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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: SHINO, SeichiHOME ADDRESS: #2 Rd., Lulu St., Steveston, B. C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 04200 SEX: Male AGE: 30OCCUPATION: 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: M. B. C. Packers, Steveston, B. C.MARRIED? YesNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Takeko / 4671ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: #2 Rd., Lulu St., Steveston, B. C.NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: NoneADDRESS OF CHILDREN: NoneAGE OF CHILDREN: None

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: #2 Rd., Lulu St., Steveston, B. C.  
Municipality of Richmond, Lot "B" of Lot 3 of part of the West Half of  
Sec. 18, Block 3, North Range 6, West Map 6679 in the District of  
New Westminster, No. 147957E.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 2-storey, 7-room wooden frame  
house.

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) \$1,500.00 United States  
Fire Ins. Co. of New York. - Vancouver, B. C. Policy #16888 in owner's possession.

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) Amount unknown paid 1942 payable Municipality  
Richmond, Brighouse, B. C.

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed)  
River Fish Co., Home Steveston, B. C. holds a <sup>lien</sup> mortgage of \$500.00  
against the dwelling only. for lumber supplied

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Owner.



7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: In owner's possession.
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: None
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: None
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:

29/5/44 (Sold)  
1-Fishing boat. (\$2300.00) Reg. None 2580; Gray Motors engine

100 H. P. L-12'; W-7'7"; D-3'2", in custody at New Westminster, B. C.

(Sold)  
9-fishing nets (\$1,000.00); Cork line and Lead lines (\$500.00)

2-Trawling Harries and Gear; carpenter tools - at #2 Rd., Inuvik, B. C., also 2-row boats and 2-fishing rollers at Phoenix

Gannery Wet House. Declarant will leave key with Custodian upon evacuation.  
(to house and personal property)

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

None

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY None



4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None
5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None
6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) None
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) \$5.00 War Saving Certificate - in owner's possession.
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None
9. LIFE INSURANCE: \$1,000.00 Sun Life Assurance Co., - Vancouver, B. C.  
beneficiary-Yasui Shiko (mother) Policy #801930 in owner's possession.
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

**LIABILITIES:**

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None
2. TRADE DEBTS: None

I, the undersigned, hereby voluntarily turn over to the Custodian all my property in the protected area as set out above, excepting fishing vessels, deposits of money, shares of stock, debentures, bonds or other securities, if any.

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 17th day of April 1942.

A. McArthur

Witness

(Signature)

E. Shiko

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE



P.D. 25/11/42  
INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE May 24/43

r File No. 5571

Full Name SHIHO, Soichi  
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 04200

Male - Female  
(Check)

Age Dec. 18, 1911

Former Address Box 313, Steveston, B. C.

Date Evacuated 28/5/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(Check)

Present Address ~~Hexton Plate Farm, Ashcroft, B. C. Raymond, Alberta.~~

c/o Smith Farms, LETHBRIDGE, Alberta. (Dec. 9/46)

Married - Single  
(Check)

nee

Name of Wife (YANOSHITA) Takako #13216

Name of Husband

nee  
Name of Mother (MAEDA) Yasu

Name of Father Yajiro (Daic'd) - #04151

Names of Children under 16

Requested by ECT Registered with Custodian yes  
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Fisherman (Salmon Gill Net) 1269

Salmon Trolling N. 84 ) Boat No. 2580 N.W.



(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Mr. Soichi Shiho

File No. 5571

*Boston Flats Farm  
Ashcroft, B.C.*

Reg. No. 04200

Company Sun Life

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 801930

Premium - \$ 40.35

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

Month November Day 5

REMARKS:

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*12/26/81*



(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name ARINOBU, Mr. Kenji

File No. 5771

*Winnipeg Supply & Fuel  
Stally, Man*

Reg. No. 14359

Company Sun Life

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 2275336

Premium - \$ 39.90

Payable: <sup>x</sup> Annually, Semi-annually or monthly

Month July Day 5th

REMARKS:

*Letter sent 26/8/63*



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**SHIMO, Seishi**

FILE NO.

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File no. 5571

February 28th, 1944.

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

Seichi SHIRO - Reg. No. 04200

CREDITORS:-

NO CLAIMS ON FILE, at this date.

NO CLAIMS ON WIFE's file No. 4871.

/ND



Sold by special arrangement

File No. 5571

Japanese Name: SOGAWA, Soichi (Mr.) Reg. No. 04200

Civic Address: #2 Road & Dyke, Steveston, B. C.

Legal Description: Lot "B" of Lot 3 of the West half of  
Sec. 18, Blk. 3 North, Range 6 West,  
Map 6879, Mun. of Richmond in the  
District of New Westminster.

Classification: Dwelling - 7 rooms.

---SOLD---

Registered in the name of: Soichi SHIHO

Clear Title.

Sold to the Director, Veterans' Land Act for \$1080.00  
(Net Proceeds - \$1092.91) as at January 1st, 1943.

1944

Feb. 28th

Memo re Claims (Nil)



15th May, 1948.

**CLAIMANT**

**Soichi SHIHO**

Regn No 04200

PROP. SUBJECT  
OF CLAIM

Lot B of Lot 3 of W $\frac{1}{2}$  Sec 18, B3N/6W  
Map 6879, Mun. of Richmond, D.N.W.

known as

#2 Rd. & Dyke, Steveston, B.C.

**CLAIM**

Est. value as per claim:	Land	\$ 225.	
	Imp.	<u>3044.</u>	\$ 3269.00
	Costs cr		<u>1080.00</u> (Corre
	CLAIM		\$ 2189.00

## REFERENCES

## HISTORY

**JR**

Declared as 2-storey, 7-room frame house.

RP.1

Mather's report 4 Jun 42 describes property as:

"...new 7 room frame, shingle roof house,  
with basement...not yet painted"

RP.2

C of E #51180 d/22 Feb 43 notes vesting in Custodian, regd Dyking Charge, otherwise clear title in name of Claimant.

RP.3

Photographed 9 Apr 43.

RP.4

Assessed (1943) :	Land	\$ 150.	
	Imp.	2000.	\$ 2150.

Rates Bylaw	25.30	
Dyking chge	1.00	\$ 26.30

RP.5

MacPherson's memo to Milson 22 Nov 44 notes Shiho purchased title to property (land) from Tomoaki DOI (file 10835) 16 Dec 41 \$150.00

RP.6

Shiho's letter 16 Nov 44 values property cost as follows:

Cost of building material	\$ 1374.77
Carpentry and other labour	1,000.
Cost of land	200.
	<hr/>
	\$ 2574.77

Shiho states "To all these statements I can give proof if necessary"

RP.7

Appraised VLA 23 Jul 42 \$1100.

RP.8

Sold VLA as at 1 Jan 43 \$1080.00

**NOTE**

**No other appraisal nor offer to purchase received.**

A Summary of the Administration of this property has not been prepared, however, the property was continuously rented during the period of the Custodian's administration at a rate of \$15. per month. No disbursements other than for taxes and water rates are noted.

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SHIHO, Soichi  
Dyke Road, Steveston, B.C.  
Evac. File 5571



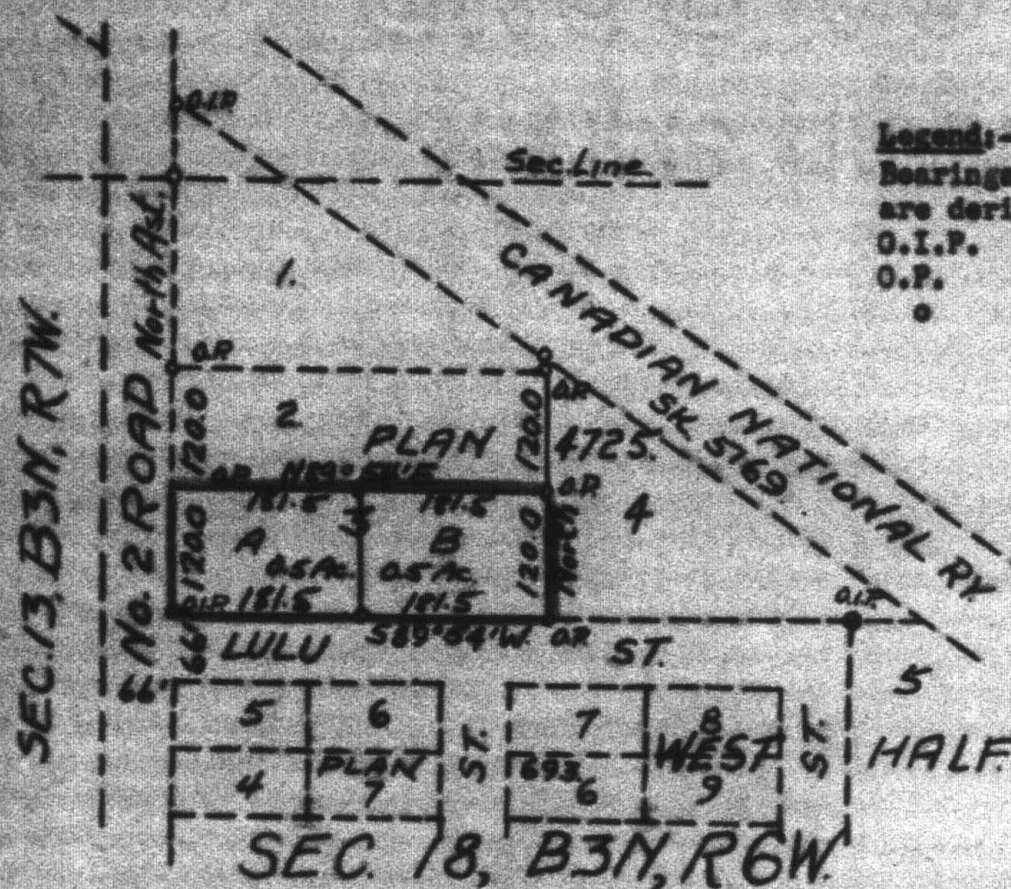
Picture Taken April 9, 1943

*Amelia*



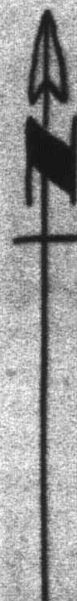
PLAN OF SUBDIVISION OF LOT 3,  
ACCORDING TO PLAN 4725, OF WEST  
HALF OF SECTION 18, B3N, R6W.  
N.W.D      Scale:-200Feet=1Inch.

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 EXHIBIT No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE Aug. 9/48.  
 FILED BY W. E. Buckvale.



Legend:-

Bearings are astronomic and  
 are derived from Sketch 7777.  
 O.I.P. Indicates iron post found  
 O.P. Indicates wooden post found  
 o Indicates wooden post.



I, D. J. McGugan, of the City of New Westminster,  
 in the Province of British Columbia, a British  
 Columbia Land Surveyor, make oath and say that I was  
 present at and did personally superintend the survey  
 represented by this plan and that the survey and plan  
 are correct. The said survey was completed on the  
 27th day of November, 1941.

"D. J. McGugan"

Sworn before me this 4th  
 day of December, 1941.

"Perry B. Brown"

A Notary Public in and for the Province of  
 British Columbia.

Burnett and McGugan,  
Engineers & Surveyors,  
New Westminster, B. C.

Approved under the Land Registry  
 Act. Dated this \_\_\_\_\_th day of  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 1941.

Approving Officer.

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true  
 copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

Sept. 20, 1948.

P. Pollard  
E.H.



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BC-2082-B

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BC/2082-B

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S.S. Form No. 43  
(Sheet 1)

# Farm Appraisal Report

File No. J.L.558

Land Description Lot "B" of Lot 2 of part of W<sup>1</sup> Sec.18 Blk.3N. Rge.6W Ma.2 6879. Acres 0.50

No house number.

Containing

Owner's Name SHIHO, Soichi

Post Office Address R.R. Steveston.

Distance 1 1/2 miles.

Nearest Rail Point Steveston

Distance 10 "

Market Town (Good local deliveries) Vancouver

Distance

Church (give denomination) All within 3 miles

Distance 1 1/2 "

Nearest School Steveston

State how property was identified: Roads, posts and map.

