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FILE NO. 9717

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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

NAME: OTSUKA HATSUYE, (Mrs. Kotaru). Deceased

HOME ADDRESS: 2201, ^bCannie St., Vancouver, B.C. REGISTRATION No. 03193.

SEX: (F). AGE: 62. MARRIED? Widow.

OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER: Housewife.

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Kotaru. ADDRESS: Deceased.

NAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: None. ADDRESS: _____

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 20th. day of May. 1942.

WITNESS: [Signature]

(Signature) Hatsue Otsuka

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

HOW DO YOU PROPOSE TO PAY THESE OFF?

LIST OF LIABILITIES: None.

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Apr. 22/43

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Full Name OTSUKA, Hatsuve (Mrs. Kotaro) (Deceased)
 (Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 03193 Male - Female
 (Check) Age Mar. 9, 1880

*Died May 4, 1943
 Kablo, B. C.*

Former Address 2201 Cambie St., City

Date Evacuated 5/6/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
 (Check)

Present Address Kablo, B. C. Died at Kablo, May 4/43.

Widow
 Married - Single
 (Check) Name of Wife _____

Name of Husband Kotaro (Dec'd)

Name of Mother _____ Name of Father _____

Names of Children under 16 _____

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

Additional Information _____

GENERAL SUMMARY

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Hatsuye OTSUKA, Deceased.

Reg. No. 03193.

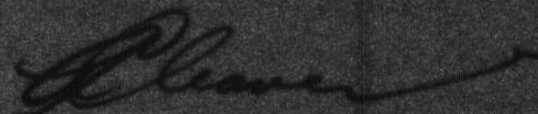
Hatsuye Otsuka died at Kaslo, B. C. on May 4, 1943. Mrs. Otsuka was a widow and is survived by her son, Yuwac Otsuka, file #14325.

The deceased declared no assets to the Custodian but, upon her death, we were informed by the Prudential Insurance Company of America that she was insured in their Company, the beneficiary under her policy being her son, Yuwac. A cheque in his favour in the sum of \$321.85 was received from the Company on September 29, 1943. On October 9, 1943, a letter was written to Yuwac Otsuka requesting him to authorize us to pay the B. C. Security Commission the sum of \$80.00 from these funds to cover the cost of his mother's funeral and cremation. On October 15, 1943, Otsuka replied that he did not wish to pay this claim from the proceeds of the policy as the money was urgently needed by him. In view of the fact that the total claim of the B. C. Security Commission against the deceased was \$343.00, Mr. Simmons insisted that the amount of their claim be withheld. On November 15, 1943, Custodian cheque for \$451.85 was forwarded to Otsuka. After considerable correspondence with him regarding the claim of the B. C. Security Commission, he agreed to the payment of \$80.00 being made to them provided they would accept this amount in full settlement of his mother's indebtedness to them. Custodian cheque for \$80.00 was, accordingly, forwarded to them.

It was also revealed by the file that Mrs. Otsuka owned a small house at Webb, Saskatchewan. This property did not come under the control of the Custodian but, in a letter dated January 8, 1944, Yuwac Otsuka stated that this property was turned over to him upon the death of his mother. It is not known whether this was left to him in her Will or whether the Estate was administered.

No assets, other than those mentioned above, and no liabilities, other than the debt to the B. C. Security Commission, appear on this file.

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



January 23, 1947.

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June 7, 1943.

Attention Mr. H. L. Brown, Office Manager,

The British Columbia Security Commission,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: HATSUYE OTSUKA, Reg. No. 03193
Deceased

We duly received your letter of the 20th ultimo regarding claim for recovery of the sum of \$80.00 from the estate of the above deceased to cover the cost of funeral expenses paid by your Commission. We would advise that we have no funds with which to meet this claim--you are aware that the husband, Kotaro Otsuka, is also deceased.

Yours truly,

P. Doucet,
Administration Department.

PD:HT

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EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd MAY 21 1943

File No. 9767

Ans.

Referred Robert

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

355 BARRARD STREET.
VANCOUVER, B.C.

20th May, 1943.

