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FILE NO. 9152

BUREAU HASTINGS PARK
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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

NAME: INAMOTO, Otomatsu REGISTRATION No. 09358

HOME ADDRESS: Hillcrest, B. C. MARRIED? Yes

SEX: (M) AGE: 53

OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER: Sawmill Foreman - Hillcrest Lumber Co., Hillcrest, B.C. ADDRESS: Hillcrest, B. C.

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Yoshi ADDRESS: ---

NAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: --- ADDRESS: ---

--- ADDRESS: ---

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

Dated this 15th day of May 1942.

WITNESS: [Signature]

(Signature) O. Inamoto

P.D. 26/1/42

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Sept 16/42

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Full Name YAMOTO, Atomatsu

(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 09358

Male - Female
(check)

Age Over 6 1888

Former Address Stewart B. Co.

Date Evacuated 4/8/42 ?

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address Lynn's Creek Station, B.C.

75 Sulphur St. Toronto, Ont. June 5/46

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife Yasuko - 09359

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother Keisaku

Name of Father Keisaku

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by P.D.

Registered with Custodian _____

(Yes or No)

Additional Information Summit foreman

36 Pontiac, sidan

80.50

09358

NAME

Otto

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COMPANY	POLICY NO.	AMOUNT	EXPIRATION			PROPERTY
			MONTH	DAY	YEAR	
The Union Marine & General Insurance Company, Ltd.	Cancelled Feb 16/46 74417	\$250.00	Jan.	19th	1945	West side Front Street, between First & Evans Sts. Duncan, Vancouver I.C.B.C.

This policy covered furniture stored at Duncan. Policy was placed on January 19, 1943, and was cancelled February 16, 1944. Premiums of \$4.54 were charged to account of Otomatsu INAMOTO.

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

/FM

W. M. Wilson
August 9, 1946.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 9152

October 26, 1946.

Re: Otomatsu INAMOTO Reg.No.09358

This man signed a declaration to the Custodian on May 15, 1942, in which he stated that he owned no property of any kind in the protected area. His wife, File 7241, also declared ownership of no property.

No real property interest is revealed by this file.

However, on January 21, 1943, J. H. Whittome & Co.Ltd. sent to this office Union Marine Policy No. 74417 for \$250.00 coverage on furniture belonging to O. INAMOTO, which had been removed from a rented house at Hillcrest, and placed in storage at Duncan. O. INAMOTO was later identified as Otomatsu INAMOTO, and the premium of \$3.78 (1943-1944) and additional premium, Jan.19/44 to Feb.16/44 of 76 cents were charged to the account of this man. No inventory of the goods covered by this policy was supplied, it is not revealed by the file that any shipments were made from Duncan storage to INAMOTO, and the only record we have of the goods stored is the list of goods removed to auction in February, 1944, as follows: 2 iron beds, 3 mattresses, 2 axes, 3 kitchen chairs, 1 cross-cut saw, 1 tin of kitchen goods, 1 box of kitchen effects. It would appear that all the goods removed to auction were sold at Duncan Auction No.4, February 10, 1944, for the net sum of \$9.06, which has been credited to the account of Otomatsu INAMOTO.

On January 13, 1944, the Custodian released to the B. C. Security Commission from 604 Cordova Street, two bundles of bed ends, 2 bundles of bed springs, and four rails. These had, apparently, been found at 847 Seventh Avenue, Vancouver, tagged with the name "Inamoto Otomatsu #09358", and were requested by this man in Custodian Release, November 30, 1943. These items have been checked off the Chattel Schedule of Tomisaburo KOZAI, File 3895, who formerly lived at 847 Seventh Avenue, as having been shipped to INAMOTO.

Motor Vehicle V-3, surrendered by Kazuo INAMOTO, File 3791, on behalf of the licensed owner, Otomatsu INAMOTO, was sold for the net sum of \$366.88, which was credited to the account of Otomatsu INAMOTO.

The account of this man was credited with the sum of \$9.14 as refund of 15 wage deductions for 1941.

The insurance premium of \$4.54 on the chattels referred to above has been charged to Protection Expense.

