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BUREAU HASTINGS PARK
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. _____

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

NAME: **MIZUNO, Shigeichiro**

HOME ADDRESS: **P.O. Box 80, Steveston, B. C.**

REGISTRATION No. **04164**

SEX: **M** AGE: **64**

MARRIED? **Yes**

OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER: **Farmer** **None**

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: **Natsu**

ADDRESS: **P.O. Box 80, Steveston, B. C.**

NAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: **Haruwaki (M) 15 yrs.**

ADDRESS: **P.O. Box 80, Steveston, B. C.**

Yuriko (F) 12 yrs.

ADDRESS: **"**

Kazuo (M) 11 yrs.

ADDRESS: **"**

Kiyoshi (M) 10 yrs.

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 **3rd** day of **April** 19**42**

Shigeichiro Mizuno

(Signature)

WITNESS:

Geo. [unclear]

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

HOW DO YOU PROPOSE TO PAY THESE OFF?

None

LIST OF LIABILITIES:

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date May 21/43

Our File No. 3542

Full Name MIZUNO, Shigeichiro *(Deceased)*
 (Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 04164

Male - Female
 (check)

Age November 1878

Former Address P. O. Box 80, Steveston, B. C.

Date Evacuated September 3, 1942. Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
 (check)

Present Address _____ Deceased June 1944. 27 Coal Dale, Alta

Married - Single
 (check)

Name of Wife Natsu #04163

Name of Husband _____

Name of Father _____

Name of Mother _____

Names of Children under 16 Haruaki (M) May 19/36 - #15584.

Kiyoshi (M) Jan. 8/32; Yuriko (F) Jan. 25/28; Kazuo (M) Jan. 23/30.

Requested by ECT

Registered with Custodian Yes
 (Yes or No)

Additional Information Farmer.

Died June 4/44 - Lethbridge, Alberta (Phone report R.C.M.P 4/10/44 - P.D.)

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*Handed over
Jan 4/44
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December 2, 1943.

Mr. Shigeru MIZUNO,
Registration No. 04719,
c/o Cable Singh,
Coaldale, Alta.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of November 26th, we wish to advise that New Westminster License No. 1847 covers an un-named vessel, owned by I. MIZUNO, according to information given us by the Registrar of Shipping.

This vessel has been sold for the sum of \$103.50, which was the value placed on the boat by a competent marine surveyor. From this the sum of \$14.05 was deducted to cover such out-of-pocket expenses as, fire insurance, wharfage, watchmen's fees and appraisal costs.

The balance of \$89.45 has been placed in your account, but these funds have been frozen until proof is received that you were the owner of the boat.

You state that the boat was actually owned by your father, Shigeichiro Mizuno. If he can supply us with proof that he was the owner of the boat, the monies received from the sale will be made available to him. The proof required would be, either of the following:

- (a) The license and a bill of sale from the licensed owner to Shigeichiro MIZUNO.
- (b) A statutory declaration, signed before a Commissioner of Oaths, giving details of the purchase, and stating why he was not able to produce the proper license and bill of sale.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

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October 5th, 1944

Mrs. Hatan (Shigeichiro) WIZONO,
Registration No. 04163,
c/o Gabel Singh,
Coaldale, Alta.

Dear Madam:

We were just informed of the death of your husband
June last, and are sorry to hear of his passing.

In checking up his file we note a claim lodged against
him by Sajiro WAKIYA for \$199.44. We do not know if this is correct
or not and are drawing it to your attention to ascertain if you know if
it is correct and, if so, if you are in a position to make settlement of
same. This is the only claim on file against him or you.

We shall be obliged for a reply in due course.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.


B. R. D.

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December 21st, 1944

Mr. F. Dross Pratt,
602 Hastings St. West,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

re: Sejiro WAKITA v.
Shiguchiro MIZUNO

With reference to your claim of \$199.44 against the above named. This is to advise you that this man died in June of this year. As far as we know, he has not got assets to cover your claim.

