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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: **OTSUTANI, Ichimatsu**HOME ADDRESS: **Taira Camp, Stillwater, D.C.**REGISTRATION NUMBER: **10372** SEX: **M** AGE: **37**OCCUPATION: **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: **Mr. Masuzaki, Stillwater, D.C.**MARRIED? **None**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: Taira Camp Bunkhouse, Stillwater, B.C.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Mr. Taira, now at Hastings Park.
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:

*Don't use
Taira*

Owing to hasty departure tools etc. as per list attached were left partly at the bunkhouse and partly in the bush at Stillwater, 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

Personal Property of OTSUTANI, Ishimatsu, Reg. No. 10272

1	7' Simond cross-cut saw Bucking	\$11.50
1	7' 5" " " "	12.50
1	7' 5" Royal Chinook cross-cut saw Bucking	17.50
1	7' " " " "	15.00
1	8' " " " " falling	19.00
2	8 lb. Wedges, \$1.76 ea.	3.52
2	9 lb. " \$1.95 ea.	3.90
3	9 lb. Falling wedges, \$1.95 ea.	5.85
1	7 lb. Falling wedge	1.54
1	9 lb. Sledge hammer	1.95
1	Peevies	5.00
1	Pickroon	1.25
3 pr.	Saw handles, \$1.25 ea.	3.75
1	Falling axe with handle	4.55
1	Bucking axe	4.55
	65 cords single board at \$2.40 per cord	155.00
	Total:	<u>267.36</u>

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)
None8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None9. LIFE INSURANCE: None10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: About \$100.00 to Mr. Tsukamoto of the Sun Rooming Apts.
on Powell St., Vancouver, B.C. declarant says that he intends to repay this
at the earliest possible moment.2. TRADE DEBTS: NoneREMARKS: 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 19th day of March 1942.

(Signature)

J. Otsu Tani

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE February 11/43

Cur File No. 1264

Full Name Mr. OTSUTANI, Ishimatsu
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 10272

Male - Female
(Check)

Age Dec. 20/1885

Former Address Taira Camp, Stillwater, B.C.

Date Evacuated May 30/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check) ^V

Present Address Slocan, B.C.

Rogers, B.C. Oct/47

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Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife _____

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother Deceased

Name of Father Deceased

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by E. Sutton

Registered with Custodian
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Logger

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15th December, 1943.

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

Ishimatsu OTSUTANI - Reg. No. 10272

CREDITORS:-

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|---------------------------|-------------------|----|
| 1. Mr. Tsukamoto..... | Approx. \$100.00) | JP |
| Extract gives ..rent..... | 60.00) | |
| 2. M. Furuya Co..... | 1.95 | |

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GENERAL SUMMARY

File No. 1264

October 8, 1947.

Re: Ishimatsu OTSUTANI, Reg. No. 10272

This man signed a declaration to the Custodian on March 19, 1942. He was evacuated on May 30, 1942.

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

CHATTLES

OTSUTANI reported a list of logging equipment, some left in the bunk house and some in the bush. He reported also sixty-five cords of shingle board.

The evacuation from Stillwater was very sudden and 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 found in the camps, and there were tools in the bush which could only be found by the Japanese themselves. For this reason, few or no Stillwater chattels have been accounted for, and nothing further can be done in regard to OTSUTANI's equipment unless he should claim for their loss.

LIABILITIES

OTSUTANI reported a debt of about \$100.00 owing to Mr. Masato TSUKAMOTO, File No. 11130, for the Sun Mooring Apartments. On July 2, 1942, a claim in the amount of \$60.00 was filed against OTSUTANI by TSUKAMOTO. This claim was referred to OTSUTANI in letters of December 15, 1943, and March 17, 1944, but no acknowledgment was received. TSUKAMOTO was advised to deal direct on October 8, 1947.

On April 30, 1942, a claim in the amount of \$1.95 was filed against OTSUTANI by M. FURUYA Company. This claim was referred to OTSUTANI in letters of December 15, 1943, and March 17, 1944, but no acknowledgment was received. P.S. Moss & Sons, who are handling M. FURUYA Company, were advised to deal direct on October 8, 1947.

This file reveals no other property.

This file reveals no further liabilities.

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

Frances May
October 8, 1947.

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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 4/76 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

So one can get in without Mr. McHair 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. McHair 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 McHair's Company equipment has since taken place. There is nothing, however, that can be economically done as appears from Mr. McHair's letter of July 21st on file 2676 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."

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