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FRASER VALLEY

WHONOCK

FILE NO. 9621

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: UCHIMARU Iwao

HOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 225, Whonook, B. C. (27th Ave.)

REGISTRATION NUMBER 13535 SEX: male AGE: 23

OCCUPATION: millhand

(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: P. Bain, Whonook, B. C.

MARRIED? no

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: ---

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: ---

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: ---

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: ---

AGE OF CHILDREN: ---

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 10 acres cleared land, twp. 12, sub-div. 3, section 1, in the district of Maple Ridge, B. C.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 5 roomed wooden frame dwelling house. 1 barn, 1 bunkhouse, 1 rhubarb house, 1 wood shed, 1 garage, 1 tool shed.

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) North West Fire Insurance \$1000.00 on dwelling and furnishings.

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) \$29.66 1941 paid to Maple Ridge (hane)

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) none

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) Leased to: Borden E. Lidstone, \$300.00 for 1st year.



7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS. Land Reg. Office, New Westminster

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST. none

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN strawberry, raspberry, blackberry,

Boysenberry, asparagus, rhubarb, fruits. <sup>Boysen</sup> leasing to same person.

*13. E. Fiddler (Address unknown)*

#### STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION. 27th Ave., Whonnock, B. C. SEE PAGE 1.

living with family (household members by declaration)

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS.

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

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE.

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

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN.

#### STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS.

IN DWELLING: Furniture, farm implements, garden tools, carpenter tools, kitchen utensils, sewing machine, gramophone, chest of drawers, bed-hive, 1 bicycle, carpets, spray machine, etc.

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: See page 1.

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) none

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: none

9. LIFE INSURANCE Sun Life Assurance Co., Vancouver Branch \$1000.00  
Policy #1267182. Beneficiary. father. Policy at home.

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 19th day of May 1942

(Signature)

Adeline MacKay.

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE



INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Apr. 19/43

Our File No. 9621

Full Name HCHIMARU, Iwao  
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 13535

Male - Female  
(Check)

Age Dec. 30, 1918

Former Address P.O. Box 225, Whonnock, B. C.

Date Evacuated Interned June 19/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(Check)

Present Address Sheridan Nurseries, Sheridan, Ont.

72.5/46 - 96 McCarroll St, Toronto, 2 B, Ont.

Married - Single  
(Check)

Name of Wife

Name of Husband

nee

Name of Mother (ARIKAWA) Yoshi #13532 Name of Father Kesaguma #13533

Names of Children under 16

Requested by Evelyn Bridson

Registered with Custodian  
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Millhand



NOTICE OF RELEASE

Rec'd	APR 17 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Re-issued	

Internee's No. J.335 Name UCHINARU, Iwao

Camp Angler

Residence:

At time of internment: 27th Ave. Whonook, B.C.

To which proceeding on release: Sheridan, Ontario

Date Released from Internment 10th April, 1943

Authority R.C.M.P. File No. C. 11-12-2-13, dated April 2nd, 1943.

Conditions Released conditionally upon his subscribing to  
a Special Undertaking.

*H. N. Streight*

(H. N. Streight),  
Colonel,

Director, Prisoners of War.

OTTAWA, 14th April, 1943.

Copy:

R.C.M.P.  
Custodian  
Dependents' Section  
File

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REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Iwao UCHIMARU Reg. No. 13535 File No. 9621.  
CATALOGUE NO: Sold by Special Arrangement, The Director The Veterans' Land Act. BC/190-P First offer.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 27th Avenue, Whonnock, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Part 9.95 acres more or less of the East half of the South East quarter of Section 1 Township 12 as shown and outlined in Red and lettered "B" on Sketch deposited No. 2935 Municipality of Maple Ridge in the District of New Westminster.

TITLE: Registered in the name of Iwao UCHIMARU.

ENCUMBRANCES: None registered. No indication of any unregistered charges.  
Vesting order filed No. 24995, October 28th, 1942.

ASSESSED VALUE: Land \$600.00  
Improvements \$900.00 - \$1500.00 Taxes - \$29.61.

CLASSIFICATION: Small Fruit farm with dwelling and out-buildings. The Custodian's representative reported on December 1st, 1942, that this property had an area of 9.95 acres, 7½ of which were cleared and planted to the following crops: 2½ acres strawberries, ¼ acre raspberries, ¼ acre boysenberries, ½ acre rhubarb, some blackberries, ½ acre asparagus, 65 fruit trees - 1-1 storey 5 room house, 1 woodshed, 1 rhubarb house, 1 pickers house, 1 garage, 1 barn, 2 packing sheds, 1 toolhouse.

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: This property was leased 29th April 1942, to Borden E. LIDSTONE for a term of 9 months from May 1st, 1942, with option to extend lease for 1943, arrangements to be made with Pacific Co-operative Union. Consideration \$600.00 paid. Rental for 1943 to be \$300.00 House and buildings included.

On the 14th day of September 1942, B.E. LIDSTONE made a Statutory Declaration that there had been exaggeration as to the acreage under crop and that instead of there being 7 acres planted there was a shortage of 3 acres by actual measurement, made up as follows: strawberries 0.79 acres, raspberries 0.83 acre, blackberries 0.12 acre, boysenberries 0.02 acre, rhubarb 0.66 acre, asparagus 0.58 acre, total 3.00 acres. Adjustment was made for \$205.68 and settled on a 70% basis, viz. \$143.98 which was charged to Iwao UCHIMARU'S account and credited to B.E. LIDSTONE.

Lease extended by Collateral Agreement to September 30th 1943, consideration \$100.00 payable August 31st, 1943.

SOLD: To The Director The Veterans' Land Act for \$1197.00 as at 1st January 1943.  
Approval of Advisory Committee 1st June 1943.



1943.

Lease and Collateral Agreement handed to The Director The Veterans' Land Act August 14th 1943.  
Rents for 1943 paid direct to The Director The Veterans' Land Act.

Funds released to the credit of Iwao UCHIMARU as at May 10th 1943, against which were charges for registration fees \$3.00, Legal fees \$15.00, leaving a net credit of \$1179.00 from said transaction.


Adjustments to the amount of \$2.98 covering unexpired Fire Insurance Premium were placed to Iwao UCHIMARU'S credit.

The following Fire Insurance policy, North West Fire Insurance Co., Policy No. 21010 - \$800.00, covering the one storey dwelling was transferred to The Director The Veterans' Land Act.

Certificate of Title No. 169887-E in the name of The Director The Veterans' Land Act.

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

February 28th, 1946.

  
D.A. CRAMER.

DAC:ML



EXHIBIT No. 1043-2

# Farm Appraisal Report

DATE 13 May 1948

FILED BY J. H. Hunter

File No. JL-132

Land Description Pt. 9.75 acs. of E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 1, Tp. 12, "B" on Plan 2935.

Containing 9.95 Acres

Owner's Name I. UCHIMARU

Post Office Address R.R., Whonnook, B.C.

Nearest Rail Point Whonnook

Distance 2 miles

Market Town New Westminster

Distance 28 "

Church (give denomination) Whonnook - Protestant

Distance 2 "

Nearest School Whonnook

Distance 2 "

State how property was identified: Map location and corner post

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

Direct access to secondary road, gravel, fair condition.

