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Victoria B.C.

FILE No. 717

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: ONISHI, OTOKICHI

HOME ADDRESS: 1540 Fort St., Victoria, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 10084 SEX: Male AGE: 49

OCCUPATION: Cleaner & Presser doing business under name of
junction pressers, 1540 Fort St. Victoria B.C.
(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: Self

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE ~~ONISHI, MATSUNE~~ Matsune 1675ADDRESS OF WIFE ~~ONISHI, MATSUNE~~ 1540 Fort St., Victoria, B.C. 1675

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Sumie (F); Hidiko (F) Kazuo (M) Yasuko (F)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Sumie at 351 Powell St., Vancouver, B.C.
(Rest at 1540 Fort St., Victoria, B.C.)

AGE OF CHILDREN: 27yrs; 17 yrs. 15 yrs. 14 yrs.

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

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

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS. **None Dog - Rusty**

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS. **All sold, except Singer Sewing Machine - Electric - New and being looked after by A. Wild, 1914 Birch St., Victoria, B.C.**

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: **None**

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid) **None**

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: **None**

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: **\$30.00 monthly rental - paid up to 31st March '42.**

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: **H. B. Anderson, 724 Linden Ave., Victoria, B.C.**

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: **1540 Fort St., Victoria, B.C. 5 room - 1 story house - frame.**

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN: **None**

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

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: **None**

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom)
None7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
3 x \$5. War Saving Certificates. - \$15.00 - In Safety Deposit Box
4 x \$50. Victory Loan Bonds - \$200.00 - In Safety Deposit Box8. BANK ACCOUNTS: Savings Acct. # 057 - Canadian Bank of Commerce, Oak Bay Branch, Victoria, B.C. Amount \$ 600.75.9. LIFE INSURANCE: \$2,000. Monarch Life Ins. Co., Victoria, B.C. Policy #85677. Beneficiary - wife Matsune. in Safety Deposit Box10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: #80 - Canadian Bank of Commerce, Oak Bay Branch, Victoria, B.C.

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None2. TRADE DEBTS: NoneREMARKS: Pressing None Cleaning business sold previous to registration, for cash

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 30 day of March 1942.Wm. McMur

Witness

(Signature)

O Onishi

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Sept. 29/43

Our File No. 717

Full Name ONISHI, Otokichi
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 10084

^V
Male - Female
(Check)

Age Oct. 5/1891

Former Address 1540 Ford St., Victoria, B. C.

Hastings Park, B.C.

Date Evacuated 17/9/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address c/o Mr. G.E. Trueman, 174 Spadina Ave., Toronto, Ontario

380 Sumach St., Toronto Ont 24/6/46

^V
Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife ^{nee} (ADACHI) Hatsuno #10071

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother ONISHI, Mitsu (Dec'd) Name of Father Tsunehei (Dec'd)

Names of Children under 16 Kazuo(M) Apr. 9/27 #16107

Yasuko(F) Nov. 14/1928

Requested by G. M.

Registered with Custodian Yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Cleaner & Presser. Owns Car & House & Property

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 717

August 12, 1947.

Re: Otokichi ONISHI, Reg. No. 10084

On December 9, 1942, a claim in the amount of \$513.35 was filed against Otokichi ONISHI by Renfrew Brothers, 1012 Yates Street, Victoria. ONISHI was advised of this claim on March 3, 1944. He was asked if the claim was correct and if he was prepared to instruct us to use his Victory Bonds to apply on this debt. (Owner of \$400.00 in Victory Bonds in Custodian safe keeping) On March 19, 1944, ONISHI replied as follows:

"Renfrew Bros. B. C. Dye Work claims to be \$513.35 but I can understand that big amount. Because we send cleanings Dyeing Garment since 1928. \$25.00 to \$30.00 weekly. We agree to pay every week in think since 1935. Cut down price about half. Agree agen. Pay by cash every day to 1942. What made so big amount. Because Renfrew Bros. never claim or statement give to me. Now he know we are Evacuation April 1942. After evacuation 23 months now."