We took the matter up with Mrs. MIZUNO and she stated that she thought perhaps the claim was correct but she was unable to make a settlement at this time. She stated that she was having a hard time since her husband died but possibly she might be able to settle this claim after next year's best season ends. The claim remains filed against her, but in view of the position we do not propose to take any further action. We suggest that you contact her direct, her address is:-

Registration No. 04163,
c/o Cabel Singh,
Cairdale, Alta.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

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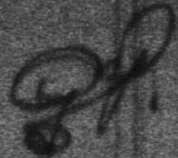
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MEMORANDUM -- MR. CLEAVER

May 7, 1947.

Re: Shigetshiro MIZUNO, Dec'd
Registration No. 04164

The above Japanese died at Coaldale, Alberta on June 4, 1944, and there is a credit balance of \$10.00 in his account with the Custodian.



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The vessel "Honey Bee" was released from custody to B.C.Packers Ltd., licensed owners.

This vessel was reported to J.F.V.D.C. as property of Shigeru Misuno, but on the list of Imperial Cannery accounts (supplied by B.C.Packers to JFVDC) the boat is shown as property of Shigeichiro Misuno, but mortgaged to B. C. Packers Ltd.

Possibly this is the boat referred to in Memos of May 12, 1947 and of March 11, 1946.

J. Matheson

Mrs. McArthur

May 1, 1947

Re boat purchase in the
amount of \$800.00 on our
memo of March 11/46

Mr Lowe confirms the
B. C. Packer purchased a
boat from Shigeichiro Mizuno
at present cannot supply
the name or number of the
boat.

The records are at their
Terra Nova Cannery. He
promised to phone this
information to us as
soon as he can make
a trip to the cannery

G. Peters

March 28, 1943.

Mr. E. S. Martin

From P. Matheson

Re: Shigeru IZUMI, #14719, File 10281

The sum of \$89.45 is being held in this man's account. This money was derived from the sale of a vessel, described in the Bill of Sale as "I.M." (S.M.), Official No. NW.1847.

Gas-boat Licence New Westminster 1847 was issued to I. IZUMI, Box 116, Steveston, on April 28, 1930. We have no I. IZUMI listed in our card index. The RCMP have no record of this man.

This vessel was reported to the J.F.V.S.C. as the "I.M." NW.1847, NW.072-B, owned by I. Iizumi, Steveston. Later the name of Shigeru IZUMI was added to this information.

No vessel carrying the identification, "I.M." or "S.M." NW.1847, NW.072B, appears on any list of impounded vessels.

This vessel was sold to Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd. in August, 1942, and, prior to that, had been in that company's care. At the time, July 24, 1942, this vessel was given into Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd. custody, the vessel was surveyed for damage and missing inventory. This survey identifies the vessel as "S.M." NW.013-F.

The vessel "S.M.", Naval No. 013-F appears on all lists of impounded vessels as "S.M.1258".

"S.M. 1258" Naval No. NW.013-F had been identified as the "Sea Princess" Vancouver 4215, NW.013F, which was sold by Matsui IZUMI, Interview File 942, in April, 1942. This identification is not correct, as the "S.M.1258" was listed long after the "Sea Princess" was released and also the "Sea Princess" was equipped with an Ingersoll engine, while the "S.M.1258" had a Palmer (like our boat "IN"/"S.M.")

The number 1258 would appear to be a fishing licence. Gillnet licence 1258 was issued in 1941 to Jimmatsu IZUMI, File 1333, who was licensed owner of a vessel called "Sweet Sixteen" NW.3079. This vessel is shown on list of impounded vessels as "Sea Farer"/"E.T.1428" NW.3079, owned by K. Tanabe. This boat was also reported under fishing licence 1423.

