, electric hemstitcher, Beatty washing machine, two sets dental cluster lights with stands, complete dental sterilizing cabinets, X-ray tank cabinets, tables, dental press, etc., beds, dressers, wardrobes, tables, chairs, typewriter, cash register, violin, plated ware, dishes, crockery, pots, pans, etc.

**ALSO**

Large selection of radios (console and mantel sets).

The radios, furniture and fixtures will not be sold before 2:30 p.m. Terms of sale, cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Limited**

Auctioneers and Appraisers  
Pacific 3564



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO.....

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM *No. 13*.....

SUBJECT.....

**AUCTIONS**

**Auction Sale**

GARAGE EQUIPMENT and  
SHIP CHANDLERY

**FEB 9 - 1944**  
Thursday, February 10th

Starting 2:30 p.m.  
at 992 Powell Street

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian, pursuant to the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943), we will offer for sale the following:  
1 Kerrick Kleaner (cost over \$900),  
jack tire spreader, battery tester, riveter, overhead hoist, stationary gas engine, oil pumps, oil drums containing oils and greases, measures and cups, rudder guides, shafting and clutch, boat floats, large quantity box wire, lanterns, etc., etc.

**ALSO**

Small quantity of lumber and ornamental garden flower pots.

Goods on view morning of sale.

Terms of sale, cash.

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Royal Trust Building.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
IN GREATER VANCOUVER

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TO.....

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM *No. 12*.....

SUBJECT.....

**SALES AUCTIONS** *P. 17*

**AUCTION SALE** *FEB 9 - 1944*

Large Neon Sign, Sewing Machines, Duo Therm Heater, Beds, Dressers and a Large Selection of Household Furniture.

**Wednesday February 9**  
Starting 10:30 a.m.  
at 992 Powell Street

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations respecting trading with the Enemy (1943), we will offer for sale the following:

Sewing machines, Duo Therm oil heater (like new), walnut dining suite, beds, dressers, Neon sign, chairs, tables, garden tools, warehouse truck, lawn mowers, wheel barrows, etc., etc.

ALSO

Large selection of chinaware, plated silverware, kitchen utensils, pots, pans, etc., etc.

**ORDER OF SALE:** Starting at 10:30 a.m.—Chinaware, silverware, etc., etc. Starting at 3:00 p.m.—Furniture, etc.

Terms of sale: Cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**  
Auctioneers and Appraisers  
Royal Trust Building — PAc. 3564



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
IN GREATER VANCOUVER

**MEMORANDUM**

TO.....

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM *No. 11*.....

SUBJECT.....

**Extraordinary**  
**AUCTION**  
*Sale* — JAN 26 1944  
**RADIOS! P. 19**  
**RADIOS!**  
**RADIOS!**  
THURSDAY, January 27,  
1 p.m., at 992 Powell St.

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

**100 RADIOS—MANTELS AND CONSOLES—VARIETY OF STYLES AND MAKES**

Here is your chance to purchase a Radio. A lot of these machines look like new.

Terms of sale, cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**  
Auctioneers and Appraisers  
P.A. 3564 Royal Trust Bldg.



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IN GREATER VANCOUVER

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TO .....

FROM *No. 10* .....

SUBJECT .....

VANCOUVER, B.C.

*From* AUCTIONS *By*

**Auction Sale**

Household Furniture, Office Fur-  
niture, Stationery, Radios,  
Washing Machine, Sewing  
Machines, Etc.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20  
Starting 10 a.m., at  
992 POWELL ST.

Under instructions from the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
acting in his capacity as Custod-  
ian, pursuant to the Revised  
Regulations Respecting Trading  
with the Enemy (1943), we will  
offer for sale:

Radios, Washing Machine, Sew-  
ing Machines, Walnut Dressers,  
Beds, Chesterfield Suite, Oak  
Desk, Oak Typewriter Desk, Oak  
and Mahogany Swivel Chairs,  
Kitchen Chairs, Tables, Heaters,  
Gas Stove, large and exception-  
ally good selection of garden  
tools, including Lawn Mower,  
Garden Hose, two Lawn Rollers,  
large selection of Crockery,  
Glassware, Pots, Pans, bric-a-  
brac, etc.

Also: Large new stock of Of-  
fice Stationery, Ledgers, Cash  
Books, Envelopes, Scribblers,  
Ink, Crayons, etc.

Starting 10 a.m.: Stationery, Crock-  
ery, Glassware, etc., will be sold.

Starting 3 p.m.: Radios, Washing  
Machine, Sewing Machines and all  
furniture will be sold.

