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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 INFORMATION

NAME: OKANO TadashiHOME ADDRESS: Box 38, Steveston, B.C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 04180 SEX: Male AGE: 36OCCUPATION: 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: B.C. Packers, Vancouver, B.C.MARRIED? YesNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: TSURUADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND SameNAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: RIYOKO (F) TSUTOMU (M) RUBY (F)NANAMI (F)ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: SameAGE OF CHILDREN: 11, 9, 5 and 3 yrs.

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are)

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable)

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed)

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)



7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS:

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST:

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN

**STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED**

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Cannery house, Steveston, B.C.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

B.C. Packers, Vancouver, B.C.

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:

5¢ per fish

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE:

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

**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 Motor boat "N.W. 039J", \$450 in custody at New Westminster, B.C.

1 set lines \$40, bicycle \$20, 3 cords firewood \$12

All left at Cannery house, Steveston, B.C., in wife's care

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY



4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY:

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS:

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom)

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)

8. BANK ACCOUNTS:

9. LIFE INSURANCE:

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS:

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX:

**LIABILITIES:**

1. PERSONAL DEBTS:

2. TRADE DEBTS:

REMARKS:

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 10th day of Apr 11

1942

(Signature)

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE



INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date 9/12/42

Our File No. 2153

Full Name OKANO, Tadashi  
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 04180 Male - Female Male  
(check)

Age Jan. 9/1906

Former Address Box 38, Steveston, B. C.

Date Evacuated April 13/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(check)

Present Address Greenwood, B. C. c/o C.P.R. - ~~British Columbia~~  
~~British Columbia~~ B.C. Lakevale B.C. (Dec 31/46)

Married - Single  
(check)

nee  
Name of Wife (MUKAT) Tsune #04178

Name of Husband -

nee  
Name of Mother (INABE) Mine #05558 Name of Father OKANO, Sekiji (Dec'd)

Names of Children under 16 Rosie Ryoko (F) 31/8/31 Daniel Tsutomu (M) 8/8/33

Ruby Yumiko (F) 3/8/37 Nanami (F) 7/3/39

Requested by Miss Carroll Registered with Custodian yes  
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Fisherman - owns one lot in Steveston.

Owms Ica camera #180 & Sparton radio #259



July 6th, 1946.

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Tadashi OKANO, Registration No. 04180, File No. 2153

CATALOGUE NO: Direct Sale

PROPERTY ADDRESS: Richmond, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 3, Block "E" of Section 11, Block 3 North, Range 7 West,  
Map 4550, Municipality of Richmond, District of New Westminster.

CLASSIFICATION: Vacant Lot

ASSESSED VALUE: Land Taxes (annual)

\$225.00 \$5.20

TITLE: Registered in the name of Tadashi OKANO

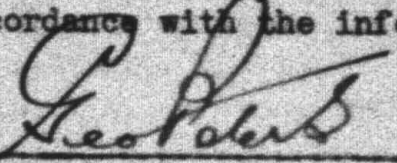
ENCUMBRANCES: None registered and no indication of any unregistered.

Vesting Order No. 26265 Date..September 22, 1943.

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: in his declaration of April 10, 1942, OKANO certified he had no Real Property in the protected area. It was later found he was the registered owner of the above property. Mr. Robinson, Custodian's agent, reported to this office on December 3, 1943, "OKANO is agreeable to sell the above lot to Thomas Leslie for \$150.00 plus 1943 taxes."

A Deed was prepared by the Custodian and signed by OKANO. The Custodian divested this property on January 18, 1944. The amount of \$150.00 was received on January 19, 1944 and credited to OKANO. Back taxes of 1942 in the amount of \$6.22 were paid. A Deed in the name of Mary Eileen Leslie was delivered to the purchaser.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

  
George Peters  
Administration Department

GP/ic



July 5th, 1946.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Re: Tadashi OKANO  
Registration No. 04180

Chattels:

See Summary.

Specified  
Articles:

OKANO did not declare any specified articles or personal property but the file reveals that one Sparton radio, #253730 was taken over by the M.C.M.P., who later handed it over to the Custodian on February 17, 1944. This was sold by auction February 24th, 1944.

One Ica Dresden folding camera was handed over to the M.C.M.P. and taken over by the Custodian on July 11, 1944. Arrangements are being made to have this shipped to OKANO.

Vessels:

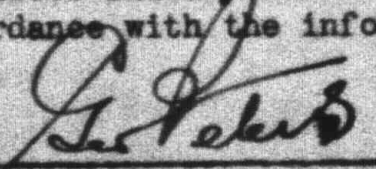
The file reveals the fishing vessel "Rosie M" was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee and paid to TOKANO per U. Sakamoto June 1, 1942.

Life  
Insurance:

The file reveals the above has a policy #2290954 with the Sun Life Insurance Co. As this did not come under the control of the Custodian, no action was taken.

No property interests other than those mentioned above are found on the file.

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George Peters  
Administration Department

GP/ic



July 5th, 1946.

CHattel SCHEDULE

No: Tadashi OKANO  
 registration No. 04180  
Evacuated April 13, 1942

JAPANESE DECLARATION APRIL 10, 1942

*Sold* 1 motor boat "N.W. 039J"  
 - 1 set lines  
 - bicycle  
 - 3 cords firewood

GOODS LEFT AT 98 MONCTON ST. IN THE  
 HOME OF MRS. Iwa Mukai (file #6658)  
SEE MUKAI'S LETTER APRIL 4, 1945

1 box silverware  
 ✓ 1 box Japanese chinaware  
 ✓ 1 box of 92 pce. dinner set  
 ✓ (2 boxes Japanese dolls, she does  
 not want sent, so this will be your  
 authority to sell.)

