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Victoria B.C.
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. *4567*

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having no property in any protected area.

NAME: **SHIMIZU, Fumiko.**

HOME ADDRESS: **2547 Government St., Victoria, B. C.** REGISTRATION No. **09963**

SEX: **Female** AGE: **21** MARRIED? **Single**

OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER: **Housemaid. (Now unemployed)**

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: ADDRESS:

NAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: ADDRESS:

ADDRESS:

ADDRESS:

I certify that the above information is true and complete and state that I have no property of any kind whatsoever in any protected area in British Columbia.

Dated this **28th** day of **March** 1942.

WITNESS

A. McArthur

(Signature)

Fumiko Shimizu

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Sept. 27/43

Our File No. 1567

Full Name SHIMIZU, Fumiko
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 09963

^V
Male - Female
(Check)

Age Sept. 29/1920

Former Address 2547 Government St., Victoria, B.C.

Date Evacuated 24/9/43

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

Present Address 19 Grandview Ave., Toronto, Ontario

^V
Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife _____

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother ^{nee} (MIYAGI) Hana #10098 Name of Father Kiyoshi (Dec'd)

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by G.M.

Registered with Custodian
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Housemaid

GENERAL SUMMARY

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June 25, 1946.

Re: Fumiko SHIMIZU #09963

On March 28, 1942, this woman signed a declaration to the Custodian in which she stated that she owned no property of any kind in the protected area.

On May 1, 1943, Mrs. Havelock, 162 Robertson Street, Victoria, B. C. reported a radio, belonging to Miss SHIMIZU, in her possession. On December 21, 1944, we informed Miss SHIMIZU that it would be in order for her to arrange with Mrs. Havelock to have this radio shipped. As no further inquiries have been received in regard to this, it is assumed that the radio was shipped.

The personal belongings dealt with in correspondence on this file were those declared by Mrs. Hana SHIMIZU, File 2021, mother of this girl. These are dealt with in the file of Mrs. Hana SHIMIZU.

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

L. Matheson
June 26, 1946.

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August 2nd, 1944

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

(Miss) Fumiko SHIMIZU - Reg. No. 09963

CREDITORS:-

NO CLAIMS ON FILE.

/ND

MEMORANDUM: File 1567

December 21, 1944.

Re: Fumiko SHIMIZU, #09963

One Crossley Model Standard Radio- Broadcast Receiver
No. 1665 J 619

In custody of Mrs. W. Havelock, 162 Robertson St, Victoria.

Possibly shipped 21/12/44 - see letter of that date.

*Markham
June 25, 1945*

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Rec'd MAY 5 1943
File No.
AMS.

162 Robertson St.,
Victoria B.C.

May 1st 1943

G. W. O. Phetson

Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State & Custodian
Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir: This letter is to ask
permission to send a small
radio, to Miss Fumiko Shimizu
at New Denver B.C. (Japanese Colony)

Miss Fumiko, a young
Japanese girl whose mother
(Mrs. Yana Shimizu) did house-
work for me for many years
left her small bedside table
radio with me when her family
left Victoria last April.

I received a letter from

Miss Shimizu saying destructively
was being put in their camp
and that they were to be allowed
to have radios; so I sent said
radio to Fletcher Bros. in Victoria
here, asking that they pack it
and send to said address
of Miss Shimizu.

Fletcher Bros. phoned me
that under orders of the
Provincial Police it was nec-
essary to get your permission
in writing.

Fletcher's description of the
radio is No 1665 J 619
Crossley Model Standard radio
Broad cast receiver, only no
short wave.

As I mentioned before
I have known the Shimizu
family for many years!

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Rec'd On	10 1944
File No.	1567
Ans.	25/16/44
Referred	

19 Grandview Ave.
Toronto, Ont.
Oct 5, 1944

Dear Mr. Green:
I have been advised by
Mr. A. G. Hinton (Victoria cus-
todian of Jap. property) to com-
municate with you as regards
to my personal property.

There are a few articles
that I would like to have
sent as soon as possible and
other personal effects I wish
to sell.

Please advise me as
soon as possible in what way
I could have my request
carried out.