TERMS OF SALE: CASH.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**

Auctioneers and Appraisers  
Royal Trust Building. P.A. 3564.



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO

No. 9

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM

SUBJECT

DEC 15 1943

**AUCTIONS**

EXTRAORDINARY

**AUCTION**

**RADIOS! RADIOS! RADIOS!**

**Monday, December 20,  
Starting 1:00 p.m. Sharp  
at 992 Powell St.**

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity of Custodian pursuant to the consolidated regulations respecting trading with the Enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

**100 RADIOS — MANTELS  
and CONSOLES—VARIETY  
OF STYLES AND MAKES**

Here is your chance to purchase a Radio, a lot of these machines look like new.

On view morning of sale.

Terms of sale, cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**

Auctioneers and Appraisers

P.A.C. 3564

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO

No. 19.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM

SUBJECT

**AUCTIONS**

EXTRAORDINARY

**AUCTION**

**RADIOS! RADIOS! RADIOS!**

**Monday, December 20,  
Starting 1:00 p.m. Sharp**

**at 992 Powell Street**

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On view morning of sale.

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**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**

Auctioneers and Appraisers

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO

No. 8

DEC 16 1943

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM

**AUCTIONS**

SUBJECT

**AUCTION SALE**

Piano and Bench, 2 Large Office  
Safes, Underwood Typewriter,  
Steam Press and Large Selection  
Household Furniture

**Friday, December 17**

Starting 10:30 a.m., at  
992 POWELL STREET

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity of Custodian pursuant to the consolidated regulations respecting trading with the enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

Karn piano and bench, 2 large office safes, steam press, Underwood typewriter, chesterfield suite, dressers and tables, chairs, cupboards, Midget electric stove, burner with oven, also large selection of crockery, glassware, clocks, dolls, Christmas decorations, pots and pans garden tools, carpenter tools, etc., etc.

Everything to be sold.  
Terms of Sale—Cash.

Piano, Safes and Steam Press  
will be sold at 3 p.m.

**Thompson &  
Binnington Ltd.**

Auctioneers and Appraisers.  
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MONDAY, December 20th, starting  
1 p.m., Selling 100 Radios at 992  
Powell St. Don't Miss This Sale!



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO FILE

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM VANCOUVER SUN

MARCH 13, 1944.

SUBJECT No. 18

**AUCTIONS**

**MAR 13 1944**

**AUCTION  
SALE**

Radios and Household Furniture, Duo-Therm Heaters, Sewing Machines, Button Machine, Time Clock, Electric Motor, Etc., Etc.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 14**

Starting 10:30 a.m.,

At 992 Powell Street

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943), we will offer for sale the following:

2 Duo-Therm Heaters, 3-piece Chesterfield Suite (like new), Walnut Dining Suite, Walnut Bedroom Suite, Walnut Coffee Tables, Walnut End Tables, Sewing Machine, Tailor Sewing Machine, Tri-Lite Lamp, Linoleum, Stoves, Beds, Tables, Chairs, Garden Tools, Lawn Mower, Crockery, Glassware, Etc., Etc.

— ALSO —

Selection of Radios—all makes and models.

Terms of sale—cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**

Auctioneers & Appraisers P.A. 3563



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IN GREATER VANCOUVER

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TO FILE

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM VANCOUVER "SUN"

MARCH 8, 1944

SUBJECT No. 17

**AUCTION**

GERHARD HEINTZMAN PIANO,  
RADIO, HOUSEHOLD AND OFFICE FURNITURE.

**Thursday, March 9th**

Starting 1:30 P.M.

AT 314 POWELL STREET

Under instructions from the owner and moved from storage for convenience of sale, we will offer for sale the following:

Gerhard Heintzman piano and bench, Majestic and Philco console radios, walnut dinner wagon, walnut dresser, walnut highboy, oak sideboard, trillite lamp, large apartment size Acme vacuum cleaner, electric automatic toaster, electric iron, electric sandwich toaster, marble base table lamp, mantel clock, selection of beautiful English bone china, including cups and saucers, silver-plated tea service, cake plates, bon bon dishes, pots, pans, kitchen utensils, etc., etc.

AND

Portable rotary mimeograph, Remington typewriter, oak office desk, oil heater, oak filing cabinet, oak swivel chair, metal adding machine stand, cheque protectographs, 3 steel book-keeping cabinets, 2 steel counter tops, brass cuspidors, etc., etc.

ALSO

3 Meat Slicing Machines (Berkell and American).

Everything to be sold; no reserve.

