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BUREAU POWELL STREET  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN  
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. 7819

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

NAME: SERIZAWA, Ryuko (Mrs. Yoshitaro)HOME ADDRESS: 204 Carrall St., Vancouver, B.C. REGISTRATION No. 02086SEX: Female AGE: 26 MARRIED? YesOCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER: HousewifeNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Yoshitaro <sup>(deceased)</sup> <sub>1254</sub> ADDRESS: Jasper Camp, Alta.NAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: Yayoi (F) 4 ADDRESS: 204 Carrall St., Van. B.C.Kenichi (M) 3 ADDRESS: "Mizuho (F) 5 mos. ADDRESS: "

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

Dated this 5th day of May 1942.WITNESS: A. Macdonald(Signature) Ryuko Serizawa



FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

HOW DO YOU PROPOSE TO PAY THESE OFF?

LIST OF LIABILITIES:

None.



INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date July 19, 1943

Our File No. 7819

Full Name SERIZAWA, (Ryuko) Mrs. Yoshitane  
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 02086

Male - Female  
(check)

Age Feb. 27, 1916

Former Address 204 Canal St., Vancouver

Date Evacuated 22/6/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(check)

Present Address Sandow, B.C.

Married - Single  
(check)

Name of Wife —

Name of Husband Yoshitane #02092

Name of Mother — Name of Father —

Names of Children under 16 see husband's sheet

Requested by L Registered with Custodian (Yes or No)

Additional Information Rooming House Keeper



LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 7819

Oct. 21/46

RE: Ryuko (Mrs. Yoshitaro) SERIZAWA  
Reg. No. 02086

This file reveals no claims against the above person.

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

Oct. 21/46  
GHS:LEH

*[Signature]*  
G.B. Spain



PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 7819

Oct. 21, 1946.

RE: Ryuko (Mrs. Yoshitaro) SERIZAWA  
Reg. No. 02086

This file reveals the above owned no real property in any protected area of B.C., and did not carry any Fire Insurance.

CHATELS:

The above, who registered with the Custodian on May 5/42, signed a yellow "No property" card stating that she owned no property of any kind whatsoever in any protected area of B.C. However in accordance with Custodian Release dated July 12/43 a sewing machine and stool left in the care of Mrs. Foster, 3890 W. 21st Ave., was shipped to Mrs. SERIZAWA on June 15/43.

LIFE  
INSURANCE:

The above had an interest in an insurance policy with the Sun Life Assurance Company, Policy #2,247,472, jointly with her husband. The cash surrender value of this policy was remitted direct to the above by the insurance company as authorized by our letter of Feb. 26/43.

The file reveals the above owned no specified articles.

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

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

Oct. 21/46

GBS:LBM

*G.B. Spain*  
G.B. Spain



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March 20th, 1944

The B. C. Security Commission,  
The Dick Building,  
360 Homer Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Mrs. Ryuko SERIZAWA--Reg. No. 02086  
117 Barton St. E., Hamilton, Ontario

In reply to your letter of the 17th inst.,  
we beg to advise that we have not received any funds  
from her.

We do not have an account in her name.

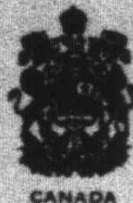
Yours truly,

Geo. B. Spain  
Protection Department

GBC:JS



DEPARTMENT OF  
LABOUR



CANADA

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd MAR 18 1944

File No. 7819

Ans.

Referred MAR 22 1944

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street,  
VANCOUVER, B.C.,  
March 17th, 1944.

Custodian of Alien Property,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: SERIZAWA, Mrs. Ryuko #02086  
117 Barton St.E. Hamilton, Ont.

The above writes that she sent us a Money Order for \$8.70 to cover charges on effects shipped her from Mission, November 6th, per my settlement letter of November 18th, 1943. Will you kindly see if this has been sent to your Department in error as we cannot find any record in this office.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

CWF:FF  
c.c. Gen. Files  
Treasury

*C.W. Fisher*  
C.W. Fisher  
Transportation

No. 4/c.