GOODS REMOVED FROM 98 MONCTON ST. TO  
 #3 AUCTION STORAGE IN THE NAME OF  
T. OKANO (STORED WITH MUKAI) MARCH 22/45

✓ 2 cartons effects  
 ✓ 1 package  
 ✓ 2 cartons dolls

GOODS SOLD AT AUCTION FEB. 24/44  
AND APRIL 6, 1945

Sparton Mantel Radio  
 ✓ Doll  
 ✓ 1 Cushion  
 ✓ 1 Cushion  
 ✓ 8 Cushions  
 ✓ Set of dishes  
 ✓ China etc.  
 ✓ Glassware  
 ✓ China & glassware

GOODS DECLARED BY OKANO BUT NEVER  
FOUND BY THE CUSTODIAN

1 set lines  
 bicycle  
 3 cords firewood

The above schedule is certified to be in  
 accordance with the information on file.

*George Peters*  
 George Peters  
 Administration Department



EVACUATION SECTION	
Recd	SEP 15 1945
File No.	4787
Ans.	
Referred	Mackenzie

Greenwood, B.C.  
September 12, 1945

Department of the Secretary of State  
Office of the Custodian  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.  
Vancouver, B.C.

ATTENTION: Mr. R.B. Mackenzie

Dear Sir:

Further to yours of September 5, 1945,  
in regard to account of Mrs. Mine OKANO, deceased.

Please be advised that my brother-in-law,  
Mr. Hideo OKANO, had full responsibility of Mrs. OKANO  
and, no doubt, he will dispose of her account as he  
thinks best. Please act according to his wishes.

In regard to household effects stored at  
Imperial Cannery I would appreciate it very much  
if you could locate three beds, 1 bureau and 5 chairs  
labelled "T. OKANO". These chattels belonged to  
me and I would like to know how much they were sold  
for.

Please advise me at your earliest  
convenience.

Yours very truly,

*T. Okano*

Mrs. Tadashi OKANO  
Reg. #04178  
Greenwood, B.C.



July 6th, 1946.

CHATEL SUMMARY

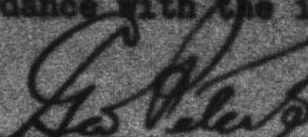
Re: Tadaaki OKANO  
Registration No. 04180  
Evacuated April 13, 1942

In his declaration of April 10, 1942, OKANO declared a few items of chattels which he states would be left in his wife's care.

One set of lines, a bicycle, and 3 cords of firewood were never found by the Custodian. On information received from the Cannery Company, they state they purchased all the firewood on their properties from the Japanese before they were evacuated. We also must assume OKANO disposed of his set of lines and bicycle.

Goods declared by his wife are being handled on her file. On removal of goods from 98 Moncton Street (the owner being Mrs. Iwa Mukai, file #6658), the Custodian's list from Steveston, lists 4 cartons and one package in the name of T. OKANO. Mrs. Mukai was written to, to identify the ownership and she replied this was the property of Tadaaki Okano. In Mukai's letter she requests Mrs. Okano would like one box of silverware, one box of chinaware and one 92 piece dinner set shipped to her. However, the contents of the packages were sold by auction on April 6, 1945, but no silverware was found as mentioned in Mrs. Mukai's letter, or sold.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.



George Peters  
Administration Department

GP/10



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SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: June 21, 1944

Name: OKANO, Tadashi

Reg. No. 04180

File: 2153

Boat File No.: JFVDC 630

Name of Vessel: "Rosie M" 27'4"x6'10"x3'4"(1934) Easthope 6 HP

Lic. or Reg. No.: Vancouver 2271

Naval No.: NW.039-J

Owner's Valuation: \$725.00

JFVDC Valuation: 374.00 Survey #320 NW

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: May 27, 1942

Purchaser: Morris Sutherland

Signature on Sales Papers: U. Sakamoto, Att'y for Tadashi Okano

Selling Price: \$400.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~on Custodian~~: 400.00

Supervision Costs: 6.50

Balance due Owner: 393.50

Paid to: T. Okano, per U. Sakamoto, June 1, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Repairs: Star Shipyard Job 25 - \$172.35 (Paid) *Through Dept of Fisheries*

Additional Information:

*Fin. Section  
July 5, 1946*



September 1, 1949

To: Mr. Good

From: F. Matheson

Case No. 292. Tadashi & Tsurue OKANO. Files 2153 & 475A

Boat Gear - \$9.00 reported, now missing is O.K. The searchlight was not declared, but was found tagged "Okano" at Imperial Cannery storage and is missing. No other member of Okano family has claimed for this so far.

Notes - \$36.00 declared, not found is O.K. 1 Set Lines declared - not found.

Miscellaneous

Auction - \$117.60 for \$64.50 xxx	)I do not understand these figures. )The total claimed for Miscellaneous )is \$455.00. These figures add )up to \$466.50, when the other )\$67.00 is included.
Missing - 214.90	
" - 67.00 (50% of No Record)	

Attached is an Analysis I have prepared. I have grouped the goods under "Auctioned", "Declared Not Found" and "No Record". Reasons for placing individual items in these groups are given.

The figures I have reached, after giving claimant the benefit of all doubtful items, are,

Auctioned - \$172.00 for \$58.00 xxx
Tender - 12.00 " 1.50 (1 bed, 3 beds claimed for \$36.00)
D.N.F. - 127.40
No Record - 143.10
455.00

xxx - The total proceeds of auction sales for claimants were - \$83.20. This sum is made up of \$24.00 from sale of radio for which no claim is filed, and \$1.20 for miscellaneous items that do not appear in the itemized list of miscellaneous chattels on amended claim.

NOTE Mrs. Hideo Okano, sister-in-law of Tadashi Okano, is claiming under Case No. 310 for some of the goods listed in the inventory that Mrs. Tadashi Okano signed as representing her property.

*F. Matheson*

Mrs. Tadashi Okano has claimed \$13.50 for a kitchen cabinet (not previously declared by her. Mrs. Hideo Okano declared a cupboard and, as a result, the kitchen cabinet found at Imperial Cannery was taken to be Mrs. Hideo Okano's property. In claim Case #310 it is shown that Mrs. Hideo Okano left her buffet at some place other than Imperial Cannery. It may be that the cabinet sold for \$3.50 was the property of Mrs. Tadashi Okano, and that her sister-in-law was not entitled to this money.