Roads: State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.

Yes, it fronts on Lulu Street - the dyke - plank bridge access.

Is this district a good one? Yes, both large and small farms.

Employment opportunity Varied, farms, canneries and industrial.

Predominating Nationality and religion: British, Protestant.

Describe Fencing and its condition: No fencing at all.

Water supply: City water installed.

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DATE Aug 9/48

FILED Value L. R. Rice

Value \$

## BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	28 x 28	Frame	16	Shgle	1942 new	cement	new	\$1000.00
BARN	x	Note: I was not able to view interior nor get any accurate information as to interior finish, if any. The figure may have to be increased if house is found to be completed inside. Am also in doubt about basement floor, whether earth or cement.						
BARN	x							
GRANARY	x							
	x							
	x							

Total present day value \$ 1000.00

\$ 1000.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm

Is dwelling habitable without repairs?

?

If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it

habitable? I believe it can be lived in. I do not know if it is lived or

otherwise.

Describe the basement and chimneys: On concrete foundation, brick chimney to ground.

No. rooms downstairs? Est.5 Upstairs? Est.2 How finished I do not know.

Are buildings painted? No Condition of paint

Distance from nearest bush All clear.

Note: Particular care must be taken when examining and reporting on foundations, sills and roofs.



ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
0.50	Flat 0.50 acre	Silty clay	Good clay	Wild grass	\$200.	\$100.00
Area which can be cultivated without cost other than for breaking.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL		VALUE PER ACRE	
Area which can be cultivated after a reasonable amount of clearing timber, stones, drainage, etc.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	NATURE OF RECLAMATION NECESSARY	RECLAMATION COST PER ACRE	VALUE PER ACRE
Area Unsuited for Cultivation.						
	CHARACTER OF LAND E. G. HILLY, SWAMPY, ROCKY.		NATURE OF TIMBER IF ANY AND WHETHER MARKETABLE		VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE	

0.50 ac Total value of Land \$ 100.00

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$1000.00

Total fruit trees add to value of farm (for use in orchard districts only) \$

Total value of farm \$1100.00

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:

New house on new land.

State most suitable type of agriculture for farm bearing in mind the district's limitations, if any.

Just a home for local worker or pensioner.

Noxious weeds:

Not in evidence.

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Give approximate detail and  
amount of all annual taxes and  
names of Taxing Authorities:

Corporation of Township of Richmond.

\$3.55. Note: Improvements are not yet assessed.

Minimum water charge \$24.00 per year.

Date: 18th July, 1942.  
Place: New WestminsterI certify that the above report is based on a personal examination  
of the whole farm made on the 17th May of July 1942.

Inspector's Signature

"T. GODFREY"

Note: (Use Form 43 (Sheet 2) in connection with this form.)



# Farm Appraisal Report

SHINO, Seichi

Remarks: This half-acre home holding is bounded on south by the dyke, which is Lulu Street.

House building permit issued January, 1942, expiring July, 1942. I am of the opinion the house was never occupied. Securely boarded up; did not break to view interior; value placed is considered opinion.

Useful home for fisherman, cannery worker or man working in Vancouver.

Am of the opinion land is little lower than land north, and usual ditches will be required.

Good potatoes growing on adjoining lot on east.

## (FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

REMARKS: re general lie of land, fertility of soil, irrigation, drainage or dyking and reclamation.

## ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

Subject to Lulu Island West Dyking Charges.

## ORCHARDS, SMALL FRUITS, ETC.

(Give number, age, variety and condition of all tree fruits, condition and area of each kind of small fruits.)

### Present Value

Just rank wild grasses.

\$  
\$  
\$  
\$  
\$  
\$  
\$  
\$  
\$  
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\$

Total \$

Amount fruit trees add to value of farm \$



Diagram of Property

Lot 2

SOICHI SHINO

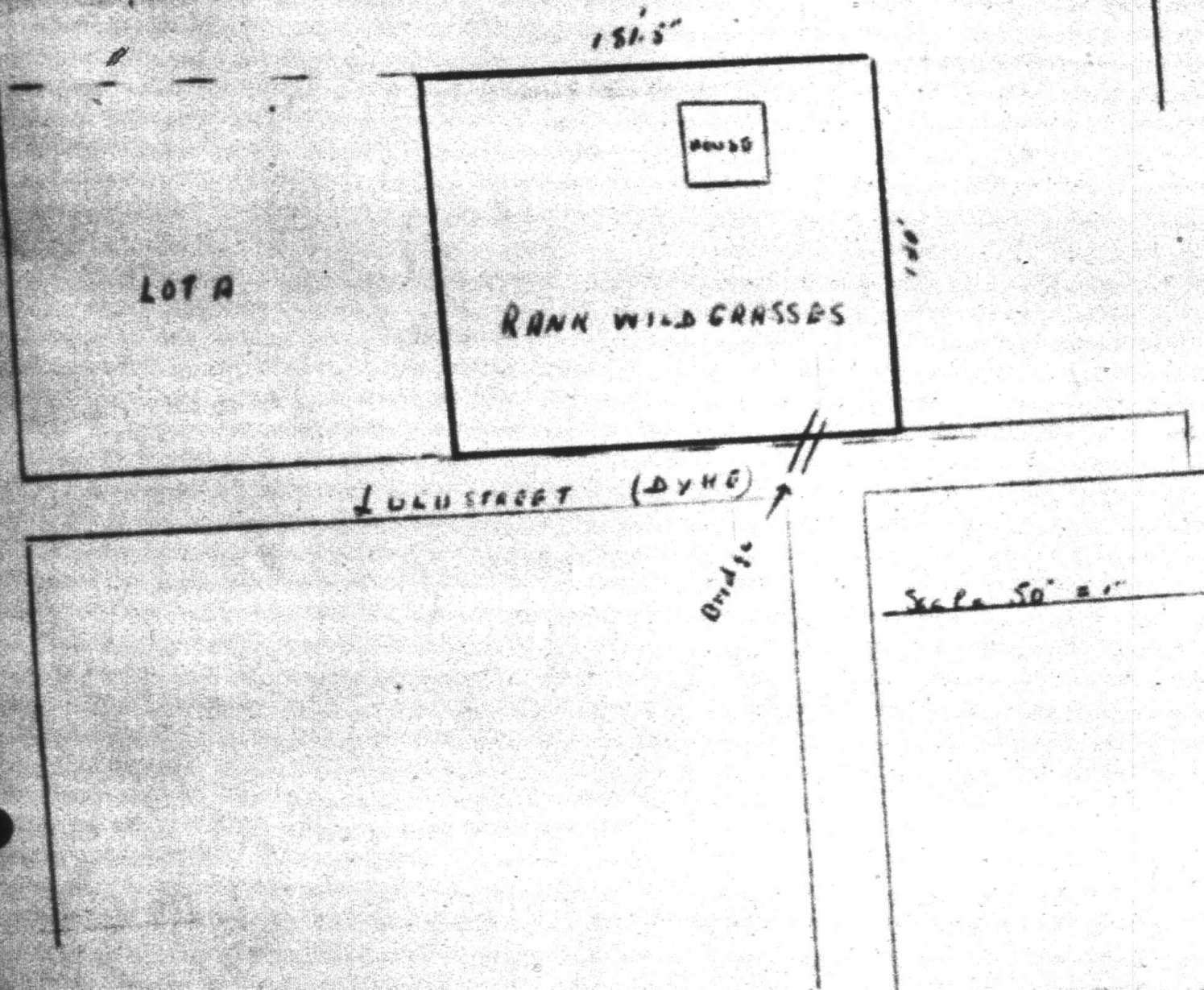


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Following careful review of this appraisal report, it is my opinion that the present

value is \$ 1100.00

Date 23rd July 19 42

"I. T. BARNETT"  
District Superintendent.



SOLDIER SETTLEMENT and VETERANS' LAND ACT

File No. BC/2897  
(JL-556)

Vancouver, B.C.

January 17th, 1944.

A.C. Duncan Crux, Esq.,  
Randall Building,  
535 West Georgia St.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

# 5571 SHINO, Ischi Reg# 04200

Dear Sir:-

Re: Lot "B" of Lot 3 of W<sup>1</sup> Sec. 18,  
Blk. 3, N., Rge. 6, W. Map 6879.  
MUNICIPALITY OF RICHMOND

I beg to acknowledge receipt of Duplicate Certificate of Title No. 1689412 of the New Westminster Land Registry Office for the above parcel of land in the name of The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

Included in the Veterans' Land Act cheque for \$ 21,879.75, in favour of The Secretary of State, forwarded to you and dated January 12th, 1944, is the amount of the purchase price in full of the above land arrived at as follows:-

Purchase Price	- \$ 1,080.00
Less arrears of taxes to January 1st, 1943,	- \$ -
Amount paid to Secretary of State	- \$ 1,080.00

Will you kindly acknowledge receipt of the purchase price by signing the receipt on the duplicate hereof and return it to me.

Yours truly,

*W.K. Chandler*

W.K. Chandler,  
LEGAL ADVISER.

WKC/W

RECEIVED Cheque covering the purchase price in full of the land above described.

JAN 24 1944

Date

Solicitor for  
The Secretary of State

*V. Release  
Set*



Registration Number 04200

SHIHO, Soichi

#2 Road, Lulu Street, Steveston, B. C.

LOCATION AND NATURE OF PROPERTY

The property as described in Form "JP" is correct.

OWNERSHIP

The Title has been examined and is in the name of the above Soichi Shiho.

LAND AND BUILDINGS

There is a new 7 room frame, shingle roof house, with basement, on this property, which has not yet been painted.

INSURANCE

Policy #16888, United States Fire Insurance Co. for \$1500 on the dwelling.

TAXES

The taxes are paid to December 31, 1941, not 1942, as per declaration. This has been checked with the Municipal Hall.

FINANCIAL POSITION

Claims to have no liabilities, but I am informed by the River Fish Co. Ltd., that he owes approximately \$500, for building material supplied for the house. Inventory of personal effects attached hereto.

REMARKS

The goods as per inventory, have been left in the house which is entirely boarded up and the key left with Mr. T. C. King. Following this man's evacuation, Mr. King admitted Lieut. A. G. Handford of the Royal Canadian Navy, who removed from the property the following effects:

- 1 Generator
- 1 Search Light
- 1 Steering Wheel
- 6 Anchors
- 1 Boat Stove
- 1 Ignition Complete
- 2 Sets Net Guards
- 1 Water Pump

Lieut. Handford informed Mr. King that the 2 Rollers referred to at the Phoenix Cannery, will be picked up later by the Navy.

RECOMMENDATION

I would recommend that this matter be handed to Mr. T. C. King for management on behalf of the Custodian, and that the Nets as per inventory be sold.

June 4, 1942.

Marker

*Mr. King  
Authorized  
June 17/42*

*Navy receipt in file*

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MEMORANDUM

Files #5571  
4871

May 10, 1943.

TO: Files

FROM: Mr. R. B. Mackenzie.

Re: Mr. & Mrs. Soichi SHIMO

These files are in order and can be closed as far as chattels are concerned. The tenant at the house on #2 Road, Mrs. W. Jubb, has acknowledged caring for the chattels left, and listed by Mr. J. D. Mather. *See 5570*

The fishing gear has been sold. The Navy has taken certain articles for which a receipt has been given.

RBM/MFP

*RB*

*Later. This house has now been rented to the National Fisheries Co. who on June 4/43 acknowledged the chattels formerly signed for by Mrs. Jubb. RBM.*



NAME SHIRO, Takako (Mrs. Seichi)

REGISTRATION NO. 13216

FILE NO. 1571

*filed 10/2/44*

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Stevenson, B.C. on March 31, 1944.

Sewing machine

*Transferred from file 5570,*

\$32.00

*Dec. 10, 1944.*

*P.C.*

*Original Sent  
July 25/47*

Total

(Auctioneer's Fee: \$3.20

Less Expenses:

(Advertising: \$1.33

(Moving: \$2.83

\$ 32.00

\$ 7.36

\$ 24.64

Net Proceeds Credited:

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Stevenson 10.