*Consolidation*

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EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd SEP 10 1943

File No. 7819

Ans.

Referred

*Spur*  
*Spur*

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street,  
VANCOUVER, B.C.,  
September 9th, 1943.

R. M. Anderson, Esq.,  
2020 Gilley Ave.,  
BURNABY, B.C.

Re: SERIZAWA, Mrs. Ryuko #02086

Attached is Custodian Release for goods to be shipped from Mission to the above woman at Hamilton, Ont. Please note HAMILTON, Ont., as she expects to move there from Sandon in the near future. Please see what can be done about getting this shipment ready, but do not ship until you hear further, that is, until the date of her departure from Sandon is definitely arranged.

The freight charges should be prepaid at Mission charge our account. We do not care to pay for the crating, but will pay a reasonable amount of cartage. Shall be glad to hear from you what arrangements are feasible. Please telephone the writer Pacific 7531 when you are in town, or from Burnaby.

CWF:FF  
Encl.

C.W. Fisher  
Transportation

c.c. Custodian of Alien Property,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

*C.W. Fisher*



EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	SEP 10 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	G-165-A

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address SANDON, B. C. Hamilton Date August 31st, 1943

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

I, Ryuko SERIZAWA, Police Registration No 02024 hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property  
(In the garage of  
stored at Winnipeg, B. C. (Former home of Mr. Kanomata, now  
In Alberta)  
in possession of Mr. Swanston.  
and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to such property.

Description of Property:

3 Japanese tea boxes (wooden), with wool, clothing, etc.  
1 Dresser (4 drawers), with shoes and household items  
1 wooden box with glassware, kitchenware  
1 basket (bamboo basket) with sheets, towels, etc.  
1 child's tricycle, colored red & yellow, newest one.  
Original Address 77 W. Cordova Street, Vancouver, B. C.

Date Evacuated to Vancouver June 24, 1942

Date Evacuated to Present Address June 24, 1942

Number in Family - 12 years and over 1

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old 1

Number in Family - under 5 2

TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 4

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

APPROVED:  
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: Hamilton

Ryuko Serizawa  
Claimant Signs Here



(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name MRS. RYUKO SERIZAWA

File No. 7819

*Sancton B.C.*

Reg. No. 02086

Company Sun Life Insurance Co.,

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 2247472

Premium - \$ 50.35

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

Month January Day 20th

REMARKS:

*Letter sent 24/8/48*



*Custodian*

Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION	
Rec	AUG 18 1943
File No.	7819
Ans.	<i>Spaw</i>
Referred	August 17th, 1943.

C.W. Fisher

Mr. F. Aydon, Sandon, B.C.

Re: SHIZAWA, Mrs. Ryuko #02086

Your letter July 29th stating that you had collected from the above \$3.00 for crating and trucking charges and \$2.17 for freight charges on her machine shipped by the Custodian from Vancouver to Sandon June 15th. This \$5.17 should be refunded to her, as the Custodian advises he paid these charges and debited this woman's account.

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CWF:FF

C.W. Fisher  
Transportation

c.c. Custodian of Alien Property, ✓  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Your file 7817, letter August 16th.

c.c. Treasury

*C.W. Fisher*



7817-7819

August 17, 1943.

TRANSPORTATION

B. C. Security Commission,  
360 Homer Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. M. L. Brown

Dear Sir:

Re: SERIZAWA, Mrs. Ryuko #02086  
SERIZAWA, Mrs. Fuyu #02073  
Sandon, B. C.

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In reply to your two letters dated the 14th.  
instant. It is possible that lack of proper identification  
caused the wrong sewing machine to be shipped in the first  
instant, but as both machines are now in Sandon, your  
supervisor there should have no difficulty in delivering  
them to the rightful owners.

As far as the freight and charges are concerned:

Mrs. Ryuko SERIZAWA had funds with us from which  
we were able to deduct the freight and transfer charges.

Mrs. Fuyu SERIZAWA had no funds with us, so that  
collections of such charges would have to be made through  
your medium.