MEMORANDUM: In Chattels Found at Imperial Cannery House #34

The following goods were removed from Imperial Cannery House #34 under the name "M. Okano" on June 19, 1942, Storage List #22:

1 Packing Case Sundries  
1 Kitchen Cabinet  
1 Dresser with Mirror  
1 Post Search Light  
1 Large Packing Case (closed)  
1 Axe  
2 Packing Cases (closed)  
4 Cartons  
1 Spade  
Glassware  
Chinaware  
Kitchenware

Left in House #34  
1 Iron Bed & Spring

The following persons declared goods left at Imperial Cannery, Steveston:

Mrs. Mine OKANO, File 6444 (died June 29/42)  
Mrs. Tadashi OKANO, File 4754 (daughter-in-law) of  
Mrs. Hideo OKANO, File 9858 (daughter-in-law) Mrs.  
Mr. Masaji OKANO, File 1407 (son) Mine Okano

On November 24, 1942, a list of the goods removed was sent to Mrs. Tadashi Okano, who returned the list signed to the effect that these goods were her property.

~~Confidential, File 2153, Imperial Cannery House #34~~  
~~Memorandum for the Director~~

Disposition of above goods:

Shipped to Mrs. Hideo Okano, May 11/43 - 1 crated sewing machine

On Feb. 11/47, Mrs. Hideo Okano said this belonged to her mother, Mrs. M. Okano (Mine).

Auction Sales credited to Mrs. Hideo Okano, File 9858:

Feb. 1/44 -	1 Dresser with Mirror	9.25
Feb. 25/44 -	1 Cabinet	1.50
Apr. 14/44 -	1 Axe	1.25
Apr. 28/44 -	1 Spade	.55
June 3/44 -	Glassware, Chinaware, Kitchenware, Room Decorations	26.43
Nov. 2/45 -	Bells, Festival Goods, Sacking	7.65
		<u>50.95</u>

Auction Sales credited to Mrs. Tadashi Okano, File 4754:

Feb. 25/44 -	1 Dresser & Mirror	13.25
May 18/45 -	2 Beds & Springs	20.00
July 20/45 -	Basket of Miscellaneous, Curtain Rods, Hangers, etc.	1.20
Nov. 2/45 -	2 Cartons of Festival Goods	1.50
		<u>37.95</u>
Private sale, May 23/45 -	1 Iron Bed (one bed left in house)	1.50
		<u>39.45</u>

Mrs. Mine Okano had lived with her son and daughter-in-law, Mrs. & Mrs. Hideo Okano, in a 6-room cannery house.

The chattels reported in JP Declarations of the four persons concerned are shown on the second sheet of this memorandum.

Note: Mr. Tadashi Okano, File 2153 has filed claim for furniture to the value of \$500.00. He declared no furniture. His wife reported the furniture listed under her name next sheet.



File No. 2153

July 6th, 1946.

LIABILITY SUMMARY

Re: Tadashi OKANO  
Registration No. 04180

There are no claims against OKANO revealed on the  
file.

The above summary is certified to be in  
accordance with the information on file.



George Peters  
Administration Department

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File No. 2153

March 13, 1946

Re: Tadashi OKANO  
Reg. No. 04180

The following table is an extract from the record books received from the British Columbia Packers Co., Ltd., covering their Imperial Cannery Net House. The Japanese fish collectors were instructed to have the Japanese fishermen enter into these record books the nets which were left by them in the company net houses.

The original record books are in the hands of Mr. F. G. Shears, The Director.

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Cork and Lead Line	50.00
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2 sets of beds	
1 table	
1 stove	
1 chair	
1 cloth case	
1 bath	

*J. B. Carter*



# ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Form 246A

## EXHIBIT REPORT

No. 190

HEADQUARTERS File No.

SUB-DIV'N and File No.

Vancouver

DIVISION and File No.

J.R. No. 04170

DETACHMENT and File No.

C.I.B.

DATE

July 13th. 1944.

Re:

Tadashi OKANO - P.O. Box 30 Steveston, B.C.

On

Mar. 10th. 1942

(Name of File)

D. A. McLaren Cst.

(Date)

I

(Member's Name)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Handed over by Roy T. OKANO

(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. OF EXHIBIT	No. OF PACKAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1		<p>Ica Dresden Folding Camera No. 111.</p> <p>Approx. size 616.</p> <p><i>File 2153</i></p> <p><i>RCMP No 180</i></p> <p><i>This has not been released</i></p>

REMARKS:

Handed over to Custodian of Alien Property

DATE July 11th. 1944.

(State briefly disposition)

*Leo S. Max* for Custodian

(Signature of Recipient or Witness)

*[Signature]* **CERTIFIED CORRECT**  
J.R. No. 10559 Cst.

(Signature of Member)



# ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Form 246A

## EXHIBIT REPORT

No. 259

HEADQUARTERS File No.

SUB-DIV'N and File No.

DIVISION and File No.

DETACHMENT and File No.

(Jap. Reg. )

DATE Feb. 15th. 1944.

C.I.B.

Re: Iwashi YANO, Steveston, B.C. Box 38, P.O.

On Mar. 10th. 1942. 1 D.B. McLaren (Member's Name)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Handed over by Roy. T. McLaren (Name of person from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. OF EXHIBIT	No. OF PACKAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1		Sparton Radio # 253730 (1)
			2153

REMARKS: Handed over to the custodian of Alien Property.

