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**BUREAU HASTINGS PARK**  
**OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN**  
**JAPANESE SECTION**

FILE NO. 603

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

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

NAME: KUROYAMA, Shigeru  
 HOME ADDRESS: P. O. Box 428, Steveston, B. C.  
 REGISTRATION NUMBER 04267 SEX: Male AGE: 22  
 OCCUPATION: Fisherman

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

EMPLOYER: Sanusuke Kuroyama, (Father)  
 MARRIED? No  
 NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None  
 ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None  
 NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: None

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: None  
 AGE OF CHILDREN: None

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None
2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None
3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) None
4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) None
5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) None
6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) None



7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: None
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: None
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN None

**STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED**

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 8 room House, at 320 Alexander St.,  
Vancouver, B. C.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Lived with his sister Mrs. Sumiko  
Kasho, 320 Alexander St., Vanc'r., B. C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: None
4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: None
5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid) None
6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: None

**STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:**

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES,  
EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS: 1 Radio valued at \$65.00 left in the c/o Kelly Plane House,  
Seymour St., Vancouver, B. C.
2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS None
3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR  
CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY None



4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None
5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF  
OTHERS: None
6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom): None
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts): None
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None
9. LIFE INSURANCE: None
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

**LIABILITIES:**

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None
2. TRADE DEBTS: None
- REMARKS: None

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

Dated this 4th day of April 1942.

(Signature) Shigeo Tsurayama

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

*[Handwritten mark]*

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INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE May 26, 1943.

Our File No. 603

Full Name KUROYAMA, Shigeru *Deceased*  
 (Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 04267

Male - Female  
 (Check)

Age Mar. 18, 1919

Former Address P.O. Box 428, Staveston, B.C.  
320 Alexander St., City.

Date Evacuated \_\_\_\_\_ Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
 (Check)

Present Address Interned May 16, 1942.  
Died April 17/44 at New Denver, BC.

Married - Single  
 (Check)

Name of Wife \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Husband \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother (MARTO) Iwa (Japan)

Name of Father Sannosuke #09504

Names of Children under 16 \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by E.C.T.

Registered with Custodian yes  
 (Yes or No)

Additional Information Fisherman.



November 2, 1946.

GENERAL SUMMARY

File No. 603

Shigeru KUROYAMA,  
Deceased.

Reg. No. Q4267.

Shigeru KUROYAMA died at New Denver, B. C. on April 17, 1944. He is survived by his father, Sannosuke, file #6434, who returned to Japan on the S. S. General Meigs, June 17, 1946; his mother, Iwa, in Japan; a sister, Mrs. Sumiko Kasho; and three sisters and one brother in Japan.

Shigeru KUROYAMA was interned on May 16, 1942, but was released unconditionally on September 17, 1943.

The only asset declared by this Japanese was a Radio which he said he had left at the Kelly Piano House, Vancouver, B.C. This radio could not be located by the Custodian and KUROYAMA advised that, as all his papers were surrendered at the Vancouver Immigration building at the time he was taken into custody, he had no material proof regarding his radio and that he wished the Custodian to consider the case closed.

No claims appear on this file.

This summary is certified to be  
in accordance with information  
on file.

*Blawie*

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Files 502, 10047, 3603

April 30, 1946.

MEMORANDUM

To: Miss Matheson.

From: A. G. NeArthur.

Attached are Files 603, Shiguro KUROYAMA, File 10047, Sumiko KAWA (nee KUROYAMA), both of 320 Alexander Street, or 475 E. Columbia Street, or P.O. Box 428 Steveston, B.C., together with File 3603, Saishi KUROYAMA, whose original address was 111 Kingway, Port Alberni, B.C.

I note on the file of Shiguro Kuroyama a shipping bill indicating goods shipped from Nanaimo to the C.P.R. docks which in all probability should be on the file of Saishi Kuroyama of Port Alberni. Just in case these goods may account for shortages, I am directing the attached files to you to make the transfer to your own administrative file as suggested if you agree.



AGN:AS

In the family of Saishi KUROYAMA signed declarations to the Custodian issued around March 20, 1942, and in the declaration of his mother, File 1692, there is mentioned "5 sacks of rice at C.P.R. Wharf, Vancouver," it would appear likely that the shipment of rice and personal effects on the shipping bill were the property of this family, and that the "S. KUROYAMA" referred to is Saishi KUROYAMA. The shipping bill is being removed to 502 file, No. 3603.



MEMORANDUM to File 603

March 21, 1944

Re: Shigeru KUROYAMA, Reg. 04267

There is no record of a vessel owned by this man. His father Sannosuke KUROYAMA did own a vessel.