Is this district a good one? Fair.

Employment opportunity Extremely limited - 8 miles to Haney & sawmills.

Predominating Nationality and religion: Mixed, Japanese predominating.

Describe Fencing and its condition: No fences.

Value \$

Water supply: 3 wells, good supply.

Value \$

## BUILDINGS ON FARM

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BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE (1)	20 x 33	Frame	1 st.	Shgl.	20 yrs.	Wood	Fair	300.00
Addn.	12 x 16	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Shed	12 x 35	Poles & Shks.	8'	Shke.	"	"	"	50.00
Shed	12 x 15	"	8'	"	"	"	"	
Shed	15 x 30	Lbr. & Shke.	6'	"	"	"	"	
BARN	x	"	"	"	"	"	"	
House (2)	21 x 21	" Shgle.	7'	Shgl.	"	"	"	100.00
GRANARY	x	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Garage	15 x 24	Lumber	7'	Shke.	"	"	Poor	20.00
Pkg. Shed	24 x 36	Poles & Shks.	10'	"	"	"	Fair	80.00
	x							
	x	Several small outbuildings of no value.						

Total present day value \$ 550.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm

\$

Is dwelling habitable without repairs? Yes. If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it habitable?

\$

Describe the basement and chimneys: No basement - metal chimney.

House (1) 5 nil Wood & paper

No. rooms downstairs? Upstairs? How finished

House (2) 4

Are buildings painted? No. Condition of paint -

Distance from nearest bush Over 100 yards.

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



ACRES	LEVEL, UNULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
5.75	Gentle slope	Sandy loam 1-2 ft.	Gravel & Sand	Small fruits, rhubarb, & asparagus.	100.	575.00
3.40	Steep banks & gully	Sandy loam 10-18"	" "	Straws, raspberries, scattered fruit trees	40.	136.00
Area which can be cultivated without cost other than for breaking.						
	LEVEL, UNULATING, 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, UNULATING, 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	
.80	Gully bottom and bush			nil	10.00	8.00

Total value of Land \$ 719.00

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$ 500.00

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

Total value of farm \$ 1219.00

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

On 5.75 acs. the land is in good state of cultivation. Property operated by Japanese owner 20 years. At present time leased to B.E. Lidstone.

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

Small fruits and poultry.

Noxious weeds:

None of consequence.

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

District of Maple Ridge - 1942-\$29.61.

Date:

Place: New Westminster, B.C.

I certify that the above report is based on a personal examination of the whole farm made on the 20th day of May 1942.

Inspector's Signature

"H.L. SINCLAIR"

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

CHIEF CLERK  
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HC/2058-A  
**Farm Appraisal Report**

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U.S. Form No. 49  
(Sheet 2)

JL-182 - I. UCHIMARU

Remarks:

On 5.75 acs. of this property the land has a gentle slope to the South, soil a good depth and growing crops in good condition - land well cultivated. Buildings are situated on this portion.

On 3.40 acs. the land comprises steep banks, cut by gullies. This area is in raspberries, strawberries & scattered fruit trees. On portion of this acreage, small fruit crops are in fair condition, but in my opinion, only an Oriental would successfully work this portion of the holding.

The two houses are in fair condition, metal chimneys pertain.

The property is leased to B.E. Lidstone from May 1st, 1942, to Jan. 31st, 1943, for \$600.00. The 1943 lease renewal calls for payment of \$300.00. In case of crop failure in 1942 the 1943 lease will pertain without payment.

Electric power is not available for this property; nearest connection for power 700 yards to West.

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(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.

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

A few mixed fruit trees, for home use.

Blackberries	-	.18 acs.	\$
Fallow	-	.27 "	\$
Raspberries	-	.54 "	\$
Strawberries	-	2.47 "	\$
Asparagus	-	.79 "	\$
Boysenberries	-	.29 "	\$
Rhubarb	-	.44 "	\$
Garden	-	.17 "	\$
Lane & Buildings	-	.60 "	\$

Strawberries, Raspberries, Fruit Trees - 3.40 acs.

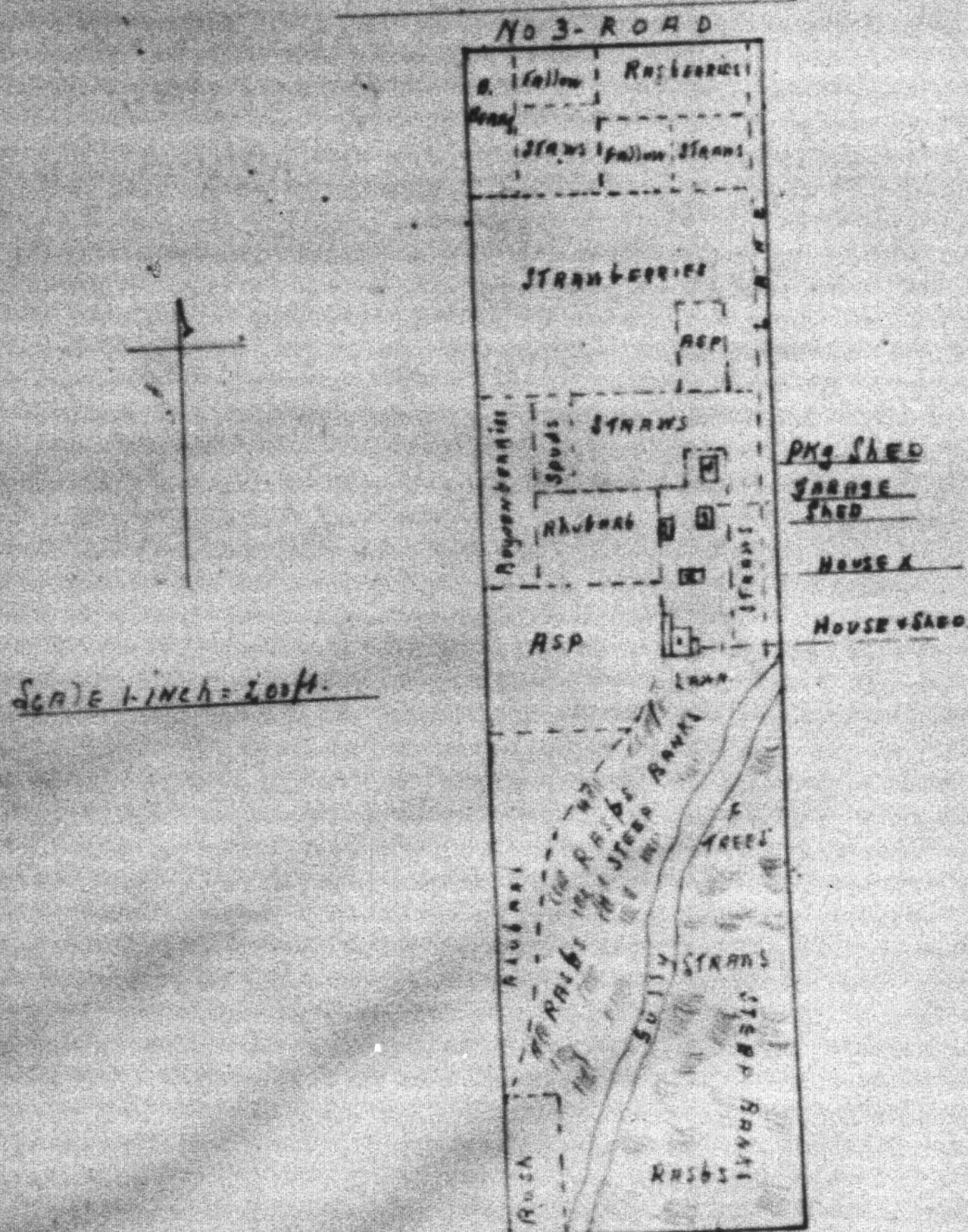
Total \$

Amount fruit trees add to value of farm \$



Diagram of Property

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DATE With 1943-2  
FILED BY \_\_\_\_\_



PT 995 ACS of E 1/2 of S.E. 1/4 Sect 1. Twp. 12. B on PLAN 2935

I. UCHIMARU.

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

value is \$ 1000

Date 26<sup>th</sup> May 1942

SSB  
District Superintendent.