(State briefly disposition)

DATE FEB 17 1944

Les D. Spence Custodian

CERTIFIED CORRECT

R. D. Jefferson



MEMORANDUM

July 28, 1943

To: File 2153

From: Specified Articles Department

Re: OKANO, Tadashi - Reg. 04180

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
RADIO	S. Sparton # 253730	\$10.00
CAMERA	x Ica Dresden folding camera # Nil. Approx. Size 116.	13.50
	x Released to owner April 27/43. <i>no at warehouse</i>	

*3. Sold by auction Feb. 24/44. Vancouver "1."*

LF



November 16, 1943

Mr. Tadashi OKANO,  
Registration No. 04180,  
Greenwood, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Although you did not declare any property in the Evacuated District on April 10, 1942, we discovered that Lot 3, Block E of Section 11, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 4550 in the Municipality of Richmond is registered in your name. There are taxes owing to the amount of \$10.89 for the years of 1942 and 1943. Would you kindly let us have your cheque for this amount.

Yours truly,

George Peters,  
Administration Department.

GP:EB



Building #1  
Greenwood B.C.  
Nov. 29/43

Dear Mrs. Leslie:

Replying to your last letter, we finally decided to sell the land at \$150,000 one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

But we take this matter to your attention that we are not paying this year's tax, but as we promised to you before we will pay the last year's tax.

Sincerely I would like you to keep this in your mind, that if ever anything happens of us not getting the money we ask for, that you will help us in every way.

I will sign for this contract.

Signature Tadashi Okano

• died to Mary Ellen Leslie (Hawaii wife)  
• wife of Thos Leslie.



File 2153

Stevenson AC

3 Dec 1943

To Geo Peters

From BB Robinson

OKANO Tadashi

Re lot 3 E lots 7. 10. 11 BCK 8 Sec 11 BCK 3 N R7W Twp 45S0

I hand you herewith letter dated Nov 29/43 from  
the above at Greenwood AC to Mrs Shes Leslie  
Stevenson AC in which it is set out that OKANO  
is agreeable to sell the above lot to Leslie for  
\$150<sup>00</sup> plus 1943 taxes.

I also hand you marked check for \$150<sup>00</sup> and  
request that you put this deal through. Mr Leslie  
will forward check for this year taxes when  
notified to do so

Mr Leslie also requests that the deed be made  
out in his wife's name Mary Ellen Leslie

BB R.



ENEMY SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 7 1943
File No.	
Ans'd	
Refer'd	

MEMORANDUM

December 6, 1943.

File No. 2153

To: Mr. E. W. Wright

From: George Peters

Would you be good enough to have the deed prepared as follows:

Purchaser: Mary Ellen Leslie, housewife, wife of Thomas Leslie.

Seller: Tadashi OKANO

Purchase Price: \$150.00 on the following property.

Lot 3, Block "E" of Section 11, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 4550, Municipality of Richmond.

The above property was sold by the Japanese direct to the purchaser and is not included in the offer to the Director of the Veterans' Land Act.

GP:EB

*Geo Peters*



December 13, 1943.

Mr. Tadashi OKANO,  
Registration No. 04180,  
Greenwood, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Thomas Leslie and yourself have been negotiating for the purchase of property known as Lot 3, Block "E" of Section 11, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 4550. The full price being \$150.00. Mr. Leslie has handed us your letter of November 29th confirming.

We are attaching herewith deeds to be executed by you so kindly see that this is done in front of a Notary Public or a Commissioner for Taking Affidavits within British Columbia and return both copies of this deed to us.

Your immediate attention will oblige.

Yours truly,

George Peters,  
Administration Department.

GP:EB  
Enc.



Sumner, B.C.  
March 22, 1944.

Mr. George Peters  
Administration Department  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.  
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 25 1944
File No.	2153
Ans.	
Referred	Peters

Dear Sir:

As per your letter dated December 13, 1943,  
I have sent the deeds to be executed  
about two months ago.

Since I haven't received any acknowledgment  
or any receipt of mentioned sums, will you  
let me know what has happen to the  
deed

If the sums are ready, will you not  
send them to me as soon as possible?

Yours very truly,

Tadashi Okano  
Reg. No. 04180



Greenwood, B.C.  
April 17, 1944

Mr. George Peters  
Administration Dept.  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.  
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 19 1944
File No.	2153
Ans.	Peters
Referred	out to you

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing with this letter "Certificate of title on my property" as mentioned in your letter of April 11, 1944.

I am in need of that money, in order to pay the dentist's fee. Will you please do send me the amount receivable to me from the sale of this property immediately.

Please acknowledge this letter and hoping to hear from you in



in. very near future.

Very truly yours

Tadashi Okano.



April 20, 1944.

Mr. Tadashi OKANO,  
Registration No. 04180,  
Greenwood, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We thank you very much for the Certificate of Indefeasible Title No. 113677E covering Lot 3, Block "E" of Section 11, Block 3 N., Range 7 W., Map 4550.

Further to your request for payment of \$150.00, we would advise you that requests for payments to or on behalf of residents in Interior Housing Settlements are being referred to the B. C. Security Commission and the amount you ask for has been considered by them.

They advise us that they are not prepared to approve of this payment being made as at the present time you are drawing maintenance for yourself, wife and four children and would recommend that no remittance be made to you as the amount credited to your account is less than the rehabilitation amount. We wish you to understand that the funds we have on hand are being held to the credit of your account and we will be pleased to release same at any time the Security Commission may approve of further amounts being remitted.

We would suggest that you may wish to discuss this matter with your supervisor at your location and obtain any further information you desire from them.

Yours truly,

George Peters,  
Administration Department

GP/ms



Greenwood, B.C.  
May 4, 1944

Mr. George Peters  
Administration Dept.  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.  
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 5 1944
File #	2153
Avg.	
Referred	Mulson
out to Peters	

Dear Sir:

As you mentioned in your previous letter, I have gone to see our local commission officer about my money coming in from sale of my property.

The commissioner here says that as soon as you send the amount to his office he will forward it to me. I went there a couple of times but they haven't received it from you. My dentist is getting after me for non-payment of his fees.

So will you please mail the amount to our local commission office immediately.