Terms of sale, cash.

For a successful auction apply to the undersigned

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**

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IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO FILE

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM VANCOUVER "SUN"

MARCH 1st, 1944.

SUBJECT No. 16

**AUCTION  
SALE**

RADIOS AND HIGH-GRADE  
HOUSEHOLD AND OFFICE  
FURNITURE AND STORE  
FIXTURES, ETC.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 2**

Starting 10:30 a.m.

At 992 Powell Street

Under instructions from the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

2 Office Safes, 3 Showcases, Oak-Type Desk, Office Desks, 2 Walnut Dining Suites, Walnut Coffee Table, Walnut Chesterfield Table, Hat Trees, What-Not, Oil Range, Dressers, Beds, Heaters, Clemson Lawn Mower, Lawn Roller, Garden Tools, Wicker Baby Buggy, 4-Wheeled Carts, Crockery, Glassware, Pots, Pans, etc.

AND

Large Selection of Radios—all makes and types.

Terms of sale—cash.

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AUCTIONEERS AND APPRAISERS

Royal Trust Building, P.A. 3564

**TABLE MISSING  
AT AUCTION**

**MAR 3 - 1944**

William Wills, custodian of alien property, told police that a man walked off with a highly polished walnut table during an auction of Japanese property at a warehouse at 992 Powell St.

A bidder at the sale told the custodian she saw a young man pick up the coffee table and walk out of the building. Later she saw the same man return and pointed him out to Mr. Wills.



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IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO Auction File

FROM Province

SUBJECT No. 15

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FEB 23, 1944

AUCTIONS

**AUCTION  
SALE**

Beds - Dressers - Radios -  
Tables - Chairs - Garden  
Tools, etc. Also a Large  
Quantity of Rope — Differ-  
ent Sizes.

**THURSDAY, Feb. 24th, Starting  
10:30 a.m. at 992 Powell St.**

Under instructions from the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
acting in his capacity as Custo-  
dian pursuant to the Revised  
Regulations Respecting Trading  
with the Enemy (1943), we will  
offer for sale the following:

Beds, Dressers, Radios, Tables,  
Chairs, Wall Cabinets, Heaters,  
Garden Tools including Lawn  
Mowers and Hose, and large se-  
lection of Rope and Tackle used  
by fishermen, large selection of  
Crocery, Glassware, Pots, Pans,  
Knick-knacks, etc.

The furniture, rope and radios  
will be sold at 3 p.m.

Terms of sale—Cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Limited**  
Auctioneers and Appraisers.  
Pacific 3564



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IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO FILE

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM "Province"

SUBJECT 23  
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AUCTIONS Provinces

**Auction Sale**

Radios, Office Furniture, Household Furniture and Late Model 1½-Ton Federal Truck, Dual Tires (Engine Block Cracked by Freezing).

TUESDAY, APRIL 18TH,

Starting 10:30 a.m., at  
992 POWELL ST.

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943), we will offer for sale the following:

Modern oak desks, oak swivel chairs, steel office cabinet, Underwood portable typewriter, chesterfield suite, dressers, beds, wardrobes, lamps, vacuum cleaner, gas radiant fire, gas stove, coal range, heaters, carpenter and garden tools, hose, lawn mower, stone crocks, photography equipment, large selection of crockery, glassware, pots, pans, etc.

And Selection of Console and Mantel Radios (Battery and Electric).

Also 1½-Ton Federal Late Model Truck with Dual Tires, Serial No. 92955. (Block has been cracked by freezing).

The truck will be offered for sale at 2:30 p.m., and the radios at 2:40 p.m.

Terms of Sale—Cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**

Auctioneers and Appraisers  
Pacific 3564

APRIL 15/44.



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE PROPERTIES  
IN GREATER VANCOUVER

MEMORANDUM

TO FILE 12

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM Vancouver Sun

APRIL 4, 1944

SUBJECT No. 22

**SALES**  
**AUCTIONS**  
**APR 4 - 1944**  
**AUCTION**  
**SALE**  
OFFICE FURNITURE—HOUSE  
HOLD FURNITURE and  
RADIOS, Etc.  
**WEDNESDAY, April 5th**  
Starting 10:30 a.m.  
At 992 POWELL STREET  
Under instructions from the Sec-  
retary of State of Canada, acting  
in his capacity as Custodian  
pursuant to the Revised Regula-  
tions respecting trading with  
the Enemy (1943) we will offer  
for sale the following:  
Large office safe, oak desks,  
beds, dressers, tables, chairs,  
wardrobes, cupboards, ranges,  
heaters, mirrors, household  
scales, large selection garden  
tools including lawn mower,  
hose and lawn roller, chinaware,  
glassware, pots, pans, etc.  
ALSO  
Large selection of battery and  
electric radios (console and man-  
tel sets) including 2, short-wave  
converters.  
ALSO  
Quantity of fishing net floats.  
TERMS OF SALE—CASH  
**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**  
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TO FILE

VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM VANCOUVER SUN

MARCH 22nd

SUBJECT No. 20

**AUCTION  
SALE**

**Radios, Household and  
Office Furniture**

**THURSDAY, March 23,  
Starting 10:30 a.m.,  
At 992 Powell Street**

Under instructions from the  
Secretary of State of Canada,  
acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the Revised  
Regulations respecting Trading  
with the Enemy (1943) we will  
offer for sale the following:

Radios, Gramophones, Sewing  
Machine, Chesterfield Suite,  
Studio Lounges, Desks, Adding  
Machine, Steel Filing Cabinet,  
Beds, Dressers, Tables, Chairs,  
Clocks, Health Ray Lamp, Fluor-  
escent Light, Cash Register,  
Electric Heaters, Stoves, Heaters,  
Garden Tools, Mandolin, Crock-  
ery, Glassware, Etc.

Terms of sale—cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**  
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VANCOUVER, B.C.

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MARCH 22nd

SUBJECT No. 20

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Radios, Gramophones, Sewing Machine, Chesterfield Suite, Studio Lounges, Desks, Adding Machine, Steel Filing Cabinet, Beds, Dressers, Tables, Chairs, Clocks, Health Ray Lamp, Fluorescent Light, Cash Register, Electric Heaters, Stoves, Heaters, Garden Tools, Mandolin, Crockery, Glassware, Etc.

Terms of sale—cash.

**Thompson & Binnington Ltd.**  
AUCTIONEERS AND APPRAISERS

PAC. 3564



# AUCTIONS

JUL 6 - 1944

## Auction Sale

High-Grade Office Furniture  
and Store Fixtures

FRIDAY, July 7th

Starting 1:30 p.m.

at 369 Powell Street

Under instructions from the Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian pursuant to the revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) we will offer for sale the following:

Oak office desks, oak typewriter desks, oak 2-section book case, steel filing cabinets, steel cupboards, 14" Underwood typewriter, serial No. 5242255; 26" Underwood typewriter, shiftless pica gothic alphabet, serial No. 5070802; Munro calculating machine, Sundstrand adding machine, ditto machine, oak type and swivel chairs, oak hat trees, National cash register, No. S. 522554 G.G.; tailors sewing machine, approximately 30' shelving with glass sliding doors, large selection metal display stands, bust forms, counters, display tables, large quantity wrapping paper, electric wall clocks, gas heater, fire extinguisher, tables, chairs, etc, etc.

Terms of sale — Cash.

Thompson & Company

Auctioneers and Appraisers

P.A.C. 3564

No. 33



Kita Registered owner  
Ota Licensed owner

Mat & Co (24 Feb '42)

page 2 Kita a shareholder- Secretary- Naturalized says old employee

3 says Kita has two boats George Bay  
M. 3

administered by Mat Co

Insurance in name Kita loss payable to Mat Co (also page 8)

7 says certain vessels owned by Co (- Kitaka, Rose City &c  
are registered in name Kita

? indicating registered owner not the real owner

? same apply

8 Insurance George Bay and Mat in name Kita with Mat Co as beneficiary

according to Kita while reg in his name  
real owner said to be Ota

11 Ross recommends administer for Ota  
and transfer Title

X? Indicate Beneficial ownership in Coy

Mat & Co Repaid 8 ap w3

page 5 - as advised - 3 vessels the property of the

Sold for \$1550.00 13350.00.

net income from 12580.59

(Income Tax was \$7000)



*Sep 1943. 12 a month. Thompson, Willard.*

In regard to Chattels these were all disposed of by Public Auction  
Some Auctions were held over an extended period. All Auctions were  
well attended and there was a general pattern of keen competition.  
The final results of the policy of liquidation was approximately

<i>5400</i>	Real Property	Greater Vancouver	1,250,000.00	
<i>4500</i>	"	Other Areas	1,250,000.00	
<i>7400</i>	"	Veteran Lands deal	<u>850,000.00</u>	
				3,450,000.00
<i>17000</i>	Household Effects			325,000.00
	Business Assets			450,000.00
	Cars & Trucks			175,000.00
	Fishing Equipment			100,000.00
	Fishing Vessels (J.F.V Disposal Com)		<u>325,000.00</u>	
				4,825,000.00
	Rentals from Property		600,000.00	
	Debts Collected		700,000.00	
	Insurance "		<u>100,000.00</u>	
				1,400,000.00
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				6,255,000.00

To what extent these results acceptable?