This information was passed on to Renfrew Bros. in letter of April 6, 1944, with the request for a complete detailed statement of the account. Renfrew Bros. replied on August 19, 1944, enclosing a statement and stating that many statement had been mailed to ONISHI and many personal requests for payment had been made. ONISHI had made promises to pay but had not done so.

On August 22, 1944, we informed Renfrew Bros. that as there was a considerable difference of opinion about the claim we were unable to do anything to assist them at that time, and suggested they deal direct with ONISHI in regard to settlement.

This file reveals no other liabilities of any kind.

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

Frances May

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 717

August 12, 1947.

Re: Otokichi ONISHI, Reg. No. 10084

This man signed a declaration to the Custodian on March 30, 1942. He was evacuated on September 9, 1942.

CHATELS

On his JP form he declared that all his chattels had been sold with the exception of a sewing machine which was left with A. Wild, 1914 Birch Street, Victoria. Mr. A. Wild appears to be in the Real Estate business in Victoria and was the Business Agent of ONISHI. On September 22, 1942, a letter was sent to Mr. Wild requesting confirmation of the fact that he had in his possession a sewing machine belonging to ONISHI. Wild replied on September 24, 1942, that he had received a request from Mrs. ONISHI on June 5, 1942, for the sewing machine and also two boxes and a carton. He stated that he had received authorization for the shipment of these articles and on June 11, 1942, had received a letter from Mrs. ONISHI at Hastings Park, telling him that she had received the goods. (Release form for these chattels is on file of Mrs. ONISHI, File No. 1675) A letter dated February 13, 1943, from ONISHI states that he received three boxes and his sewing machine, but had lost about \$200.00, and to ask Mr. Wild about this. We replied on February 22, that we did not feel like troubling Mr. Wild further but if he wished to give us fuller details on any claim he may have had to make or any particulars of the loss of his \$200.00 we would be glad to secure further particulars from Mr. Wild. No reply was received from ONISHI and no further steps were taken in regard to this loss.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES

Car

ONISHI did not mention ownership of a car on his JP form but on March 13, 1942, a letter was received from Mr. Wild advising us that ONISHI was the owner of a car subject to an unpaid agreement with the Begg Motor Company in Victoria. He had been informed by ONISHI that \$600.00 was owing to the Begg Motor Company. Mr. Wild stated that he had interview the Manager of the Company, explaining to him the position, and the car was transferred through the proper avenues to the Begg Motor Company, and later sold. Mr. Wild was advised to discuss this matter with the Police as all Japanese had been instructed to deliver their cars to the Police.

Radio

A Philco radio belonging to ONISHI was seized by the R.C.M.P. on February 21, 1942. This radio was sold by auction on May 19, 1944, for the net sum of \$34.00, and the proceeds credited to ONISHI's account. On July 24, 1947, ONISHI was informed of the sale of his radio and requested to send us the R.C.M.P. receipt in order that the proceeds could be sent to him. As yet no reply has been received and the funds are still in his account.

ANIMALS

ONISHI declared ownership of a dog named "Musty". This file does not reveal what happened to the dog.

BANK ACCOUNT

ONISHI reported an account of \$600.75 in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Oak Bay Branch, Victoria. This item was not brought under the control of the Custodian.

OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

ONISHI reported three \$5.00 War Savings Certificates, four \$50.00 Victory Bonds, and a \$2,000.00 policy with the Monarch Life Insurance Company, in Safety Deposit Box #80, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Oak Bay Branch.

On February 29, 1944, we received a letter from Mr. Wild informing us that ONISHI had requested him to send him the contents of his Safety Deposit Box. Wild stated that he had obtained authorization to open the box and when he discovered the box contained bonds, papers, and documents, he had immediately taken the entire contents to the M.C.M.P. office and declared them. He then contacted our representative, Mr. H. G. Hinton, who advised that the contents be forwarded to this office. A list of the contents of the box is filed behind Mr. Wild's letter of February 29, 1944. Among the items in the box were the War Savings Certificates, Victory Bonds, and Insurance Policy reported by ONISHI on his JP form.