Remarks.



Claim for depreciation in Vessel

Vessel "Leader S", New Westminster Lic.#2580 sold by Soichi Shiho, May 6, 1942, to Canadian Fishing Company Ltd. Sale through Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee. Proceeds of sale paid to Mr. Shiho, May 14, 1942, by Committee.

At time of sale, "S. Shiho", whose signature resembles that of claimant, assigned to the purchaser of the Leader S any claim there might be for loss or damage suffered by the vessel while in custody. See attached sheet.

/TM

*Imachuan*



MEMORANDUM TO FILE 5571

June 15, 1944

Soichi SHIHO, Reg. 04200

With reference to Receipt, signed by A. G. Handford, Lieutenant, RCNVR, Security Intelligence Officer, Vancouver, on June 1, 1942, Lieutenant Handford has reported, in regard to the short wave set listed, that this was in a small box. It was placed in the truck with the boat equipment by the Custodian agent who was under the impression that it was a transmitting set.

Upon examination, however, the box turned out to be an electric vibrator. Lieutenant Handford stated that this had been returned to the Custodian's agent.

Lieutenant Handford stated that the value of the vibrator would be small, less than one dollar.

*DM*

It is noted that, in letter of February 14, 1944, Mrs. Yasue SHIHO, File 5570, mentions an electric massage machine, as being missing from a trunk which she had received. Mrs. Yasue SHIHO, is the mother of Soichi SHIHO.

*(L. Ford)*  
*DM*



17th May, 1948.

## PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

CLAIMANT	Soichi SHIHO	(husband)	Regn No 04200	File 5571
CLAIMANT	Takaka SHIHO	(wife)	Regn No 13216	File 4871

SEPARATE CLAIMS HAVE BEEN ENTERED BY BOTH THE ABOVE. IT IS CONSIDERED THAT THESE TWO CLAIMS SHOULD BE HEARD TOGETHER.

## CLAIM OF Takaka SHIHO :-

The above Claimant is claiming on three specific articles, viz:

Elec. Mantel Chime Clock	\$ 30.
Clothes closet	30.
Gas stove	6. \$66.00

EXHIBIT NO

DATE

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Aug 9/48

G. S. A. Nece

On 17 April, 1942, the following registered with the Custodian, and on 28 May 42 all were evacuated to Bridge River, B.C.:-

Soichi SHIHO	file 5571
Takaka SHIHO	4871
Yasue SHIHO	5571 (Mother of Soichi SHIHO)
Ichino TANI	4875 (No relationship to others noted on file)

Soichi & Takaka SHIHO maintained a home at #2 Rd and Dyke, Steveston, B.C., and when registering declared their chattels to have been left at that address. Yasue SHIHO declared chattels and stated she was leaving same at House #11 Imperial Cannery, Steveston, B.C., which was also given as her place of residence. Ichino TANI declared chattels and stated she was leaving same at House #51 Imperial Cannery, Steveston, B.C.

On search of House #51 by the Custodian agent, no chattels were found. Subsequent investigation disclosed that Tani's chattels had been left with Yasue SHIHO at House #11. Further investigation disclosed that Yasue SHIHO had removed all her chattels from House #11 to her son's house (Soichi's at #2 Rd & Dyke) prior to evacuation. Presumably the chattels belonging to Ichino TANI were also stored at this house.

Perusal of the file correspondence indicates that Mrs. TANI and the SHIHO family at all treated ALL chattels as common property insofar as the Custodian was concerned. Letters on file supposedly emanating from Soichi SHIHO denote that Ichino TANI started to sign same with her name -- then placed "S. Shiho" as signature (see letter 22 Feb 43). Letters from Yasue SHIHO are written in Takaka's handwriting; the signature starting to be "T" and being changed to a "Y" (see 26 Jul 43).

Chattels at #2 Rd and Dyke were inventoried by J.D. Mather on 4 Jun 42, but does not appear to cover the quantity that should have been there.

On 19 Jan 44 various chattels were removed from the house at #2 Rd and Dyke. It does not appear that any attention was given to checking the removal list against either declared articles or inventories signed by tenants. Two or three of the items removed were sold at Auction and credited to Takaka SHIHO, numerous others disappeared after being removed to storage, and a shipment was made to Yasue SHIHO at Bridge River on 5 Feb 44.

As there was never a complete inventory of the collective chattels of the a/m Japanese taken at time of evacuation, and as the Bill of Lading d/5 Feb 44 does not itemize the chattels shipped, it is impossible to say whether Takaka SHIHO is claiming for a mantel clock owned by herself or whether for the one declared by Yasue Shiho on 16 Sep 43 to be in a chest of drawers left at Soichi's house. (The chest of drawers appears to belong to Mrs. Tani -- together with most of the contents stated to have been stored in it).

Due to the confused state of the above four files in regard to chattels, it is not considered possible to create a chattel analysis, and due to the fact that so many articles disappeared from storage or were shipped without itemizing, cross-examination of the Claimant appears to be the only solution to establishing whether or not the claim /2



FILE NO 5571 - Soichi SHIHO (2)  
Takaka SHIHO  
Yasue SHIHO  
Ichino TANI

is legitimate insofar as Takaka is concerned.

Records at this office do not reveal that Claims have been entered by Tani or Yasue Shiho as at date of this summary.

The JP Form of Takaka note the articles claimed on as having been declared by her.

Claim of Soichi SHIHO :-

Soichi declared amongst other items:

9 fishing nets (\$1000.)  
Cork & lead lines (\$500.)  
Carpenter tools

J.D. Mather report 4 Jun 42 fishing nets and carpenter tools as follows:

1 net (Tagged) 5/40 x 5 7/8 x 200 fathoms  
3 full Nets (untagged)  
7 pieces of Nets (untagged)  
All above nets without lines.  
Sundry cork and Lead lines, lengths unknown, as none of these were tagged  
Sundry carpenter tools.

C.C. Robinson, Cstn agent at Steveston notes in his memo to Green of 5 Mar 43 that Shiho's nets were appraised by Mr. Cogswell of National Fisheries and were sold to Nelson Bros. Fisheries at (evidently) the appraised price of \$100. for all. Soichi SHIHO objected to the price received, stating that he wouldn't have sold any of the nets for less than \$100. each, and the Cstn's reply of 19 Apr 43 notified him that the nets were left in bundles on the floor causing depreciation, also that they were being eaten by rats.

The file does not provide further information in regard to nets. No inventory of same created by the Custodian is evident.

Yasue SHIHO's letter of 14 Feb 44 re carpenter tools etc notes that the following were left at Soichi SHIHO's home. (These evidently being the tools declared by Soichi and now the subject of his claim) :-

Square	Braces	Plane (plainer)
Level	Rip-saw	Japanese saw.

Other than Mather's reference to "Sundry carpenter tools" in his inventory, the file carries no information as to their description or subsequent disposition.

In regard to Shiho's claim of \$75. for "Anchors", a receipt signed by RCN authority under date of 1 Jun 42 notes that 6 anchors were removed from Shiho's house. No further information is on record at this office in regard to their subsequent disposition. Miss Matheson of this office (formerly with JFVDC) stated that unless special disposition of equipment is noted on the file, that it is safe to presume that that particular equipment was placed on the vessel of the man from whom it was removed. If this is true, the anchors were sold with his vessel "Leader S"/"S.S." on 6 May 42 and the dated receipt must have been received by the Custodian some time later.

The claim for depreciation re fishing boat is outside the terms of reference due to the vessel having been sold 6 May 42 with net proceeds having been acknowledged by Shiho on 14 May 42.

EXHIBIT NO. 546-2  
DATE Aug 9/48  
FILED BY [Signature]



NAME SHIRO, Takako (Mrs. Solich)

REGISTRATION NO. 13216

FILE NO. 4271

*Lib 10/12/46*

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Steveston, B.C. on June 30, 1944

Desk *Transferred from file #570,  
10/12/46  
CS*

\$10.00

*Original sent July 25/47*

Total		\$ 10.00
Less Expenses:	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$1.00 (Advertising: \$0.44 (Moving: \$0.90)	\$ 2.34
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 7.66

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 16.

Remarks.



NAME SHIRO, Takako (Mrs. Seichi)

REGISTRATION NO. 13216

FILE NO. 4871

The following chattels were sold by public  
auction at Steveston, B.C. on November 7, 1945.

Electric machine & dishes  
7 Jars

\$ 85.50  
1.00

*Transferred from file*

*5571 - 10/16/46*

*C.S.*

*Original sent July 25/47*

Total	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$0.65	\$ 6.50
Less Expenses:	(Advertising: \$0.35	\$ 1.36
	(Moving: \$0.36	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 5.14

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Steveston 40.

Remarks.



June 13, 1945

The following table is an extract from the records books received from the British Columbia Fisheries Co., Ltd., covering their Special Survey for 1944. The Japanese fish collectors were instructed to leave the Japanese fishermen when they received the fish which were left by them in the company net houses.

The original records are in the hands of Mr. F. G. Moore, The Director.

Mr. F. G. Moore

11:50 A.M.

Taken away by Navy, June 9

Table

120	1 pair net gourd 1 stone roller 1 net drum (all complete)	E. H. H.
130	1 pair net gourd 2 storage batteries 2 5 gal. gas tank 1 stone roller 2 traps	E. H. H.
140	1 net	E. H. H.
150	1 drum	E. H. H.
160	1 pair net gourd 1 10 gal. gas tank	E. H. H.
170	1 stone roller	E. H. H.
180	1 stone roller	E. H. H.
190	1 stone roller	E. H. H.

*File*

They (3 naval officers) refused to give us a receipt.

Mr. F. G. Moore  
Mr. F. G. Moore  
Mr. F. G. Moore  
Mr. F. G. Moore  
Mr. F. G. Moore  
Mr. F. G. Moore

*W. S. Carter*



December 13, 1946.

Re: Soichi SHIHO  
Registration No. 04200

All trunks and personal belongings in storage at Steveston were opened and inspected in October, 1945. Goods of no value were discarded; clothing of no saleable value were turned over to U.N.R.R.A.; saleable articles were auctioned and any personal photographs or goods of a personal nature are stored ready for shipment at the request of the Japanese.

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SHIHO, S.

Lot No. 223

For Auction: 1 massaging machine  
and case

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Description: 1 wooden box - opened

For Auction: Kitchenware

Discarded: Junk  
1 small box of junk

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For Auction: 1 doll in case

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Description: 1 wooden box - opened

For Auction: Odd dishes  
Rice bowls  
Mixing bowl  
Japanese soap  
2 pot cleaners  
3 flat irons

Discarded: Rags and papers

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December 13, 1946.

A telephone call was received on November 22, 1946, from Mr. Howell, who does special work for the Custodian. He informed us that the Buddhist Temple had again been broken into and that all parcels of personal goods stored in the basement had been opened and the contents strewn on the floor. It is impossible to identify to whom they belong.

George Peters,  
Office of the Custodian.



Whilst in Naval Custody, my boat... LEADER S. (S.S.)  
Official No NW. 2580..... suffered damage as set forth in the  
NW. 031H  
surveyors' report.

If the Dominion Government will allow me \$.... 12.50 ✓  
to make good that damage, I agree that I shall not make further  
claim of any nature whatsoever against the Dominion Government,  
and hereby authorize the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal  
Committee to pay any claims for damages or missing inventory to  
The Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd. ....

GULF OF GEORGIA

..... E. Shino .....  
(Boat Owner)

The damage claim of \$..... 12.50 ✓ ..... is fair and just.

..... A. P. Riley .....  
Surveyor for Japanese Fishing  
Vessels Disposal Committee.

..... J. M. Simpson .....  
Surveyor for Naval Service.