There is no record of a radio owned by this man. See letter of April 5, 1943.

*Jm*







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5-01

March 27, 1942.

Canadian Pacific Railway Company,  
Freight Traffic Department,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Gentlemen:

This will be your authority to deliver to the undersigned Japanese the articles listed under his name on payment to you by him of all freight and storage charges on the complete shipment:

~ S. Kuroyama

3/3749 ✓

*please*  
1 Basket Effects  
3 Trunks  
2 Boxes Effects  
1 Bag Effects  
1 Carton Effects

Yours truly,

RDR:JB

Manager.



Petawawa Internment Camp  
Petawawa, Ontario,

May 30 1942.

Statement of Assets & Liabilities furnished by:-

P/W P- ..... 1406 ..... KURO YAMA, SHIGERU

A BANK ACCOUNTS: 1. Name of Bank ..... NIL .....  
2. Branch ..... - .....  
3. Cash Balance ..... - .....  
B SECURITIES: 1. Description and Quantity ..... NIL .....  
..... - .....  
2. Where Deposited ..... - .....  
C REAL ESTATE: 1. Description ..... NIL .....  
..... - .....  
2. Location ..... - .....  
3. Municipality ..... - .....  
D INSURANCE: 1. Name of Company ..... NIL .....  
2. Number of Policies ..... - .....  
3. Amount of Each ..... - .....  
E CLAIMS: 1. Nature ..... NIL .....  
2. Amount ..... - .....  
3. Name and address of debtor ..... - .....  
F DEBTS: 1. Nature ..... NIL .....  
2. Amount ..... - .....  
3. Name and address of creditor ..... - .....

Witness

*S. Kurayama*  
Signature

If you have appointed a relative or a friend to look  
after your interests, kindly furnish his name and address.

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

Radio 2



## INTERNMENT OPERATIONS

PRISONER OF WAR BUSINESS LETTER

SHEET \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_

FROM No. 465	TO: The Custodian
NAME KUROYAMA, Shigeru	(Protection Department)
CAMP Angler Internment Camp	501 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Angler, Ontario	Vancouver, B. C.
DATE Sep. 23, 1942.	

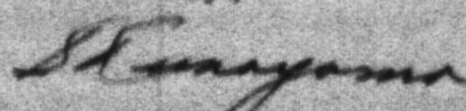
Rec'd	SEP 23 1942
File No.	617
Ans.	
Referred	

Sir:

At the begining of August this year my radio held in custody at Kelly Piano Co. has been turned over to your office, however I have not receive your receipt nor any word in connection with it.

Kindly therefore, make an investigation with my above radio, then let me know at your convenience.

Yours faithfully,



Shigeru KUROYAMA, #465.

DISTRIBUTION	BY CAMP COMMANDANT	BY COMM'R OF INTERNMENT OPERATIONS
ORIGINAL	TO Deputy Custodian, Vancouver.	TO _____
DUPLICATE	TO " " "	TO _____
TRIPPLICATE	TO C.I.O.	FILED
QUADRUPPLICATE	FILED Camp 101	RETAINED BY CAMP COMMANDANT

REMARKS

*Handwritten note:*  
 Had the radio  
 returned to  
 the camp

(E.D.B. Kippen) Major,  
 COMMANDANT OF INTERNMENT CAMP No. 101

REMARKS

COMMISSIONER OF INTERNMENT OF



Int. 617

November 17th, 1942.

The Manager,  
Kelly Piano House,  
Seymour St.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A-465. KUROYAMA, Shigeru.

We would appreciate any information you may be able to give us concerning a radio owned by the above-noted, which he claims to have left in your care.

We have received a further letter from the Internment Camp, which reads in part as follows:

"Radio, Price \$65.00 paid up correct, Kuroyama kept the radio at Kelly Piano house in Vancouver, where he bought it, but he gave permission to Steveston Bakery, Steveston, B. C. to handle this radio, for Kuroyama trusted the Steveston Bakery, so the radio may be in the hands of Steveston Bakery in Steveston, B. C."

We have communicated with the Steveston Bakery, with the result that we received a telephone call from them, stating that they knew nothing of the radio in question.

Any assistance you may be able to render in this connection will be greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

PROHIBITED PROPERTY DEPARTMENT

/ms



617.  
Legal Dept.

912 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.  
March 30th, 1943.

Camp Commandant,  
Angler Internment Camp,  
ANGLER, Ontario.