We wrote ONISHI on March 3, 1944, informing him that we were in possession of the contents of his Safety Deposit Box and that all the items were being sent to him under separate cover, with the exception of the Victory Bonds and a Japanese Bond found in the box. These Bonds were placed in Envelope 411 in Custodian Safety Deposit Box. ONISHI replied on March 19, 1944, that he had received the contents of the box, and that the Victory Bonds were the property of his wife and the Japanese Bond was the property of his daughter.

On July 24, 1947, ONISHI was advised that \$30.00 has been placed to his credit, representing interest to date on \$200.00 Dominion of Canada Bonds, and on our receipt of a written request, signed by him and his wife, the Bonds would be sent to the Royal Bank, Toronto, for account of Mrs. ONISHI, and a cheque for \$30.00, in favour of her, would be forwarded to her. As yet no reply has been received from ONISHI.

This file reveals no other property of any kind.

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

Frances May

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File No. 717.

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

April 6th, 1944.

Otokichi ONISHI - Reg. No. 10084

CREDITORS:

1. Renfrew Bros., B.C. Dye Works \$513.35

see ltr. Aug. 22/44

AMC:DE

No claims on wife's file #1675.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

EXHIBIT REPORT

No. _____

HEADQUARTERS File No. 422-68-3-3-56

Vancouver, Is. Section
SUB/DIV'N & File No. 3-64

DIVISION & File No. 254

DETACHMENT & File No. Victoria, B.C.

422, 252/2/1-23

DATE March 2nd, 1942

Re: Osikichi OHASHI - Japanese Registration (30084 Yellow)

On: Feb. 21st, 1942 Constable T.C. Mathers.

Came into possession of the following described goods by seizing same under authority
of Defense of Canada Regulations, Feb. 21st, 1942

No. of Exh.	No. of Packages	Qty. or Value	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
1	1		One Radio Philco 1937 model, Serial No. 3 62782. Radio Lic. No. D.175432 for 1941-2 issued to George Ohashi.

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T.C. Mathers Cst.
T.C. Mathers, Reg. No. 12100.
(Signature of member submitting report)

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Form 244

EXHIBIT REPORT

No. 790

HEADQUARTERS File No.

SUB-DIV'N and File No. Vancouver

DIVISION and File No.

DETACHMENT and File No. C.I.B.

(Jap Reg. 10084)

DATE March 20th, 1944

Re: Oikichi ONISHI, Victoria, B.C.

(Name of File)

On July 30th, 1943

(Date)

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F.R. Jefferson, Cst.

(Member's Name)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Handed over by R.C.M. Police, Victoria, B.C.

(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. OF EXHIBIT	No. OF PACKAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1		Philco radio 1937 model, Serial No. S-62781. Radio Lic. No. D175633 for 1941-2 issued to George Onishi.
			✓ 717

REMARKS: Handed over to the Custodian of Alien Property.

DATE MAR 23 1944

(State briefly disposition)

L. B. Spain
(Signature of Recipient or Witness)

for Custodian

F. R. Jefferson
(Signature of Member)

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Reg. #10559-01

CONVEYANCING
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INSURANCE
(EXCEPTING LIFE)

OFFICE: G 5443
RENDERING: E 2587
RESIDENCE: E 2587
REAL ESTATE

PATENT ATTORNEY
FOR CANADA AND U.S.A.
FOR PATENT AND U.S.A.
TRADE MARKS, DESIGNS
AND COPYRIGHTS

J. ARTHUR WILD

NOTARY PUBLIC

1207 DOUGLAS STREET
(SCOLLARD BUILDING)

VICTORIA, B. C.

March 12th, 1942.

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,
Authorized Deputy of the Custodian,
1404 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Having observed the newspaper notice to persons of the Japanese race, I am writing you in regard to a party by the name of George Onishi, who resides at 1540 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C.

I may say that I have been a business agent of this party for nearly twenty years. He has been undertaking a cleaning and pressing business in this city, and has raised a family of four or five children, and in all respects, as far as one could observe, proved a respectable and good citizen during that period. I have undertaken considerable amount of his business, such as making out his government returns and assisting in any transaction, financial or otherwise which would be necessary from time to time.

