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FORM 1-2P
FRASER VALLEY

SUICIDE CREEK
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. 10143

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: MURAI, Minoji

HOME ADDRESS: Stave Lake Cedar Co. Suicide Creek, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 07606 SEX: Male AGE: 61

OCCUPATION: Logger

(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: Stave Lake Cedar Co.

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Kita

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Kumamoto Ken, Tamana Gun, Bairiu mura,
Oza Shimo, Japan

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: None

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: ---

AGE OF CHILDREN: ---

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None /

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None /

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) ---

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) ---

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) ---

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

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: ---

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: ---

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN: ---

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: H. Yabuki camp, Stave Lake Cedar Co.

Suicide Creek, B.C.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Stave Lake Cedar Co.

Suicide Creek, B.C.

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: None

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:

Logging equipment to be left in care of the manager of the

Stave Lake Cedar Co. Suicide Creek, B.C.

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS None

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

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF
OTHERS: None

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) \$45
owing me by Mr. Y. Inouye \$315 owing me by Mr. Kozuaki Tajiri - Mission
hold notes for both

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
\$50 Victory Bond, in my possession

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None

9. LIFE INSURANCE: \$1000 - 20year endowment policy in the Manufacturers
Life Ins. Co. Beneficiary my wife. Policy No. 529277 in my possession

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS: None

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

I certify that the above information is true and complete and fully discloses all my property of every description in any protected area in British Columbia and sets forth all my liabilities direct and indirect.

Dated this 27th day of May 1942.

(Signature)

M. Mura

J. T. Wilkins
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Sept. 1/43

Our File No. 10143

Full Name MURAI, Mineji
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 07606

Male - Female
(Check)

Age Aug. 5, 1881

Former Address Dewdney, B. C.

Date Evacuated 13/6/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

RETURNED TO JAPAN

S. S. GENERAL MEIGS

2nd AUGUST, 1946

Present Address Sandon, B. C.

Slocan, B.C. 27/2/46

Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife Kita (Japan)

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother _____

Name of Father _____

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by ECT

Registered with Custodian
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Logger

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Nº 867

DOMINION OF CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Issued as **RECEIPT**
Date **July 22nd, 1946**

The Government of Canada acknowledges that **MURAT, Nino J**
has surrendered property situated in Canada as described herein and agrees to remit the yen equivalent of the net proceeds of such property immediately, or upon liquidation if such action is required, to Japan under arrangements made with, and approved by, the United States Government and the Military Authorities in Japan; Provided that from the proceeds of such property there shall be retained such amounts as are required to repay advances made by the Government of Canada by way of Repatriation Grant.

Cash - - - - - \$1,400.00
Cash in Free Balance - - - - - 280.77
\$1,680.77

O.C.F. to be issued later when further funds received.

[Signature]
Comptroller of the Treasury

10143/07606
No. CT-1234
10-2-1946

No. 872

DOMINION OF CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Issued ~~at Ottawa~~ at Ottawa, P.C.,
Date July 23rd, 1946

The Government of Canada acknowledges that MURAY, Miss J.
has transferred property situated in Canada as described herein and agrees to remit the yen equivalent of the net proceeds
of such property immediately, or upon liquidation if such action is required, to Japan under arrangements made with,
and approved by, the United States Government and the Military Authorities in Japan; Provided that from the proceeds
of such property there shall be retained such amounts as are required to repay advances made by the Government of Ca-
nada by way of Repatriation Grant.

NEGOTIATED
Cash - - - - - \$210.00
Royal Bank of Canada - - - - - \$201.00
Total - - - - - \$411.00 ✓

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[Signature]
for Comptroller of the Treasury

F.M.
711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
475 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B.C.,
Nov. 19/46

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

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ NIL

Dear Sir:

10-43
Re: MURAI, Minoji #07606

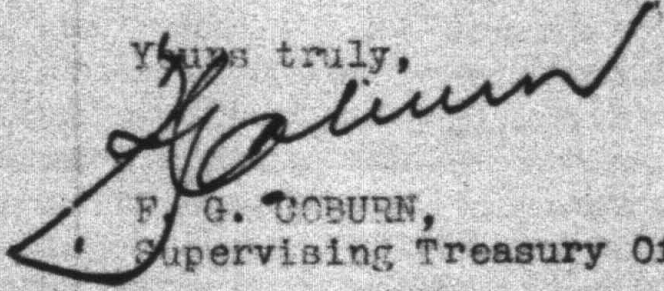
Please note that the above Japanese has been repatriated to Japan. The following is the status of his account with this Department, covering the repatriation transactions:

Money turned in - - - - - \$ 2381.77

Draft Issued- - - - - \$ 2381.77

It will be noted, therefore, that this party is not indebted to this Department in this connection. However, should any further monies come into your hands on this account it should be turned over to this office for transmission to the Japanese in question.

Yours truly,


F. G. COBURN,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FGC/EJ.

GENERAL SUMMARY

File No. 10143

Minoji MURAI

Reg. No. 07606

This man, who was evacuated on June 13, 1942, signed a declaration to the Custodian on May 27, 1942. In his declaration, he reported the following:

Logging Equipment left in the care of the manager of the Stave Lake Cedar Co., Suicide Creek, B. C. On June 26, 1942, this office informed Minoji MURAI that the Stave Lake Cedar Co. had stated that the equipment had been taken with him upon his evacuation. He did not deny this, and it would appear that he had taken it with him.

Accounts Receivable: Tukiichi INOUE, File 13936 - \$45.00. This claim has been admitted, but no payment has been made through this office. There are no funds in Custodian Account for this man.

Kazuaki TAJIRI, File 5531 - \$315.00. This claim was paid in full by transfer from the accounts of Kazuaki TAJIRI and his son, Juro TAJIRI, at the request of these two men. These funds were placed to the credit of Minoji MURAI.

Life Insurance: Manufacturers Life Insurance Co. Policy No. 529,277, in declarant's possession at time of declaration. This is a 20 year Endowment Policy for \$1,000.00. The beneficiary is his wife, Kito, a resident of Japan.

This file reveals no other assets of any kind whatsoever.

No liabilities are shown in this file.

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

J. Matheson

January 14, 1946.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 10143

May 15, 1946.

Re: Minoji MURAI, Reg.No.07606

This man was evacuated on June 13, 1942. He signed a declaration to the Custodian on May 27, 1942.

In his declaration he reported logging equipment left in the care of the Stave Lake Cedar Co., Suicide Creek, B. C. On June 26, 1942, this office informed MURAI that the Stave Lake Cedar Co. Ltd. had advised that the equipment had been taken away by him upon his evacuation. MURAI has not replied to our letter.

He reported a claim against Yukiichi INOUE, File 13936, for \$45.00. This claim was admitted by the debtor, but no payment has been made through this office, and no funds belonging to INOUE are in Custodian account. MURAI has been informed of this and given the address of INOUE.

He reported a claim of \$315.00 against Kazuaki TAJIRI, File 5531. This has been paid in full from funds to the credit of the debtor and his son, Juro TAJIRO, both of whom authorized payment. The funds were credited to the account of MURAI, and \$24.23 of this sum was remitted to him on January 5, 1944. The remainder is still in his account.

Minoji MURAI reported a Manufacturers Life Insurance Co. policy. The beneficiary under this policy was his wife, a resident of Japan. At the request of the insured, Custodian representative signed the Application for Surrender Value of this policy (\$529,277) and on May 15, 1946, we forwarded to MURAI cheque for \$481.00 representing the cash surrender value of this policy. As the cheque was payable to both Minoji MURAI and his wife Kita MURAI, the Custodian representative endorsed the cheque on behalf of the beneficiary.

This file reveals no other property of any kind. A report was sent to Minoji MURAI on January 14, 1946, in regard to his affairs.

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

G. Matheson

May 15, 1946.

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LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 10143

May 15, 1946.

Re: Small WPAAL Reg. No. 97696

This file reveals no liabilities.

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

Y. M. Harrison

May 15, 1946.