The account of this man was credited with a total of \$385.08, from which remittances totalling \$300.00 were made to INAMOTO, leaving in his account the balance of \$80.54, which was sent to him on August 23, 1946.

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

J. Mathison
October 26, 1946.

/FM

MEMORANDUM

To: File 9152

May 3, 1944.

From: Specified Articles Department

Re: INAMOTO, Otomatsu - Reg. 09358

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
CAR	1935 Pontiac Sedan No. V3 License No. (42) 20-052	\$495.00

Sold to: Angus McKay

Date: October 26, 1942.

Selling Price: \$396.00.

Expenses: \$29.12. Net Credit: \$366.88

Harker

J. M. Harker
August 9, 1946.

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USED CAR APPRAISAL RECORD

NAME No 3

ADDRESS _____

Paint <u>to appearance</u>	\$ 17.50
Tires <u>DK</u>	\$
Body & Fenders	\$
Glass <u>shocks</u>	\$ 3.50
Top	\$ 62.00
Nickelling	\$
Radiator <u>Flush out</u>	\$
Running Boards	\$ 1.75
Mats & Kick Pads	\$
Upholstery	\$
Hardware	\$ 2.50
Motor Expense	\$
Transmission	\$ 25.00
Rear Axle	\$
Universal Joints	\$
Clutch <u>overhaul</u>	\$ 23.00
Steering <u>overhaul</u>	\$ 25.00
Brakes <u>clean & adjust</u>	\$ 3.50
Tighten Up	\$ 7.50
Muffler	\$
Sundries <u>Battery</u>	\$ 9.50
Wash & Clean Motor	\$ 3.50
Clean Interior	\$ 2.00
Oil & Grease, Change	\$
Oil & Check Over	\$ 4.50
Total	\$ 199.25

Make Pontiac
Model 28 99

Body Style Sedan

Year 36

License 20-052

Serial 628990019

Mileage 21866

Remarks _____

Mod. interested in _____

Salesman ^

Selling price \$ _____

Less Repairs \$ 200.00

Allowance \$ _____

Date _____
Appraised By _____
For immediate acceptance only.

NAME IVAMOTO, Otomatsu

REGISTRATION NO. 09358

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The following chattels were sold by public
suction at Duncan, B.C. on Feb. 10, 1944.

1 tub, wash board etc.	1.00
3 empty cans	0.25
pail & dishes	0.25
2 pails	1.00
1 pail misc.	0.25
1 iron, spoons etc.	0.10
Saucepan & bowls	0.25
bowls	0.35
thermos & teapot	0.85
2 foot warmers	0.25
3 chairs	1.00
plates	0.55
teapot & jugs	0.25
3 glass bowls	0.35
plates & saucers	0.75
basket of china	1.10
wash dish & bowls	0.55
pan, cups, etc.	1.00
glasses	0.25
bed & springs, 2 single mattresses	1.00
2 single mattresses	0.50
bed spring & mattress, 2 axes	1.25
cross-cut saw	1.00

Total:	(Auctioneer's Fee: 1.41	\$ 14.10
	(Advertising: 0.14	\$ 5.04
Less Expenses:	(Moving: 3.04	
	(Rent: 0.75	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 9.06

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. R.M. Anderson.

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Duncan 4.

Remarks.

July 9 1952

Bill from Buchanan Vaner, Co. 604 Linden St.
He shipped to. Inmate Otomatsu #09358

2 Bbls Bed Mats

2 " Bed Springs

4 Rents attached.

13/1/04

BB Security Commission
Permanence
Transportation Dept.

Continued

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd **DEC 14 1943**
File No. 9152
Ans. J. Sp...
Referred J. Sp...

*G-165-A
out to State*

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.
CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address 43 Fir Avenue.
Lemon Creek, Duncan, B. C.

Date November 30, 1943.

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

I, INAMOTO Otomatsu, Police Registration No. 09358 hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property stored at 847 7th Avenue West, Fairview, Vancouver, B. C. in possession of The Custodian and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to such property.

Description of Property:

- 1 double bed frame
- 1 double bed spring
- 1 three-quarter bed frame
- 1 three-quarter bed spring (All packed) (All marked "Inamoto Otomatsu, #09358")

Original Address Hillcrest, Duncan, B. C.