From the foregoing you will see that, while the vessel sold as "I.M." (S.M.) NW.1847, may have been the vessel licensed in New Westminster as No. 1847, this is definitely open to question. Fishing vessels should have carried a gas-boat licence, a naval control number, a fishing licence number and the fisherman's initials. Japanese fishing vessels were deficient in one or, sometimes, all of these. In determining what identification a vessel carried, I have depended on the lists of impounded vessels and on the survey made at the time the vessel was released from custody, as neither of these

were influenced by other records. Where no vessel is listed under the name of the vessel sold, I look for a gas-boat license number similar to the one under which the boat was sold. If there is no gas-boat license, I look for a naval control number, and eventually fall back on fishing licence numbers and then check to see if that licence was issued to the man claiming the boat. This explains why the "S.M.1258" had been identified as the "Sea Princess"; she carried the "Sea Princess" naval number.

We actually do not know if the "I.M." NW.1847 was ever in custody.

If she was in custody, and was the vessel that carried the name "S.M.1258", Shigeru MIYANO's right to the proceeds of the sale is still questionable. He stated in letter of November 26, 1943, that the "I.M." was owned by his father Shigeichiro MIYANO (File 1443), since deceased; that he had the papers for this vessel. We asked for the licence and bill of sale from the licensed owner, or a Statutory Declaration giving details of the purchase and stating why the proper licence and bill of sale was not available. We received no reply.

Shigeichiro MIYANO registered with the Custodian as a farmer and declared no property.

Shigeru MIYANO registered with the Custodian as a fisherman and declared no property. Shigeru MIYANO was reported to the J.F.V.D.C. as owner of the vessel "S.M." NW.3107. This vessel, impounded under the name "Honey Bee", was released to the licensed owners, R. C. Packers Ltd., who appear to have held title to the vessel as security for a debt of \$1,169.14 owed by "Shigechiro MIYANO". This vessel was built in 1941, and is not the "I.M.". The "Honey Bee"/"S.M." was a new and valuable vessel, equipped with a 14 H.P. Palmer engine, while the "I.M."/"S.M."/"S.M.1258" was an old boat of little value, equipped with a 7 H.P. Palmer. The dimensions of the two boats are, roughly, the same, but as these dimensions are similar to about 20 per cent of the Japanese fishing vessels, dimensions are not of much help, as identification.

What shall we do with this \$89,450

March 11, 1946

Net Shigeta HIROO
 Reg. No. 0478

The following table is an extract from the records 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 records the nets which were left by them in the company net houses.

The original record books are in the hand of Mr. F. D. Sherry, The Director.

No.	Qty.	Mesh.	Depth.	Pattern.	Value.
1	1/10	7	40	140	140.00
2	1/10	7	40	200	200.00
3	1/10	7	40	170	170.00
4	5/10	25	50	300	150.00
5	5/10	4	30	260	130.00
6	5/10	5	60	100	35.00
7	10/10	7	40	150	75.00
8	10/10	9	40	170	170.00
9	10/10	9	40	140	75.00
10	9/10	9	40	260	130.00
11		odd pieces of net			10.00
12		12 lbs. 5/10 barbour			27.00
			Lead line	50.00	
			web line	16.00	
			web line	14.00	
			web line	100.00	
17 lbs.			cotton twine	10.00	

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of the Co. book
The table being
an exact copy
according to
exploration by
the netter*

File No. 3512

Shiro HIROO, Reg. No. 0454

March 11, 1946

Re: Shigeru NIZUMI
 Rec. No. 24719

1	2	Stoves
2	1	Mirror
3	1	cupboard
4	1	table
5	2	chairs
6	2	beds
7	1	baby bed
8	1	bath
9	2	axes, hatch
10	2	chinese saws
11	2	$\frac{1}{2}$ gal. paint
12	2	6 ft. saws
13	3	can pea seed
14	1	gas stove
15	1	picture frame
16	1	gas lamp
17	1	ordinary lamp
18	1	battery
19	46	records
20		desk
21	6	window blinds
22	1	pan
23	1	bicycle

*This represents goods
 according to list -
 records left at
 Imperial Consery
 (B.C. Packers)*