Sincerely yours
Miss Fumiko Shimizu

Everything in Tokus name - some previously
shipped to you & her at New Denver time you
arrived now take down to minimum before
likely to be auctioned. suggest take down.

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October 27th, 1944.

Miss Fumiko SHIMIZU,
Reg. No. 09963,
19 Grandview Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Madam:-

Thank you for yours of October 5th en-
quiring about your effects. Reference to our files
shows that everything was declared by your Mother
though some was previously shipped to her and to you
at New Denver in February of this year against the
request signed by you only.

We are now keeping shipments to evacuees
to a minimum of strictly personal effects -- those
of a sentimental or religious nature -- and expect
shortly to be auctioning the balance. We suggest,
therefore, that you write to your Mother at New Den-
ver and have her see the Supervisor there with the
request that he assist her to fill out the necessary
Release form on her own and your behalf. We will
then co-operate with the B. C. Security Commission in
shipping anything which we think may be permitted to
go forward.

Yours truly,

*may be added in
absence of a person*

H. F. Green
Protection Department

HFG:IF

9 Grandview Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.,

Nov 4, 1944.

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Rec'd	NOV 8 1944
File No.	156792021
Attn.	1611 <i>h</i>
Referred	Green

Mr. F. N. Green

B.C. S. C.

Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Green:

Thank you for the reply to my enquiry regarding my personal effects.

There must be some mistake in your files concerning my mother because she is now residing with me in Toronto. However, she has given me full authority to act on her behalf concerning her property.

There are quite a number of little articles of sentimental value I would like sent out. In fact there are quite a number of things of sentimental value left behind in Victoria, but I know I could not request them all so I am asking for only the most impor-

rather expensive, be here
no urgency, suggest
wait till auctions held.
then set aside to

I tent ones (1) set of silver flatware (knives forks spoons etc) This has been my gift to my Mother, built up each Mother's Day, Xmas, Easter Valentine, and birthday since I was 16!! (2) Rotary sewing machine (a remembrance gift from an English friend (Mr. Charles Steele - now deceased - and a friend of Mr. Carl Pendray manager of B. N. & Paint Co) in Victoria. (3) steam iron - belonging to a Japanese who is now in a B. C. road camp. (4) photograph albums of value only to owner and which contains the only picture of my late father. (5) a powder box (very small) a gift from a young girl friend whose father (now deceased) was once manager of Bank of Nova Scotia (6) flint & feather a gift from my eldest brother

This may all seem rather like a fantastic fairy tale to reclaim all that is dear to our hearts. But if you wish references as to my character and the rest of the Shimizu family you have only to refer to Mr. Harry Smith principal of Victoria High School and Miss Jeanette Cann a teacher in English of Victoria College. Miss Cann has known my Mother for almost 10 years. - My recent

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friends of New Denver will gladly testify as to my character and honesty namely: Miss Helen Lawson choir leader and missionary of the United Church, Miss Lediard head missionary of New Denver and Mr. J. H. Clarke of Cash Service Store in New Denver for whom I worked as head clerk for almost 2 years - my only reason for leaving his employ was to re-vacuate and join the family in Toronto.

I hope that you will do your best to get the release of those articles for me.

Will you please tell me what is to become of those family portraits?

Yours truly

(Miss) Premiko Shimizu (09963)

P. S. There is also Mr. C. L. Cowdrill who was my employer at the Hastings Park Canteen.

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November 21st, 1944.

Miss Fumiko SHIMIZU,
Reg. No. 09963,
19 Grandview Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Madam:-

Thank you for yours of November 4th dealing with the question of your and your mother's personal effects now stored at Victoria. One or two of these items such as the sewing machine and steam iron, we would not normally regard as having a sentimental value, but in view of the circumstances, might be prepared to make an exception.

We are afraid that it will be expensive to identify, extract some of these things especially the smaller items, but if you wish them urgently, please fill in the enclosed forms and send them to the B. C. Security Commission in Vancouver who will then ask for a deposit to cover the cost of this. Alternatively, you could leave matters until we auction effects at the Willows which will be in the near future. In this auction we should not dispose of the photograph albums, of course, but might easily sell the other articles overlooking your request due to pressure of work. As, however, we are afraid that shipment will be expensive if it is made now, we would be prepared, if you prefer to wait, to write a special letter to our Victoria agents and have a copy attached to the goods so that there would be little likelihood of their being sold in error.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

Enc.
HFG:IF

19 Grandview Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.

Nov 29, 1944

Mr. F. H. Green,
Protection Dept.,
B.C. S.C.

Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Green:

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Rec'd DEC 4 1944	
File No. 1567	
Assn.	
Referred	Green

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Thank you sincerely for your prompt attention to my request. I have filled out the necessary form and I hope it meets all the requirements necessary.

The smaller items may seem insignificant to those who are only in charge of affairs, but to the owner it means a lot when one has had them for for as long as I have. Please do your utmost in retaining them.

Yours truly
Sumiko Shimizu 09963

I am prepared to wait until after the auction for the shipment of goods

WAGH to hold

give estimate of cost

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

*CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address: 19 Grandview Ave
Toronto Ont

Date: Nov 29/44

To: The Secretary of State, acting in his capacity as Custodian, Vancouver, B.C.

I, Fumiko Shimizu, Police Registration No. 09063
hereby request you to release to me the under-noted articles stored at

Willows Park

in possession of Custodian

and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to such articles, and ship same through the B.C. Security Commission.

Description of articles wanted:

sewing machine, steam iron, photograph album + picture
 Flint & Fletcher (Pauline Johnson) powder box,
 birthday book, Japanese surie, box of knowledge
 books

Original Address: 2547 Government St

Date Evacuated to Present Address: April 23/42

Total Number in Family: 6

CHARGES:

I agree to pay all charges as required by the British Columbia Security Commission.

Deposit received: \$

Approved:
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: _____

Fumiko Shimizu
(Claimant Signs Here)

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December 21, 1944.

Miss Fumiko SHIMIZU,
Registration 09963,
19 Grandview Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Madam:

We notice that in May, 1943, you requested Mrs. W. Havlock, 162 Robertson Street, Victoria, to ship you a small radio that she had been keeping for you.

At that time you were at New Denver, and permission for shipment could not be granted.

This is to advise that the Custodian has no objection to shipment of this radio now. All arrangements in regard to packing and shipment should be made by you, as this radio was not in our hands at any time.

If we do not hear from you we shall assume that you have had the radio shipped.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

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January 6th, 1945

Miss Fumiko SHIMIZU,
Reg. No. 09963,
19 Grandview Avenue,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Madam:-

Further to recent correspondence, we have now heard from Victoria that they have been able to find and set aside some of the items requested. These are being held in Victoria ready for shipment. They include the sewing machine and powder box but not the silver flatware.

They estimate that it would cost about \$16.20 to ship these items to you and we propose to authorize them to do so charging the cost to some funds we have received from the auction of the rest of your mother's effects. Would you please immediately have your mother write and confirm that we may deduct any necessary amount from these proceeds and we will then request our agents to arrange shipment immediately. Please do not delay this matter as we have gone to some trouble to make an exception to our usual rule of selling all salable items.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

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EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd JAN 29 1945

File No. 2021 1567

Ans.

Registered

Grandview Ave.,

Toronto, Ont

Jan 15, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Green

Thank you kindly for retaining some of our property especially those requested. I advise you to send out the machine and other personal property and have the cost deducted from the auction sale.

I presume there would be other personal effects which would be of no use except to the owner Honda and therefore not saleable. Would you please advise the custodian to put these all together and send them out.

Yours truly
 Mrs. Anna Shimizu
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 Reg No 09963

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February 8th, 1945.

Miss Fumiko SHIMIZU,
Reg. No. 09963,
19 Grandview Ave.,
TORONTO, Ont.

Dear Madam:

Further to recent correspondence we we now hear that shipment of a crated sewing machine and box of effects was made from Victoria on February 5th as per prepaid Bill of Lading attached. We hope that everything will arrive at your end in good condition.

Cost of shipment is as per enclosed bill in the amount of \$17.70 which we are paying from your mother's account as authorized by her on January 15th.

Finally we are sending to you under separate registered cover two small gold rings which our Victoria agents found among your belongings and which they think may have sentimental value.