Very truly yours  
J. Peters





## BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

380 Homer Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.  
May 15th 1944

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

Attention Mr G. Peters

Dear Sir,

Re Tadashi OKANO #04180  
Custodian File #2153

On March 28th we received an enquiry from you asking if we would recommend payment of \$150.00 to the above named man from his assets, and on April 6th we replied that since this family was on maintenance and their assets were beneath the rehabilitation reserve, we recommended that no remittances be made to him.

However, today we have received a memorandum from our Supervisor in Greenwood stating that this man has returned to work and that during the time he was ill certain expenses were incurred which are not yet paid for. Therefore, he recommends that \$150.00 be released to OKANO as he believes this family henceforth will be self-supporting.

Therefore, we would appreciate it if you would forward this amount to the above named as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

M.L. Brown  
Office Manager.

IS/MS

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 16 1944
File No.	253
Ans.	
Referred	Peters



No. ....

F. 113

# Royal Canadian Mounted Police

\$ .....

Vancouver B.C. 10-3-1940

Received from Roy Lunnhies Otani on behalf of  
Ladarski OKAWO Stevedores

One radio Spantor Serial No 223730

Dollars,

100

Signature

C. J. McNamee

C.T.



No. ....

F. 112

# Royal Canadian Mounted Police

\$ .....

*Vancouver BC No 149-43*

Received from *Raymond O. T. N. on behalf of*  
*Wanda O. N. O. P. O. B. O. S. O. T. O. N. O. C.*

*10th Division, Calgary, Alberta, Canada (officer's copy)*

Dollars,

100

Signature

*J. F. M. C. S.*



(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Mr. Tadashi Okano

File No. 2153

*Greenwood B.C.*

Reg. No. *09180*

Company Sun Life

Agency Vancouver Agency

Policy No. 2290954

Premium - \$ 52.20

Payable: ☒ Annually, ☐ Semi-annually or ☐ monthly

Month October Day 3

REMARKS:

*Letter sent 13/7/43*



NAME ORANGE, T. J.

REGISTRATION NO 04130

FILE NO. 2253

The following chattels were sold by public  
 auction at 992 Powell, Vancouver, B.C. on February 21, 1961.

Spartan Mantel Radio

\$ 24.00 F

Total:

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: 2.40  
 (Advertising: 0.51  
 (Moving: 0.16  
 (Storage: 1.00

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 24.00

\$ 4.07

\$ 19.93

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Vancouver 11.

Remarks.



NAME OKANO, Taurus (Mrs. Tadashi)

REGISTRATION NO. 04178

FILE NO. 4794

The following chattels were sold by public  
 auction at Steveston, B.C. on February 25, 1944

Dresser & mirror

\$ 13.25 X X

*This item was first transferred to Suspense acct.  
 on April 20/44 pending identification. See memo April 14/44.  
 It was transferred to file 6444 upon memo of May 20/44  
 and on April 1/46 it was transferred to the above as  
 she had declared it and has now been identified as  
 the owner. R.H.M.*

Total

\$ 13.25

Less Expenses:

(Auctioneer's Fee: \$1.32

(Advertising: 0.62

(Moving: 1.23

\$ 3.17

10.08

Net Proceeds Credited:

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 7.

Remarks.



NAME OKANO, Tsurue (Mrs. Tadashi)

REGISTRATION NO. 04176

FILE NO. 4754

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Steveston, B. C. on May 18, 1945.

Bed and spring  
Bed and spring

\$ 6.00 +  
14.00 +

Total

(Auctioneer's Fee \$ 2.00  
Less Expenses: (Advertising 1.02  
(Movings 2.66

\$ 20.00  
\$ 5.68

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 14.32

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Steveston 34.

Remarks.



NAME OKANO, Tsurue (Mrs. Tadashi)

REGISTRATION NO. 04178

FILE NO. 4754

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Stevenson, B. C. on July 20, 1945.

- Basket of miscellaneous  
- Curtain rods, hangers, etc.

\$ 0.70 M  
0.50 M

Total

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fees \$ 0.12  
(Advertising 0.09  
(Moving 0.13

\$ 1.20

\$ 0.34

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 0.86

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Stevenson 37.

Remarks. *Hand found*



NAME OKANO, Tsurue, (Mrs. Tadashi)

REGISTRATION NO. 04176

FILE NO. 477A

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Steveston, B. C. on November 2, 1945.

Carton of festival goods  
Carton of festival goods

\$ 1.50 M  
\$ 2.00 M

Total  
Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee \$ .35  
(Advertising .25  
(Moving .42

\$ 3.50

\$ 1.02

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 2.48

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 39

Remarks. *Walt Jones*



NAME OKANO, Takashi

REGISTRATION NO. 04180

FILE NO. 2153

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Steveston, B. C. on April 6, 1945.

Doll	\$ 3.25
1 Cushion	1.00
1 Cushion	1.75
8 Cushions	3.50
Set of dishes	6.50
China etc.	2.50
Glassware	2.25
China and glassware	0.50

Total

(Auctioneer's Fee: \$2.13  
Less Expenses: (Advertising: 0.94  
(Moving: 1.79

21.25

4.86

Net Proceeds Credited:

16.39

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Steveston 32.

Remarks.



EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUL 9 1946
File No.	2153
Ans.	
Referred	Peters

Oldy No. 1.  
Greenwood B.C.  
July 8, 1946

Dear Sir: - and family

We are now enclosing  
these two receipts of camera and radio.  
Please send me the camera and cheque  
of radio as fast as possible as you  
can because we might move from  
here.

Thank you

Yours truly,  
Mr. Tadashi Okano  
Reg. No. 04180.



2153

July 19, 1946.

Mr. Tadashi OKANO,  
Reg. No. 04180,  
Building No. 1,  
Greenwood, B. C.

Dear Sir:

This is to inform you that the camera surrendered  
by you was sent to you by insured parcel post on July 18th,  
and should be in your hands within a few days if you have not  
already received it.

The cost of mailing was 16 cents, made up of postage  
of 11 cents and a 5 cent packing charge. This cost will be  
charged to your account.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,  
Protection Department.

/FM



2153

December 31st, 1946.