Accounts

Shigeichiro MIZUNO

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JV 3514
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3799

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Credited to a/c
Boat

\$275.00
535.00
800.00

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{ 1 net 10/40 x 9½ x 40 x 140 \$45.00
{ (1 yr.)
{ 1 " 10/40 x 9½ x 40 x 150 50.00
{ (1 yr.)
{ 1 " 10/40 x 12/40 x 9½ x 40 x 270 \$95.00
{ (1 yr.)
{ 1 " 9/40 x 8½ x 40 x 260 85.00
\$275.00

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(5/40 x 4/40 x 5½ x 50 x 300 \$65.00
(5/40 x 7 x 60 x 120 on lines 90.00
(4/40 x 5½ x 60 x 200 " 115.00
(5/40 x 6½ x 60 x 250 " 165.00
(Cotton lines 12.00
(" " 8.00
(Lead lines 35.00
(Cork lines 45.00
\$535.00

3799

Boat purchases \$800.00

File No. 3542

March 11, 1946

Re: Shigeichiro MIZUNO
Reg. No. 04164

The following list of fishing equipment was sold direct to the B. C. Packers Co., Ltd., by the Japanese Fishermen or credited to their accounts for money owing to the Cannery. In accordance with arrangements made with the Cannery, these lists were obtained direct from them on February 14, 1946 by the Custodian and the original records remained with the B. C. Packers. The Custodian had no information from the Japanese fishermen of their selling or receiving money direct from the Cannery.

*See acct
Sept 7th
Calcutta*

See FILE No. 10281

Shikara MIZUNO. Reg. No. 04733

Although the father Shigeichiro received the money from the BC Packers for the above nets, we believe the nets belonged to his son Shigeru file 10281. Shigeru entered a list of the above nets in the record book of the cannery under his name. The father was a farmer. *Carte*

10281 & 3542

May 26, 1949

Mr. Shigeru MIZUNO,
c/o J.P. Halgardson,
TABER, Alta

Dear Sir:

Re: Motor Vessel "I.M." New Westminster 1847

On November 26, 1943, you informed this office that the vessel "I.M.", New Westminster Licence No. 1847, was the property of your father, the late Shigeichiro Mizuno. You stated that you had the papers for this vessel.

On December 2, 1943, this office asked for some proof that the vessel was the property of your father, but no reply has been received to that letter.

The funds received from the sale of the vessel are still being held in Custodian Suspense Account. If, as you have stated, the vessel was the property of your late father, it is probable that you or some member of your family would be able to supply the Custodian with some evidence to show this ownership. This would enable the Custodian to release the funds to the Estate of the late Shigeichiro Mizuno.

The vessel, as you are aware, was licensed in the name of "I.Mizuno" of Steveston, B. C.

Who is I. Mizuno?

Is I. Mizuno living at the present time? If so, where is he?

When did your late father purchase the vessel from I. Mizuno?

Enclosed is a stamped, addressed envelope for your convenience in supplying this office with any information you may have relative to the ownership of the vessel "I.M.", New Westminster 1847.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of The Custodian.

/FMS

MIZUNO, Shigeichiro,
Registration No. 02524 *wrong*
File No. 3542.

January 19, 1944.

*Represents info in Custodian
office such as receipts.*

NET STATEMENT

<u>Cust. No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Japanese Value</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>
256 ✓	coil lead line	\$10.00	\$10.00

UNACCOUNTED FOR

252 ✓	Patches nets	\$10.00	
255 ✓	5/40 x 6 1/2 x ? - 300	100.00	
257 ✓	Halibut line with hooks & corks	?	
261 ✓	5/40 x 5 1/2 x 50	35.00	

*Kenya, 707, 708, 709
20. 21. 22. 23.
Inventured by
Robinson under
S. Mizuno's
S. Mizuno's*

*There is something wrong here.
File no 3542 is not the file of S. Mizuno
Reg. no 02524*