The main reason I am writing you is because of the fact that he was the owner of a car subject to an unpaid agreement with the Begg Motor Company in this City, and when the Japanese were informed that they would likely be moved from this area, he wished me to take charge of whatever business he had here, and for that purpose he gave me a Bill of Sale, covering his equipment and sundry furniture with the object of trying to sell his business, and I advertised for someone to purchase this business of cleaning and pressing, and arranged with the landlord of the premises, who is a British Subject, the matter of rental so that there would be no loss, and I have received two or three inquiries, and was negotiating when I observed your notice in the paper. May I continue these negotiations and report to your department the result, or have I to cease further attention with the possibility of considerable loss and difficulties arising which might be avoided if I am permitted to use my efforts to sell this business, and the other goods and chattels listed with me by Mr. Onishi?

Furthermore, I beg to report that prior to February 26th, I had discussed with Mr. Onishi, the position of his automobile, and he informed me that he was owing over \$600.00 to the

MF

John H. C. C.

Yours truly,

Trusting, however, that you will not feel it necessary to disturb any matters which have already been consummated, I remain,

hear from you, and will endeavour to co-operate quite fully. department will appreciate the position, and I will be pleased to with regard to the Japanese in this City, I feel sure that your and because of the uncertainty and varying reports and statements endeavoured to prevent loss and unnecessary complications or delays, regulations or requirements. Acting as agent for Mr. Onishi I parties quite openly, and without any intention or desire to evade proceedings have been taken as between myself, Mr. Onishi and all other registered owner of this car. I may add that the whole of the pro- a transfer from them to a bona fide Purchaser, who is now the avenues to the Beggs Motor Company and their account satisfied, and him the position, and this car was transferred through the proper Beggs Motor Company, and I interviewed the manager, explaining to

March 26, 1942.

J. Arthur Wild, Esq.,
Notary Public,
1207 Douglas Street,
Seollard Building,
VICTORIA, B. C.

Re: Mr. George Onishi

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 12th instant inquiring regarding the status of your negotiations with Mr. Onishi and in reply wish to advise you that if Mr. Onishi has not yet been evacuated and has not voluntarily surrendered his property to the Custodian, that there will be no objection on the part of the Custodian's office to you continuing your negotiations.

Once Mr. Onishi is evacuated, his property will automatically vest in the Custodian and, from that time forward, the property can only be dealt with subject to the approval of the Custodian.

With respect to the motor car, I would suggest you discuss the matter with the Police, as, under the provisions of the Order of the Minister of Justice, the Japanese were directed to deliver their cars to the Police.

Yours truly,

Manager.

CLD/dm

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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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OFFICE: G 5443
RESIDENCE: E 2587

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1207 DOUGLAS STREET
(COLLARD BUILDING)

VICTORIA, B. C.

September 23rd, 1942.

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PATENT ATTORNEY
FOR CANADA AND U. S. A.

TRADE MARKS, DESIGNS
AND COPYRIGHTS

Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Under date of June 5th I received a request from G. O. Onishi to forward to him two boxes, one carton box and one sewing machine, four boxes in all and under date of June 4th, I received the authority from your Department and approval signed by James N. Rose to send these goods to Hataune Onishi, registration #10071 and through Messrs. Heaney's of this city the goods were dispatched and under date of June 11th, I received a letter from Hastings Park from H. Onishi that she received the sewing machine and two carton boxes.

This would, I presume, be the sewing machine to which you make reference in your communication of September 22nd, your file #717 and Otokichi Onishi #10084 as I have no knowledge of any other Singer Sewing Machine being held to the order of Mr. or Mrs. Onishi.

Perhaps you will explain why this correspondence has arisen and oblige,

Yours truly,

J. Arthur Wild

JAW/DH

PHONE Garden 4641

VICTORIA, B. C.