We paid the freight on one machine, the freight  
covering the other machine is unpaid as far as we are  
concerned.

We will be pleased to receive \$3.00 from you  
to pay S. Barrett's account, unless you prefer to remit  
to him direct at 1772 McSpadden Street, Vancouver. As  
we are responsible to S. Barrett for this account, it  
would be preferable if you paid it to us.

As regards Sandon report re crating, both of these  
machines had to be moved to our central warehouse for  
strengthening and marking, and unnecessary trouble would have  
been avoided in the first instance if we had not encountered



Mr. E. L. Brown

August 17, 1943.

A non-co-operative spirit on the part of Miss. Foster.  
We hope the foregoing explanation will clarify the  
situation before our mutual correspondence on the  
subject becomes more voluminous.

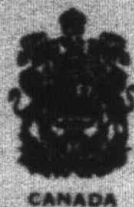
Yours truly,

Geo. B. Spear,  
Protection Department.

GHB/HMS



DEPARTMENT OF  
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CANADA

VACUATION SECTION

AUG 16 1943

File No. 7819

Ans.

Referred *Apair*

*7817-1819*

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer St.,

Vancouver, B. C.

Your File No. 7817-7819

August 14th, 1943

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

Re: SERIZAWA, Mrs. Ryuko, #02086  
Sandon, B.C.

Sewing machine for above was shipped June 15th by  
W. Wills of Custodian.

C. P. R. freight charges \$2.17. C. P. R. advised  
on August 3rd that Custodian had paid this charge. Cartage charges  
amount not reported, but presume was paid by you to Barrett.  
Please advise whether you paid the C. P. R. charges and the Barrett  
charges as above and if you deducted this persons account for the  
expense. We need to know this as this woman has paid us at Sandon  
\$5.17 to cover all charges and if you have paid the charges from  
her account, she has a refund coming of \$5.17 paid us and the \$2.17  
freight charges deducted from her account as we pay transportation  
charges on sewing machines.

It is very possible that the C. P. R. was mistaken  
in saying that you had paid the freight charges on this shipment.

CWF:jd

*C. W. Fisher*  
C. W. Fisher  
Transportation



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August 7, 1943.

B. C. Security Commission,  
360 Homer Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. E. Brown

TRANSPORTATION

Re: SERIZAWA Mrs. Puyu #02073

SANDON, B. C.

In reply to your letter of the 4th. instant,  
we would advise that we paid all transportation and  
freight charges on her sewing machine shipped to  
Sandon.

This account is quite separate from that of  
Mrs. Puyu Serizawa.

Yours truly,

Geo. B. Spain,  
Protection Department.

GBS/HS



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EVACUATION SECTION

AUG 5 1943

Rec'd

File No.

Ans.

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Spain

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

August 4th, 1943

Your File No. 1054  
Legal Section

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

Dear Sirs:

Re: SERIZAWA, Mrs. Ryuko, #02086  
Sandon, B. C.

Apparently the electric sewing machine belonging  
to above has now been delivered.

From information received from the C.P.R. account-  
ant at the local freight shed, you paid the freight charges.  
Presume you also paid the cartage charges in Vancouver or  
were they included in Barrett's bill for \$3.00 for Mrs. Fuyu  
Serizawa's machine?

Yours truly,

C. W. Fisher  
Transportation

CWF:jd

yes. we paid to  
freight #212 to C.P.R.



7317-7319

August 2, 1943.

B. C. Security Commission,  
360 Homer Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. M. C. Brown

Dear Sir:

Re: SERIZAWA (Fuyua) Mrs Kague  
No. 02073 Sendon

SERIZAWA (Byuko) Mrs Yoshitaro  
No. 02036 Sendon

In reply to your letter of the 26th.  
instant we would advise that both of the above  
noted persons left their sewing machines in care  
of Miss Margaret Foster.

Both of the above noted persons declared  
no personal property when they registered at the  
Custodian Office.