Received complaints- in regard to policy of liquidation  
also in regard to prices obtained.

as a result

Standing Committee on Public Accounts considered evidence  
(20 sittings) April 1947 to July

As a result

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July 1947

Hon Justice Henry Bird

Justice of Appeal Court- appointed Commissioner

Public Notice to File claims

in Newspapers from Montreal to Vancouver

1400 claimants covering 2400 units of property

Commissioner heard evidence at

Vancouver, Kamloops Lytton Vernon Lethbridge

Winnipeg Fort William Toronto

Commissioners awards.

Greater Vancouver	260 properties	60,500
other	235 "	237,500
Veterans Land	565 "	632,000
Motor Vehicles	185	18,000
Vessels	125	19,700
Nets	180	52,700
Chattels	900	<u>201,000</u>
		1,222,900

Commissioner concluded that SSB Valuation did not represent fair market value  
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"	Veteran Lands deal	<u>850,000.00</u>	
			3,450,000.00
Household Effects			325,000.00
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Secretary of State  
Hon Norman McLarty  
Hon. Charles Gibson

Dr E. H. Coleman Deputy Custodian

Mr J.W.G. Hunter

Hon Justice Henry Bird-  
Justice Court of Appeal  
July 18 1947

Microfilming Eastman Kodak Recording

Evacuation

" Revoked January 1949

Staff	1942	120
	3	90
	4	70
	5	50
	6-7	30
	8-9	20
	1950-1	5
	2	3

Audits P. S. Ross.

" Auditors General Vancouver Department 1950 51

1200 Fishing Vessels \$325,000.00

War time measure  
suffering never equally distributed

Tashme	Kamloops
Greenwood	Lytton
Kaslo	Vernon
Sandon	Lethbridge
New Denver	Winnipeg
Glocan	Fort William
	Toronto

Catalogues

Commission Awards	V.L.A.	632,200.00
Sold by Liquidators		140,000.00
Rebate charges		95,000.00
Lost Chattels		155,000.00
Office Sales		195,000.00
		<hr/> 1,200,000.00

Office sold 55% of total sales  
" awards 16%

Co-operative Committee handled 1082 cases R J McMaster

Enemy Property \$1,500,000.00



CUSTODIAN took control of property and businesses - March 4, 1942 - P.C. 1665  
FIRST AD in papers offering real property for sale *June 19 1943* July 19, 1943. *Under close* A - 3 numbers  
DATES of first sales *Oct 14 1943* B 10  
AUDIT dates, - Enemy - Price, Waterhouse - Feb. 25, 1947 (period Dec. 11/41 to Dec. 31/46)  
Evacuee - P.S. Ross & Sons - Oct. 20, 1943 (period April, 1942 to July 31/42)  
" " " - June 14, 1947 (period March, 1942 to Dec. 31/46)  
*Turbo audit*  
CLAIMS to be filed by- British Columbia - Nov. 30/47 - Later extended to Dec. 31/47  
Elsewhere - January 15, 1948.

DATE of Commissioner Bird's appointment - July 18, 1947 - P.C. 1810

DATES of hearings:

	<u>Commission</u>	<u>Sub-Commission</u>
Kamloops	Dec. 8 - 12, 1947	May 6 - 18, 1948
Lytton	Jan. 12 - 20, 1948	
Vernon	Feb. 16 - 25, 1948	April 21 - May 3, 1948
Grand Forks	March 1 - 3, 1948	May 25 - June 9, 1948
Nelson	March 8 - 11, 1948	June 14 - 18, 1948
New Denver		June 21 - 26, 1948
Lethbridge	March 22 - April 5, 1948	August 2 - Oct. 15, 1948
Moose Jaw	April 7 - 9, 1948	
Winnipeg	April 12 - 17, 1948	September 1 - 27, 1948.
Fort William	April 21 - 28, 1948	
Toronto	May 3 - 26, 1948	October 5 - Dec. 2, 1948
Montreal	June 1 - 9, 1948	
Vancouver	April 22 - June 17, 1949	

DATES OF CORPORATION CASES - Vancouver Oct. 14 - Nov. 8, 1948

WHEN GOVERNMENT Counsel appointed: J.W.G. Hunter - *Sept 29/47 to 1/5/49?*

*Cambel*

Darrell T. Braidwood -

Law Students: - Carmichael - May 3 to Nov. 15, 1948 )  
Gourlay - May 3 to Sept. 15, 1948 ) 4 months  
Ivens - May 3 to Sept. 15, 1948 )  
Spry - May 3 to Sept. 15, 1948 )

Four Secretaries of State-

McLarty - appointed *Dec 41* Died *Sept 16 1946* Dec. 12, 1948.