Done? AC  
5-9-42

COPY



SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: May 29, 1944

Name: SHIHO, Soichi

Reg. No. 04200

File: 5571

Boat File No.: JFVDC 542

Name of Vessel: "Leader S"/"S.S." 32'x7'7"x3'3" (1939) Grey 100 HP

Lic. or Reg. No.:

~~xxxx~~ New Westminster 2580

Naval No.:

NW.031-H

Owner's Valuation:

\$2,300.00

JFVDC Valuation:

1,265.00 Survey #307 NW

Custodian Valuation:

None

Date of Sale:

May 6, 1942

Purchaser:

Canadian Fishing Co.Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers:

Copy unsigned

Selling Price:

\$1,550.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~xx-Custodian~~

1,550.00

Supervision Costs:

20.50

Balance due Owner:

1,529.50

Paid to:

S. Shiho, May 14, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale:

New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Inventory Claim 149- Canadian Fishing Co.Ltd. - \$12.50

Engine parts (missing at time of survey) must have been supplied, as claim was for Stand for spotlight and one wing pump. Balance of equipment must have been supplied with boat, ~~xx~~

Additional Information:

*J. MacLennan* *Reviewed  
Dec 6/42  
Jm*



*Matthias Report  
4 Jan 42*

Registration Number 04260

SPIHC, Soichi

INVENTORY

- ✓ 1 Stove
- ✓ Sundry Kitchen Utensils
- ✓ Sundry Crockeryware Boxed
- ✓ 1 Chest Drawers
- ✓ 1 Trunk Sundry articles
- ✓ 1 Card Table
- 1 Screen
- ✓ Sundry Carpenters Tools

*See serial  
124 file  
522*

NETS (Stored in Attic)

1 Net (Tagged)  $5/40 \times 5 \frac{7}{8} \times 200$  Fath.

3 Full Nets (Untagged)

7 pieces of Nets "

All above Nets without lines.

Sundry Cork and Lead Lines, lengths unknown,  
as none of these were tagged.

*Matthias*



# JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

## RELEASE AND DISCHARGE

FISHING VESSEL: "LEADER S"

CLAIM No.: 149

REG. or LIC. No.: NW 2580

Owner at Time of Impounding:

NAVAL No.: NW 031 H

S. Shiho

CLAIM PAYABLE TO:

Present Owner:

Canadian Fishing Company Ltd.

Canadian Fishing Company Ltd.

This vessel was sold by S. Shiho to the Canadian Fishing Company Ltd. on May 6, 1942, and, as a condition of such sale, the vendor assigned all interest in claim for the loss and/or damage, referred to herein, to the purchaser.

While in the custody of the Royal Canadian Navy, this vessel suffered loss and/or damage to the value of \$12.50, as assessed by the surveyors of Naval Service and Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee, which sum is approved by the undersigned, and accepted as adequate compensation.

In consideration of the payment of the sum of

( \$ 12.50 )

TWELVE DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS  
(of lawful money of Canada) (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged), we, the undersigned, being the owners and/or mortgagees, shipyard repairers and all others having any interest, claim or demand against the said motor vessel registered at the Port of New Westminster, B. C. Official or License No. 2580 DO HEREBY RELEASE and forever discharge His Majesty the King, as represented by Royal Canadian Naval Service or any patrol or auxiliary service, acting through or under the authority of Royal Canadian Naval Service, and all boards, commissions or departments of His Majesty's Canadian Government of and from claims which we may now have or which hereafter may arise and which now could or at any time hereafter be made in consequence of damage sustained or any alleged damage sustained, to the above-named motor vessel while in custody of His Majesty's Royal Canadian Naval Service or any auxiliary patrols, commissions, boards or departments hereinbefore named.

AND FURTHER, we covenant that we are the owners and/or mortgagees, shipyard repairers and all others having any interest, claim or demand against the said vessel and are the only parties or persons having any interest, claim, lien, demand or charge over the above-named motor vessel, and should any claim hereafter be made by or through any parties whatsoever, we hereby agree to indemnify and save harmless His Majesty the King as represented by any of the naval services, boards, patrols, departments, or commissions hereinbefore referred to.

AND FURTHER, that this discharge and release enures to the benefit of and is binding upon all the parties hereto, their respective heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, successors and representatives.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, this *first* day of *August* 1942.

WITNESS:

Cheque #A093053, July 18, 1942.

*The Canadian Fishing Company Ltd.*  
*Per J. H. H.*



## EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd SEP 20 1943

File No. 5570

Ans.

Referred

G-165-A

## BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

## CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address BRIDGE RIVER,  
SHALALITE B.C.Date September 16, 1943To: The Secretary of State, acting in his  
capacity as Custodian, Vancouver, B.C.I, YASUR SIIIIIO., Police Registration No. 0452

hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property

stored at Steveston, in my sons' Sam's homein possession of The Custodianand I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to  
such property.

## Description of Property:

*Yasur Siiio is the original owner*  
*bed & mattress* Chairs Two trunks The trunks Water stove  
*small cupboard* Yasur's especially adapted - old brass China  
*Japan made books* Teak board Kitchen Utensils Hanging Cast Iron  
*Japanese school books* Cast Iron Pitcher drum Tools for the

Original Address Steveston B.C.

Date Evacuated to Vancouver \_\_\_\_\_

Date Evacuated to Present Address May 28, 1943.Number in Family - 12 years and over 7Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old 0Number in Family - under 5 1TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 8I agree to pay all charges as required by the British Columbia  
Security Commission.APPROVED:  
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: \_\_\_\_\_

Yasur Siiio  
Claimant Signs Here



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CANADA  
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN  
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 8131

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO.

506 ROYAL BANK BLDG.,  
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE  
VANCOUVER, B.C.

April 23rd, 1942.

J. D. Mather, Esq.,  
315 Metropolitan Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

By virtue of Order in Council P.C. 1665 dated March 4th, 1942, all property situated in any protected area of British Columbia, except fishing vessels, deposits of money, shares of stock, debentures, bonds or other securities of

Soichi SHIHO - #2 Road, Lulu St., Steveston, B.C.

Registration No. 04200 has vested in and is subject to the control and management of the Custodian.

Under the provisions of the Consolidated Regulations Respecting Trading with the enemy (1939) you are hereby requested to investigate, take and retain control of and take such other action as you may deem necessary to protect all such property pending further instructions from the Custodian.

I would also request you to forward a report in duplicate of your investigation and subsequent action in accordance with the attached instructions to C. L. Drewry, Custodian's Office, 506 Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, B.C.

(G. W. McPherson)  
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary  
of State and/or Custodian

GWMcP/FC.

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4120, 4225?

April 23rd, 1942.

J. D. Mather, Esq.,  
315 Metropolitan Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to our letter of the 28th  
ultimo undernoted is a further list of cases referred to  
you:

<u>SHIHO</u> , Soichi	04200
TAMAKI, Yoshio	11022
TAMAKA, Jiroichi	09399
YAMASHITA, Mrs. Masa	04219

The Custodian desires that in these  
cases you investigate and take control of the assets of the  
persons concerned and take such other action as you may  
deem necessary in order to preserve and protect the property.

Yours truly,

C. L. Drewry  
Manager

RFB:EB  
Encl:



Greer

Steveston, B. C.

June 4th, 1942.

Mr. R. P. Alexander,  
Assistant Manager,  
Vancouver, B. C.

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Dear Sir:

As requested, I am forwarding to you the  
receipt from Lieut. A. G. Handford, for Boat Gear Etc.,  
taken from the dwelling of Soichi SHIHO, #2 Road,  
Steveston District.

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Yours very truly,

Thomas C. Truog



C O P Y

78 Georgia Street,  
Steveston, B. C.  
June 13th, 1942

Mr. R. P. Alexander,  
Assistant Manager,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The following is the time expended by myself  
attending Lieut. Handford collecting boat materials from  
Japanese houses here in Steveston.

June 1st, 4½ hours, Soichi Shiho, receipt already sent you.  
5th, 6 " Old Lighthouse Net House  
34 Moncton Street, this place is being  
used by several Japanese, but the goods  
are not tagged, and the materials  
taken away by the Navy could not be  
recognized. (Wakida House) ?.  
Shinzo Tani, (4874 - see this)

These three receipts are attached herewith.

Would ask that this time be paid for at the rate  
of \$1.00 per hour, making the total amount due \$10.50

Yours very truly,

Signed (Thomas C. King)



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June 17th, 1942.

J. D. Mather, Esq.,  
315 Metropolitan Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Soichi SHIHO

We beg to acknowledge, with thanks, your report on the above dated the 4th instant.

As recommended by you we are asking Mr. T. C. King to act as real estate agent for this property on behalf of the Custodian.

We have noted the inventory of nets and will arrange sale of same.

We note that the above claims to have two row boats stored at Phoenix Cannery Net House and we would be glad to have you verify this claim.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander  
Assistant Manager

GHP:ND  
*[Signature]*



INFORMATION FOR REAL ESTATE AGENTS  
TO WHOM PROPERTY IS HANDED FOR ADMINISTRATION

Name: Soichi SHIHO

Address: #2 Rd. Lulu Street, Steveston, B. C.

File No.: 5571

Location and Description of Property:

Lot "B" of Lot 3 of part of the West  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 18, Block 3 North  
Range 6 West, Map 6879, Dist. of New Westminster, known as #2 Road  
Lulu St., Steveston, B. C.

New 7 room frame dwelling with bas ment.

Fire Insurance:

United States Fire Ins. Co. #16888 expiry unknown. \$1500.00

Taxes: Paid to Dec. 31/41.

Tenant's Name: None

Rental Arrangements: None

Name of Agent: T. C. King  
Steveston, B. C.

GHP:ND  
Form #2.

17th June, 1942.



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June 19th, 1942

Mr. Thomas C. King,  
78 Georgia Street,  
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: TANI, Shinzo &  
SHIRO, Soichi

Thank you for your letter of  
June 13th, and the work you have done in this  
connection. We have pleasure in sending you  
herewith our cheque for \$10.50.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander  
Assistant Manager

Enc.  
HFG:IF



File 5571 SHIHO, Soichi

CERTIFICATE OF VESTING REGISTERED

Under date of July 31st, 1942.

the Registrar of the Land Registry Office for the  
District of New Westminster advised that Certificate  
of Vesting, Police Registration No. 04200 has  
been filed as No. 24410.

Original of Registrar's letter is on File

146.

*Jankhaoplu*



# anchors

Steinertown, B.C.

June 1st 1942

Received from Mr J. G. King - Custodian  
the following boat gear from house of  
Saichi SH. Ho. London Rd. Block 3. Block W 1/2  
Section 18. Block 3 Range 6 W.

1 Generator - 1 search light, 1 steering wheel  
6 anchors, 1 stove. 1 ignition complete  
2 sets Net Guards, 1 water pump.

A. G. Handford. Lieut.

Security Intelligence Officer  
Vancouver, B.C.

1 short wave set to be turned  
over to R.C. M.C.

A. G. Handford.

see memo  
June 15/44  
G.M.

This turned out to be a  
vibrator & returned to Custodian



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September 18, 1942.

Mr. T. C. King,  
78 Georgia Street,  
Steveston, B. C.

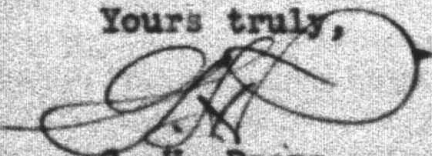
Dear Sir:

Re: Soichi SHIMO

With reference to the property of the above described as Lot B of Lot 3 of the West 1/4 of Section 18, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, located on #2 Road, Lulu Street, Steveston, B. C., on which is situated a new seven room frame house, we would like you to advise us if this property is rentable or not.

Thanking you for your co-operation in this matter, we remain,

Yours truly,

  
G. H. Peers,  
Administration Department.

GHP/P.



*Thomas C. King*  
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE  
COMMISSIONER  
FOR TAKING AFFIDAVITS  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN  
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78 GEORGIA STREET

*Steveston, B.C.*

Steveston, B.C.  
September 21st, 1942.

Mr. G. H. Peers,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Soichi SHINO, File 5571.

Replying to your letter of the 18th  
instant re the above.

This house was rented to a Mrs. Winnifred  
Jubb, who took possession on the 1st day of September  
at a rental of \$15.00 per month.

Please see my Rental Summary for September  
the first sent in for this month.

Yours very truly,

*Thomas C. King.*



Mr. Ian McPherson

November 20, 1942.