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

PHONE PACIFIC 5121

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. 10143

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

June 26th, 1942

Mr. Mineji MURAI, Reg. No. 07606,
SANDON, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Logging Equipment

The Custodian has been unable to trace the following effects declared by you to him, as being stored at

The Stave Lake Cedar Ltd. report that above effects were taken with you upon evacuation.

The Custodian assumes that you disposed of these articles before evacuation, but omitted to advise him of this.

~~Your other effects as declared to the Custodian have been placed in safe storage.~~

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Assistant Manager.

HFG:IF

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SEP 9 1943
File No. 10143
Ans. <i>W. A. B.</i>
Referred <i>W. A. B.</i>

File # Claim 3
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Sandon, B.C.
Sept. 4, 1943.

The Custodians' Office,
Dept. of the Secretary of State,
of Canada
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:—

I thank you for your letter of June 29th. Since then, I had written a letter to Yukichishnawye, formerly of Stulherd, now in Slokan, B.C., but he does not answer my letter. I am positive he is in Slokan so please investigate it for me. I will appreciate this very much.

Yours very truly,
Minloji Murai
Reg. # 07606
Sandon, B.C.

File # Claim 3
10143.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	NOV 16 1943
File No.	16243
Ans.	B.R. 4
Referred	W. M. 10

Received by
Nov 11th 1943

Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section.

Dear Sirs:

I was working at
a place called Summit
for the summer when my
camp house was burned
down when I came home
from work as it is that
3:00 P.M. I would like to
ask you kindly to do my
favors. I have burned
all my important papers
so I want to get them all
renewed. I have reported
to the Custodian before.

Dear Sir, I was the some of
money that Mr. J. J. J. J. J.
R. R. No. 1 Mission. ^{and Mr. J. J. J.} I have
I have burned the notes for
would you kindly help me
by getting another note
made from Mr. J. J. J. J. J.
has moved to Alberta. I have
note I have.

I am very sorry to
bother you to give you a
trouble. But please help
me to get the removed
notes. Thanking you very
much.

Yours truly,
Mi Nogi. Inuwa

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November 17th, 1943.

Mr. Minoji MURAI,
Registration No. 07606,
Sandon, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

re: Claims

We are in receipt of your letter of the 11th inst nt
regarding your claims against the following:-

Yukichi INOUE.....	\$ 45.00	13936
Kazuki TAJIRI.....	315.00	5531

We regret to hear of your bad luck in the loss by
fire of your house and all your important papers. It is noted
that among these papers were notes held by you against the above.
However, before informing them of your loss of these notes we
shall endeavour to have them admit the debts as owing to you.

We have written to INOUE on two occasions or more
about your claim of \$45.00 but so far have received no reply.

We are writing to TAJIRI for payment and on hearing
from him we will advise you.

If and when these debts are admitted by these two
parties, we shall endeavour to secure Promissory Notes from them,
if you still desire us to do so.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

BRD:ED

Rosebery, B.C.
New Denver B.C.
Dec 5th, 1943.

R.B. R. Dunsbury,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver B.C.

EVACUATION SECT.	
Rec'd	DEC 9 1943
File No.	10145
Ans.	
Referred	W. White

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 17th of Nov. on 30th of Nov. I wish to thank you for that kind letter. I am sorry I did not answer you sooner I was sick & in the hospital so I did not receive your letter till late. Referring to your letter you stated you would kindly write for payments to Mr. T. Segue and Mr. G. Inouye for me & if we secure you wanted or headache to secure Promissory Notes from them for me.

Well I wish to ask you kindly to do this all for me. Please ask them for Promissory notes for me. It all helps me greatly. Thanking you very very much.

Ref. 10145

Yours Truly
M. Murai

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January 4th, 1944.

Mr. Minoji MURAI,
Registration No. 07606,
Sandon, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: \$45.00 - Yukichi INOUE

We submitted the above claim to INOUE for payment, and later applied to the Supervisor at Slocan before securing answer from INOUE.

The Supervisor writes that INOUE admits the claim and states that he will do his utmost to have it paid up in the next two months.

In view of what he says regarding this and three other claims it may be best not to ask him for a Promissory Note for the amount of your claim at this time. In case he does not do anything during the next two months we could then approach him for a note, should it still be thought desirable.