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

Dear Sir:

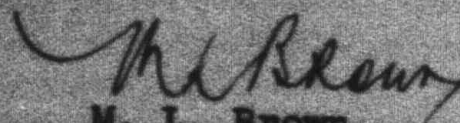
Re: Hatsuye OTSUKA, No. 03193 -
Deceased

We wish to make claim for recovery of the sum of \$80.00 from the estate of the above deceased, to cover the cost of funeral expenses paid by this Commission in connection with her burial.

For your information, we wish to advise you that Mrs. Otsuka died in the Victorian Hospital, Kaslo, May 4th, 1943. She was a widow.

Yours very truly,

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION


M. L. Brown,
Office Manager.

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WENDEL J. DROBNYK
SUPERVISOR

THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY
OF AMERICA
HOME OFFICE, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

September 20, 1943.

Policy No. M-3339132
Insured - Hatsue Otsuka

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hastings and Granville,
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Attention: Mr. S. M. Gibson, Insurance Department.

Gentlemen:

The insured under the above numbered policy died at the ^{Victorian} Niotorian Hospital, Kaslo, British Columbia on May 4, 1943. The policy provides for the payment of the death benefits thereof in the amount of \$500.00 to Yuzae Otsuka, husband of the insured and beneficiary under the policy. Mr. Otsuka is a Japanese national.

We have been informed that Mr. Otsuka is an evacuee and therefore, in accordance with our practice, we respectfully request the consent of your office to pay the death benefits under the policy to Mr. Otsuka.

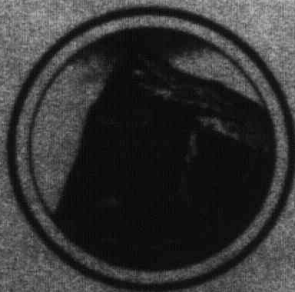
Very truly yours,

W. J. Drobnyk

Supervisor. *W*

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Rec'd	SEP 26 1943
File No.	9717.
Ans.	<i>M. J. Gibson</i>
Referred	<i>Gibson</i>



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INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

HOME OFFICE NEWARK, N. J.

ALBERT F. JACQUES, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT
 RALPH T. HELLER, SUPERVISOR
 WALTER R. DUNN, ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR
 ORDINARY CLAIM DEPARTMENT
 CHESTER A. VAN NOSTRAND, MANAGER
 ASSISTANT MANAGERS
 DANIEL A. MCCABE, FRED R. GIBNEY
 MARTIN W. BENNETT

Your File 14325-9717 *at L. Wilson*
 Claim No. 229438
 Policy No. 3 339 132
 Hatsue Otsuka

September 24, 1943.

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

Attention: S. M. Gibson,
Insurance Department.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	SEP 29 1943
File No.	
Ass.	<i>D. G. 3M.</i>
Referred	

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the instructions set forth in your letter of September 10, we are enclosing our Check OC 17342 in payment of the full proceeds of the claim under the above numbered policy amounting to \$531.85.

According to information which we have in our file, we understand that Yuwao Otsuka, the beneficiary under this policy, is classified as having been evacuated and it is for that reason that we are sending our check to him through your office.

Yours truly,

M. E. Whistler

Senior Approver,
 Ordinary Claim Dept.

SHOULD REPLY BE NECESSARY, PLEASE ADDRESS WRITER, MENTION DATE OF THIS LETTER, AND FURNISH POLICY NUMBER.

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October 9th, 1943.

Mr. Yuwao OTSUKA,
Registration No. 06752,
Webb, Saskatchewan.

Dear Sir:

We have received from the Prudential Insurance Co. of America the sum of \$531.85, being payment of death benefits in regard to Hatsue OTSUKA, under policy no. M3339132.

In connection with the death of Hatsue OTSUKA, your mother, the B.C. Security Commission paid funeral expenses to the amount of \$80.00, and this we are asking you to authorize the payment of at this time.

There is also a small claim of \$7.00 lodged by H. Tagashira Co. against you. Please advise if this is correct, and if so authorize the Custodian to pay same.

Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

A. McAlister,
Claims Department.

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October 16th, 1943.
Box 12,
Webb, Sask.