Qualitative
Dec. 7 1942

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IN ACCOUNT WITH

CLEANING
PRESSING



DYEING
REPAIRING

1012 Yates Street

Terms Cash

*The Custodian of Japanese Property.
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver B.C.*

Dear Sir:

*Please find enclosed our claim against
Junction Presses, 1540 Fort St. Victoria B.C. formally
operated by Genzo Onishi.*

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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*Yours Truly
R. Renfrew.*

*acknowledgment card sent
18/12/42
S.F.*

PHONE Garden 4641

VICTORIA, B. C. Dec. 7 1942

M. *Junction Pressers*
G. Onishi 1540 Fort St.

IN ACCOUNT WITH

CLEANING
PRESSING



DYEING
REPAIRING

1012 Yates Street

Terms Cash

To Cleaning & Dyeing of garments

~~\$~~ 513 35

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
DEC 9 1942

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 21 1943
File No.	717
Ans.	
Referred	Green

January 14/43
Sandson B.C.

Dear Sir

Received Your Special Request,
11th. Monday. When Leaving Victoria
Last May. Custodian officer Mrs McCather
Registered My Property but. We Did Not
Get Copies "J P" Forms I. Left 5 Box
of Good and 1 Sewing Machine I. Last
Good. app. Box, if you wanted
know about My Property ask to
Mr. J. A. Wild 1207 Douglas St. Victoria
Mr Wild know My Property

Yours Truly:

George Otokichi Onishi

Feb 13 / 43
Sandson BC

EVACUATION SECTION	
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Ans.	B. C.
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Dear Sir

Received your attention. I left
Nothing Left Protected area when
We Moved to Hastings Park. Left
3. Box. at 1540 Fort. St. Victoria after
Moved Sandson I. but that 3. Box.
Kitchen Good & another Tool and
Sewing Good. but We Lost about
\$200.00 Dollars. This if you wanted
Know. Ask to Mr J. A. Wild
1207 Douglas St. Victoria B.C.

Your Truly
S. O. Onishi

MEMORANDUM

September 24, 1943.

TO: File No. 717
FROM: Specified Articles Department.

Re: ONISHI Otokichi, Reg. No. 10084

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
RADIO	✓ Philco 1937 model Serial No. S 62781 Radio Lic. No. D. 175633 for 1941-2 issued to George Onishi	

Sold by Auction 9/5/44 - Van. 20.

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VICTORIA, B. C.

Rec'd	MAR 2 1944
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February 29th, 1944.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,
Custodian's Office,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir: re G. O. Onishi et al.

Mr. George O. Onishi and family are evacuees at present residing at 380 Sumach Street, Toronto, Ontario. He is a Japanese who was engaged in business in the city of Victoria for a considerable number of years at 1540 Fort Street. The writer acted as his agent to some extent over a period of years and there is a certain amount of correspondence on file between your Department and myself in connection with this party.

I was not aware that he was the owner of a safety deposit box until quite recently when on January 28th last he forwarded to me deposit box keys with instructions to forward the contents to him at Toronto. I presented his request to the bank and finally obtained the necessary authority to open the safety deposit box and remove the contents.

When I discovered that the box contained bonds and papers and documents in Japanese I immediately took the whole of the contents to the R.C.M.P. office and declared them. The Sargeant having a friend, an official, who understood Japanese somewhat just in a general way, was informed that most of the Japanese papers consist of the family history and the Japanese Bond was issued from Seattle on the Yokohama Bank. We then contacted your representative, Mr. H. G. Hinton, and after conversation with him he advised that I should forward the whole of the contents of the box to your Department and have you deal with the same and forward to Mr. Onishi in the manner that you consider proper.

I beg to attached a schedule of the papers and documents which I am forwarding to you, and would appreciate your acknowledgement of the same and your suggested procedure in the matter.

I remain,

Yours Truly,
J. Arthur Wild

JAW/DH
Encls.

DOCUMENTS FOUND IN BOX #80 AND ENTERED AT
THE ROYAL BANK OF COMMERCE, FEB. 28/1944.

- ✓ 1. Japanese Passport, No. 0343515 - Mrs. Hatsuno Onishi - dated February 25th, 1938 - and papers re same.
- ✓ 2. Passport No. 183898 - Hatsuno Onishi - December 19th, 1921.
- ✓ 3. Passport No. 135734 - Otokichi Onishi - July 9th, 1918.
- ✓ 4. Immigration Identification Card dated April 20th, 1938.
- ✓ 5. Envelope marked "A", containing large quantity of Japanese papers, principally presumed to be family historical record.
- ✓ 6. Birth Certificates.