REGISTERED

Mr. Tadashi OKANO,  
Registration No. 04180,  
c/o C. P. R.,  
Lakevale, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Policy No. 2,290,954

Enclosed you will find the Sun Life Assurance  
Company cheque in the amount of \$34.27 which represents the cash  
surrender value of the above policy.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this cheque.

Yours truly,

George Peters,  
Office of the Custodian.

GP/10

Encl. - cheque \$34.27.



DEC - 2 1947

IN THE MATTER OF a Commission to Investigate Claims of Japanese Canadians for Property Losses.

TO: The Commissioner,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

2153

Pursuant to the notice issued on the 26th day of September, 1947, I submit the following claim:

(1) NAME **OKANO** **Tadashi (Mr.)** (RCMP) Reg. No. **04180**  
(Print) Surname Given Name

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address **Box 38, STEVESTON, B.C.**

(3) Present Address **Box 422, GREENBUSH, B.C.**

(4) REAL ESTATE

(a) Street Address (if any) **No. 1 Rd. and Houston St. STEVESTON, B.C.**  
City or Municipality Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)  
**Cannot find records, (misplaced)**

(c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):  
(i) Farm  
(ii) ~~Business~~  
(iii) ~~Business~~  
(iv) Any other type of property (describe) **Type of business Leased out to farmer, about 1 lot**

(d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.)

(e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):  
(i) Land - - - - -  
(ii) Buildings - - - - - \$ **225.00**  
(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern  
(including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels,  
fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts re-  
ceivable) - - - - - \$  
(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just  
fill in total value) - - - - - \$  
(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - - \$ **225.00**  
(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - \$ **142.00**  
\$ **83.00**

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation **Boat at New Westminster, B.C.; Furniture & fixtures at Imperial Cannery and**

(b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)  
**Mukai's House in Steveston, B.C.**

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation  
**Mostly packed**

(over)



- (d) In whose care was property left at date of evacuation by the claimant. (This question refers to the terms of reference which exclude claims where the property was lost, destroyed or stolen while under the custody, control or management of any person other than the Custodian appointed by the owner of the property. It involves some definite arrangement whereby you appointed someone to take care of the property and such person accepted the responsibility of so doing. Unless such an arrangement was made the question should be answered "in no one's care")

In Custodian's Care

- (e) Itemized description of personal property which is the subject of the claim:

1.	Fishing Gas Boat, Easthope 28' x 8' 6 1/2"	Estimated Value \$ 600.00
2.	Received from Custodian... 3397.00	Estimated Value \$
3.		Estimated Value \$
4.	Furniture	Estimated Value \$ 500.00
5.	Received from Custodian... 366.30	Estimated Value \$
6.		Estimated Value \$
7.		Estimated Value \$
8.		Estimated Value \$
9.		Estimated Value \$
10.		Estimated Value \$

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS \$ 656.62

N.B.—If you cannot list all the items here prepare a separate list with values set out opposite each item and attach it to the form. The item "personal property" includes shares, bonds, mortgages, loans, notes and all other forms of property not included in real estate.

- (f) Total claim including real and personal property (this figure can be arrived at by adding items 4(f) and 5(e)) - - - - - \$ 719.62

- (6) (a) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard.  
(Vancouver, Kamloops, Nelson, Lethbridge,  
Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto or Montreal.)  
Greenwood, preferred; Nelson, if necessary
- (b) Do you require the services of an interpreter  
at the hearing? Yes or no Yes

N.B.—This Declaration must be sworn before a Commissioner, Notary Public or other person entitled to take declarations. All lawyers are qualified to do so.

DOMINION OF CANADA,  
Province of B. C. )  
TO WIT: )

I, Tadashi Okano  
of Greenwood

of the City  
in the Province of British Columbia

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

The information set out in the form above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of "The Canada Evidence Act".

DECLARED before me at the City )  
of Greenwood )  
in the Province of B. C. )  
this 21st day of November )  
A.D. 1947. L. Dodd )

T. Okano  
A Commissioner etc.

N.B.—THIS FORM FULLY COMPLETED AND SWORN BEFORE A COMMISSIONER SHOULD BE MAILED BY REGISTERED MAIL TO THE COMMISSIONER, c/o THE OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN, ROYAL BANK BLDG., VANCOUVER, B.C., BEFORE NOVEMBER 30th, 1947. IF YOU CANNOT MAIL IT BEFORE THIS DATE SET OUT BELOW REASONS FOR THE DELAY.

Notary Public in & for the Province of  
British Columbia, Canada.



IN THE MATTER OF THE INQUIRIES ACT

PART 1. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 92

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

B E F O R E

(HIS HONOUR, JUDGE ERIC P. DAWSON, SUB-COMMISSIONER)

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Grand Forks, B.C.

June 1st, 1948

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

TADASHI OKANO

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

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APPEARANCES:

HAROLD W. McINNES, Esq.,

appearing for the  
Dominion Government.

A.R. CORUS, Esq.,

appearing for the  
Claimant.

L.A. DODD, Esq.,

Secretary to Grand  
Forks Sub-Commission

G.H.R. UPTON, Esq.,

Official Interpreter

G. HANBLETON, Esq.,

Official Reporter

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MR. COBUS: The claim, your honour, of Okano, Tadashi, which is listed as No. 73 on the Secretary's list, and which becomes case No. 299, Mr. Secretary, I believe.

THE SECRETARY: Yes, 299.

MR. COBUS: I am calling Mrs. Okano.

(MRS) ISHIBU OKANO, a witness called on behalf of the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the official interpreter as follows:

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MR. COBUS: Your honour, I would ask leave to amend the claim by deleting the claim shown for realty under 4 (a), and with respect to the personal property which is the subject of the claim, the claim for the fishing boat is abandoned subject to the Terms of Reference being broadened. The claim for furniture listed under No. 4 remains at \$500.00, the credit to the Custodian, however, should read \$84.70.