In the meantime you have his acknowledgment that he owes this amount to you.

This replies to your letter of the 5th December laster.

Yours truly,

BRD:DE

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

Charlottetown, B.C.

March 8/44

Office of the Custodian
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 13 1944
File No.	10143, 7777-3321
Assn.	MS
Referred to	Anderson

Dear Sir,

I am writing few lines to ask you kindly to send me the money Mr. Lapin of Mission owes to me. Because I am in need of the money in a very bad way. Your last letter tells me that you should send me the money as soon as there is credit in Mr. Lapin's account.

Mr. Lapin wrote to me from Alberta that he has money at your account for his cash (land fees) and (car.). and he wrote me to get the money from the cash from his account for the money he owes me.

Could you kindly send me the money in your earliest for I have to buy all my belongings & clothes as I want completely fresh out last fall and have nothing of my own.

Thanking you very much

Yours truly
Mikioji Muraie

5531, 4439;
10243.

March 15th, 1944.

Mr. H.L. Brown,
B.C. Security Commission,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Kazuaki TAJIRI, Reg. No. 04090

We are in receipt of your letter of the 13th inst., with enclosure of copy of letter from Mr. A.R. Russell, Lethbridge, dated March 7th, 1944, relative to the above party.

We assume from Mr. Russell's letter that Juro TAJIRI, Registration No. 13455, is the maker of the note, and that Kazuaki TAJIRI, Registration No. 04090, is the endorser, or co-maker, of same. The face of the note being \$315.00.

The post-dated cheque of the Pacific Co-operative Union for \$638.01 (not \$668.09 as in his letter) was credited to the account of Juro TAJIRI, Reg. No. 13455, on the 22nd of February, 1943. Certain approved accounts have since been paid from this amount, and there is now a credit balance of \$284.23. It will be seen, therefore, that there is not sufficient balance with which to pay this claim of \$315.00 in full, even if that is the intention of Mr. Russell's letter.

Kazuaki TAJIRI, Reg. No. 04090, account shows a debit balance of \$1.00. However, his property has been sold to the Director of Veterans Land Act, and will, in due course, show the result of that sale.

Briefly the foregoing is the situation, and if either or both of them wish to authorize us to make settlement of \$315.00 to Kikoji MURAI from their respective accounts, when in funds that are applicable, we shall be glad to give the matter every attention, after having received your approval.

Thanking you and Mr. Russell for the attention given to this matter, we remain,

Yours truly,

B. A. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

~~RECEIVED~~

✓
10243; 5531;
4419.

March 15th, 1944.

✓ Mr. Mineji MURAI,
Registration No. 07606,
Sundon, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: \$315.00 - Kasuaki TAJIRI, Reg. No. 04050

We received your letter of the 8th inst. relative to the above claim.

Your letter is rather confusing. You say: "I am writing few lines to ask you kindly to send me the money Mr. J. Tajiri of Mission owes to me." You have previously stated that Kasuaki TAJIRI owed you the above sum of \$315.00. Your registration form refers to Kasuaki as owing you this amount, and does not mention J. TAJIRI.

You also say: "Your last letter tells me that you would send me the money as soon as there is credit in Mr. Tajiri's account." We do not find any record on the file of our having said anything of that nature in any of our letters to you.

It seems from your letter of the 8th inst. that perhaps both Kasuaki and Juro, his father, had signed the note for \$315.00, which you state was burned. Please advise if this is correct.

You state that Mr. TAJIRI wrote to you asking you to get the money from us. Which TAJIRI wrote to you?

If either one, or both of them, wish us to pay you any of their funds that are on hand with the Custodian, or that may come to their credit on our books, they will have to write to us asking us to do so. On receipt of such a letter, or letters, we shall give the matter prompt consideration.

Their respective addresses are:

Juro TAJIRI, Reg. No. 13455, c/o Mr. Jack Keopks, Picture Butte, Alta.

Kasuaki TAJIRI, Reg. No. 04050, Lethbridge, Alta.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

MADE

R. S. Landon, B.C.
Jan. 27/44

Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

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EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 31 1944
File No.	10143
Ans.	
Referred	Deputy

Dear Sir -

I have received your letter of the Jan. 4th. I wish to thank you very much for your sincere kindness to help me get the money from which I save for me.