We have had a considerable amount of  
trouble in obtaining the machines, and several  
calls were necessary before we could obtain  
delivery. The two machines belonging to the two  
Serizawa's are now in Sendon, and there should be  
no difficulty in them identifying their own  
machines, seeing that they are both in the same  
locality. As far as the charge of \$3.00 is  
concerned, we are quite satisfied that such charge  
was reasonable considering the work involved.

If the machines had been delivered to the  
custodian in the first instance with proper  
identification marks, this confusion would have  
been avoided.

Yours truly,

Geo. B. Spain,  
Protection Department.

GBS/HW



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EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd JUL 20 1943

File No. 7819

Ans.

Referred

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street,  
VANCOUVER, B.C.,  
July 19th, 1943.

Custodian of Alien Property,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: SERIZAWA, Ryuko #02086 Sendon, B.C.

Attached are two copies of Custodian Release  
for shipment of an electric Singer sewing machine and stool  
for same to the above from 3890 West 21st Avenue, Vancouver.  
When released will arrange to ship at your mutual convenience.

C.W. Fisher

Per

*M.D. MacDonald*  
Transportation

MDMacD/FF

Encl. *see July 12/43.*

*Shipped*



EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUL 20 1943
File No.	2819
Ans.	
Referred	

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address **SANDON**

Date July 12, 1943

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

I, Ryoko SERIZAWA, Police Registration NO 63086  
 hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property  
 stored at 3090 West 21st Avenue, Vancouver, B. C.  
 in possession of <sup>Miss</sup> Mrs. Margaret C. E. Foster  
 and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to  
 such property.

Description of Property:

1 Electric Singer Sewing Machine (Folded and packed compactly in paper box)  
1 Stool for same machine (Wrapped in grey-green printed material--please  
have the stool packed before sending)

Original Address 77 West Cordova Street, Vancouver, B. C.

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

Date Evacuated to Present Address June 24, 1942

Number in Family - 12 years and over 1

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old 1

Number in Family - under 5 2

TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 4

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

APPROVED:  
 BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: [Signature]

Ryoko Serizawa  
 Claimant Signs Here

*See July 19/43*



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EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd JUL 1 1943

File No. 7819

Ans.

Referred

## BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer St.,

VANCOUVER, B.C.,

June 30th, 1943.

Custodian of Alien Property,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: SERIZAWA, Mrs. Ryuko #02086

Attached is copy of letter from Sandon asking that an electric sewing machine belonging to above be shipped from the home of Miss Margaret Foster, 3890 West 21st Avenue. It seems likely that this machine is the one you and the Rev. Gale intended to ship some time ago when a machine marked "S.SASAKI" was shipped from this address to Mrs. Fuyu SERIZAWA, #02073, in which case you will likely wish to make this shipment in a fulfilment of your former intentions.

Anyway please advise if there is anything we should do in the matter.

CWF:FF

Encl. SEE June 24/43.

M.L. Brown

Office Manager



USE PREPAID FREIGHT TO ORDER OR C.O.D.  
PRINT "ORDER" OR "C.O.D." HERE

DUPLICATE PREPAID FREIGHT BILL



SHEET NO.

STATION TO 208 SANDON BC WHP

PRO.

Consignor & Destination

**MRS RYUKO SERIZAWA**

DATE

**CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY**

FOR CHARGES ON ARTICLES WAYBILLED

From, Number, Station

W/B Date

W/B No.

Shipper's Name

Car Init. & Number

**99 VANCOUVER JUNE 15/43 P 97097**

**CUSTODIAN ENERGY PROP 5523**

**CP 246144**

No. of Packages	Description of Articles and Marks	Weight	Rate	Freight	Advance	Prepaid	Collect
1	SEA MACH  CORR	110	197	2 17		2 17	
TOTAL							

Received Payment for the Company

Date 19 \$ Agent

All freight transported by this Company is subject to its published terms and regulations. All claims for overcharge must be sent to the Auditor of Freight Receipts, Montreal, accompanied by freight bill.

Make Cheques Payable  
to Order of

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.  
Mail to Local Freight Agent



DEPARTMENT OF  
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CANADA

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd JUL 1 1943

File No.