Date Evacuated to Vancouver March 19, 1942.

Date Evacuated to Present Address September 17, 1942.

Number in Family - 12 years and over 3

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old

Number in Family - under 5

TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 3

33

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

APPROVED:
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: [Signature]

[Signature]
Claimant Signs Here

Vancouver, B.C. December 13th, 1943.

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

Two copies of Release to you. As we have a \$10.00 deposit to apply, should like to ship as soon as mutually convenient and truck is available. There are several requests from this address at 847 7th Ave. West.

GW:FF

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION
Per [Signature]
C.W. Fisher, Transportation.

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November 10, 1943

Mr. Kazuo INAMOTO,
Registration No. 09247,
Leaverleigh Farm,
Port Credit, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for the information supplied in your letter of November 3rd. As stated before, you declared, when registering with the Custodian, that you had no property of any kind whatsoever in any protected area in British Columbia. Would you please let us know if you own any property, besides the camera and motor vehicle, about which you have inquired?

The Pontiac Sedan, License No. 20-052, was in the name of Otto INAMOTO, and, as we recently found that your father, Otematsu INAMOTO, had been known as Otto INAMOTO, the monies derived from the sale of this car were credited to his account.

Would you kindly supply proof that you purchased this car? No doubt, your father would confirm this. If so, we would be able to transfer the funds from his account to yours.

Until we hear from your father and yourself in regard to this matter, the funds will be frozen.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

9152 & 3791

November 10, 1943

Mr. Otomatsu INAMOTO,
Registration No. 09358,
Lemon Creek,
Slocan, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The Pontiac Sedan, License No. 20-052, turned over to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Victoria Detachment, was in the name of Otto INAMOTO. This car has been sold for \$396.00. Expenses incurred in handling this car; such as, fire insurance, storage, etc. amounted to \$29.12. The balance of \$366.88 has been placed to your credit in our trust account.

Your son Kazuo INAMOTO has written us, however, stating that the Pontiac Sedan is his property. Would you please let us know if this is correct?

We note that, in registering with the Custodian, you declared that you had no property of any kind whatsoever in any protected area in British Columbia. We have recently paid the premium of \$3.78 in connection with Union Marine Policy #74417 placed on your furniture, which you have placed in storage. From this it would appear that the information given when registering was incorrect. Would you kindly let us know if you have property that requires protection.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

216 Royal Bank Building
Chicago and Sprague St.
Winnipeg, B.C.

Received by
Albert B.C.
No 2/10

EVACUATION SERVICE	
Rec'd	NOV 26 1943
File No.	9152
Ans.	
Referred	Speth's Co.

Dear Mr. Madam,

I have received your letter saying
that the Postal Order I had sent you \$3.00
and money is not my account.

Please do not transfer. Please do not
what you please kindly send me that money
because I am not sure about in our money so
and you please kindly send it right away. My
son is unemployed and he is trying hard to
keep it up.

I give my best and write to you again
Thank you for your kindness.

I hope to hear from you soon.

Yours sincerely
Celia Smart

9152 & 3791.

November 29th, 1943.

Attention Mr. H. L. Brown,

B. C. Security Commission,
Dick Building,
360 Homer Street,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Otonatsu IHANOTO - Reg. No. 09358.

We confirm our conversation of this morning regarding the request we have received from the above Evacuee to remit him the proceeds from sale of his motor car.

The letter we have received reads, in part: "Will you please kindly send me that money because we are way behind in our money so will you please kindly send it right away. My two son is unemploy and its pretty hard to keep it up."

The balance standing at the credit of this account is \$372.24 and, as agreed, we shall not disturb these funds until we hear from you, after you have obtained a report from your supervisor on the spot.

Yours truly,

R. G. Ball,
Administration Department.

RGB/P.

Lemon Creek.
Green B.C.
March 29, 1945.

