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**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 INFORMATIONNAME: SAITO MatsuaroHOME ADDRESS: Taira Camp, Stillwater, B. C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 10221 SEX: Male AGE: 44OCCUPATION: Logger

(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: Robert McNair - Stillwater, B. C.MARRIED? YesNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: ShinADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: JapanNAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Suzuko (F); Noboru (M)ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: JapanAGE OF CHILDREN: 18; 14.**STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY** (Each parcel must be mentioned and particulars given)1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

None3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) None4. 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: Stillwater, B. C. Camp

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: R. McHair

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 Royal Oak-cup; 1 Chinook cup; Cross-cup; 3 wedges; 4 cross-wedges;

1 Peavee; 2 axes; 2 saw-handles; 1 saw hammer; 1 sledge hammer; 1 saw gauge;

1 spring board; 1 sledge hammer; located at Stillwater camp.

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)

1 \$50.00 Victory Bond in owners possession.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: ~~\$2000.00~~ Savings \$2076 deposited in the Royal Bank of
Canada, Main & Hastings amount \$300.00

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: Green bungalow, wooden frame at Shisuioka in Japan

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 19th day of March 1942.

(Signature)

Matsutaro Saito

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date 2/4/43

Our File No. 1250

Full Name SAITO, Matsutaro
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 10221 ^V
Male - Female
(check)

Age July 12/1897

Former Address Taira Camp, Stillwater, B.C.
Powell River, B.C.

Date Evacuated March 21/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National ^V
(check)

RETURNED TO JAPAN
S. S. MARINE FALCON

Present Address Thunder River, B.C. 24th DEC. 1946

^V
Married - Single
(check)

nee
Name of Wife (SAITO) Shin (Japan)

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother _____

Name of Father _____

Names of Children under 16 Noboru(M) 14 (In Japan)

Requested by J. Spratt

Registered with Custodian Yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Logger

GENERAL SUMMARY

File No. 1250

October 7, 1947.

Re: Matsutaro SAITO, Reg. No. 10221

This man signed a declaration to the Custodian on March 19, 1942. He was evacuated on March 21, 1942, and repatriated to Japan on December 24, 1946.

Prior to his evacuation, SAITO, was employed as a logger by the McNair Shingle Company, (Taiga Camp) Stillwater, B. C.

CHATELS

SAITO reported logging equipment left at Stillwater camp. As the evacuation from Stillwater was very sudden, the Japanese had no time to arrange for the shipment or storage of their goods. Mr. Green's memo of April 30, 1943, states that it was impossible to identify ownership of the tools left in the camp, and for the most part, equipment left at Stillwater could not be accounted for. Nothing further can be done in regard to SAITO's tools, and as he has returned to Japan, it is not likely that there will be enquiries as to the whereabouts of his equipment.

MONEY OWING

The following note, signed by Miss Matheson, and dated September 15, 1947, appears on the Claims Sheet filed under date of December 15, 1943.

"A claim in the amount of \$50.59 was filed against M. EBISUZAKI Co. by Yoshikazu SUZUKI, File 2510, for wages owing to Matsutaro SAITO. This sum, according to letter of June 16, 1945, from SUZUKI, was paid to SAITO by SUZUKI. The sum of \$50.59 has been received from M. EBISUZAKI Co. and has been credited to the account of Yoshikazu SUZUKI."

BONDS

SAITO reported 1 \$50.00 Victory Bond in his own possession. This was not brought under the control of the Custodian.

BANK ACCOUNT

SAITO reported an account in the Royal Bank at Main & Hastings, of about \$300.00. This was not brought under the control of the Custodian.

This file reveals no other property.

This file reveals no liabilities.

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

Frances May
October 7, 1947.

MEMORANDUM (COPY)

April 30, 1943.

To: Files
From: Mr. Green

There is very little that can be done in the way of protection of Japanese property at Stillwater.

Mr. Logan visited this place in June, 1942, and reported on A/76 as follows:

"The two camps, Taira and Suzuki, are reached from Stillwater as follows:

4 miles by car
9 miles by boat
1 mile on foot
4 1/2 miles by boat
4 miles on foot.

Total - 22 1/2 miles

No one can get in without Mr. McNair knowing as his craft must be used to cross the lakes.

Mr. Logan checked all the equipment to be found in the two camp bunk houses and lists are given herewith. It was quite impossible to decide which tools belonged to which man. Additionally, there are also some tools left in the bush which can only be located by the Japanese themselves.

In short, such equipment as has been left behind is perfectly safe as it could not be removed without Mr. Nat McNair knowing about it. However, for the most part it cannot be identified and we shall therefore have to advise the Japanese concerned that we can only assume that the tools they have declared to the Custodian are actually there. It would cost more than the value of these tools to take them away."

Unfortunately, it appears that this report is a little optimistic as thefts of the McNair's Company equipment has since taken place. There is nothing, however, that can be economically done as appears from Mr. Nat McNair's letter of July 21st on file 2876 written in answer to a request of Mrs. Hideo MIYAMOTO for shipment of some of her effects. This is quoted below for the benefit of other Stillwater files.

"I cannot ship you any of the enclosed articles as they are away back in the woods. And as the camp is shut down there is no way to take this stuff out only by packing it on your back. And it is impossible to get anybody to do that. Especially these times."

WFG:IF

711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
475 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B.C.,
January 30th, 1947.

Custodian of Enemy Property,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ 200.00
A 7c

Dear Sir:

1250
Re: SAITO, Matsutaro #10221

Please note that the above has been repatriated to Japan. At the time of repatriation, the following transactions took place:

Cash turned in - - - - - \$ Nil

Draft Issued - - - - - \$ 169.55

It will be seen that this Japanese is indebted to the Department on account of repatriation in the amount of \$ 200.00. Therefore should you receive further funds on this account such funds should be turned into this office. It will be applied first to recoup the expenditure made and, second, if there is any surplus such surplus will be remitted to Japan for the account of the Japanese in question. The sum of \$30.45 was deducted from grant to cover excess freight charges.

Yours truly,

F. G. Coburn
F. G. COBURN,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FGC/EJ.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Sent	AUG 18 1949
File No.	1250.
Re:	
Referred	

404 Federal Bldg.,
325 Granville St.,
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
VANCOUVER, B.C.
August 16, 1949

Custodian of Enemy Property,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

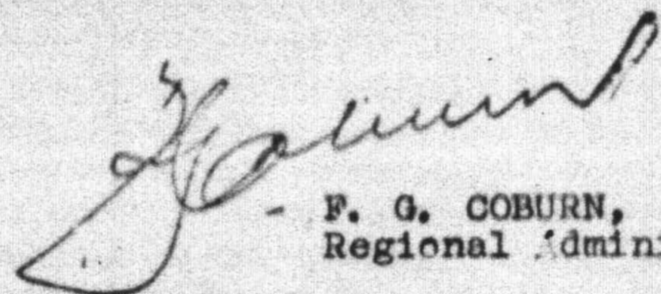
TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$183⁶⁵

Re: SAITO, Matsutaro - 10221

This will acknowledge the sum of \$ 16.35
received from you on account of the above mentioned which
has been accounted for by this office in the proper manner.

There has been no No. 2 Receipt issued in
this instance.

Yours truly,



F. G. COBURN,
Regional Administrator.

FGC/RM.