Paul Martin - appointed

Colin Gibson - appointed Dec. 12, 1946

Bradley - appointed *1949*

FISHING VESSELS vested in Custodian - August 1, 1942 - P.C. 6247  
Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee - set up January 13, 1942.

Inspection trips made: See separate sheet

V.L.A. Appraisals - May 4, 1942 (first one)

VISITS to Vancouver of Hon. Norman McLarty - January, 1945.  
K.W. Wright -

G.W. McPherson - *April 1945*  
*May 10 1944*



Miss Secchi, London Office - trip to Victoria - August 25 - 27, 1947

F.G. Shears trip to Ottawa, Public Accounts Committee - April 12 to June 2, 1947

Lunch, Peckham ( P.S. Ross ) - March 20, 1947.

Miss Foy Transferred to Ottawa - Sept. 21, 1946.

Paul Douet commenced Ottawa Office - Oct. 15, 1946.

Paul Russell in London Office - July 1946.

Glenn McPherson to Brussels *by 10/45* - Oct. 1945 - *Oct 7/46 - end*

Glenn McPherson, Vancouver - Aug. 17, 1946.

" " arriving Ottawa (ill health) - July 17, 1946

Trip to Winnipeg - with K.W. Wright, re taking )  
over German Counsellor property and inves- )  
tigation of U.L.F.T.A. - Jan. 17 to Feb. 5th, 1946.

F.G. Shears at Clinton, Ont. - Dec. 22, 1944.

Visit of Dr. Coleman - Mar. 10, 1942 (approx.)

F.G. Shears, Winnipeg *Jan/46* - Oct. 31st to Nov. 2, 1944.

G.W. McPherson in Vancouver *Mar 14/42* - About Sept. 10, 1944 *10th May/44*

Alexander left - Oct. 31, 1943 (actually left Sept. 17/43)

Trip to Winnipeg with Dr. Coleman and G.W. McPherson - May 7 to 16th, 1943.

F.G. Shears appointed Assistant Manager and Acting Manager - July 31/42

Manager - Sept. 1, 1942.

Edgar T. Read left Vancouver office for Ottawa - Dec. 2, 1942.

Dates Third floor - Rm. 315 - Jan. 1/44 - June 30/45

Dates 14th floor used - Rm. 1404 and hlf. of 1405 - Feb./42 - May/42

" 9th " " - 910 & 912 - Sept. 1/42 - 1409 - Feb. 1/42 - Jun 30/42

Dates Steveston office in use - June 1/42 to Oct. 31/45

P.C.U. Annual meeting - 29 Dec. 1942

*Miss Carroll left for Ottawa - Feb/43*



Custodian took control of property and businesses  
First ad in papers  
Dates of First sales

Audit dates, both enemy & Evacuee      Enemy - Feb. 25/47 (Pr. Waterhouse) (Dec. 11/48-31/46)  
Mar./42 - Dec. 1/42      Evac. - June 14/47 (P.S. Ross) Oct. 20/43 (Apr. 1/42 - Sept. 1/42)  
Claims filed by certain date - Nov. 30th. Later extended to Dec. 31, 1947 for B.C. in  
Jan. 15, 1948 for elsewhere in Canada  
Date of Commissioner's appointment - July 18, 1947 - O. in C. P.C. 1810.

Dates of hearing:	Commissioner	Sub-Commissioners
Kamloops	Dec. 8, 1947 - 12th	May 6, 1948 - May 18, 1948
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Montreal	June 1 - 9, 1948	
Vancouver	Apr. 22 - June 17, 1949	

Dates of corporation Cases      Vancouver -      Oct. 14 - Nov. 8, 1948.

When Government Counsel appointed:  
Hunter  
Braidwood

*came from Sept 29/47  
Nov 15/47*

Law Students:

Carmichael	-	May 3 to Nov. 15, 1948
Gourlay	-	May 3 to Sept. 15, 1948.
Ivens	-	May 3 to Sept. 15, 1948
Spry	-	May 3 to Sept. 15, 1948.