Yours truly,

H. P. Green
Protection Department.

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EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 8 1945
File No.	1567
Ass.	9/3
Dist.	Green

19 Grandview Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.,
Mar 2, 1945.

Dear Mr. Green

Thank you sincerely for going to so much trouble to retain part of your requested goods and forwarding it to us. The rings arrived in good condition under registered mail. You don't realize how much I appreciated your consideration. With the passing of time and the ensuing commotion connected with evacuation from one town to the other many small items were forgotten. However, I consider myself luckier and more fortunate than others to be given priority over saleable items.

My sewing machine and box have arrived but I cannot receive them until I present my bill-of-lading. Will you please arrange it.

somehow, so that I may take possession without delay. If in the meantime you have already sent the bill-of-lading please disregard this note.

Another item I wish to clear is the fact, I have two Brownie box cameras in possession of the R. C. M. P in Victoria. If this hasn't already been sold would you mind letting me know of the necessary procedure I would have to take before claiming?

Sincerely

Miss Fumiko Shimizu
09963.

P.S. I am quite anxious to know how much my stamp and coin collection rated?

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506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.
March 9th, 1945.

Miss Fumiko SHIMIZU,
Reg. No. 09963,
19 Grandview Avenue,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Madam:-

Thank you for yours of March 2nd and
your remarks showing your appreciation.

While our letter of February 8th re-
fers to a prepaid Bill of Lading being enclosed, we
do not see any enclosure mark on the letter and we
have found a copy on our file which we are sending
you herewith and which we think, if you present this
letter, will be sufficient to enable you to obtain
delivery.

We still have the two cameras but here
again these are registered in your mother's name.
As, however, you are living with your mother, we will
be able to forward these to you if you will send us
the R.C.M.P. Receipt given to you at the time the
cameras were turned in. This receipt will also en-
able us to send to your mother, if required by her,
the proceeds of the radios to which we now turn.

From our enclosures you will see that
the mantel radio was sold for \$5.20 net and the radio
parts and speaker were \$2.80 net. These prices seem
low but we can assure you that there was a very big
demand for radios and anything of value fetched good
prices. We believe other evacuees will confirm this.
Additionally, we are enclosing a list of effects sold
in your mother's name at Victoria totalling \$91.15.

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Miss Fumiko SHIMIZU -

March 9th, 1945.

Total credits to your mother's account will, therefore, be \$99.15 less \$17.70 incurred for packing and shipment of your sewing machine etc. making a net credit of \$81.45. This is in your mother's account and can be sent to her when we have the receipt referred to above together with a request signed by her.

Finally, we are afraid we have no record of your stamp and coin collection and very much hope this will be found included in the box recently sent to you. We see that some albums were put in this which might perhaps refer to these collections. Please let us know if you do not receive everything in order and we will make enquiries though in this connection we are afraid that it will be difficult to find anything as nearly everything is now disposed of at Victoria. This, moreover, was a locality where we have no record of any thefts of Japanese property.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

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April 12th, 1945.

Mrs. Hana SHIMIZU,
Reg. No. 10098,
19 Grandview Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Madam:-

Thank you for your letter of March 26th signed by you and your daughter but written by the latter. We are addressing this letter to you as the money we are enclosing is credited to your account and the cheque, therefore, is made out in your name. There are, however, one or two matters for your daughter to consider.

We are glad that your things were received in good condition, but are sorry to note that your daughter's coin collection is unaccounted for. We rather gather that this was small in volume and value and we are afraid now that it will be very difficult to trace. If, however, you can give us any particulars of how it was packed or what it consisted of, we will make further enquiries. The steam iron which was not found was, we see, put away in some corner and perhaps, therefore, overlooked.

The small scale was thought to belong to your son, James, and has been sold and the proceeds credited to his account. This money could be sent to him on request.

We are now sending you all the funds received from the sale of your effects except \$6.00 being proceeds of sale of the radio and radio parts. We usually do not make these funds available to evacuees without the R.C.M.P. receipt which will also be needed for shipment of your daughter's camera. If, however, you and your daughter will sign and have notarized the enclosed form or some closely similar statement, we will be able to make available to you the remaining \$6.00 and will be able to send your daughter her camera.

Yours truly,

Enc.
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H. F. Green
Protection Department

No answer 25-5-45
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which funds remain
in our hands