Re: P/W A-465 - KUROYAMA, Shigeru

Dear Sir:

We wrote you some time ago as follows:-

"We are in receipt of letter of September 23rd, 1942, from the above noted, in which an inquiry is made concerning his radio.

We have been unable to locate a radio registered in the name of Shigeru Kuroyama on our records. The Steveston Bakery, mentioned in your letter of July 15th, 1942, has no knowledge of the radio in question.

In order to ascertain whether or not this radio is held at the Kelly Piano Company, it is necessary to have the serial number and model number, together with the number of the receipt given to all Japanese by the Kelly Piano Company, when their radios were taken in. Therefore, will you kindly have the internee paraded for the purpose of obtaining this information."

Will you kindly parade the internee and obtain from him all particulars he is able to supply to assist us in locating this radio.

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT,  
Counsel to the Custodian.

HK.



NOTICE OF RELEASE

Internee's No. **J 485** Name **KUROYAMA, Shigeru**

Camp **ANGLER, Ontario**

Residence: **520 Alexander St., Vancouver, B.C.**

At time of internment: **B.C. Security Commission**

To which proceeding on release: **17 September, 1943.**

Date Released from Internment

Authority **R.C.M.P. letter dated 18 September, 1943.**

Conditions **Released unconditionally.**

*H. N. Streight*  
(H. N. Streight),  
Colonel,  
Director, Prisoners of War.

Ottawa, **27 September, 1943.**

Copy:

R.C.M.P.  
Custodian ✓  
Dependents' Section  
Chief Postal Censor  
Fyle

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN	
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AMOUNT BY	FILE



15416  
C O P Y

360 Hager Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.,  
October 19, 1943.

Commandant,  
Angler Internment Camp,  
Angler, Ont.

Dear Sir:

Re: Seisichi MASAGO #04476 Tashme  
Shigeru KUROYAMA 04267 New Denver  
Shoichiro NISHIKAWA 00548 New Denver

Understand the above men, who moved from your Camp recently to the destinations shown above, left behind their personal belongings, and you have asked the Custodian of Alien Property for disposition of same. It will be in order for you to send all personal necessities up to 150 lbs. each by baggage.

I am requesting the Baggage Department here to instruct their Agent at Angler to check this baggage free of charge on the ground that no baggage was checked on the transportation supplied them, and this authority should arrive there within a few days after you receive this letter.

On receipt of the checks, will you please mail those for New Denver to our Supervisor there, and the one for Tashme to our Supervisor at that point. The Tashme baggage should be checked to Hope, B. C.

Any baggage in excess of this should be held there, or disposition secured from the Custodian, as we are not interested in transporting it at this time.

Yours very truly,

BRITISH COLUMBIAN SECURITY COMMISSION

CWF:FF  
C.c. Gen. Files.

#C. W. Fisher  
Transportation

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Custodian of Alien Property  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Your file in Legan Section, Oct. 7th.  
Mr. K. W. Wright



EVACUATION SECTION	
REC'D	MAY 1 4 1951
FILE NO	605
APPROVED	
SIGNED	

Department of the Secretary of State  
 Office of the Custodian  
 1185b Royal Bank Building  
 Vancouver, B.C.

May 8 1951

Dear Sir!

I am the father of SHIGERU KUROYAMA, formerly of the town of STEVESTON, B.C. But now residing at village of MIO, County HIDAKA prefecture of MIYAGAWA JAPAN. I understand we could get the share of the RIVER NISHI CO LTD. My son is deceased now, and would like to know if I could get his share of distribution. If so I hereby authorize and empower you to pay over to EICHI SAKATA of the town of STEVESTON, B.C.

Transferred to file 10047 yours truly  
 Shunmiko KASHO (sister of deceased with whom he lived)  
 Returned to Japan 24 Dec 1946  
 over income 200

4489

S. Kuroyama



603 & 6434

15th May, 1951.

Mr. Sannosuke KUROYAMA,  
Mio-Mura,  
Hidakagun, Wakayamaken,  
Japan.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant, we regret that we cannot pay Eichi SAKATA your portion of the distribution from the assets of the River Fish Company in the amount of \$44.89. This money as you know belonged to your son who died at New Denver in 1944, and since we have no authority on file to allow you to dispose of these funds, the above amount has been transferred to the account of Mrs. Sumiko KASHO, with whom your late son lived in Canada.

Mrs. Kashe returned to Japan in December 1946, and at that time received an advance of \$200.00 from the Dominion Government of Canada, and this money will be paid to the Government to apply on this advance.

Yours truly,

C.H. Reed,  
Office of the Custodian.

CHR:HA