Claims Department
of Custodian,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

I been waiting to hear from insurance Co.
for weeks. I been paying mother's insurance premium with
my money and I want you to send full sum to here. I know
Commission paid part mother's funeral expense, and if I
have to pay this money back to Commission I will do that when
time get better. I had little money when move out Vancouver
and start farming here this spring but crop very poor this year
and I don't even make expenses, there is no other income. I
hope you understand our situation and send that money here soon.

According to your letter I owe \$7.00 to R. Tagashira
Co. but I have no knowledge of owing any money to R. Tagashira Co.

Yours truly,

(signed)

Y. OTSUKA
Reg. No. 06752.

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80.00

Nov. 5th. 1943

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The Custodian
Claim Department

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd NOV 8 1943

File No. 14525

Ans. 1st 3d

Referred M. O. Olet

Dear sir

When do I get my cheque
I am waiting every day, we need
money badly to get winter supply
I hope you send cheque as soon
as possible

Yours truly

Y. Otsuka

Reg no 06752

Nov 25 1943

File No. 14325.
No. 9717.

November 13th, 1943.

MEMORANDUM

To: File
From: Claims Dept.

re: Mrs. Hatsuye OTSUKA (deceased) Reg. #03193 (#9717)
Yuwao OTSUKA, Reg. #06752 (File #14325)

(Hatsuye OTSUKA (deceased) was the assured and Yuwao OTSUKA is the beneficiary)

The B.C. Security Commission has a claim on file for \$80.00, funeral expenses of Hatsuye OTSUKA. On October 9th we wrote to Yuwao OTSUKA, asking authorization to make payment of this amount to the Commission and forwarding a copy of that letter to the Commission at their request. On receipt of OTSUKA's letter of the 16th ult. we sent copy to the Commission on the 21st of October, and asked for their comments.

No answer was received from the Commission, and on receipt of OTSUKA's letter of the 5th inst. the writer phoned Mr. Simmons of the Commission, to whom we had been referred, but he was out of town. Later he telephoned this office, but he had to inform himself of the matter before replying.

We called him again on two other occasions, but he was out, and thus the file has no answer from the B.C. Security Commission.

LATER:

Since writing the above, Simmons of the B.C. Security Commission has called stating that the Commission thought that the amount owing to them, namely \$80.00, should be held from the Insurance cheque, since the deceased was the assured under the Life Insurance Policy.


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EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd DEC 23 1943

File No. 14325

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

18th December, 1943.

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

Your file ref. #14325

Dear Sir:

Attention Mr. P. Douet

Re: Mrs. Hatsuye Yuwao OTSUKA
(Deceased), No. 03193

This will acknowledge receipt of your favour of December 14th with further reference to the funeral account of the above.

On examining our files in this connection I find that the Commission incurred direct expenses to the amount of \$343.00 on behalf of the deceased through hospital bills, drugs, relief allowance and funeral expenses. Under these circumstances I feel that it is only reasonable to make collection of the funeral account out of the insurance policy carried by the deceased. Funeral charges are, of course, a direct and first charge on estates and I am of the opinion that we are justified in claiming the \$80.00 regardless of the attitude of the beneficiary.

For your information, I would advise that the deceased owned property in the Village of Webb, Saskatchewan, assessed at approximately \$1,200.00 and this will, presumably, become the property of the son, Yuwao Otsuka, No. 06752.

Yours very truly,

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION


Geo. Collins,
Commissioner.

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December 30th, 1943.

Attn: Mr. Geo. Collins, Commissioner

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

Dear Sirs: Re: Mrs. Hatsuie Yuwao OTSUKA
 (Deceased), No. 03193

We duly received your letter of the 18th instant in connection with the funeral account of the above.

We agree of course that funeral charges are a charge on estates, but would like to point out that in this particular case the son, Yuwao Otsuka, is the beneficiary of the insurance policy of his mother, the assured, and according to a letter we received from the son some little time back he had been paying the premiums on the policy. We fear that unless we have the consent of the son we cannot retain the \$80.00 for funeral expenses.

In view, however, of the last paragraph of your letter respecting property owned by the deceased in Saskatchewan you may wish to register a claim against the estate for the full indebtedness of the deceased, so that in due course you may be compensated for expenses incurred.