*for 4 months*

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McLarty		
Paul Martin	<i>Jan. 1947</i>	Died Dec. 12, 1946.
Colin Gibson	Dec. 12, 1946	
Bradley		

Fishing Vessels vested in Custodian      Aug. 1, 1942 P.C. 6247

J.F.V.D.C.      Set up Jan. 13, 1942.

Inspection trips made:

Staff number at end of each year

*See Report to Stein*

Dates of V.L.A. Appraisals

*1 May, 1942. first*

Dates of V.L.A. (retroactive to 1943)

Visits to Vancouver of McLarty

Wright, - *Jan 15/47*  
McPherson *End of Sept. 47.*

Wright arrived  
left

*Sept - Oct 1948*

Evacuation commenced  
finished

*March 1942  
March 1943*

Collins arrived

left

followed by Pickersgill

followed by ?

Dates and list of Interior housing settlement  
when opened  
when closed

Dates of meeting with Real Estate Board, Vancouver  
Victoria

G.W. McPherson - First arrived in Vancouver on Dec. 10, 1941 for investigation & organization

Automobiles impounded }  
Cameras, Radios & Firearms impounded } March 9, 1942.

- Gov. Notice Feb. 26/42



First catalogue

June 19, 1943.

Trips to Ottawa

Public Accounts Committee

*May 8, 9, 12, 13*  
Apr. 12 to June 2, 1947

Commissioner appointed

July 14, 1947 - P.C. 1810

~~First~~ Evacuation

March, 1942 to March 1943. 21,000

First Auction Sale

*Sept 15/43 - Oct 18/47*

First Property sold by tender

First case heard - Kamloops

Dec. 8, 1947 *See other page*

Mr. McPherson went to Ottawa

Mr. Wright went to Ottawa

*Sept?*  
Oct., 1945.

Surrender

~~Seizure~~ of Automobiles

Appointment of McLarty

Norman McLarty - Dec. 1941 Died Sep. 16/45

Paul Martin

Colin Gibson

Bradley

Dec. 12, 1946

Fishing Vessels seized

Automobiles sold

Restrictions lifted on Japanese from Coast

March 31, 1949.

First P.S. Ross & Sons' Investigation Report

Jan. 30, 1942.

Resignation of Dr. Coleman

Greater Vancouver Advisory Committee

Rural Advisory Committee

*Feb. /43.*

Pacific Co-Operative Union

Storage

Veterans' Land Act

Office started

March 4, 1942. (P.C. 1665)

Number of employees to start with

10

Amount of credit of Jap. evacuees

& businesses

Custodian took control of property owned by  
persons residing in Japan, and were taken  
over by P.S. Ross & Sons for investigation et.

Dec. 18, 1941

Motor Vehicles - Liquidation

July 25, 1942 - first ad for tenders

Registration of Japanese

March 1941 - 24,525

Hastings Park

April 14, 1942.

Repatriation to Japan

Sept. 2/43	- Gripsholm	61
May 31/46	- Marine Angel	668
June 17/46	General Meigs	1106
Aug. 2/46	General Meigs	1377
Oct. 2/46	Marine Falcon	523
Dec. 24/46	Marine Falcon	290



Inspection Trips

Maple Ridge and Haney Fruit Ranchers' Assn. )	May 10, 1949.
Tashme - with Inspector Fryert & Const. Davidson - May 8, 1946.	
Steveston - With Judge Whiteside and Menzies - Oct. 11, 1946	
Steveston - With Representatives of UNRRA - Oct. 15, 1946.	
Haney Box and Haney Mills - with Field & Wright Oct. 12, 1944.	
Inspection re illegal organization buildings - F.G.S. K.W. Wright, Col. Mackie, Mr. Campbell. - Nov. 14, 1944.	
Deep Bay property - McPherson & Field & Shears	April 25, 1944.
Port McNeil and Alert Bay re Dalgarno (F.G. Shears & G.W. McPherson)	May 5 to 8, 1944.
Matsqui - inspecting 4 bulb properties in this district	May 15, 1944
Mission and Hammond, re Haney Box F.G. Shears and K.W. Wright.	July 10, 1944
Victoria, Duncan, Chemainus, Nanaimo, ) Port Alberni, Cumberland, Royston, ) with back to Nanaimo ) car	Jan. 31 to Feb. 5, 1944.
Trip with auditors (Mr. Peckham & Mr. Wright) to Steveston, interviewing Mr. Robinson	Aug. 1943.
With Mr. Justice Sidney Smith and Greater Vancouver Committee	March 22, 1943.