(See File 4821)

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LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 9621.

Iwao UCHIMARU - - Reg. No. 13435.

The above named Japanese declared on his JP Form signed 19th May 1942, that he had no Personal or Trade Debts.

However, on 14th September 1942, B.E. LIDSTONE lodged a claim against Iwao UCHIMARU for misrepresentation of the acreage leased to him, as being 3 acres short. By actual measurement this proved correct and an adjustment was made on a 70% basis, whereby Iwao UCHIMARU was to pay \$143.98 to Mr. LIDSTONE. On June 10th, 1944, upon instructions from B.E. LIDSTONE, the following cheques were issued to cover monies owing by LIDSTONE for wages: K. UCHIMARU \$56.08, S. UCHIMARU \$40.12, T. GORO \$47.78, Total \$143.98 and charged to Iwao UCHIMARU'S account, thereby clearing off that Debt.

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

February 28, 1946.

  
D.K. CHAMBER.

DAC:ML



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**DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN**

**JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION**

File No. 9621

Reg. No. 12535

506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

JUN 21 1944

Mr. Iwas UCHIMARU,  
Sheridan Nurseries,  
Sheridan, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Num. of Maple Ridge, Part 9.95 acres more or less of  
the E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 1, Township 12 as shown  
and outlined in red and lettered "B" on sketch dep.  
No. 2935, Dis. of New Westminster, C. of E. 50561.

You have previously been advised that a sale of lands in rural districts was entered into between this Department and The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

Due to the size of this transaction, the arrangements for same and the completion of the transfer have taken a considerable time. Negotiations were started in the early part of 1943 and were based upon valuations made by qualified appraisers and on the basis of a sale effective as at January 1st of that year. This means that the 1943 revenues from the property were for the benefit of the purchasers, but that taxes, fire insurance and other operating charges were assumed by them.

The following is a statement showing the sale price and adjustments:

Sale price of above described property	\$ 1197.00
Add:	
Unexpired insurance premium as at January 1st, 1943	2.98
	<u>1199.98</u>
Less:	
Tax arrears to December 31st, 1942	\$ 3.00
Registration fee	
Encumbrance—Principal	
—Interest	3.00
Net proceeds of sale	<u>\$ 1196.98</u>

This amount has been placed to your credit and a statement of your account is endorsed hereon showing the present balance on our books. A small amount for legal fees in connection with the conveyance to the Veterans' land will be charged later.

Yours truly,

F. G. SHEARS,  
Director.



1963

1963

Jan. 1 Credit re Sale of Property

Land Registry Office c/z

Feb. 22 P. C. U. Cheque

June 22 Fire Insurance premium

Oct. 6 Cheque to you

Dec. 16

1964

June 13 Payment of Wage claim T. Goryo

" " " S. Uchikawa

" " " K. Uchikawa

56.08

40.12

47.76

13.47

25.00

16.00

218.45

\$ 1.00

\$1196.98

Debit

Credit

Balance

\$197.45

\$1415.43

OR \$1217.98



REPORT  
ON EVACUATED JAPANESE PROPERTY

File No. 4821

MUNICIPALITY: MAPLE RIDGE

Date: Dec. 1st. 1942

NAME: UCHIMARU, *Kesaguma*

REGISTRATION NO. 13533

ADDRESS: 5178 Chapman Rd. Whanoek, B.C.

PROPERTY:

ACREAGE: 9.95 acres App.  $7\frac{1}{2}$  cleared

KIND OF CROPS:	Straws	Asps	Rasps	Bois.	Rhubarb	F. Trees
	$2\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	65

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF EACH:

HOUSE: 1 Storey

VACANT:

OCCUPIED: Yes

DESCRIPTION: Frame

ROOF: Shingle

SIZE: 24 x 30

NO. OF ROOMS: 5

CONDITION: Fair

OTHER BUILDINGS: Woodshed 12 x 42, Rhu. Hse. 16 x 32, Pickers Hse. 18 x 24,

Garage 16 x 22, Barn 24 x 30, 2 Packing sheds 12 x 14, Tool Hse. 8 x 10,  
Packing Shed 6 x 8,

NAME OF LESSEE OR RENTOR: B. Edward LIDSTONE (above address)

TERMS: \$ 600.00 as from May 42.

WATER: Well

ON:

OFF:

LIGHT: Lamp

ON:

OFF:

REMARKS: This property is well kept.

INVENTORY OF CHATTELS LEFT ON PROPERTY:

SEE ATTACHED LIST

Signed:

*R. Anderson*  
*Charles*



IN THE MATTER OF SAID LEASE APRIL 29th. 1942

IWAO UCHIMARU

to

BORDEN E. LIDSTONE

AFFIDAVIT

DECLARATION

I, Borden E. Lidstone of Whistler in the Province of British Columbia, Fruit Farmer, do solemnly declare:-

1. That on the 29th. day of April A. D. 1942 I leased from IWAO UCHIMARU of Whistler aforesaid, Block "B" of the South East quarter of Section One (1) Township Twelve (12) containing ten acres, in the Municipality of Maple Ridge for a term of nine months from the first day of May A.D. 1942 at a rental of \$600.00.

2. That at the time of entering into the said lease the said IWAO UCHIMARU represented to me that the growing crops on the said land consisted of the following acreages:-

Strawberries	5.00	acres
Raspberries	1.50	"
Blackberries	0.25	"
Boysenberries	0.25	"
Rhubarb	1.00	"
Asparagus	1.00	"
Total	7.00	"

and it was on that basis that I paid the aforesaid rental of \$600.00.

3. That I now find the aforesaid acreages have been exaggerated.

4. That on or about the 3rd. day of September A.D. 1942 in company with Charles V. Telford of Whistler aforesaid, I carefully measured all of the growing crops of the various kinds on the said land and found that there were:-

14 plots of strawberries totalling	94,704 sq. ft.	or 2.21 acres
2 " raspberries	29,300 "	or 0.67 "
1 " blackberries	5,928 "	or 0.13 "
1 " boysenberries	9,936 "	or 0.23 "
2 " rhubarb	14,416 "	or 0.34 "
2 " asparagus	17,946 "	or 0.42 "
Total		4.00 "

being all of the acreage in growing crops on the said land.