Yours truly,

P. Douet,
Administration Department.

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January 4th, 1944.

Mr. Yuwo OTSUKA,
Registration No. 06752,
Webb, Saskatchewan.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of November 25th in connection with the \$80.00 we have retained from the amount paid by the Prudential Insurance Company under the policy on the life of your late mother, we have had further correspondence with the British Columbia Security Commission on this matter and they advise us that on examining their files they find that the Commission incurred direct expenses to the amount of \$343.00 on behalf of the deceased, Mrs. H. Y. Otsuka, this amount consisting of hospital bills, drugs, relief allowance and funeral expenses.

We understand from them also that your late mother owned property in the Village of Webb, Saskatchewan, where we note you are living, and we shall be glad if you will advise us what is happening to this property, who is the Executor, etcetra, and whether the property has been left to you.

When we wrote you earlier on this matter we did not of course know of the total expenses involved by the B. C. Security Commission and as they have only claimed for the \$80.00 funeral expenses it would appear to us that it would be as well for you to allow us to pay the above Commission from your funds we have on hand, in case a claim was made against the estate for the full amount of expenses mentioned, with possible extra charges for legal fees, etcetra.

Yours truly,

P. Doust,
Administration Department.

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Copy to B.C.S.C.

(S.W. Finerman)

Bert Dooks

AUCTIONEER
INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

WEBB
SASKATCHEWAN

January 8 th 1944

EVACUATION SECTION	
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Ans.	
Referred	<i>sent</i>

Dept of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation section,

Dear Sir;- Re Mrs H Y Otsuka, File No 14325

In answer to your letter of January 4 th 1944 I might say that my Mother did own a small house at Webb Saskatchewan which was turned over to me at her death and on which I have spent considerable money in repairing same.

Regarding the \$80.00 mentioned as turned over to you by the Prudential Insurance Co as claimed by B C Security commission I have decided to agree to you paying this amount and for so doing this will be full authority providing that same is paid as settlement in full for any claims against the late Mrs H Y Otsuka, by the said commission.

Yours truly.

Bert Dooks
Witness

y. Otsuka

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Ans.	
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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer St.,
Vancouver, B. C.
January 19, 1944

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Mrs. H. Y. OTSUKA -
(Deceased) - #03193

This will acknowledge receipt of your favour of January 14th with further reference to the funeral account of the above, advising that her son, Mr. Yuwao Otsuka, is agreeable to your paying us the \$80.00 in question, providing we will sign a receipt releasing him from further liability. We are prepared to issue a receipt, couched in the following terms:

"Received in full settlement of funeral expenses incurred by us for the cremation of Mrs. H. Y. Otsuka (#03193).

Please be advised that it is not now the intention of this Commission to recover any other monies spent by us for the care of the said Mrs. H. Y. Otsuka."

If the above is satisfactory, we will be pleased to receive your remittance for the \$80.00 in question.

Yours very truly,

B. C. SECURITY COMMISSION

Geo. Collins
Geo. Collins,
Commissioner.

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

PHONE PACIFIC 6131
PLEASE REFER TO
FILE No. 14325

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

January 22nd, 1944.

Mr. Yuwao OTSUKA,
Registration No. 06752,
WEBB, SASKATCHEWAN.

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Rec'd	FEB 7 1944
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Ans.	
Referred	<i>Douet</i>

Dear Sir: Re: Mrs. Hatsuy Yuwao OTSUKA
 (Dceased) - No. 03193

We duly received your letter of the 8th instant and after communicating with the B. C. Security Commission regarding the \$80.00 at present held in your account, they inform us that they will accept this money in full settlement of funeral expenses incurred by them for the cremation of Mrs. H. Y. Otsuka, and they further advise that it is not now the intention of the Commission to recover any other monies spent by them for the care of the said Mrs. H. Y. Otsuka.

In view of the above we take it that it will now be in order for us to pay over the \$80.00 in question to the B. C. Security Commission, and if you will kindly confirm this by signing the copy of this letter which is attached and return same to us, we shall be much obliged.

A stamped addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Yours truly,

Douet

P. Douet,
Administration Department.

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Enc.

y. Otsuka