MEMORANDUM

File No. 5771 SHIRO, Seichi Reg. No. 04200

NO LINES AND ENCUMBRANCES

The above Japanese states in his J. P. form, that, "Silver Fish Co., Steveston B. C. holds a lien for \$500.00 against the dwelling only for lumber supplied". The J. P. form is dated April 17, 1942. The search was made on July 3, 1942, and the lien had apparently not been filed then.

Remarks

Particulars of claim and date of completion of dwelling.

B. Davidson  
B. Davidson.

RE/ED

Approved  
12/1/42

I have a file for? Shiro 04200  
Silver Fish Co.  
to Mr. E. C. H.



5571.

December 1, 1942.

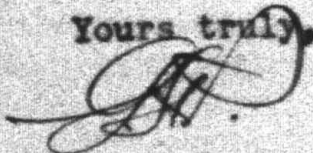
Mr. Genji OTSU,  
P. O. Box 29,  
Minto City, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Seichi Shiho in his declaration to us stated that he owes the sum of \$500.00 to the River Fish Company and that they hold a lien on his dwelling in Steveston for this amount.

Upon searching the Title to this property, we find that no lien has been registered by the River Fish Company. Will you kindly advise us of all particulars of the debt owing to the River Fish Company setting out the amount now owing so that we may communicate with Mr. Shiho in this matter.

Yours truly,



G. H. Peers,  
Administration Department.

GHP/P.



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*Plers*  
*Box 29*  
Minto City, B.C.,  
December 11th, 1942  
*9<sup>th</sup>*

Mr. G.D. Peers,  
Administration Department,  
Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Gentleman:-

File Number 5571 - River Fish Co

With reference to your inquiry and the declaration made by Mr. Soichi Shiho regarding his debt to the River Fish Company and the lien on his dwelling, would say that the statement regarding the nature of the lien is erroneously reported by Mr. Shiho. Yes, Mr. Shiho owes the River Fish Company the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ( \$500.00 ) with the interest of 4% per annum, with no fixed date for maturity. The only " Bills of Exchange " drawn was a " Promissory Note ". There are no such thing as a lien on his dwelling. The aboves are the reasons for the clear title deed.

Trusting that the above fulfills your requirement.

Yours truly,

*Genji Otsu*  
GENJI OTSU



Bridge River, B.C.,  
Feb 22 1943

Department of the Secretary of State, Office of the Custodian,  
Japanese Evacuation Section  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Hastings and Granville,  
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd. FEB 25 1943	
File No. 53-71	
Ans.	
Referred	Russell

Dear Sirs -

I, Sochi Shiko, heard from  
one of the friend in Steveston, that, my  
house at Richmond Municipality,  
Lot "B," of Lot three (3), of part of the West Half  
of Section Eighteen (18), Block three (3),  
North Range Six (6), West 114 sp. Six Thousand  
Eight Hundred and Twenty nine (6879) in  
District of New Westminster, is occupied  
by some one which we do not know.  
I am surprised that the Custodian  
didn't tell me about it.

Please send information concerning  
furnitures, stoves, kitchen utensils, other  
house-holds and boat-instruments to Cank  
where are they kept? I and my family of seven  
are also here in Bridge River as self-support  
Please send the rent if the house is rented.



There are the best of net & after  
 in the house, which I heard you are  
 making to know:-

400 fathom	7 1/8" x 546	ply x 50-45 make. used 1 mo. price 200
400 "	6 1/2" x 546	ply x 30 make. used 3 wks. price 200
300 "	5 3/4" x 40	ply x 55 make. used 2 mo. price 100
400 "	5 3/4" x 40	ply x 55 make. used 2 mo. price 100
400 fathom	5 3/4" x 40	ply x 55 make. used 1 mo. price 150

Wm. Smith  
 (Mr.)



MEMORANDUM

File No.: 5571

February 27th, 1943

To: Mr. C. C. Robinson

From: Mr. H. F. Green

Re: SEIRO, Seichi

Would you please advise promptly the position of this man's chattels left in the house now rented to Mrs. Jubb at the end of #2 Road and Dyke.

Our records show that apart from some boat equipment signed for by the Navy, Mr. King found in June the following items:

INVENTORY

- 1 Stove *Hand*
- Sundry kitchen utensils *for pots & pans*
- Sundry crockeryware boxed *to my department & police*
- 1 Chest drawers *1 Kitchen & dresser*
- 1 Trunk sundry articles ✓
- 1 Card table ✓
- 1 Screen
- Sundry carpenters tools

NETS (Stored in Attic)

- 1 Net (tagged) 5/40 x 5 1/2 x 200 fath. } *used*
- 3 Full nets (untagged) } *unused*
- 7 Pieces of nets "

All above nets without lines

Sundry Cork and Lead Lines, lengths unknown as none of these were tagged.

We have no doubt the nets have been removed to the Net House, but we would like an inventory as soon as possible please, of the other items and where they are stored.

HFG:IF















Mr. Green -

March 5<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Rainford is a buyer for Nelson Bros & had knowledge of rats in various houses around & near Nelson Bros Cannery.

These were collected and sold by me for 27/42 Total 215<sup>00</sup>

In each case the rats were in holes on the floor & were being eaten by rats

Shiko rats were the best of the lot & sold for 100<sup>00</sup> but I got an appraisal from Mr. Cogswell of National Fisheries before selling same. I have no further particulars

BBR

Not satisfactory, but perhaps the best that could be done under the circumstances.



Bridge River, B.C.,

March 23, 1943.

The Custodian's Office *Tani*  
Department of the Secretary of State  
506 Royal Bank Bldg., *Clark*  
Hastings and Grandville  
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd MAR 27 1943	
File No.	
Ans. 27/5/43	<i>M.H.</i>
Referred	<i>MacKupie</i>

Dear Sir:-

I have received your letter. *100*  
number 4875. I think there is a little  
mistake in things the Manager of the  
Cannery have said to you. We meaning  
I and my husband after asking first  
left the things in House no. 11 and 51.

The things left in the House no. 51 are  
bath, beds and tables. And other things  
that are left in House no. 11 are marked  
as S. TANI. Please note that the cannery  
may have moved our things to those marked  
House after we left. In that case you have  
to know from the Manager of the Cannery.

Please add to my list of "JP"  
registration from the following I forgot.

(Please turn over)



One tin can given for  
One box about 20" x 22"  
One difference containing  
one clock

2 dog. corp.  
Japanese doll

making  
Japanese tea machine  
2 Japanese umbrellas.

I have made that these things are  
in the house owned by Soichi Shiko  
Registration 04200.

Yours truly,  
(Registered No. 04161.)







March 27, 1943.

Mr. Seichi SHIRO,  
Registration No. 04200,  
Bridge River, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Your house is rented at \$13.00 per month, plus \$2.00 for water rates. A statement is sent to you showing your account as at March 8, 1943.

Do you intend that any or all of this money, less such amount as will be needed to pay taxes, insurance, water rates and maintenance, be paid to River Fish Company on account of their \$500.00 claim? This debt bears interest and it might be to your advantage to reduce it.

Another department of this office is working on the matter of your personal effects, but it has not yet been able to clear up some matters respecting the fish nets. As soon as this is done, a report will be sent forward.

Yours truly,

P. H. Russell,  
Administration Department.

PHR:NDE



5571

April 1st, 1943

Mr. Soichi SHIRO,  
Registration No. 04200,  
Bridge River, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Further to our letter of March 27th and in answer to the last part of yours of February 22nd, we have the following information to give you.

*(re-furniture)* (1) Furniture and effects: You did not declare anything to the Custodian but we have inventoried and the present tenant has signed for the following items.

- |  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| 1 Heater stove                         | 1 Writing desk       |
| Sundry kitchen utensils, pots and pans | 1 Kitchen table      |
| Sundry crockeryware                    | 2 Kitchen chairs     |
| 1 Chest drawers                        | 1 Kitchen dresser    |
| 1 Trunk                                | 1 Screen             |
| 1 Card table                           | 1 Old sewing machine |
| Sundry carpenter tools                 |                      |

Additionally the Navy have taken over the following.

- 1 Generator - 1 search light, 1 steering wheel
- 6 Anchors, 1 stove - 1 ignition complete
- 2 Sets net guards, 1 water pump.
- 1 Short wave set to be turned over to the R. C. M. P. *(turned over, see exhibit)*

(2) Your Nets: When our agent inventoried your property on June 4th, he found the following:

- 1 Net 5/40 x 5 1/2 x 200 fathoms
- 3 Full nets -- untagged
- 7 Pieces of nets -- untagged

All the above were without lines but there were some sundry cork and lead lines, length unknown. The whole was stored in the attic. On November 27th these were sold by

*See File 5570*



our Stevenson representative to Nelson Brothers for \$100.00

Yours truly,

H. F. Green  
Protection Department

WFO:IF



*Please fill*  
*5571*  
*COPY*

Minto Mine, B.C.,  
April 5th, 1943.

A. McAlister, Esq.,  
Claims Department,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Makitaro Oga File #5550 and 8837/2

With reference to the above letter, I respectfully request your department to discontinue further action against Mr. Makitaro Oga. I appreciate your kindness in taking care of our accounts but in this case and several others, the collections are not required. Please refer to our Balance Sheet, May 10th, 1942, the accounts receivable shows:

R. Hayashi	\$511.65	
- S. Shiho	500.00	- 5571
M. Oga	1000.00	
F. Yoshimoto	138.00	and other small amounts.

The above four debtors are all shareholders of good standing of the company and are all entitled to borrow monies under the by-law of the company. Under such an circumstance please stop further claims against them.

At the same time, I request you to look into the matters of National Fisheries and the late J.P. Bowditch. The former owes us the sum of \$3557.40 and the latter \$585.46. These are the most outstanding of all the accounts so your strong action would be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

(signed) Genji OTSU.

(Pres. River Fish Co.)

*14-4-43*  
*D*

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Budget River, B.C.  
April 11, 1943

The Custodian's Office  
Department of the Secretary of State  
of Canada  
Vancouver, B.C.

EXAMINATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 15 1943
File No.	1174
Ans.	
Referred	Green

Dear Sir:-

Received your letter, file  
no. 5571. Am very disappointed  
in your work.

Before we left Steveston  
we believed that the Custodian  
was a trust worthy committee and  
that they would keep and look  
after the properties we left.

You have stated in your  
note that you have sold all ~~the~~<sup>my</sup>  
note to "Nelson Brothers" for \$100.

Don't you think that before selling  
anythings one should consult the  
owner as to detail in value before  
selling it?

OVER



Now state that the note will

1 net  $\frac{5}{8} \times 5 \frac{7}{8} \times 1200$  fathoms

3 full net - untapped

7 pieces of net - untapped

I believe you are mistaken when

you state that the "3 full net" was untapped

I am positive that I tapped every

net especially the "3" you mentioned

three three nets are the last net

I had, and I would not have

paid for less than \$100 each

Or you think what you did so far?

I don't think so.

Look over the contents and let me know

I wouldn't have paid for less than \$200.

I can not accept such a money

I think you should take more careful

responsibility

We would be obliged if you would write

me your explanation for such an unreasonable

step as you have taken in this instance.

Yours truly,  
J. S. Hilde

Registration no. 04200



Bridge River, B.C.  
April 11, 1943.

The Custodian's Office,  
Department of the Secretary of State  
of Canada,  
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 15 1943
File No.	W-3571
Ans.	
Ref.	Russell

Dear Sirs:—

Received your letter, file no. 3571  
Much obliged for what you have done  
for me.

Please send the house rent soon as  
possible.

Note Please do not send the  
money for "November 30 - sold to R.C.  
Randford - fishing gear" for \$100.00

The reason will be explained  
in the other letter. - sent to Green.