5. That the shortage in acreage on the said lands of the various kinds of crops is as follows:-

Strawberries	0.79	acres
Raspberries	0.83	"
Blackberries	0.12	"
Boysenberries	0.02	"
Rhubarb	0.66	"
Asparagus	0.58	"
Total	3.00	"

AND I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

Declared before me at Mission City in the Province of British Columbia this 14th. day of September A. D. 1942.

*B. E. Lidstone*

*[Signature]*  
A Commissioner for taking affidavits  
within British Columbia.



STATMENT

DECLARATION

I, CHARLES V. TELFORD of Wharfedale in the Province of British Columbia, Fruit Farmer, do solemnly declare:-

1. That on or about the 3rd day of September A.D. 1942 in company with Gordon R. Lindstone, Lessee of Block "B" of the South East quarter of Section 1 Township 12 in the Municipality of Maple Ridge, I measured up all the plots of the various kinds of growing crops on the lands aforesaid and found that there were:-

14	plots of strawberries	totalling	94,704	sq. ft.	or	2.21	acres
2	"	raspberries	"	29,500	"	or	0.67 "
1	"	blackberries	"	5,928	"	or	0.13 "
1	"	boysenberries	"	9,356	"	or	0.21 "
2	"	rhubarb	"	14,416	"	or	0.34 "
2	"	asparagus	"	17,944	"	or	0.42 "
				Total		4.00	"

being all of the acreage in growing crops on the said lands.

2. That I took particular care with my measurements and computations and am satisfied that they are correct.

AND I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

Declared before me at Mission City in the Province of British Columbia this 16th day of September A. D. 1942.

*Charles V. Telford*

*William Hall*  
A Commissioner for taking Affidavits  
within British Columbia.



MEMORANDUM

File Nos.: 3397  
4821  
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February 18th, 1944

To: FILES

From: Mr. Green

Re: NISHIKAWA, Inosuke  
UCHIMARU, Kesaguma  
UCHIWARU, Iwao

Mr. Nielsen, tenant of Inosuke Nishikawa's property, file 3397, called on February 10th, 1944, with a letter from Kesaguma Uchimaruru, copy of which is attached. This letter refers to one from Mr. Nielsen reporting theft from certain boxes left in his care. We were notified of this theft in letters of December 7th, 1942, and January 12th, 1943, on file 3397.

From the second of these two letters it appears that two boxes of kitchenware belonged to Iwao Uchimaruru, file 9621.

It will be noted from the attached copy of Kesaguma Uchimaruru's letter that he asks that one box be shipped to S. Shigetomi, who is not registered at present. Mr. Nielsen advises that the contents of the two boxes after having been ransacked, will just fill one box and as he cannot identify the contents which were scattered about at the time of the robbery, he will ship one box containing everything, to S. Shigetomi.

Kesaguma Uchimaruru who is Iwao Uchimaruru's father, and S. Shigetomi, are being so advised and confirmation of this arrangement is going forward to Mr. Nielsen.

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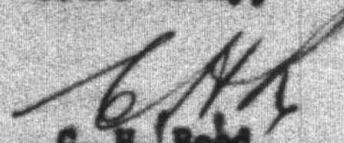
October 30th, 1950

Mr. Iwao UCHIMARU,  
89 Pendrith St.,  
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your undated letter we attach hereto a complete statement of your account showing the credit for the Pacific Co-Operative Union cheque for \$218.45. This will explain to you that the cheque was deposited to your credit and that you have received this money.

Yours truly,



C. H. Reed  
Office of the Custodian

CHR:BE  
Attach.



File No. 9621  
Reg. No. 13535

Yano HCHIMABU

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1943 January 1	Credit re sale of property Unexpired insurance premium as at Jan 1/43		\$1,197.00 2.98	
February 22	Registration fee	3.00		
June 22	Land Registry Office - Certificate of Encumbrance	1.00		
October 6	Pacific Co-Operative Union cheque		218.45	
December 16	Fire Insurance premium Cheque to you	14.00 25.00 13.47		
1944 June 13	Payment of wage claim - T. Goryo " " S. Uchisawa " " K. Uchisawa	47.78 40.12 56.08		
September 16	Refund of premium on cancelled policy		2.80	
October 21	Cheque to you	200.00		
1945 April 23	Legal fees	15.00		
1946 March 26	Cheque to you	900.00		
1948 October 5	Cheque to you	105.78		
		<u>\$1,421.23</u>	<u>\$1,421.23</u>	

HTL

Accounting Department  
October 30th, 1950



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19th February, 1946.

Mr. Iwao UCHIMARU,  
Registration No. 13535,  
96 McCaul Street,  
Toronto, 2 B,  
Ontario.

Dear Sir

In accordance with your letter of the 30th January, we have attached hereto a statement of your account at this office, from which you will note that your credit balance is \$1005.78.

Your chattels have not as yet been liquidated, but we expect will be in the very near future, at which time the net proceeds will be credited to you and our administration reported on.

These funds will be available to you upon request.

Yours truly,

WEA:HA  
Encl.

F.E. Anderson,  
Administration Department.



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September 30th., 1943

Mr. Iwao Uchimaru,  
Reg. # 13535,  
c/ Sheridan Nurseries Ltd.,  
Sheridan, Ontario.

*4/10/43*  
*see LOR before paying*  
*out any funds.*  
*RG*

Dear Sir:

Re: Sun Life Insurance Policies  
numbers #96319 & 2267182

In reply to your letter of September 11th., we have been advised by the Sun Life Insurance Company that your policy #96319 lapsed on April 12th., last. The policy loan at that time amounted to \$450.90 and the premium loan \$36.10, making a total of \$487.00. A minimum payment of \$55.00 is required in order to make application for reinstatement, together with evidence of insurability.

*does not*  
*wish to*  
*pay re-*  
*instated*

Should you wish to apply for reinstatement of this policy, would you kindly communicate direct with the Sun Life Insurance Company, Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, who will forward you the necessary forms for your signature.

We also inquired as to the amount owing on your Sun Life Insurance Policy # 226718. The Company advise that there is a balance of \$39.59 on the 1942 premium plus interest to date of \$1.81, making a total outstanding of \$41.40. The 1943 premium falls due on November 28th., next.

As your credit balance with the Custodian at present amounts to \$182.25, we could pay the above amounts of \$55.00 and \$41.40 should you so wish.

Kindly let us hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

E.M. Gibson  
Insurance Department

SMG/AN



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July 19, 1943.

Mr. Iwao UCHIMARU,  
Registration No. 13535,  
Sheridan Nurseries,  
Sheridan, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Settlement of Crop Claims

The Custodian's office has received quite a number of claims from tenants who leased farm properties from persons of the Japanese race and whose growing crops were sold to the tenant under written agreement which contained the specific acreage said to be under cultivation.

The claims filed with the Custodian have been based on the difference between the acreage specified in the agreement which you signed, and the actual acreage of crops under cultivation.

We have gone into this matter very carefully and the difference in acreage has been established by actual measurements. Legal opinion which we have obtained on your behalf advises us that the agreement you signed would leave you liable for the full amount of the claim. However, we have been able to obtain the consent of the tenants to the reduction of their claims to 70% of the full amount.

The amount claimed against you for a difference of 2.40 acres amounted to \$205.68, and a settlement on the basis of 70% which amounts to \$143.98, has been charged to your account. This letter is sent to you so that you may be aware of the circumstances of this charge.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,  
Manager.