Kazuo Onishi at Victoria, B. C. - April 9th, 1927 - male. ✓
Yasuko Onishi at Victoria, B. C. - Nov. 14th, 1928 - female. ✓
Hideko Onishi at Victoria, B. C. - May 10th, 1924 - female. ✓
- ✓ 7. Promissory Notes.

T. Yonida - June 1st, 1932 - \$531.50
T. Yonida - Jan. 19th, 1933 - \$552.76
Receipted account T. Yonida.
8. Japanese Bond presumably on the Bank of Yokohama.
- ✓ 9. Dominion of Canada Bonds.

K4 H010419 - \$ 50.00 - 1951 - June 1942. - Bearer)One coupon
K4 H388587 - 50.00 - 1951 - June 1942.)clipped.
K8 H267451 - 50.00 - 1954 - Sept. 1942)
K8 H267452 - 50.00 - 1944 - Sept. 1942) All coupons attached.
- ✓ 10. War Savings Certificates.

A4716894 - \$5.00 - Kazuo Onishi - 15-7-41.
TA1251334 - 5.00 - Kazuo Onishi - 15-8-41.
TA1647377 - 5.00 - Yasuko Onishi - 15-9-41.
- ✓ 11. Monarch Life Insurance Policy - No. P85677 - George O. Onishi - November 13th, 1935 - \$2000.00 - Endowment at 65.
- ✓ 12. Manufacturers' Life Insurance Policy - No. 818583 - George O. Onishi - 20 year Endowment - October 1st, 1941.

Ortman Wild

3rd March, 1944.

J. Arthur Wild Esq.,
1207 Douglas Street,
(Scollard Building),
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Otokichi ONISHI.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo enclosing the contents of safety deposit box No. 80 at the Canadian Bank of Commerce as per the schedule you forwarded.

Mr. Onishi declared to us on his registration form dated 30th March 1942 that the bonds, war saving certificates and life insurance policies had been deposited in the safety deposit box. Under our Order-in-Council securities do not automatically vest in the Custodian and we usually have no objection to the securities being forwarded to the owner.

We notice that a claim has been filed against Mr. Onishi for an unpaid account and we are today writing Mr. Onishi asking if he acknowledges this debt and whether he is prepared to use the bonds in payment. We are forwarding to him the rest of the documents with the exception of the Japanese bond which in any case would be retained by this office, it being a foreign security.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and as mentioned we will handle the matter from now on.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/PMB

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 27 1944
File No.	717
Ans.	
Referred	Shears

380 Sunnyside St.
Toronto Ont.
March 19/44

Dear Sir

I. Received, Security Pass, Comment.
With ant. 4. Victory Bond, 1. Japanese Bond.
4. Victory Bond, co. Belong to. Hatake Onishi
1 Japanese Bond. 10 yrs Belong to Hatake Onishi
If you like. Then Bond Custodian
affairs. I. won't official. Received.

Kenfem. Bros. B.C. Dry Work. Claim To
513.35 but. I. can understand that.
Req. amount. Because we. Land. Cleaning
Dyeing Garment. Since 1928. 25.00 to 30.00
Weekly we agree to pay. Every Week
I think Since 1925. Cut down Price about
Half. Agree again. Pay. by Cash Every Day.
to 1942. May. Make to Req. amount.
Because Kenfem Bros. never claim on
Statement. Give to me. Now. he knows
We are. Evacuation. April 1942.

after evacuation 23 months now.

Yours Truly,

O. Onishi

NAME ONISHI, Otokichi

REGISTRATION NO. 10024

FILE NO. 727

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at 992 Powell Street, Vancouver on May 19th, 1944.

Philco console

\$ 34.00

Total	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$ 3.40
	(Advertising: 0.58
Less Expenses:	(Moving: 0.23
	(Storage: 1.00

\$	34.00
\$	5.21
\$	28.79

Net Proceeds Credited:

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering list No.