Yours truly,  
S. Shute  
Registration no. 04200



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245  
April 19th, 1943

Mr. Soichi SHIHO,  
Registration No. 04200,  
Bridge River, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Thank you for your letter of April 11th to which we can only reply that our records show that the nets were in bundles on the floor (which, as you must know, causes rapid depreciation) and were being eaten by rats. They were sold for \$100.00 on the appraisal of an experienced fisherman.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green  
Protection Department

HFG:IF



MEMORANDUM

File No.: 5571

Date: April 19th, 1943

Deposited May 6th

To: Mr. C. C. Robinson

From: Mr. H. F. Green

Re: Seichi SHINO

This is with further reference to your memo of March 3rd, my reply of March 13th, and your undated pencil report advising that these nets were in bundles and being eaten by rats. I have advised the Japanese of this and that the sale was made for \$100.00 on the appraisal of an experienced fisherman.

I note, however, that this appraisal was given by Mr. Cogswell of the National Fisheries and while he was doubtless experienced, he was not necessarily independent. I feel strongly that no sales of web should have been made without Mr. Leckie's valuation as otherwise we can always be accused of making a private sale.

The Japanese now maintains that three of the nets we sold were the best he had, were tagged, and that he would not have sold them for less than \$100.00 each. While there is no doubt that many Japanese claims are exaggerated and that in any case, the nets must have deteriorated considerably between the time of evacuation and the time of sale at the end of November, I feel that your action is open to criticism.

HFG:IF

*There is more for our records than for an  
answer as practically all nets have been sold.*







MEMORANDUM

Files #5571  
#4871

May 12, 1943.

TO: Mr. C. C. Robinson.  
FROM: Mr. R. B. Mackenzie.

Re: Mr. & Mrs. Soichi SHIRO.

We note that there are new tenants in the house of the above at 2nd Road and Dyke, formerly occupied by Mrs. W. Jubb.

Will you kindly re-check the inventory which has been signed by Mrs. Jubb and have the present tenant sign the inventory.

REM/WFP

*R. B. Mackenzie*





CANADA

SOLDIER SETTLEMENT AND VETERANS' LAND ACT

YOUR FILE NO. 5571

PLEASE QUOTE BC/589P

Attention Mr. Good

518 Rogers Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
October 25, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	OCT 26 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Good</i>

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

Re: Soichi SHIHO Ppty.  
National Fisheries, Ltd., tenant

We have received through your agent, Mr. C.C. Robinson, payment from the National Fisheries Limited in the sum of \$30.00, and we are advised that this payment covers rental for the months of October and November. According to the statement of rent received from your office the rental is shown in arrears for the month of August. Will you kindly advise whether the arrears were subsequently paid in order that we may correct if necessary our records, and there is still the September rental to account for.

JK:HJ

*Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 45 rent  
pd.*

*J.D. Barnett*  
District Superintendent.

*Should for Nov & Dec 31 51*



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October 28th, 1943

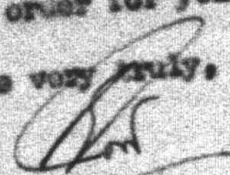
The Director,  
Veterans' Land Act,  
518 Rogers Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Your reference BC/5897  
Seichi SHINO  
National Fisheries Ltd.

Replying to your letter of October 25th this is to advise you that we received on September 27th from Mr. Robinson \$45.00 covering the National Fisheries Limited rent for the months of August, September and October. The \$30.00 received by you direct from Mr. Robinson should, therefore, be for November and December rental. We trust this information will put the account in order for your records.

Yours very truly,

  
B. Mac  
Comptroller

BC:BR



Files 5571

3429

4974

Glencroft P.O.

4 Nov 1943

To Geo Peters

From C. Robinson

Re your phone call today that the National Fisheries  
had given you notice re vacating these properties

Please note that these are now taken over by  
Soldiers Settlement & Veterans Land Act.  
There are however chattels in the first two of  
considerable value which should be checked  
inventoried and removed to storage.

The rent on 5571 and 4974 has been paid  
up to 30 Oct/43

The rent is unpaid on 3429 for June to  
October inclusive at \$15.00 per month plus 2.00  
per month for water

C.R.







Bridge River, B.C.  
November 4, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 15 1943
File No.	15671
Ans.	PS
Referred	Peters

The Office of the Custodian  
Tennessee, B.C.

Dear Sir:

out to MacKedzie

Quite some time ago you stated that you were deducting from our exhibit the sum of Five Hundred Dollars with which to pay our personal debt to the River Park Co. As this was only a personal transaction we have upon discussing it with Mr. Allen of the Company, now in Ottawa, decided that it should not be deducted from our account with you. If it should cause you doubt we refer you to Mr. Allen of the River Park Co., Ottawa City.

Yours truly,  
L. Shiro



Bridge River, B.C.  
December 4, 1943

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 15 1943
File No.	3571
Ans.	Noted 20/12/43
Referred	M. K. Kie

The Officer of the Custodian  
Royal Bank Bldg.  
Vancouver, B.C.

out to you

Dear Sir:-

Upon receiving your letter of December 1, we recalled that the furniture and effects that you have declared, "not registered with the Custodian" was registered under my wife's name Takako Shiko Reg. No. 13216. on April 7, 1943 at Stenston. In the list that we have asked you send us there is only one item, the single bed with mattress, that was registered under my mother's name Reg. No 04152. The rest have all been registered not under my name but my wife's.

I hope that upon checking your files, you will agree.

Yours truly,

B. Shiko



File No. 5571

December 20th, 1943.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. C. C. Robinson

FROM: Mr. R. B. Mackenzie

Re: Seichi SHIHO, Reg. No. 04200

I would be glad to know if the chattels have yet been moved to storage from the house at No. 2 Road and Dyke, formerly occupied by the National Fisheries Company.

REM/HMS

*R. B. M.*



Form 100  
10000-11-60

is acknowledgment that a bill of lading has been issued and is not the Original Bill of Lading, nor a copy or duplicate, covering the property named herein, and is intended solely for filing or record.

Shipper's No. \_\_\_\_\_

Agent's No. \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIVED, subject to the classifications and tariffs in effect on the date of the receipt by the Carrier of the goods described in the Original Bill of Lading.

the goods described below, in apparent good order, except as noted (Contents and conditions of contents of packages unknown), marked  
 consigned and destined as indicated below, which said Company agrees to carry to its usual place of delivery at said destination, if  
 on its road, otherwise to deliver to another carrier on the route to said destination. It is mutually agreed, as to each carrier of all  
 or any of said goods over all or any portion of said route to destination, and as to each party at any time interested in all or any of  
 said goods, that every service to be performed hereunder shall be subject to all the conditions, whether printed or written, herein  
 contained (including conditions on back hereof) and which are agreed to by the shipper and accepted for himself and his assigns.

The Rate of Freight from Chest Hill is in Cents per 100 Lbs. 11 Special

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County of \_\_\_\_\_

**Car Initial**

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No. Package	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES AND SPECIAL MARKS	WEIGHT (Subject to Correction)	Class or Rate	Check Column
1	Battered Metal			
1	Ironing Board			
1	Dress			
3	Blanket	830		
1	Black Rubber			
1	Kitchen Cabinet			
1	Blender Cabinet & Stove			

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A-10-60

Charges 2.50

Freight 6.50

Tax 1.00

Total \$10.00

Paid by Cash

Per \_\_\_\_\_

(The signature here acknowledges only the amount prepaid.)

Charges Advanced:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Agent or Cashier.

Per \_\_\_\_\_  
(The signature here acknowledges only the amount prepaid).

**Charges Advanced:**

**ABSTRACT**

## Subject

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For



Bridge River, B.C.,  
January 27, 1944

The Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

RECEIVED	JAN 28 1944
Rec'd	
File No.	5371
Ans.	
Referred	James Peters

Dear Sir:-

Regarding the matter of the \$500. which you undertook as a debt we owe the River Truck Company and which you stated in your letter of March 27, 1943 that you were going to deduct that amount from the rent for my house to pay towards that debt; I have contacted Mr. E. Otter of the River Truck Company and learn that you still have not debited any amount to the Company. Therefore after discussing the matter with Mr. Otter we have agreed upon, that you should not deduct the \$500 from my account to pay for the River Truck Company as it is not an actual debt but only a personal exchange.

I am aware that you will first have to confer with Mr. Otter before complying to my request of sending me the amount which has so far been debited to my account.



I am urgently in need for funds  
so please send me a check for the  
amount as soon as possible.

I also had about 1200 or 1300  
fathoms of net & cork line left with  
my other nets at my house I  
wonder if they have yet been sold.  
He would be very glad to  
hear about this matter.

Mass. Inst.

see correspondence  
March 5 & 14/43 from  
ack - Mr. Green  
April 19/43.

Yours truly  
Society of Friends



5572

February 6, 1944.

Mr. Seichi SHINO,  
Registration No. 04200,  
Bridge River, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will find our cheque for \$100.00.  
Kindly acknowledge receipt by return mail.

With reference to the matter of \$500.00 debt which is  
owed to the River Fish Company, we have a letter from Mr. Otsu on our  
file stating that the matter will be cleared up between the two of you  
so we are cancelling this claim off our files.

With reference to your note, this will be answered by  
another Department in the very near future.

Yours truly,

George Peters,  
Administration Department.

GP:ED  
Enc.



*Carpenter Tools*

Bridge River, B.  
February 14, 1944

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 18 1944
File No.	5570
CVS	1/3/44 R.P.M.
Referred	Mackenzie

The Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

We have received your shipment of chattels and are very disappointed to find that half the goods are missing. In the trunk we had two dressmaker squares four kimonos, 2 framed photos, and some tea-trays, then in the cabinet of drawers; 1 mantel clock, 2 doz. soap, 2 doz. tooth brushes, 1 Japanese doll, 2 large trays, 1 lamp, 2 frames, 1 Japanese tea-set, 2 umbrellas, then a coat closet, carpenter tools (square, level, braces, rip-saw, plainer, Japanese saw), an electric massage machine, gas stove and another mantel clock. All these goods we registered with the custodian. What has happened to these articles. Were they not looked after. We left all these goods in our house, the key to which we left with you. The house, we understand you rented to some tenant. Therefore if these goods have been stolen or otherwise we think it is your responsibility to investigate their whereabouts. The drawers which we left locked are now open and emptied of its contents, the trunk has been ransacked and all its valuables taken out and in its place rags and scraps. It is not the old trunk or the big drawers which we wanted but the contents. We asked for them thinking that they would be good containers for the articles. We pay twenty four dollars for freight and handling charges and what do we find: old rags old clothes, uncomplete tea sets, no glass in the kitchen cabinet, broken glass ware.

Please, what is your explanation?

Yours truly,  
Yasue Shiho.



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March 1, 1944.

Mrs. Yasue SHIHO,  
Registration No. 04152,  
BRIDGE RIVER, B. C.

Dear Madam:

We have your letter of February 14th for reply. We are very sorry indeed to hear that so many of your goods were missing in recent shipment of chattels sent to you.

As you did not actually register the articles you mentioned, and we had never seen them, we can not tell you what has happened to them. We do not examine, for instance, the contents of trunks. You declare a trunk--we hand the trunk to the B. C. Security Commission at your request. We feel quite sure that the trunk was not disturbed during the time we were responsible for its safe-keeping. The same applies to the contents of the cabinet of drawers and the coat closet.

We have asked our Steveston representative, however, to make a careful investigation and we will notify you of the results as soon as we hear from him.

Yours truly,

R. B. Mackenzie,  
Protection Department.

RBM:JS



File 5570  
5571

March 1, 1944

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Harris  
From: Mr. Mackenzie

Re: Yasue SEIHO

Enclosed is a copy of a letter received from the above. Please refer to Chattels List 453.

We do not suppose you could find out much about the trunk, but it is possible the contents of the chest of drawers and coat closet were removed before shipping and stored with the rest of the goods in Annex No. 2. It is this we would like you to investigate and report on.

RBM:JS  
Encl.



Budget Review Co.  
Mar 20, 1944

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 24 1944
File No.	5571
Ans.	
Referred	Peters

The Office of the Custodian  
506 Bayview Bank Bldg.  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Thank you for your  
cheque for \$100.00 which you have  
sent us as part of the \$500.00 account  
we had with the River Fish Co.