Department of the Secretary
of State
Office of the Custodian,
1506 Royal Bank Building
Vancouver and Grenville,
Vancouver B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
RECD	APR 2 1945
FILE NO.	9152
ANS.	M
REFERRED	Medicine

Dear Mr. A. McKeen:

Hold reply

In referring to your letter dated
March 29th in which you stated that
we have a debt of \$38.70 to Union
Bank Co. Ltd., — I no doubtably
dispute this claim. For I am very
sure I have no debts in whatsoever
before and after I have reported
to the "Custodian of Enemy Property."
Therefore I would like you to investi-
gate further for I am very sure it is
a mistake in some way.

May I stress to you that we have
no debts to anyone in whatsoever in
the past.

Yours truly,
Alonzo Fremont
Reg. No. 709587

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April 4th, 1945.

Union Fish Co. Ltd.,
c/o Messrs. P. S. Ross & Sons,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

re: O. INAMOTO, Hillcrest

With reference to your claim of \$38.70 against the above named. We lodged this claim against Otomatsu INAMOTO, Registration No. 09358, who, previous to evacuation, lived at Hillcrest, B. C. We wrote to this party and he replied as follows:-

"In referring to your letter dated March 29th in which you stated that we have a debt of \$38.70 to Union Fish Co. Ltd. I no doubtedly disagree this claim. For I am very sure I have no debts in whatsoever before and after I have reported to the "Custodian of Enemy Property". Therefore I would like you to investigate further for I am very sure it is a mistake in some way.

"May I stress to you that I have no debts to anyone in whatsoever in the past."

As this is the only O. INAMOTO with the proper address registered with the Custodian, we think he is the correct party. Perhaps you would be good enough to check on this claim and supply us with all the necessary details, to enable us to reply to his letter.

We might add that he has a balance with the Custodian which is sufficient to take care of your claim.

Please let us have your reply at an early date.

Yours truly,


AMcA:ND

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

P. S. ROSS & SONS

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

MONTREAL TORONTO WINNIPEG
CALGARY VANCOUVER

ROYAL BANK BUILDING

VANCOUVER, B. C.

6th April, 1945.

Our File 295-111Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.Attention: Mr. A. McAlister

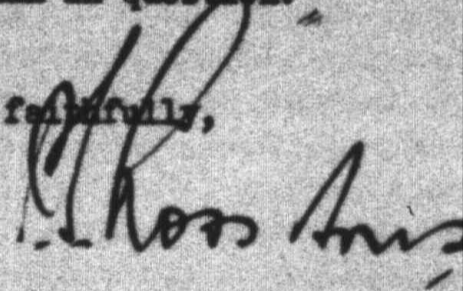
Dear Sirs:

Re: Union Fish Company Limited and
O. Inamoto, Your File 9152

With reference to your letter of the 4th instant, we have no sales records nor ledger showing accounts receivable for customers who lived on Vancouver Island. The records surrendered to us, however, included a list of accounts receivable as of 12th March, 1942, in the handwriting of the person, who during 1941 and early part of 1942, kept the accounts for Union Fish Company Limited.

The said list of accounts receivable shows O. Inamoto of Hillcrest as owing \$38.70, which amount has not yet been paid. It seems fair to assume therefore that the amount is due from the man in question.

Yours faithfully,



April 25th, 1945.

Mr. Otomatsu INAMOTO,
Registration No. 09358,
Lemon Creek,
Slocan, B. C.

Dear Sir:

re: Union Fish Company Ltd. - \$38.70

Replying to your letter of the 29th of March, 1945, dealing with the claim lodged against you by the Union Fish Co. Ltd. We wrote to Messrs. P. S. Ross & Sons who are handling the affairs of this Company and we told them what you said in your letter under reply. We have now received their reply dated the 6th of April, 1945, which reads as follows:-

"With reference to your letter of the 4th instant, we have no sales records nor ledger showing accounts receivable for customers who lived on Vancouver Island. The records surrendered to us, however, included a list of accounts receivable as of 12th of March, 1942, in the handwriting of the person, who during 1941 and early part of 1942, kept the accounts for Union Fish Company Limited.

"The said list of accounts receivable shows O. Inamoto of Hillcrest as owing \$38.70, which amount has not yet been paid. It seems fair to assume therefore that the amount is due from the man in question."