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Dec. 31/46

Evacuee

- P.S. Ross & Sons - Apr. /42 to July 31/42  
Oct. 20/43

June 14/47 - (period Mar. /42 - Dec. 31/46)



K.W. WRIGHT

Began in Vancouver office.

Left for Ottawa

- September ~~or October~~, 1945

Visited Vancouver

- End of September, 1947

December, 1945

To Winnipeg

- January, 1946.



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MAJOR GIBSON, SECRETARY OF STATE  
Born in Hamilton in 1891

of State

Son of Sir J. M. Gibson, K.C. and Lady Gibson, formerly Elizabeth Malloch. Sir J. M. Gibson was Lieut. Governor of Ontario for the period from 1908 to 1914. Major Gibson was educated at Highfield, Hamilton, Kingston Military College, and Osgood Hall and became a Barrister-at-Law. At one time he held the post of Ontario Land Surveyor. He married Florence P. Kerr, his sons being, Major Desmond Gibson, Lieut. Col. Gibson, Sapper Gibson and John Gordon Gibson.

During the war of 1914-1918 he was attached to the Royal Highland Infantry. He was disabled and won the Military Cross and the Croix de Guerre.

He was elected to the House of Commons in 1940, was elected Member of the Privy Council and has held the Posts of Minister of National Revenue and Minister of National Defence for Air.

In religion he is a Presbyterian.



dates

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Date first vacation (see M - 21.0)

Date of first auction sale

First Property sold by tenders

First case heard - Kamloops - Dec. 8-47

Date Mr. McPherson went to Ottawa

Date Mr. Wright went to Ottawa

Seizure of automobiles

Appointment of {McRarty  
Colin Gibson  
Bradley  
Paul Martin - Jan? 1947.

Fishing Vessels seized  
when automobiles sold

Office started

~~1947~~

No. of employees to start with

Amount to credit of Jap. exonerations

Date restrictions lifted on Japanese foodstuffs March 31/49

<sup>with</sup> P. S. Ross & Sons - Investigation Report - Jan 30/42

Resignation of Dr. Coleman -

Setting up - Gt. Van. Adv. Com  
" " - Rural Advancing Com

P.C. n: ?

Storage ?

V. L. A.



HON. GORDON BRADLEY, K.C. L.L.B. M.H.A.

Secretary of State

Born March 1, 1888, son of Norman M. and Evangeline

Educated at Methodist College, Dalhousie, from which he graduated with L.L.B. in 1914

He studied with Mr. Kent who later was Mr. Justice Kent.

After being called in 1915, he went into partnership with Sir A.B. Morine with whom he practiced from 1918-21.

He started business alone in 1922 and was named a K.C. in 1928.

He was a Minister without Portfolio in the Munro Government until in 1926 he rebelled with 5 or 6 others and became an Independent and was elected in 1928 with a huge majority as an Independent.

In 1927 he was appointed Solicitor General and was later on the Liberal opposition in 1932-33 when they came into power and he became head of the Treasury Department and was on the Legislative Committees of Public Health Statutes and Consultation of Statutes.

He married Ethel Louise Roper and has one child.

His societies are represented by the letters A.F. & A.M., I.O.O.F., AND L.O.L.A.

He is now a member of the United Church of Canada.

Stevenson with Packham  
interview Robinson

Aug 1943

John Smith + J Van Gant

Mar 22 1943



Clinton Dec 1904.

✓ Jan 1946

Post marked New Bay - 9.4. May 5/8 1964

Vic. Duran. Chamanis. Karamis



1880 Feb 10 Met  
1885 Mar 3 231

Aug 29 1901 Met left for Van  
May 15 1901 Left West Coast  
17 1901 for Van  
June 6 1901 Brought Van  
12 1901 Left Van for Wagon  
June 27 1901 On to Wagon  
July 3 1901 returned from Wagon

1910 June 3 our wedding

1910 Sep 10 Camp

1912 Wagon

1914 May 10 Van

1914 Met Van  
1914 Met Van

1916 Jan 12 Van

1917 June June Van

1919 Sep 22 Van

1920 Apr 12 Van

1922 Nov 1/3 1st Wagon

1922 Dec 1/2 2nd Wagon

1926 Sep 1 Wagon

1934 Sep 8 our wedding

1935 Aug 27 Grand

1938 Apr 11 Frank

1941 Apr 25 wedding Van 1940

1941 May 15 Joyce

1943 July 22 Van 1940

1945 May 8 John

1947 Nov 22 Lawrence