I would also like to inquire  
as to the following; - how much rent  
has accumulated so far, - the out line  
and cork line I had stored at my  
house measuring about 1,500 fathoms  
each, Also you stated in a letter to  
me that you ~~sent~~ sold our house last  
January. Have you still not closed  
the matter to let us know as to the  
cost etc.

I should be very glad to hear  
from you regarding these matters.

Yours truly,  
Soichi Shiko.



Bridge River, B.C.  
Mar. 20, 1944

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 24 1944
File No.	5576
Ans.	
Referred	Plus

The Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

out to you

Dear Sir:

I thank you for your cheque  
for \$400.00. received in February.

I wonder if you would be  
kind enough to send me a  
detailed account showing the amount  
you have sent and the sale of my  
property, as the \$322.88 - even state  
does not agree with our figures.

Yours truly  
Yours truly  
Gus Shink.



5571

May 29, 1944

Officer Commanding,  
Division "E",  
Royal Canadian Mounted Police,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Radio & Camera Registration  
Soichi SHIHO, Reg. 04200

According to our file for Soichi SHIHO, there was turned over to Naval Service from the residence of this man,

1 Short wave set to be turned over to the RCMP.

This set, we understand, was turned over to Lieutenant A. G. Handford, R.C.N.V.R.

Would you kindly advise us if this radio is in your custody?

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,  
Specified Articles Department.



File No. 5571

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Green  
From: Mr. Wilson

November 9th, 1944

Re: SHINO, Soichi

The chattels in this file appear to be receipted for by the National Fisheries Ltd. who have now vacated the premises and the property has been sold to the V.L.A., but there is no record of the chattels having been taken from the house as per your memo to Mr. Robinson of December 20, 1943. Where are the chattels now?

GDM/GH

R.B.M.

Stamp in 11-6-44 1 line GDM check



MEMORANDUM

File No. 5571, 5370

November 14th, 1944

To: Mr. Wilson

From: Mr. Mackenzie

Re: SHIHO, Soichi  
CHATELS

For position of chattels mentioned in your memo of Nov 9/44,  
see list #453 on file #5570 who is Mrs. Yajiro Shiho, Mother  
of the above - who declared the chattels.

Some have been shipped, some sold and the balance stored in  
#2 Annex warehouse.

*R.B.M.*

REM:LM



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1088<sup>24</sup>

Sacramento, Alta RP  
Nov 16, 1944. 6

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	NOV 22 1944
File No.	5571
Ans.	✓
Referred	Melson

The Office of the Controller  
Tahoe, BC  
Dear Sir:

Some time ago we received your letter showing the amount of sale of property and premises at the price of \$150.00. As the price is so ridiculous we cannot justify such a sale nor can we accept that amount no matter how great the need for money. The building material alone has cost \$1374.77, the carpentering and other labor approx 1,000.00, that plus land at \$260.00 brings the total up to \$2,634.77. So all these statements can give proof if necessary. We left the house two months after completion, therefore it certainly could not have depreciated in value. I would very much appreciate it if you could give an explanation of such transaction.

However we would like the full amount of our account other

545-7  
DATE Dec. 9 1944  
FILLED BY J. A. Rice



than the \$1080.00 together with  
a statement of our earliest  
convenience. Such events  
expense and no income, a  
hospital and a doctor bill for  
the birth of a baby <sup>to meet</sup> ~~make~~ our  
demand acute

Sincerely,  
J. Shiro



Case 545 - Depreciation on "Leader S" sold by claimant through JFVDC

On file is document signed "S.Shiho" reading as follows:

"Whilst in Naval Custody, my boat "Leader S" Off.No.NW.2580  
suffered damage as set forth in the surveyors' report.  
If the Dominion Government will allow me \$12.50 to make good  
that damage, I agree that I shall not make further claim of  
any nature whatsoever against the Dominion Government, and hereby  
authorize the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee to  
pay any claims for damages or missing inventory to The Canadian  
Fishing Co.Ltd."

This boat was sold May 6, 1942 through the JFVDC and the net proceeds of sale  
were paid by Committee May 14/42 to "S.Shiho".

*gm*



File 5571.

November 22nd, 1944.

RP 5

MEMORANDUM

TO: MR. WILSON

FROM: MR. MACPHERSON

Seichi SHIRO

RE: Lot "B" of Lot 3 of W $\frac{1}{2}$  of  
Sec. 18, B2M, R7W, Map 6879,  
Zone, Richmond, D. E. W.

Seichi SHIRO obtained title to the above  
described property from Tomoaki DOI (File 10835)  
by Deed dated December 16th, 1941, for a consid-  
eration of \$150.00.

AN

J.M.

IN:AM



November 23, 1944

Mr. Soichi SHIHO,  
Reg. No. 04200,  
Raymond, Alta.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of the 16th instant and have carefully read your comments in connection with the sale of your property.

The frank but courteous manner in which you present your complaint does not pass unnoticed and we can assure you that it has been the desire of this office to fulfil its obligations in as just and fair a manner as possible.

The policy of liquidation was, as you are aware, decided upon by the Government authorities at Ottawa and in the case of all properties, outside of the group of farms sold to the Director, the Veterans' Land Act, for use of returned soldiers, we have endeavoured to treat every sale on its individual merits.

While we appreciate that the sale of any property is a matter of personal concern and in some cases may be contrary to the wishes of the owner, we do believe that we have taken every possible step to secure fair and adequate prices.

Your property fell within the group of over 700 parcels which were sold to the Veterans' Land Act. The same principle of disposal obtained in regard to those lands, except that in that case the valuations of this group of properties were made by a board of appraisers who were not directly appointed by this office, but whose ability and impartiality was considered by Ottawa to have been satisfactory. It was on the basis of these valuations that this office entered into negotiations with the Director, the Veterans' Land Act and your property was accordingly sold for \$1,080.00.

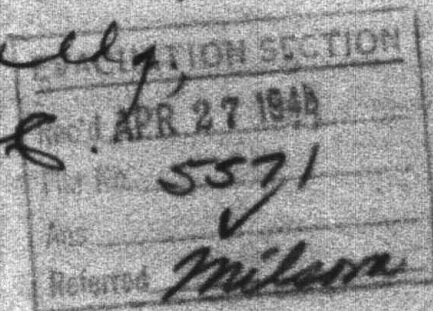
The point of difference is that in your opinion this appraisal was not adequate or in line with your idea of its actual value.

(Over)



% J. M. H. Farms,  
Lethbridge, Alta  
Feb 23, 1945

The Office of the Custodian,  
306 Royal Bank, Calgary,  
Canada, B.C.



Dear Sirs:

I thought we wrote you  
our disapproval of the sale of our  
property, our financial difficulties  
forced us to ask you to send  
us all the money we have in  
account with you.

I hope you will be able  
to fulfil my request & favour  
us with a cheque at your  
earliest convenience. Please,  
because we are greatly in need  
of it.

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Yours truly  
J. Shipso



File No. 5571

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Mackenzie

May 2, 1945

From: Mr. Wilson

Re: Soichi SHIRO

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Cannery Net House. Will you kindly have Mr. Harris  
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ODM/GH



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ODM/GH

*Phoenix  
of this man  
our boats or gear  
at their Cannery  
No records on our  
files 10/01/45  
H.M.B.*



File Nos. 5571 and 4871

December 10, 1946.

MEMORANDUM - Miss C. Girard

Re: Transfer of Chattels

Kindly transfer from Seichi SHINO, Registration No. 04200, file no. 5571 to Mrs. Takeko (Seichi) SHINO, Registration No. 13216, file no. 4871, the following:

Steveston Auction 40 - Nov. 7, 1945 - Electric machine and dishes - \$ 5.50  
" " 40 - Nov. 7, 1945 - 7 jars - \$ 1.00

There has been quite a mix-up with reference to these chattels and we find that Mrs. Shiho (file no. 4871) declared the above chattels credited to her husband's account.

GP/ic

6.50 - 8 x 1.36 = \$5.14

Accounting Department:

Charge to File 5571 and credit to File 4871 :

Steveston 40 - Realised: \$6.50 -- Less: Expenses: \$1.36 -- Credited: \$5.14

Transferred, December 10, 1946.

C. Girard



IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"  
PART I. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 99.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

**B E F O R E**

(HIS HONOUR JUDGE L.H. STACK, SUB-COMMISSIONER).

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Lethbridge, Alberta,  
August 9th, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF  
SOICHI SHINO.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

20 APPEARANCES:

G.E.A. RICE, Esq., K.C.,

appearing for the  
Dominion Government.

W.E. HUCKVALE, Esq.,

appearing for the  
Claimant.

MISS LILLIE THOMAS,

Secretary.

MRS. LUCIE HANDFORD,

Official Interpreter.

S.R. HOWARD, Esq.,

Official Reporter.



S. Shiho,  
In Chief.

THE SECRETARY: Case No. 545, Seichi Shiho.

SOICHI SHIHO, the claimant herein, being  
first duly sworn, testified through  
the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. HUCKVALE:

Q Mr. Shiho, you are claiming with respect to a  
dwelling house, is that correct?

A Yes.

10 Q And that was described as Lot "B" of Lot 3 of  
part of the West Half of Sections 18, Block 3,  
North Range 6, West Map 6879, in the District of  
New Westminster? A: Yes.

Q And is it correct that you bought that lot  
completely unimproved?

A Yes, that is correct.

Q I show you this form pertaining to real estate.  
Will you look at that, please?

A Yes.

Q And have you signed it? A: Yes.

20 Q And are the particulars contained in it true and  
correct to the best of your information, knowledge  
and belief? A: Yes.

MR. HUCKVALE: I tender that, sir.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. HUCKVALE: Perhaps my learned friend will file the  
appraisal on behalf of the Crown now.

(APPRAISAL report MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

30 Q Mr. Shiho, I notice in this appraisal that your  
dwelling house is described as being 28 feet by  
28 feet; what have you got to say about that?



S. Shiho,  
In Chief.

A It should be 28 x 32 feet.

Q Are you prepared to swear that your dwelling house was 28 x 32?

A: It should be 28 x 28 and one side of it is just a little larger by four feet.

Q Now I notice in your real property form, Mr. Shiho, that you claim to have paid \$1384.77 for material alone to the River Fish Company Limited, is that correct?

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A Yes.

Q I show you this account from that company dated 14th of March, 1942?

A: Yes.

Q And is that account, or does that account deal only with material that went into this particular dwelling?

A: Yes.

MR. HUCKVALE: I tender that, sir.

(ACCOUNT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

MR. HUCKVALE: Q Now you claim you had a survey made of this lot after you bought it, is that correct?

20 A Yes.

Q And is that a blueprint of the survey that you had made?

A: It is the

section marked "B".

MR. HUCKVALE: I tender that, sir.

(BLUEPRINT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

MR. HUCKVALE: Q: Now, Mr. Shiho, you claim with respect to some fishing nets?

A: Yes.

Q And also with respect to depreciation done to a fishing vessel.

30 A Yes.



S. Shiho,  
In Chief.

Q Do you know who sold that fishing vessel?

A I sold it myself.

MR. HUCKVALE: I should point out, sir, that the form that I am about to produce reduces one item of the claim for anchors from \$75.00 down to \$25.00.

MR. RICE: I am submitting that that claim should be struck out under the terms of reference.

MR. HUCKVALE: Q I want to show you this form (indicating). Will you look at it, please?

10 A Yes.

Q Have you read it over?

A Yes.

Q And have you signed it?

A: Yes.

Q And are all the particulars in it true and correct?

A Yes.

MR. HUCKVALE: I am going to tender this, sir, and there is one correction that I should perhaps show my friend. That should have been 1941 as well (indicating).

20 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Is that form the claim for chattels?

MR. HUCKVALE: Yes, sir.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

MR. HUCKVALE: Now I do not know whether my friend has a personal property analysis with respect to this claim or not. If so, I have never seen it.

MR. RICE: I think this is a different form than the others.

MR. HUCKVALE: Q These fishing nets, lines, anchors,  
30 and tools that you are claiming for, Mr. Shiho,



were they all your personal property?

A Yes, they were mine.

Q And your wife, I take it, had no interest whatever in these articles?

A: No, she has not.

Q In fact, she had only an interest in 3 items for which she is claiming separately from you, is that right?