RPA:MA







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912 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
April 5th, 1943.

The Sun Life Assurance Company  
of Canada,  
Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: P/W A-333, UCHIMARU, Iwao

Your communication of the 2nd instant addressed to this office indicates that Policy No. 896,319 carried by the above named is no longer in force.

The Custodian does not recognize the right to cancel the policy as the policy holder has been interned and all his property is vested in the Custodian.

Any action which you may take is therefore without prejudice to the Custodian's rights under the Consolidated Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1939).

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/DG

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**SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA**  
HEAD OFFICE: MONTREAL

**VANCOUVER BRANCH**  
A.L. WRIGHT, C.L.U., BRANCH MANAGER  
H.A. FAIRBAIN, ASSISTANT MANAGER  
C.E. HAY, BRANCH SECRETARY

ROYAL BANK BUILDING  
**VANCOUVER, B.C.**

IN ALL CORRESPONDENCE ABOUT POLICIES  
PLEASE REFER TO THEIR NUMBERS

April 13th. 1943.

Your File No. 1078

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Policy No. 896,319  
Iwao Uchimaru

Rec'd	APR 14 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	

This is to advise you that as the amount necessary to keep this Assurance in force has not been received the policy has therefore lapsed in accordance with its terms and is no longer in force on our records.

Yours faithfully,

C. E. HAY

BRANCH SECRETARY  
Per: *[Signature]*

WGH:PW



File #1078

April 14th, 1943.

MEMORANDUM

TO: MR. F. C. SHEARS

FROM: MR. K. F. WRIGHT

Re: P/W A-333, UCHIMARU, Iwao and  
Sun Life Policy #896,319.

The Sun Life Assurance Company informed us on the 2nd instant that the above policy would be cancelled unless premium was paid. We advised on April 5th as follows:

"Your communication of the 2nd instant addressed to this office indicates that Policy No. 896,319 carried by the above named is no longer in force.

The Custodian does not recognize the right to cancel the policy as the policy holder has been interned and all his property is vested in the Custodian.

Any action which you may take is therefore without prejudice to the Custodian's rights under the Consolidated Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1939)."

We have today received a reply as follows:

"This is to advise you that as the amount necessary to keep this Assurance in force has not been received, the policy has therefore lapsed in accordance with its terms and is no longer in force on our records."

I understand that Mr. McPherson is taking this matter up with the Insurance Companies.

KFW/W

K. F. WRIGHT



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912 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
December 7, 1941.

Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada,  
Head Office,  
Montreal, P.Q.

Dear Sirs:

Re: P/W A-333, UCHIMARU, Iwao

I have your letter of December 2nd, with enclosure,  
and wish to thank you for same.

According to information supplied to the Custodian,  
the above party has been interned and his Life Insurance Policy  
has, therefore, vested in the Custodian.

By an arrangement with the Canadian Life Officers'  
Association, policies of this nature are held in suspense and  
premiums accumulate, but under the Regulation they are not  
cancelled.

If any funds are available, the Custodian, at the  
request of the Internee, will arrange to pay the premium and  
if the Internee does not desire that the premium be paid, then  
we will advise you and discuss the question of cancellation.

Yours truly,

Miss F. Carroll  
For, Authorized Deputy of the Secretary  
of State and/or Custodian

FC/DG



(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Mr. Iwao Uchimaru

File No. 9621

*Sheridan, Muskegon  
Sheridan, Ont*

Reg. No. 13535

Company The Sun Life

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 2267182

Premium - \$ 43.20

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

Month November

Day 28

REMARKS:

*1. 28/42  
bal of 41.40*

39.59
1.81
41.40

*Letter sent 28/11/43*



(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Iwao Uchimaru

File No. 9621

*Sheridan Thorsen*  
*Sheridan, Ont*

Reg. No. 15535

Company The Sun Life

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 896319

Premium - \$40.35

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

Month December

Day 1

REMARKS:

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*Letter sent 28/8/43*



THE CUSTODIAN  
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
VICTORIA BUILDING, 7 O'CONNOR STREET  
OTTAWA, CANADA

THE CUSTODIAN  
REGULATIONS RESPECTING  
TRADING WITH THE ENEMY (1939)  
FORM "D"

SEP 26 1942  
Ref. No. 4414  
From the Sun Life Assurance  
Company of Canada  
Date of Discovery, September 1942

Particulars of Life Insurance Policies and Annuity Contracts on Life of an Enemy

N.B. Separate forms should be used for each policy  
or annuity contract for each "enemy."

Policy No. 696,319  
Life Insured - Name Iwao Uchimaru  
Born November 20, 1918  
Address Whonnock, B.C.  
Owner - if third party insurance - Name Address  
Beneficiaries - Names Resaguma Uchimaru  
Addresses Relationship to Father  
Life Insured  
Record of Current Assignments  
(other than to company for policy loan)  
- give names and addresses -

Date of Policy (i.e. due date of first regular premium) December 1, 1928  
Plan of Policy 25 year endowment  
Sum Assured \$1,000  
Premium - Amount \$40.35  
How Payable Annually  
Due Dates December 1st.  
Policy loans (automatic or otherwise) \$435.12  
Approximate Cash Value, if any, including dividends, after deducting all policy indebtedness \$10.98  
Nature of Automatic Non-forfeiture Automatic premium loan  
Provision  
Approximate Cancellation Date under Automatic Non-forfeiture February 1943

Special Notes



THE CUSTODIAN  
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
VICTORIA BLDG., 7 O'CONNOR STREET  
OTTAWA, CANADA

THE CUSTODIAN  
REGULATIONS RESPECTING  
TRADING WITH THE ENEMY (1939)  
FORM "D"

Ref. No. 311  
From the Imperial Insurance  
Company of Canada  
Date of Discovery. September 1942.

SEP 26 1942

Particulars of Life Insurance Policies and Annuity Contracts on Life of an Enemy  
N.B. Separate forms should be used for each policy  
or annuity contract for each "enemy."

Policy No.	2,267,182	Date of Policy (i.e. due date of first regular premium)	November 28, 1938
Life Insured	Name Born Address Iwao Uehimaru December 30, 1918 Whonock, B.C.	Plan of Policy	25-year endowment
Owner - If third party insurance	Name Address Kasaguma Uehimaru Father	Sum Assured or Amount of Annuity	\$1,000
Beneficiaries	Name Addresses Relationship to Life Insured	Premium - Amount How Payable Due Dates	\$43.20 Annually November 28th
Record of Current Assignments (other than to company for policy loan)		Policy Loans (automatic or otherwise)	-
- give names and addresses -		Approximate Cash Value, if any, including dividends, after deducting all policy indebtedness	\$86.10
		Nature of Automatic Non-Forfeiture Provision	Automatic premium loan
		Approximate Cancellation Date under Automatic Non-Forfeiture	November 1947

Special Notes:



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501 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.  
August 13th, 1942.

Camp Commandant,  
Angler Internment Camp,  
ANGLER, Ontario.

Re: P/W A-333 - UCHIMARU, Iwao

Dear Sir:

According to his statement of assets and liabilities, the above noted internee holds two Life Insurance Policies for \$1,000.00 each with the Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada.