20 MR. McINNES: The furniture claim stands at \$500.00. What is the Custodian credit?

MR. COBUS: \$84.70, leaving a net claim for personalty, your honour, of \$415.30.

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. COBUS:

Q: Witness, you are the wife of Tadashi Okano, is that correct? A: Yes.

Q: And you are giving this evidence as representing your husband, are you? A: Yes.

30 Q: I produce to you a statement concerning the



T. Okano  
In Chief

personal property for which you are claiming.

Did you instruct Mr. Leckie to prepare this statement for you and is that your signature?

A: Yes.

Q: Are the statements contained therein true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A: Yes.

Q: In your statement you make reference to a list attached. I produce to you a list headed  
10 "Personal Chattels." Is this the list to which your statement makes reference? A: Yes.

Q: In the extreme right hand column you have indicated certain values opposite the itemized list. Do those values represent what you consider to be a fair market value for each item?

A: Yes.

MR. COBUS: I would ask leave to file the statement and the list attached as the first exhibit, your honour.

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(LIST MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

MR. COBUS: Referring to Exhibit 1, your honour, the value placed on the household chattels is listed on the attachment to Exhibit 1 as \$500.00. All of the goods, the witness says, for which claim is being made were left at their home at 426 Imperial Cannery Steveston, B.C. I gather that is the number of the house at Imperial Cannery, Steveston B.C. The witness says that in the claim form as filed, a general claim was made for furniture,  
30 \$500.00, and that by this general term "Furniture"

*This should have been C. and the witness says that the furniture was all found at # 34. Must be up with the other OKQ-10-5000-1 and 2.*



was meant all household and personal chattels. She says that depreciation has been allowed. The dinner set and silverware claimed were packed in two wooden packing cases, closed, and declared by her in November, 1942. All of the articles, she goes on to say, claimed were declared by either her husband or by herself. She adds that she is representing her husband and has full knowledge of the facts relating to this claim.

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I would ask my learned friend to produce the Analysis of Personal Property Claim.

(Handed to Mr. Cobus)

I have, produced from the Custodian's file, the Analysis of Personal Property Claim for Tadashi and Tsurue Okano. This is in the name of both the original claimant and his wife. I file this on behalf of the Crown.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2)

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MR. COBUS: Referring to Exhibit 2, your honour, column 1 indicates that Tadashi Okano made a certain declaration on the 10th of April, 1942, and that his wife, the present witness, Tsurue Okano, made a declaration on the 21st of April, 1942. In the second column is a Custodian inventory dated the 24th of November, 1942.

THE COMMISSIONER: How does that check with your list, Mr. Cobus?

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MR. COBUS: I was going to point out that if you will refer to the list which forms part of Exhibit 1, your honour, I could indicate by certain markings,



your honour, which items are covered by which declaration or inventory; or would your honour prefer merely a statement to the effect that either the declaration of the husband or of the wife or the inventory taken by the Custodian covers all items for which claim is being made?

THE COMMISSIONER: That will probably cover the situation.

MR. COBUS: Yes.

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As to credits found or shown on Exhibit 2, the Analysis, your honour, the column under "Auction Sales" amounts to \$83.20, and that, added to the \$150. item for a bed makes up the Custodian credit which has already been given of \$84.70.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. COBUS: I would ask my learned friend to produce the signed inventory list dated the 24th of November 1942.

(Handed to Mr. Cobus)

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I have, produced from the Custodian's file, your honour, an inventory of chattels dated November 24, 1942 under the name of Mrs. Okano, which is signed by Mrs. Okano and covers the goods which were stored at Warehouse No. 1, Steveston, B.C., and at Imperial Cannery house.

Q: Witness, I produce to you an inventory which purports to cover certain goods at Steveston, B.C., and at the Imperial Cannery house. Is that your signature on the inventory? A: Yes.

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Q: And on that list I see written in ink "two



double beds. Two spring at Mr. Kanura if its there put it all together please." Are those items which you added to that list before you returned the inventory?

THE INTERPRETER: Could I have that last question, please?

MR. COBUS: Would you read the question?

(Question read)

A: Yes.

MR. COBUS: I ask to file the list, your honour, for  
10 the Crown.

(LIST MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3)

MR. COBUS: Referring again to the list which is part of Exhibit 1, your honour, it should be noted that the "estimated value" column in fact totals \$582.00, but the claimant has made a claim for an even \$500.00, and the list has a note at the bottom of it giving details as to carpenter tools and kitchen utensils. It also describes the "set line" as being a 400 yard line weighing 450  
20 pounds. That is the first item in the list above that remark.

Your witness.

MR. McINNES: It will be submitted, your honour, that many of the goods now claimed for were never declared, never were received or came into the custody of the Custodian and therefore don't come within the terms of reference. Such of them as did were sold for their fair market value.

That is all.

30 MR. COBUS: Nothing more for me, your honour.



THE COMMISSIONER: I see there were a number of things which were apparently declared and are not shown on the second list, such as the bicycle. There are quite a number of things, Mr. Cobus, that are claimed for and not on the Custodian's list as taken by him.

MR. COBUS: That may very well be, your honour.

10 THE COMMISSIONER: I presume those are the articles, Mr. McInnes, as you say which never came into the possession of the Custodian.

MR. McINNES: The inventory on the Analysis of Claim shows what we got and confirms that by a list which she signed and that is all we ever got. It is obvious.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right.

MR. COBUS: With respect to the bicycle, your honour, if you will refer to Exhibit 2, under the husband's declaration that bicycle was declared.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: It was declared at the time he was evacuated.

MR. COBUS: Exactly. The fact that the list was signed by the wife there, indicates that those goods were left; that is, the list was sent to her, and the items, plus the two beds, she admitted were left behind on evacuation.

THE COMMISSIONER: Well, the same thing would apply to the set line, too.

MR. COBUS: Yes, it would, your honour. The set line was declared.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.



MR. COBUS: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: But in the Analysis of Personal Property, the Custodian would only appear to have taken possession of what was in the list given by Mrs. Okano on the 26th of November, 1942.