A: Yes.

10 Q And is it correct that all the items which you have described in your claim, with the exception of the fishing vessel, were left in the dwelling house about which we have been talking?

A Yes, that is correct.

Q Will you answer Mr. Rice, please.

20 MR. RICE: I am submitting, your Honour, that the real estate was sold for its fair value. I am submitting that the chattels which came into the Custodian's hands were sold for their fair market value. I am also submitting that the anchors claimed for by the claimant for \$25.00, the claim should be struck out as they were never in the Custodian's possession, any part of them. They were apparently taken over by the Navy. The same with respect to the claim for damage to the fishing boat, the fishing boat was taken over by the Navy and never was in the Custodian's possession and it is outside of the terms of reference.

I wish to tender as an exhibit, your Honour, a personal property claim.

30 MR. HUCKVALE: Claim?



S. Shiho,  
In Chief,  
Cross-Exam.

MR. RICE: Yes, analysis prepared by the Custodian's office.

MR. HUCKVALE: I would like my friend, if you would give me a copy of that; I have never seen it until this morning, and from my rough glance at it, it isn't an analysis at all, it is an excuse for not making an analysis, that is really what it amounts to.

MR. RICE: It is really a summary of the personal property.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I will admit it as an exhibit.

MR. RICE: I beg your pardon, your Honour?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I will admit it as an exhibit.

(PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q You wrote the Custodian's office complaining about the sale of your property and the amount that the Custodian received for the same, did you not?

MR. HUCKVALE: Are you talking about the real property?

MR. RICE: Yes, I am referring to the real estate.

A I don't recall writing them.

Q I show you a letter dated November 16th, 1944, apparently addressed by you to the Custodian's office in Vancouver(indicating). Will you just look at that?

A I misunderstood the question. I thought it pertained to the boat. I recall this letter.

Q You recall this letter?

MR. HUCKVALE: Yes.



Q And you wrote the letter to the Custodian?

A Yes.

MR. RICE: I tender that as an exhibit, sir.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 7).

MR. RICE: Q: And in this letter that you wrote to the Custodian, you say, "The building material alone has cost \$1374.77, the carpentering and other labour approximately \$1000.00, that plus land at \$200.00 brings the total up to \$2,574.77."

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Is that right?

A Yes.

Q Why do you claim \$3269.00 today for the same thing?

A Since I made that claim I have spent a good deal of money on improvements and such and therefore I think I am entitled to a little more than I originally claimed.

Q When did you spend these moneys on improvements?

A It isn't that I actually spent money on improvements but it has increased in value, I think, since I first made the claim.

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Q Oh, that is it. You wrote this letter on November 16th, 1944, and you feel the place has increased in value since then, is that it?

A At the time I made the claim I hadn't made a full estimate of how much I had spent on the buildings and since then I have found several items of expense that I had omitted in the first place.

Q In 1944 all you said the place was worth was \$2574.77.

A: At that time

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I hadn't put in the estimate of the time of the



labour and the cost of foundations.

Q Oh yes, you did. You said the carpentering and other labour, approximately \$1000.00. You were guessing at it even then.

A Even at that it is much lower than I actually spent.

Q In 1944 you said the place was worth \$2574.77. As a matter of fact the place was sold in 1943, was it not?

10 A Yes, I understand it was sold then.

Q I suppose if you had it today to sell, you could get much more for it?

A I don't know about that.

Q Did you rent the place or authorize it to be rented before it was sold?

A No, I didn't rent it myself.

Q Did you know that the Custodian rented it for \$15.00 a month?

A Yes, I knew that.

20 Q And you approved it, did you not? You agreed to it?

A: No, I have never approved the lease but I received the rent.

Q Is that a fair rental? Were you satisfied with it?

A: I thought it was rather low. I had to pay the water rate of \$2.00 and therefore I only received \$13.00 in rent.

Q This land was assessed at \$150.00 and the improvements on it \$2000.00, was it not?

30 A I bought it at \$175.00 for the land.



Q You bought the land for \$175.00?

A Yes.

Q And I am saying that the land was assessed at \$150.00, the land alone?

A Yes.

Q And the improvements on the land were assessed at \$2000.00, is that right?

A Yes.

Q And the property was sold for \$1000.00, that is the real estate?

A: Yes.

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Q These nets that you claim for, where did you leave them?

A In an upstairs room.

Q In an upstairs room?

A: Yes.

Q In the house?

A: In the house.

Q Were they bluestoned and hung up?

A Yes, I prepared them.

Q You prepared them?

A: Yes, so they

wouldn't deteriorate.

20 Q Where did you hang them upstairs?

A I left them on the table upstairs and I locked the room in which they were left.

Q Did you lock the house, too?

A Yes.

Q The nets apparently were sold for \$100.00?

A Yes, they were sold for \$100.00. I was later told that rats had eaten the nets but I have never heard of rats eating nets before this.

Q If you had hung them up, the rats wouldn't have eaten the nets, would they?

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S. Shiho,  
Cross-Exam.

A I have never heard of rats eating nets.  
I have sold <sup>all</sup> of my old nets, I had sold them all,  
and they were all new, the ones that I left behind,  
just like new.

Q How many old nets did you sell?

A I had sold one net, 9½ mesh net, which was four  
years old, I sold it to Nelson Brothers at \$165.00,  
and it was worth about \$300.00, but as I had already  
used it for about four years I sold it at \$165.00;  
I also sold another one, 10½ mesh, at \$200.00.

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Q And you say on your oath that you never heard of  
rats destroying nets?

A I have heard of rats eating old nets and such,  
but being fishermen, we usually take great care  
and guard against such things so that our nets did  
not get eaten, but there have been occasions when  
I have heard of an attack by rats on nets.

Q Weren't you inviting rats to eat your nets if they  
could get into your house and you were vacating the  
house and locking this room and then leaving the  
nets on the table?

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A I can't understand why it should have happened  
because I took great precautions bluestoning and  
cleaning the nets, and as the house is new there is  
no reason why there should have been rats entering  
the place; and also I couldn't, there was no place  
for me to hang the nets so I had to leave them on  
the table.

Q Did you tell the Custodian's office that you were  
leaving the nets on the table?

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S. Shiho,  
Cross-Exam.  
Re-Direct Exam.

A No, but I did tell them I left them in the room.

Q When did you do that?

A It was just before I evacuated. I don't quite recall when it was but it was at the time I told them I was leaving the house.

Q Did I understand you to say that you left the key at the Custodian's office?

A Yes, I handed them the keys to the front and back doors.

10 Q Or did you leave them at the B.C. Packers?

A No, I left them with the Custodian.

Q At his office in the Royal Bank Building, Vancouver?

A No, I handed them to the Custodian when he came to Steveston.

Q All right.

RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. HUCKVALE:

Q Did you have anything to say as to the rental of this house? A: I thought it

20 was rather low at the time.

Q But did anybody ever ask you as to how much it was to be rented or to whom it was to be rented?

A No, I had no idea it had been rented. It was only when I received the first rent that I knew the house had been leased.

MR. HUCKVALE: I think for the sake of the record it might be well to have it down as to the date that the Custodian rented these premises.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Can you supply that date, Mr. Rice?



S. Shiho,  
Discussion.

MR. RICE: I believe I can, your Honour. It is on Exhibit 6, I think. According to the file I have here from the Custodian's records it would appear that the property was leased on August 30th, 1942, and the first month's rent was received on September 30th, 1942.

MR. HUCKVALE: And the date of evacuation?

MR. SHEARS: 28th of May, 1942.

MR. HUCKVALE: In other words, the place was empty for  
10 all these months. That is all, thank you, Mr.  
Shiho.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

*S. R. Howard*  
"S. R. HOWARD"  
OFFICIAL REPORTER.



Defence Brief

Soichi SHIHO

File No. 5571

Case No. 545

LETHBRIDGE  
9 August 1948  
V.L.A.  
Sheet A 34-8

Claim 1

REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

(All claims shown are Gross)

Lot "B" of Lot 3 Block 3 North Range 6 Map 6879

Claim

\$3269.

Appraised at

\$1100.

Sale Price

\$1080. ✓

Witness: Appraiser - T. Godfrey.

Appraiser (Godfrey) reports - House new, just a home for local worker or pensioner. Unable to enter house to report on condition.

Appraiser (██████) reports - House securely boarded up, did not break to view interior. Useful home for fisherman or man working in Vancouver.

Claimant stated that he had spent \$2574.77 on house and improvements.

It is submitted that the real estate was sold for its fair value.

Claim 2

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

(All claims shown are Gross)

Claim

Nets \$840.  
Tools 18.  
Anchors 25.  
Boat depreciation 450.

\$1353.

\$873.

*Deduct from claim as outside items of Reference (Boat sold by JFVOC)*

Nets Claim

\$840.

Appraised at

\$100.

Sold for

\$100.

Witness: Appraiser, Mr. Cogswell,  
National Fisheries.

Claimant stated that he left these nets on a table in an upstairs room in his house and when he vacated it he boarded it up and locked it, handing over the key to Custodian's representative at Steveston. These nets were found on the floor of the room and were being eaten by rats.

These nets were appraised at \$100. and sold to Nelson Bros. Fisheries for that amount.



Tools Claim

#18. There is no record as to the disposition of these.

anchors Claim

\$25.

This claim has been reduced from \$75. to \$25. (Trans. Page 4)

6 Anchors were removed from claimant's house and handed over to Security Intelligence Officer and were in all probability sold with the Fishing Vessel.

Boat Depreciation Claim

~~\$450.~~

*Delete from Claim  
O/S Terms of Ref.*

Claimant stated that the boat had depreciated in value by damage, etc. whilst in Navy care. This boat was sold by J.F.V.D.C. for \$1550. on May 6, 1942 and not by Custodian.

*See assignment of claim  
in damage and loss to vessel. P. 11*

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It is submitted that the chattels sold which came into Custodian's hands were sold for their fair market value and that the Anchors, claimed for by claimant for \$25., were never in Custodian's possession and were taken over by the Navy. The same with respect to the claim to the Fishing Boat. This also was taken over by the Navy and never was in Custodian's possession and it is outside of the terms of reference.

Summary of Defence Witnesses

Where required

T. Godfrey	1	Appraiser
Mr. Cogswell	2	Appraiser
C.C. Robinson	2	Staff

BMP/mw



Name of Claimant

SHIMO, Seichi

Case

545

Custodian File

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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 Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total		
					1000.					1000.00
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			
						25.00	11.25			11.25
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	
							640.00 .00	500.00	100.00	400.00
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	Applica- tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price			
			40%	10.00		8.00			8.00	
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										1507.55



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November 21st, 1950.

Mr. Seichi SHINO,  
P. O. Box 13,  
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 545

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 ... \$1,527.53.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$1,403.45 and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 124.08 for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

FCS/js  
1 encl.

F.G. Shears  
Director



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March 21st, 1951

Mr. Seichi SHIND &  
Mr. Ichiro SHIND,  
P. O. Box 13,  
Stevenson, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

Distribution is now being made from the  
assets of the River Fish Company at the rate of \$33.98  
per share. You were the holder of 10 shares and payment  
to you is as follows:

10 shares	\$ 339.78
Less previously advanced	<u>250.00</u>
	\$ 89.78

hereto. Custodian cheque for this amount is attached

Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,



C. H. Reed  
Office of the Custodian

CHR:SK  
Encl.



CLAIM NO. 545 - Seichi SHIMO

This claim is made in respect to a 7 room dwelling in Steveston B.C., which had been erected in 1941 at a cost of \$3000.00. The land cost \$175.00 in December 1941.

The land was assessed in 1943 at \$2150.00.

This property was sold by the Custodian to the D.V.L.A. at the sum of \$1080.00. I consider the sale price is much below the fair market value. The figures on cost of the house and land within two years of the date of sale, together with the assessed value, in my judgment, warrant the conclusion that fair market value was approximately equivalent to the assessed value.

I THEREFORE RECOMMEND payment to the claimant of an additional sum of \$1020.00, in lieu of any award on the general basis.



Commissioner.

January 11th 1950.