It would be appreciated if you would kindly parade the internee and ascertain the Christian name, the surname and the address of the party holding this Insurance Policy on his behalf. It would also be of assistance in notifying the Insurance Company if you could let me have the internee's address at the time these policies were taken out. If the above noted policies are being held at the Camp, it would be appreciated if you would kindly forward them to this office.

It is also noted that the internee has fifteen (15) \$5.00 War Savings Certificates. If these are being held at the Camp, would you kindly forward them to this office at your earliest convenience. If they are not at the Camp, I would appreciate your advising the name and address of the person holding them on the internee's behalf.

Yours truly,

(Miss F. Carroll)

For the Authorized Deputy of the Secretary  
of State and/ or the Custodian.

FC:HW.



DEC - 2 1947

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

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

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RC 190P205A 9621  
Dec. 18

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

- (1) NAME Uchimaru Iwao (RCMP) Reg. No. 13535  
(Printed Surname) (Given Name)
- (2) Pre-Evacuation Address Whonock, B.C.
- (3) Present Address 25 Kensington Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.
- (4) REAL ESTATE
- (a) Street Address (if any) Maple Ridge B.C.  
City or Municipality. Province
- (b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)  
Municipality of Maple Ridge, Part 9, 95 acres more or less of the  
E. 1/2 of the S.E. 1/4 of Section 1, Township 12 as shown and outlined  
in red and lettered "B" on sketch dep. No. 2935, District of  
New Westminster, C. of E. 50561
- (c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):  
(i) Farm ☒  
(ii) Residence ☐ Type of business Small fruit farm  
(iii) ~~Business~~  
(iv) Any other type of property (describe) \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.)  
sole owner
- (e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):  
(i) Land - - - - - \$ 3000.00  
(ii) Buildings - - - - - \$ 1200.00  
(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern  
(including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels,  
fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts re-  
ceivable) - - - - - \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just  
fill in total value) - - - - - \$ 4200.00  
(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - \$ 1197.00  
(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - \$ 3003.00
- (5) PERSONAL PROPERTY
- (a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation  
on the property at Maple Ridge
- (b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)  
house and shed
- (c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation as is in the house and locked in  
the shed.

(over)



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

In no one's care

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

1. See attached list Estimated Value \$ 1058.00

2.	Estimated Value \$
3.	Estimated Value \$
4.	Estimated Value \$
5.	Estimated Value \$
6.	Estimated Value \$
7.	Estimated Value \$
8.	Estimated Value \$
9.	Estimated Value \$
10.	Estimated Value \$

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

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

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

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

DOMINION OF CANADA  
of  
TO WIT:

I, Iwao Uehimaru  
of Toronto  
in the Province of Ontario.

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

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

DECLARED before me at the City

of Toronto

in the County

of York

this 22nd day of November

A.D. 1947.

A Commissioner etc.

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



November 26, 1947.

Iwao Uchimaru

FARM IMPLEMENTS

1 Plough	20.00	1 Shingle knife	4.00
3 Scuffers	40.00	4 Hammers	4.00
4 Saws	40.00	2 Iron bars	3.00
8 Hoes	15.00	3 Whipple-Trees	3.00
5 Hooks	15.00	2 Tree pruners	8.00
3 Blocks & Cable 200'	30.00	1 Sigh	7.00
4 Shovels	8.00	1 Can sprinkler	1.00
7 Mattocks	10.00	1 Bee hive	3.00
5 Axes	10.00	2 Wedges	2.00
9 Sickles	12.00	3 Hammers (Sledge)	5.00
2 sprayers	25.00	1 Roll barbed wire	4.00
1 Scale (wt.)	8.00	2 Hay forks	3.00
2 Picks	2.00	2 Mole traps	2.00
		50' Rubber Hose	3.00

Total - \$287.00

FURNITURE

3 Piece Chesterfield	200.00	1 Dresser	40.00
1 Couch	20.00	1 Set Encyclopedia	40.00
3 Tables	30.00	4 Dozen Records	25.00
1 Cupboard (2 1/2'x4'x6')	15.00	2 Boxes Books (text)	15.00
10 Chairs	20.00	3 Stoves (warm)	25.00
1 Gramophone	20.00	3 Stoves (Kitchen)	80.00
6 Lamps	6.00	Utensils	75.00
5 Beds (complete)	160.00		

Total - \$771.00







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November 21st, 1950.

Mr. Iwao UCHIMARU,  
89 Pendrith Street,  
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 1043

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 ... \$1,194.11.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$1,125.04 and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 69.07 for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears  
Director

FGS/js  
1 encl.



Name of Claimant **UCHIMARU, Imao**Case **1043**Custodian File **9621**

<u>REAL PROPERTY</u>										
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village		Total	
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		
					1197.	967.33				967.33
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>										
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			
<u>NETS</u>										
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
<u>MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS</u>										
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price			
			46%	493.00	226.78			226.78		
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										1194.11



IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"

PART I. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 99.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

BEFORE

(THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE H.I. BIRD, COMMISSIONER).

Toronto, Ontario,

May 13, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

IMAO UCHIMARU

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

APPEARANCES:

J.W.G. HUNTER, Esq.,

appearing for the  
Dominion Government.

F.A. BREWIN, Esq.,

appearing for the  
Claimant.

A. WATSON, Esq.,

Secretary.

MRS. D.J. HANDFORD,

Official Interpreter.

A.G. VEITCH, Esq., C.S.R.,

Official Reporter.



1 ENAO UCHIMARU, the Claimant herein, being  
2 first duly sworn, testified as  
3 follows:

4 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. BREWIN:

5 Q. You were the owner of a farm at Whonnock,  
6 British Columbia? A. Yes.

7 Q. And you are making a claim in respect of that  
8 farm? A. Yes.

9 Q. Is that right? A. Yes.

10 Q. I have here a form under the heading of real  
11 estate farm land. Is that your signature?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And are the facts set out there correct?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. To the best of your knowledge? A. Yes.

16 Q. Perhaps I should call attention to this, that  
17 under the cost price it originally was written  
18 at \$55 and it has been changed to \$5,500. Is  
19 that change correct?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. The first was apparently a typographical error?

22 A. Yes.

23 (PARTICULARS OF REAL ESTATE, FARM LAND, MARKED  
24 EXHIBIT NO. 1)

25 Q. Who was the owner of the property before you were?

26 A. My father.

27 Q. Your father? A. Yes.

28 Q. And he transferred it to you in what year?

29 A. In 1942.

30 Q. In 1942? A. Yes.

Q. I do not suppose there is any contest about  
title.



L. Vahlens  
In-Chief.

1 Is there, Mr. Hunter?

2 MR. HUNTER: No.

3 MR. BREWIN: And the information in regard to when  
4 it was purchased and the price, comes from  
5 your father?

A. Yes.

6 Q. He is here?

A. Yes, he is here.

7 Q. He is here to give evidence, if needed?

8 A. Yes.

9 MR. HUNTER: I tender the Soldiers Settlement Board  
10 appraisal as Exhibit No. 2.

11 (FARM APPRAISAL REPORT, SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT  
12 BOARD, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2)

13 MR. BREWIN: Q. I see a statement here, that the  
14 crops were rented to Mr. Redstone for \$600 on  
15 your form. Have you any written document about  
16 that?