Vancouver 20.

Remarks.

August 22nd, 1944

Messrs. Renfrew Bros.,
1012 Yates St.,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

re: Otokichi ONISHI #10084
(Jacket Pressers)

We have for acknowledgment yours of the 19th instant regarding your claim of \$513.35 against the above named. We have conveyed the contents of your letter to ONISHI, but as there is evidently a considerable difference of opinion about your claim we are afraid we cannot do anything to assist you at this time.

We suggest that you continue your endeavours with ONISHI direct. His present address is:-

Registration No. 10084,
380 Sumach Street,
Toronto, Ont.

Yours truly,


AMCATND

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.



TOM RENFREW

RENFREW BROS.

B. C. DYE WORKS

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Phone Garden 4641



BILL RENFREW

PRESSERS

REPAIRING



BOB RENFREW

1012 Yates St.

Victoria, B. C.

Aug. 17, 1944

Dept. of the Secretary of State.
Office of the Custodian

Dear Sir:

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	AUG 22 1944
File No.	717
Ans.	
Referred	McDonald

File No. 717

Re. Junction Pressers. ^{sent to you}
Otokichi Onishi

Enclosed please find our statement for the amount of \$513.35.

Many statements have been mailed to Onishi and I have made many personal requests for payment of this account. Onishi made promises to pay but to date not one cent has been paid on this account.

Yours Truly

RENFREW BROS.
B. C. DYE WORKS

By R. Renfrew



TOM RENFREW

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Junction Pressers
 In Account With *Otokichi Onishi*

RENFREW BROS.

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BILL RENFREW

PRESSERS

TERMS CASH

1012 Yates St.

Victoria, B. C.



BOB RENFREW

File No. 717

Aug 19 1944

Balance of 1931 Account.			
Nov. 21, 1934	Account		446 00
Dec. 1, "	"		8 45
" 7, "	"		8 45
" 13, "	"		5 40
" 22, "	"		6 10
" 28, "	"		19 35
Jan 4 1935	"		7 90
			<u>11 70</u>
			\$ 513 35

July 24th, 1947

Mr. Otokichi ONISHI,
Registration No. 10084,
380 Sumach Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

It would appear that all the property left by you in the protected area has now been accounted for and we now carry at credit of your account \$28.79 nett proceeds of radio, which was surrendered by you to the R. C. M. P. Will you please forward the receipt which you had for this radio, or failing receipt, sign the enclosed form and return to this office, when we will consider drawing cheque for the amount and forwarding to you.

We also carry to your credit \$30.00 representing interest which we have collected to date on \$200.00 Dominion of Canada Bonds. These bonds you advise belong to your wife Hatsuno ONISHI and on written request signed by both yourself and your wife these bonds will be forwarded to Royal Bank, Toronto for account of Mrs. H. Onishi, and a cheque in favour of her mailed to above address for \$30.00 covering interest as stated above.

Please give all of the above quick attention so that your file may be completed and closed.

Yours truly,

W. G. Nutter
Office of the Custodian

WGN:BK
Encl.

380 Sumach Street,
Toronto, Ontario,
Nov. 10th, 1947.

Mr. W. G. Nutter,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese evacuation Div.,
Vancouver, B. C.,

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	NOV 15 1947
File No.	717
Ans.	
Referred	Bill

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of July 24th, 1947, I would like to have you send us the net proceeds of the radio which was delivered to the R. C. M. P. prior to our evacuation; together with the exact and itemized statement of the sale of the above mentioned. We insist that the statement would accompany the cheque which you have proposed to forward us.

We also would like to make the written request here to have you send us the credit of Thirty dollars (\$30.00) which represents the interest from the Two Hundred dollars (\$200.00) Dominion of Canada Bonds in cheque payable to Hatsumo ONISHI, and forward the said bonds to the Royal Bank, in Toronto, and kindly notify us that when this is done so.