We think that the best procedure in this case would be for you to deal direct with Messrs. P. S. Ross & Sons, Royal Bank Bldg., Vancouver, B.C., and try and straighten the matter out direct with them.

Yours truly,


AMcA:NDA. McAlister,
Claims Department.

335 St. James Avenue
Toronto.

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian
(Japanese Evacuation Section)
56 Royal Bank Building,
Kingston and Grenville,
Ottawa, O.C.

Ottawa June 25, 1946.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUN 29 1946
File No.	7152
Ans.	
Referred	Matheson

Dear Sir:

In request of our sum of money under
your care. Tomotaru Inamoto Reg. No.
09358 and family have relocated to
Toronto on April 17, 1946 in which we
did not receive any rehabilitation fund and
at present cost of living and accommodation
are extremely high in fact we have already
exhausted our savings. Therefore our only
means of living is to receive from you the
remaining full sum of money held under
custodian as early as possible. As we
are no longer under O.C. Security Commission
our rehabilitation is very difficult.

Thanking you for your kind service,
and depending on your prompt attention
on this matter I remain

Tomotaru Inamoto
Reg. No. 09358
(OTOMATSU INAMOTO)

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August 9, 1946.

Messrs. F. S. Ross & Sons,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Your File 295-111 - Claim of \$38.70 -Union Fish Co.Ltd.
against O. INAMOTO, Hillcrest, B. C.

As you were informed on April 4, 1945, Otomatsu INAMOTO, Reg. No. 09358, formerly of Hillcrest, B. C., denied owing any money to the Union Fish Company Ltd. In view of this, and the fact that there appears to be no definite evidence that Otomatsu INAMOTO is the debtor shown in Union Fish Company Ltd. records, this office is taking no further action in regard to this claim.

We are, within the next few days, forwarding to Otomatsu INAMOTO all funds standing to his credit with this office. These funds amount to more than his alleged indebtedness to the Union Fish Company Ltd.

For your information, the present address of this man is,

335 St. Clarens Avenue,
TORONTO, Ontario

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

/FM

File 9152

Aug. 13, 1946.

MEMORANDUM.

To: Mr. Good.

From: A. G. Hearshar.

Re: Shimatsu INAMOTO,
Reg. No. 09358.

Attached is File 9152.

It appears that at the request of the Custodian \$250.00 insurance was placed on goods stored for the above Japanese person by our agent Messrs. J.H. Whitcomb, Duncan. No inventory of these goods can be found and all those identified as belonging to Inamoto were sold at auction for the net sum of \$9.06.

This man's account has been charged with the insurance premium for 13 months in the sum of \$3.78 together with an additional .76¢, and under the circumstances Mr. Shears advises that both of these charges be reversed and placed against Protection account.

AGH:AS
attach.



August 9, 1946.

To: Mrs. McArthur

From: F. Matheson

Re: Stewart INAMOTO, Reg.No. 09358, File 9152

This file shows that insurance coverage of \$250.00 was placed on chattels removed to storage at Duncan, in the name of this man, from a rented house at Hillcrest.

We have no inventory of what was valued at \$250.00. We do have a list of the goods removed to auction at Duncan. These goods brought in the net sum of \$9.06. The insurance premium for 13 months (the period the goods were covered by insurance) was \$4.54.

Was there some consistent policy followed in regard to the paying of insurance premiums? Or an I in error in assuming that the Custodian sometimes charged these premiums to Protection Expense and at other times charged them to the individual owner, regardless of circumstances?

F. Matheson

Miss Matheson:

Who placed this insurance
in the first place? *W.M.*

To: Mrs. McArthur:

August 13, 1946.

In answer to your question, File 4/118 J. H. Whittome, contains a letter, dated June 22, 1942, from Mr. R. P. Alexander which reads in part as follows:

"We should like you, please, to consider taking out Fire Insurance for the property stored in these buildings. (Japanese Hall and Gymnasium, Duncan) For this purpose we would require a very approximate valuation under each man's name."

From this it would appear that when chattels were removed to storage insurance was placed on them, and that J. H. Whittome or representative put the valuation on the goods.

F. Matheson
Miss Matheson: Please see memo to the good and change your requisition accordingly.