MR. COBUS: That may well be, your honour; all I can say is it was declared.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is what would appear from the Analysis.

10 MR. COBUS: Yes, your honour. I would suggest, perhaps, your honour, the Custodian may not have had physical possession of great numbers of articles, but certainly was in constructive possession of the goods declared in the J.P. form.

THE COMMISSIONER: I see.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate transcript of the proceedings herein.

20 *Arthur Hambleton*  
A. Hambleton,  
Official Reporter

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript purports to be an accurate record of the evidence adduced before me.

E.P. Dawson  
Sub-Commissioner



DEFENCE BRIEF

Grand Forks  
June 1, 1948

Tadashi OKANO

File No. 2153

Case No. 299

REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

1. Claim for real property abandoned; see page 2 of Transcript.

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

2. Claim for Fishing Vessel abandoned subject to the terms of reference being broadened to include it; see p. 2 of transcript.
3. Claim for Furniture

Claim

\$500.00

It should be noted carefully at the outset that the claimant declared his goods to be all left in care of his wife, Tsurue Okano. Wife declared her goods as left at # 42-C at the Imperial Cannery Storage house. Now actually all the goods which were found at the cannery at all were found at # 34 under the name of "N. OKANO" which later turned out to mean M. OKANO. M. OKANO was Mine OKANO, the claimant's mother, (file 6444). Also mixed up with this lot, were the goods of Mrs. Hideo OKANO, file 9858 and Masaji OKANO, file 1407.

It would appear that we must admit that we do not know what became of the missing goods after they were found at the Cannery and removed. A careful perusal of these other files does not disclose what became of the searchlight and other articles.

Witnesses:- (as to what was found and  
as to possible disposition)

1. C. C. Robinson
2. Mr. Harris.

The inventory is not signed but it seems certain that one or both of the above-named were present.

Note also:- that some of the goods were not found at the cannery but at 98 Moncton St., Steveston. And some of the goods declared were never found at all.



Mrs. Hideo OKANO also has put in a claim.  
The items in her claim (Case 310, file 9858) do  
not appear to conflict with the present claim.

All the goods found at the Cannery <sup>and sold</sup> were credited  
either to Mrs. Hideo OKANO or to the present  
claimants.

Witness:- as to the point above-  
mentioned.

F. Matheson.

It is respectfully submitted  
that the signed inventory  
marked "Exhibit 3" should be  
pleaded in mitigation of the  
loss of those things which  
the inventory did not contain  
and for which claim is now  
made.

Note however that such defence  
would not apply to the bicycle  
and the set line, which were  
declared separately by the  
husband, Tadashi Okano.

NOTE:- The following breakdown is probably not  
accurate but is the best that can be done with  
the material now available. In order to assist  
counsel a new analysis based on the information  
obtained since the old one was prepared accompanies  
this brief.

Some of the following figures are only approximations  
or probabilities. The claim is \$500.00 but the sum  
of the claimant's valuations is \$562.00. Therefore,  
the proportionate allocations of the claim are not  
accurate.

(a) <u>Sold at Auction</u>	<u>Sale Price</u>
Goods valued by claimant at \$227.00	\$59.20

Witnesses:- Mr. Harris and  
Mr. Wills attended auction.

(b) <u>Sold by Tender</u>	<u>Sold for</u>
Goods valued by claimant at \$20.00	\$1.50

Witness: - Thompson & Co. appraised  
this item (1 bed & spring)  
at \$1.50. Appraisal is  
in file 1467.



(c) Declared and Not found

Goods valued by claimant at  
\$130.00.

Witnesses:- C.C. Robinson  
Mr. Harris,  
Custodian's agents at  
Steveston.

(d) No record at any time

Goods valued by claimant at  
\$145.00

Evidence:- The J.P. forms and the  
material on file.  
(Note that some of these  
goods may have been amongst  
those declared in broad  
terms; or in one of the  
crates which were found.)

(e) No account, theft, etc.

Goods valued by claimant at  
\$26.00

Witnesses: C.C. Robinson and Mr. Harris  
to give evidence as to the  
manner in which the goods  
were stored, and as to  
what precautions we took  
with the goods.

It is submitted that Mr. Cobus's argument at p. 8 line 10  
on the point of "constructive possession" has no foundation  
on the facts of this case (if at all). The claimants  
declared their goods to be in a place where the Custodian  
could assume that they would be safe until they were inven-  
toried and moved to storage. The Custodian's men went to the  
cannery on June 19th 1942, which did not leave an interval  
of undue delay such as would constitute negligence on our  
part. (The claimant's wife was evacuated on April 4th 1942.)

Summary of Witnesses

C.C. Robinson  
Mr. Harris  
Miss Matheson  
Mr. Wills  
Thompson & Co.

Where required

3, 3 (a), 3 (c), 3 (e)  
3, 3 (c), 3 (e)  
3  
3 (a)  
3 (b)

*Recap claim*  

	500.00	
Goods value	207.57	paid at time
	18.20	7.00
	118.30	Dec not pay
	23.66	Revised inventory
	132.27	acc. paid
	<u>500.00</u>	



Name of Claimant OKARO, Tadashi,

Case 299

Custodian File 2153

REAL PROPERTY										Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village			
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices % of Amount		
PERSONAL PROPERTY										
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear								
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column			
						9.00	4.05			4.05
NETS										
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price		Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing			Percentage Total Award to Total Claim		Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing		Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price
							36.00		00	25.20
MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS										
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price			
117.60	64.50	19.35	54.84%	281.90	154.99	1.50	.18		174.12	
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										203.37



October 12th, 1950.

Mr. Tadashi OKANO,  
1704 Napier St.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 299

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee  
on Japanese Canadians, our form of Release which has been  
executed by yourself covering the award recommended under  
the above Claims Commission for the sum of ... \$203.37.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$191.61  
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 11.76  
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

FCS/js  
1 encl.

F.G. Shears  
Director