A. No, not just now.

17 Q. What do you mean by "not just now"?

18 A. Well, I have it at home.

19 Q. You still have it at home?

20 A. I think I have; I am not so sure.

21 Q. I thought you had been asked to bring down any  
22 documents of that sort.

23 I think I would ask you to look for it and  
24 let us have it if you can find it.

25 THE COMMISSIONER: Is there a chattel claim involved  
26 here?

27 MR. BREWIN: Yes.

28 THE COMMISSIONER: We had better have the lease, then.

29 MR. BREWIN: Yes, my lord. I think we should have it.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Certainly.

MR. BREWIN: Q. The information in respect to the



1 lease given in the farm appraisal report is  
2 that the property is leased to E. E. Lidstone.  
3 You have "Redstone." Do you know what it is?

4 A. It is Lidstone.

5 Q. It reads:

6 "The property is leased to E. E. Lidstone  
7 "from May 1st, 1942, to January 1st, 1943,  
8 "for \$400. The 1943 lease renewal calls  
9 "for payment of \$300. In case of crop  
10 "failure in 1942 the 1943 lease will pertain  
11 "without payment."

12 Is that in accordance with your recollection  
13 of the lease? A. Yes.

14 Q. Apart from the information which you have put  
15 in this written form, Exhibit No. 1, is there  
16 anything else you can tell us about the property?

17 A. No.

18 Q. You do not think so. You think that is fairly  
19 complete.

20 In respect to your claim for personal  
21 property, have you had a personal chattel form  
22 completed by you? A. Yes.

23 Q. Is that your signature? A. Yes.

24 Q. Are the facts stated there correct?

25 A. Yes.

26 Q. It is stated here:

27 "Household goods, garden tools, implement  
28 "list attached."

29 Is that the list? A. Yes.

30 MR. BROWN: Perhaps that should be attached.



THE COMMISSIONER: There is a list attached to the claim form?

MR. BREWSTER: Yes. I think that corresponds exactly with that but there is in respect of the larger items more information on this form.

(PARTICULARS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3)

Q. Now, the household goods and garden implements are of - a value is set against them. Can you tell us whether from your knowledge that is a reasonable valuation you have put there?

A. It is.

Q. You put it there yourself? A. Yes.

Q. Did you? A. Yes.

Q. What time did you leave the property? Do you remember the date?

A. The last day of May of 1942.

Q. The last day of May, 1942? A. Yes.

Q. And at that time where did you leave all of these items set out here, most of them in your form, in your claim form?

A. Well, the larger farm implements were left in the sheds. The smaller - some of the smaller implements were left in the shed, too. The rest were in the shed but we had it locked.

Q. And what about the household goods?

A. They were left in the house.

Q. They were left in the house? A. Yes.

Q. And I suppose the furniture, the chesterfield and the phonograph?

A. Yes.

Q. They were left in the house? A. Yes.



1 Q. Were they left in anybody's care?

2 A. No. They were not.

3 Q. Do you know when the tenant moved in, referring  
4 to Mr. Lidstone? Do you know when he moved in?

5 A. I do not know the exact date but I think it  
6 was the middle of May.

7 Q. Was it after you had left or before you left?

8 A. Just before I left.

9 Q. It was just before you left. In addition to  
10 what may be there or in the lease did you have  
11 any arrangement with him to look after your  
12 things?

13 A. No, I have not.

14 Q. And did you inform the Custodian?

15 Perhaps we might have filed the analysis  
16 of personal property claim now.

17 MR. HUNTER: I tender the analysis of personal  
18 property claim as Exhibit No. 4.

19 (ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM,  
20 MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4)

21 MR. BREWIN: Q. Did you inform somebody from the  
22 Custodian's office of the chattels which you  
23 had left?

24 A. I only registered with the Custodian.

25 Q. I think probably my friend will put in the J.P.  
26 form.

27 Do you know anything about an inventory  
28 which was taken on December 1st, 1942? Was  
29 that list of the things sent to you?

30 A. No.

Q. You do not know whether or not it was.



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E. Uchiyama  
Is-Chief,  
Cross-Exam.

1 I do not think we have anything in our file.

2 Well then, according to this claim analysis  
3 it appears that under the heading of "No account  
4 or theft" a very large number of these items  
5 are contained which you claim. Can you tell us  
6 anything about that at all?

7 A. I do not think so.

8 Q. Do you know how long Mr. Lidstone remained there?

9 A. No.

10 Q. You do not know anything about that?

11 A. No.

12 MR. BREWIN: That is all, thank you.

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14 MR. HUNTER: It is submitted, my lord, that the  
15 real property was sold for its fair market value.

16 It is submitted that the claims made for  
17 personal property are exorbitant.

18 This is one of those cases where for some  
19 unknown reason nothing was done about the  
20 chattels at all. Mr. Anderson and Mr. Morrison  
21 have been out recently to try and check up and  
22 just find out what happened. It appears to  
23 have been rather an oversight than anything.  
24 I do not know exactly how it occurred.

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26 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. HUNTER:

27 Q. What was the arrangement you made with the  
28 tenant insofar as the chattel property, that is  
29 your household furniture and your farm equipment  
30 was concerned?



1 A. The farm equipment we told him he could use it  
2 but our own personal chattels we had no arrange-  
3 ment with him at all about.

4 Q. They were left in the house. Were they stored  
5 in one room or just left in their ordinary  
6 position in the house?

7 A. Just in the house.

8 Q. And he had the use of the house?

9 A. He was living in another house while we were  
10 there but I think he moved in after we left.

11 Q. So that it would be reasonable to assume that  
12 he would be using your furniture as well?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. I see. Thank you.

15 THE COMMISSIONER: Are you through?

16 MR. HUNTER: I think possibly I should submit, although  
17 it is possibly ill-founded, that this was left  
18 under the custody, control and management of  
19 some other person other than the Custodian  
20 appointed by the owner and that accordingly only  
21 those chattels which came under the control,  
22 custody or management of the Custodian are within  
23 the terms of reference.

24 MR. BREWSTER: Can you give me any information as to  
25 how long the tenant stayed there?

26 MR. HUNTER: I am afraid I can give no more informa-  
27 tion at all at the present time; I am sorry.

28 THE COMMISSIONER: Could you bring in the lease?

29 When could you bring in the lease?

30 THE WITNESS: This afternoon.



1 THE COMMISSIONER: If you would bring in the lease  
2 at 2.30, it would assist.

3 THE WITNESS: Yes.

4 THE COMMISSIONER: We will not keep you very long  
5 but I would like to see it, and counsel may wish  
6 to examine you on it.

7 MR. BREWSTER: This is a letter addressed to Mr.  
8 Uchimaru, signed by Mr. Anderson, of the office  
9 of the Custodian, dated February 19, 1946.  
10 It says:

11 "In accordance with your letter of the 30th  
12 "January, we have attached hereto a state-  
13 "ment of your account at this office, from  
14 "which you will note that your credit  
15 "balance is \$1,005.98.

16 "Your chattels have not as yet been  
17 "liquidated, but we expect will be in the  
18 "very near future, at which time the net  
19 "proceeds will be credited to you and our  
20 "administration reported on.

21 "These funds will be available to you  
22 "upon request."