I agree to the letter you gave to me. As you said I will wait for two months and if he doesn't pay me. Will you please try your best for me. And get the money as soon as possible. I hope he would pay me in the next two month because I really need it badly.

Thank you very much.

Yours very truly
Miniji Murai.

[Signature]

10149; 4419;
5931.

Mr. Mineji MURAI,
Registration No. 07606,
Sandon, B.C.

April 20th, 1944.

*Noted
original letter
sent by [unclear]*

Dear Sir:

re: \$315.00 - Juro TAJIRI and Kazuaki TAJIRI

We are enclosing herewith our cheque No. 9432 for \$264.23 to apply on the above claim of \$315.00. Please acknowledge receipt.

The above amount is all that can be forwarded at this time and will, no doubt, relieve you for the time being. The payment of this amount leaves a balance of \$30.77 still owing to you by these parties.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

RED:DE

Encl.

New Haven, Ct.
April 22/44

Office of the Custodian,
San Francisco, C.A.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 24 1944
File No.	10148
Ans. ✓	
Referred	Superbury

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter asking me if the notes I had burned were signed by Kiyaki or Jiro Tajima names signed. It was both father & son Kiyaki & Jiro Tajima who had signed that notes.

I had heard from them that there is money on that account so I would write to you for the money.

So will you kindly send me the money as soon as possible.

OK

Yours truly,
Minaji Murai.
San Francisco, C.A.

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May 1st, 1944.

Mr. M.L. Brown,
B.C. Security Commission,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Ninoji MURAI. Reg. No. 07606

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 25th ult., returning our cheque No. 9432 for \$284.23 in favour of the above named party.

In this connection we wish to say that we issued the above cheque after receiving your O.K. to our form letter, dated April 13/44, authorizing us to pay this amount to MURAI. From your letter under reply we are following your request, and are placing this amount to the credit of Ninoji MURAI on our books.

The second paragraph of your letter suggests that the amount for rehabilitation purposes be reserved, that is, \$260.00 out of the \$284.23, leaving \$24.23 free to be remitted to MURAI. We are making a cheque to him for this amount and are forwarding it to him through your hands, in lieu of the \$15.00 monthly to which you refer.

We enclose herewith statement of assets, in triplicate, regarding MURAI, as requested. Please note that the amount of \$284.23 referred to herein is part of Accounts Receivable of \$360.00 referred to in this statement of assets.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

BR:DE
Encl.

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May 8th, 1944.

Mr. Minoji MURAI,
Registration No. 07606,
Sandon, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Some time ago you requested that we forward to you any funds coming to your credit on our books. Juro TAJIRI has authorized us to pay you \$284.23 from his account, and this amount has been credited to you accordingly.

For your information requests for funds are being referred to the B.C. Security Commission for its consideration. We contemplated sending this amount to you, as per your request, but on referring the matter to the Commission they advise that they are not prepared to approve of this payment being made, as it is desirable to retain the sum of \$260.00 for rehabilitation purposes to your credit for your later use. We wish you to understand that the funds we have on hand are being held to the credit of your account, and we will be pleased to release same at any time the Security Commission may approve of further amounts being remitted.

We are enclosing herewith our cheque No. 9741 for \$24.23 in your favour. Please acknowledge receipt of cheque, and oblige,

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,
Claims Department.

~~ED:DE~~

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June 10, 1944.

Mr. Minoji MURAI,
Registration No. 07606,
Sandon, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We have today credited your account with the Custodian
with the sum of \$30.77 being payment of the balance of the
account owing to you by Mr. Tajiri.

Yours truly,

W. E. Anderson,
Farm Department.

WEA/EG

Roseburg B.C.
~~New Denver B.C.~~
June 6/44
Summit Camp

Office of the Custodian
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUN 12 1944
File No.	10/43
Ans.	W
Referred	

Dear Sir -
I have received your cheque
of \$4.23 middle of May. For which
I wish to thank you very much.

Yours truly
M. Murai.

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REGISTERED

January 14, 1946.