Ans.

Referred

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Sandon, B. C.,  
June 24, 1943.

Mr. C. W. Fisher,  
Transportation Dept.,  
B. C. Security Commission,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Re: Mrs. Ryuko SERIZAWA, #02086

The above person has stored with Miss Margaret C. H. Foster, 3890 West 21st Avenue, Vancouver, one electric sewing machine, Singer, in paper box, and one stool for same, wrapped in greenish coloured cloth material, and tagged.

Apparently this party wrote Miss Foster some time ago, asking her to forward this machine to her here, at Sandon, but to date, the machine has not arrived. However, yesterday's freight brought forth a sewing machine addressed "Mrs. Ryuko Serizawa, Sandon, B. C.", which machine also bears the name, "S. Sasaki", and does not belong to Mrs. Serizawa as it is a treadle machine and not an electric.

We do not believe Custodian release forms went forward for this shipment. If you desire them, kindly inform us at your earliest possible convenience, and we will have same forwarded to you immediately.

  
F. Aydon  
Asst. Supervisor.

FA:EH

*for use of Custodian  
see June 30/43*



1054 7519  
Legal Section

912 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
June 16th, 1943.

Mrs. Ryuko Serizawa,  
Sandon, B.C.

Dear Madam:

In accordance with a request received from your husband, Mr. Yoshitaro Serizawa, we have removed one Sewing Machine from Miss M.C. Foster, 3890 West 21st Ave., and made shipment to you at Sandon, as per C.P.R. Bill of Lading enclosed.

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

GBS/DG  
Attach



SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA  
HEAD OFFICE: MONTREAL

COPY

sent to the Office of the Custodian

ATTENTION: MR. GIBSON

February 25th. 1943.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Mrs. Ryuko Serizawa,  
Sandon, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 26 1943
File No.	7819
Ans.	J.H.
Referred	Gibson

Dear Mrs. Serizawa:

Re: Policy No. 2,247,472

We have received your letter of February 18th and so that you may obtain the Cash Surrender Value of your policy will you please complete and return the attached Application together with the policy itself.

In completing the Application, you will sign where marked "Assured" and your husband will sign as Yoshitaro Serizawa, where marked "Beneficiary". Both signatures must be witnessed by someone outside the family and of course the Application is to be dated.

When the completed form and policy are received by us they will be sent to our Head Office and about two weeks later you may expect to receive a cheque in settlement. We calculate the surrender value as being about \$168.00.

Yours faithfully,

C. E. HAY

BRANCH SECRETARY  
Per: *[Signature]*

WCH:PW  
Encl. 1.

Office of the Custodian: Please let us have clearance of these funds or your further instructions.

*No claim on file at this time*

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7/19  
April 2nd, 1942.

Stuart Hugh Gilmour, Esq.,  
Barrister & Solicitor,  
Bank of Toronto Bldg.,  
410 Seymour Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of April 1st.

If Mr. R. Serizawa has not already been evacuated and has not already entrusted us with his property and desires to sell his furniture, he is entirely free to do so.

Should Mr. Serizawa have a radio included with the furnishings of his house, the radio cannot be sold but must be surrendered to the Custodian.

Yours truly,

C. L. Drewry,  
Manager.

RPA:BM

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STUART HUGH GILMOUR

BARRISTER & SOLICITOR  
NOTARY PUBLIC

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN  
JAPANESE PROPERTY

RECEIVED  
APR 1 1942

THE BANK OF TORONTO BLDG  
410 SEYMOUR STREET  
VANCOUVER, B. C.

April 1st.,  
1942.

7819

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

Dear Sir:-

I am acting for Quon C. Yuen,  
who is purchasing from R. Serijawa, the con-  
tents of the rooming house situate at 204 -  
Carrall Street, Vancouver, British Columbia,  
otherwise known as the "Beaver Rooms".

Before I pay out any funds in  
the matter, I should be glad to have from you  
your consent to the Bill of Sale.

Yours truly,

STUART H. GILMOUR

PER *[Signature]*

SHG.U.