23 Q. Did you receive that letter in February, 1946?

24 A. That letter?

25 Q. Yes?

A. Yes.

26 Q. Did you get that letter?

27 A. Yes, sir; I received that.

28 Q. You had apparently written on January 30  
29 enquiring about your chattels?

A. Yes.

30 Q. And did you later get any report in the near



1 Inquire about what had happened to them?

2 A. No, I have not.

3 Q. You have not got any such report? A. No.

4 MR. BREWIN: Perhaps that should go in as an exhibit.

5 Have you the claimant's letter which is referred  
6 to here, January 30?

7 MR. HUNTER: What year?

8 MR. BREWIN: 1946.

9 MR. HUNTER: Here it is; it is a letter enquiring  
10 as to what happened.

11 MR. BREWIN: Yes. That is what I thought. I do not  
12 think it adds anything.

13 (LETTER, CUSTOMER TO CLAIMANT, FEBRUARY 19,  
14 1946, MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5)

15 I think that is all.

16 Q. You can come back with that lease, if you can  
17 find it? A. Yes.

18 THE COMMISSIONER: Very well. That is all for the  
19 present.

20 (PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED UNTIL MAY 13, 1948,  
21 2.30 O'CLOCK P.M.)

22  
23 I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and  
24 accurate transcript of the proceedings herein.

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26 "A.G. VEITCH"  
27 Official Reporter.  
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I. Uchimura,  
In Chief.

Toronto, Ontario,

May 13th, 1946. 2:30 P.M.

(PROCEEDINGS RESUMED PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT)

MR. BREWIN: My lord, I wonder if we might just finish off the Uchimura case. That was the last one your Lordship was dealing with. You remember we were to send Mr. Uchimura to get a lease.

THE COMMISSIONER: Right.

10 IWAO UCHIMURA, resumed the stand, testified further as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION CONTINUED BY MR. BREWIN:

Q Now, Mr. Uchimura, you have been away at lunch time and have found the lease to Mr. Lidstone, is that right? A: Yes.

Q And this is your copy of it, is it?

A Yes.

Q And I assume this is your signature on the document? A: Yes.

Q And I notice that you had the lease drawn by a Mr. Campbell of Mission City? A: Yes.

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Q I suppose he acted for both the tenant and yourself in the transaction? A: Yes.

MR. BREWIN: My lord, may that be filed as an exhibit?

The lease is dated the 29th of April, 1942, and I think the part of it that is of interest perhaps at this stage and of importance is that in the printed part of the form which contains the following covenant: "The lessee further covenants with the lessor that he will properly care for and account to the lessor for any livestock, farm implements or miscellaneous tools which are left by the lessor

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I, Schimara,  
In Chief.

in the care of the Lessee and such accounting will be given to the Lessor or his agent at the termination of this lease; which livestock, farm implements and miscellaneous tools are evidenced by a list signed by the Lessee." Perhaps I had better file that as an exhibit.

THE COMMISSIONER: There is no list attached?

MR. BREWIN: There is no list attached.

Q Do you know if there ever was a list attached to it?

10 A No, there was no list.

Q Was the question of looking after the farm implements discussed at the time of drawing the lease at all?

A No, it wasn't.

Q Was it ever discussed between you and the tenant?

A No, it wasn't.

Q Then, of course, if these farm implements were left in the care of the lessee, that was by inference, not by any actual arrangement? Is that right?

A Yes.

20 MR. HUNTER: He says they were in the lease.

THE COMMISSIONER: The lease will have to speak for itself, anyway. That will be Exhibit 6.

(LEASE MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

MR. HUNTER: No questions, my lord.

MR. BREWIN: My lord, in this particular case your Lordship will recall this witness said that his father he & been the person who originally purchased the land from whom he had got part of the information in the form. His father is here and I think perhaps I should have him verify that.



I. Williams,  
In Chief.

THE COMMISSIONER: What was it -- as to cost?

MR. BREWIN: Yes, my lord, and as to what he paid for the property originally.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is shown in the form and Government counsel is not questioning it, apparently.

MR. BREWIN: You don't want to question it?

MR. HUNTER: We can check in the Land Registry Office.

10 THE COMMISSIONER: Yes. I will take the form, as I have said before, as prima facie proof of the facts it contains. That is all, thank you.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

*J. P. Harbison*  
"J.P. Harbison"  
Official Reporter.



DEFENCE BRIEF

Iwao UCHIMARU

File No. 9621

Case No. 1043

V.L.A.  
Chattels  
Toronto, Ont.  
May 13, 1948.

REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

1. Claim

\$4200.00

Appraised at

\$1219.00

Sold for

\$1197.00

(a) Witness - H.L. Sinclair - V.L.A. Appraiser

Question of fair market value only.

(b) Property wholly owned by claimant.  
No question as to title.

NOTES: Legal Description - Part 9.95 acres more  
or less of the East  
half of the South East quarter of Section 1  
Township 12 as shown and outlined in red  
and lettered "B" on sketch deposited  
No. 2935 Municipality of Maple Ridge in  
the District of New Westminster.

Exhibit 1, which is the particulars of Real  
Estate, etc., is not clear as to the total  
claim. Under the heading "land" the estimated  
value is given as 4200.00, and from a perusal  
of the rest of the file including a summary  
dated 5th April 1948, this is the total claim.  
However, Exhibit 1 gives a list of ESTIMATED  
VALUES of buildings which totals 1365.00.  
For purposes of Form A the figure 4200.00 has  
been taken as the total claim. There is  
nothing in the Transcript to indicate what  
it is.

Note also that claimant's father was owner of  
property and he transferred it to claimant in  
1942.

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

2. Chattel Claim

\$493.00

All Sold For

No record.

NOTE: In this case there is no record as to  
what happened to the chattels. Apparently  
nothing was done about them at all - (See P.7  
transcript.) According to the record,  
claimant was interned June 19, 1942. His J.P.  
declaration was made May 19, 1942 - claimant  
entered into a lease with one Robert E. Lidstone  
on the 29th April 1942 whereby he leased the  
property. This lease provided that the lessee  
should "properly care for and account to the  
lessor for any livestock, farm implements or  
miscellaneous tools which are left by the  
lessor in the care of the lessee ----- which  
livestock, farm implements and miscellaneous  
tools are evidenced by a list signed by the  
Lessee." (Ex.6)



The lessee moved in before claimant was evacuated - (See P.6 line 8).

Claimant admits that it is reasonable to assume that lessee would be using the furniture when he entered under the lease. (p. 6 line 11).

Defence Submission is that amount claimed is exorbitant (P.7 line 16) and that the chattels were left under the custody and control of some other person appointed by owner and that only those chattels which come under the control, etc. of Custodian are within terms of reference. (P.8 line 16).

Note however Exhibit 5 which is a letter dated 19 May 1946 from Custodian to claimant - "Your chattels have not as yet been liquidated, but we expect will be in the very near future, at which time the net proceeds will be credited to you and our administration reported on."

A memo in the file dated 22 April 1948 state that Mr. Anderson of Custodian Staff was going to endeavour to trace the chattels but there is no information on file as to any results he obtained.

Summary of Defence Witnesses

Witness - H. L. Sinclair

Where required - 1 (a)

JLG/nw