Yours truly,

O. Onishi
H. Onishi

*P.S. Kindly transfer the Bonds to
Royal Bank of Canada
Jones and Gerard St. Branch
Toronto, Ont.*

DECLARATION IN REGARD TO LOST RADIO RECEIPT

I, Otokichi ONISHI, Reg. No. 10084 of 380 Sumach St., Toronto, Ont.
do hereby declare:

1. That I owned Philco Radio, 1937 model, serial number S 62781 and that I delivered this radio to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police on the 21st day of February, 1942, and obtained a receipt therefor.
2. That I have made a most diligent search for the said receipt. I have not found the same and the sole reason for the non-production of the receipt is that it has been lost or accidentally destroyed.
3. That I, Otokichi ONISHI, the owner am therefore now entitled to the proceeds of my radio.

DATED:

Nov 10/47

SIGNED:

O Onishi

PHONE PACIFIC 6131

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO.

717 & 1675

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

808 ROYAL BANK BLDG.
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE
VANCOUVER, B. C.

December 17, 1947

The Royal Bank of Canada,
Hastings & Granville,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Hatsumi ONISHI, Reg. No. 10072

Attached are Dominion of Canada Victory Bonds, as follows:

K-8 H267451 - \$50.00

K-4 H010419-\$50.00

K-8 H267452 - \$50.00

K-4 H388987-\$50.00

which we request you to send to the Royal Bank of Canada, Jones and Gerrard Streets Branch, Toronto, Ontario, to be held for Mrs. Hatsumi ONISHI, of 380 Sumach Street, Toronto, Ontario.

Enclosed is the sum of 75 cents in payment of your fee for this service.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

/FM
Enclosures (5)

DEC 19 1947
THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA
VANCOUVER, B.C.
[Signature]
PRO MANAGER

December 10, 1947

MEMORANDUM

File No. 717

TO: Miss Matheson

FROM: E. Robertson

Otokichi ONISHI, Reg. #10084
Envelope No. 411 - Safety Deposit Box

In accordance with your request the following Bonds have been removed from Envelope No. 411 - Safety Deposit Box, today, and are herewith attached:

Dominion of Canada Victory Bond K8 H267451 - \$50.00
Dominion of Canada Victory Bond K8 H267452 - \$50.00
Dominion of Canada Victory Bond K4 H010419 - \$50.00
Dominion of Canada Victory Bond K4 H388587 - \$50.00

(Above Bonds belong to Hatsuo ONISHI (wife) - file 1675).

1 Japanese Bond. (This Bond belongs to Hidiko ONISHI, daughter).

/ER

Attached - 4 D/C Victory Bonds - Total \$200.00
1 Japanese Bond

E. Robertson

717 & 1676

December 19, 1947

Registered

Mr. & Mrs. Otokichi ONISHI,
Reg. No. 10084 & 10071,
380 Sumach Street,
TORONTO, Ontario.

Dear Sir & Madam:

Enclosed is Custodian cheque for the sum of \$62.54. This cheque is made payable to both of you. The funds making up the amount of the cheque are as follows:

The net proceeds of the sale of the radio surrendered by Mr. Onishi amounts to \$28.79.

The sum of \$33.75 represents interest on \$200.00 Victory Bonds belonging to Mrs. Onishi. A total of \$34.50 was credited to your account from this source, but the fee charged by the bank for transferring the four Bonds to Toronto was 75 cents, and this charge was paid from the funds in the account.

The bonds which have been sent to the Royal Bank of Canada, Jones and Gerrard Streets Branch, Toronto, to be held for Mrs. Hatsuno Onishi are as follows:

K-8 H267451 - \$50.00
K-8 H267452 - 50.00

K-4 H010419 - \$50.00
K-4 H388587 - 50.00

The receipt for 10 yen on account of 100.yen Japanese Bond, which we understand is the property of your daughter, Miss Hideko Onishi, is enclosed with this letter.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the enclosed cheque and of the 10 yen receipt.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

/FM
Enclosures (2)

1925 May 5th.
Kempis Bond Sales agent
917 American Bank Building
Seattle, Washington.

Receipt of ¥1000 (yen)
On Account of ¥10000 Bond
(yen)

HIDEKO, ONISHI,
FEMALE.

upon full payment of
Balance. ¥9000 yen, shall
Receive ¥10000 Bond,