Mr. Minoru MURAI,
Registration No. 07606,
DUMONT, D. C. SLOAN, BC

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that your credit balance with this office is \$290.77, at this time.

These funds are the balance remaining from the sum of \$315.00 credited to your account in settlement of your claim against Kasuki and Juro TAJIRI, after the remittance of \$24.23 which was made to you in May, 1944.

You filed a claim for the amount of \$45.00 against Yukichi INOUE, but although this man admitted the correctness of your claim, he stated that he was unable to pay. As the Custodian has no funds belonging to this man, we can take no further action in regard to this. We understand that Yukichi INOUE is at Sloan, if you should wish to get in touch with him.

The logging equipment which you declared left at Suicide Creek was, according to information given us by the manager of the Stave Lake Cedar Co., taken away by you prior to your evacuation.

The life insurance policy, which you declared, did not come under the control of the Custodian.

It would appear that we have accounted for all the property of every kind left by you in the protected area and in order that you may confirm this, we enclose a stamped, addressed envelope for your convenience in replying.

Yours truly,

Enclosure

F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

10143

April 3, 1946.

Mr. Minoji MURAI,
Reg. No. 07606,
Slocan, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Manufacturers Life Policy #529,277

We are in receipt of advice from the Manufacturers Life Insurance Co. that you have applied for the cash surrender value of the above policy.

In accordance with Insurance Companies' Regulations, in addition to your own signature, the signature of the beneficiary is also required who, in this case is your wife, Kita MURAI, and who is recorded as being a resident of Japan.

Before deciding whether we are prepared to sign on her behalf we are asking you to supply us with information in regard to the upkeep of this policy since it has been in force.

Who has paid the premiums?

From what source were the funds derived from which the premiums were paid?

For what length of time had the premiums been paid and what has been the total amount for same?

What is the cash surrender value of this policy at the present time?

Your wife, on account of her close relationship to you is what is termed "a preferred beneficiary". Have you any close relative residing in Canada whom the Insurance Company would also consider in this preferred class and to whom, if you so desired, you could transfer the beneficial interest in this policy. Those included as "preferred" beneficiaries are wife, husband, father, mother, children or grandchildren.

Will you please advise us for what purpose you anticipate using the funds if the cash value of the policy is withdrawn instead of keeping it in force for future protection.

Should we agree to sign on behalf of the present beneficiary would you be prepared to accept a portion of the cash surrender value leaving the balance to be placed to the credit of the beneficiary for the time being.

In view of the fact that you are at present residing in an Interior Housing Settlement we presume that you are aware that the Custodian is guided by the advice of the Department of Labour, Japanese Division, in regard to the remittance of funds to Japanese residing in such areas.

We are holding this matter in abeyance until we hear further from you.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

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REGISTERED

May 15, 1946.

Mr. Kinsaji MURAI,
Reg. No. 07606,
ROSEMONT, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Attached is The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company cheque #672977, for the sum of \$451.00 representing the cash surrender value of your life policy #529,277.

This cheque is payable to yourself and your wife, who is a resident of Japan. The cheque has been endorsed by Custodian representative on behalf of your wife.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this cheque to the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company, 413-20 Stock Exchange Building, Vancouver, B.C.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Protection Department

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Enclosure

CC: The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company
Dept. of Labour, Japanese Division



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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

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21st June 1946

Attention: Miss F. Matheson.

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir,

Re: Minoji MURAI
Reg. No. 07606
Your File No. 10143

We are returning herewith Manufacturers Life Insurance Company cheque No. 672977 in the amount of \$481.00 which you forwarded to the above-named man on May 15th last.

The Bank of Montreal, Nelson, have refused to accept the endorsement on this cheque, which is payable to this man and his wife, Kita. The latter is in Japan.

The Bank of Montreal suggests one of two solutions, that either the Manufacturers Life must endorse the cheque as acceptance of the Custodian's signature for the wife and Minoji's signature for himself. Failing this, the Bank suggests that your office negotiate the cheque and issue your own cheque payable to Mr. MURAI.

Your kind attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

M. L. Brown,
Office Manager.

MMS/GM
Enc.