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BUREAU POWELL STREET
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

*Connected with Interest file
 # 170. Mrs. Carroll advised no action
 FILE No. necessary.*

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: EBISUZAKI Hide (Mrs. Masataro)

HOME ADDRESS: 466 E. Cordova St., Vancouver, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 07971 SEX: Female AGE: 51

OCCUPATION: Grocery Clerk, Ebisuzaki Co.

337 Powell St., Vancouver.

(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: Joint partnership with husband (Masataro) and brother,
 (Teiji MORISHITA)

MARRIED? yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Masataro

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: In Japan

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: 1. Kojiro (M)

2. Kentaro (M)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: 1. Angler, Ont. 2. 466 E. Cordova St.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 25, 27 yrs.

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)

none

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable)

none

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

none

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

none

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 466 East Cordova St., Vancouver.

9 room, 2 storey wooden house.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

lives with ~~brother~~ brother, Mr. Morishita, who owns the house.

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

none

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: none

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

none

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

none

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

558 537 Powell St., Vancouver, B. C.

stock, equipment & fixtures of grocery store

are all at the M. Ebisuzaki Co., at the above

address. (Declarant states that the above property

has been taken over by the Custodian.)

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

Joint partnership in the M.

Ebisuzaki Co. with husband (Masatero) and brother, Mr. Teiji

in Japan

MORISHITA, 466 E. Cordova St., Vancouver

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) _____

none

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) _____

none

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: _____

none

9. LIFE INSURANCE: Mutual Life Insurance Co. \$2500.00 Beneficiary,
husband, Masataro. Policy in Custodian's possession, number unknown

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 3rd day of August 1942.

(Signature) 蛭山崎 七 子

D.M. Chope.
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE _____

P.D. 152144
INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

July 9, 1943

Our File No. 13144

Full Name EBISUZAKI, (Hide) Mrs Masataro
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 07971

Male - Female
(check)

Age July 1, 1891

Former Address 466 E. Cordova St., Vancouver

Date Evacuated Sept 9, 1942 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address Lesmon Creek, B.C.

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife -

Name of Husband Masataro - Japan.

Name of Mother Hatsue - Japan Name of Father Fusa-buki-ded'd

Names of Children under 16 son - Kojiro #00710

Requested by C. Girard Registered with Custodian Yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Snowy Stone

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November 28th, 1950

Mrs. Hide EBISUZAKI,
17 Lindsey Ave.,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Madam:

Re: M. Ebisuzaki Company


Replying to your letter of the 21st instant we wish to advise that all accounts owing to the above Company, that can be collected, have been settled, and all funds paid out to the creditors as dividends amounting to 59½ cents on the dollar.

There is little likelihood of collecting any additional accounts, and the affairs of the Company have been wound up by the Liquidator, and the account is now closed.

As requested we attach hereto a statement of collections and disbursements.

There are no funds on hand and we do not expect to receive any further credits for the Company account.

Yours truly,



G. H. Reed
Office of the Custodian

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M. EBISUZAKI COMPANY

RECEIPTS

Balance 28th April, 1942	\$ 83.30
Receipts including Sale of Merchandise and Accounts Receivable	11,394.63
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	\$ 11,477.93
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DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements including payments to Creditors	\$ 8,559.84
Expenses	2,918.09
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	\$ 11,477.93
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BALANCE

NIL

M. EBISUZAKI COMPANY

Statement showing Dividends paid to Creditors

	<u>Amount of Claim</u>	<u>Amount Paid</u>
<u>Secured claims</u>		
General Securities Ltd.	\$ 389.00	\$ 389.00
Scale shop	20.00	20.00
	<u>409.00</u>	<u>409.00</u>
<u>Preferred claims</u>		
Wages - store	373.62	373.62
- camp	1,364.23	1,364.23
Unemployment insurance	51.90	51.90
Workmen's compensation	5.00	5.00
	<u>1,794.75</u>	<u>1,794.75</u>
<u>Payments to creditors</u>		
Caulfield, Burns and Gibson Ltd.	108.75	64.69
M. Furuya Company Limited	8.18	4.74
Gault Bros. Limited	1,218.00	724.72
Milne and Middleton Ltd.	26.63	15.84
Mackay, Smith and Blair	727.51	432.87
Wing Lee Limited	108.22	62.77
Parsons Brown and Co. Ltd.	19.52	11.63
B. C. Telephone Co.	8.96	5.33
B. C. Electric Railway Co.	8.12	4.83
Jones Tent and Awning Co. Ltd.	70.36	41.86
Tairiku Nippo Sha Limited	148.74	86.27
G. Ebata	584.45	347.75
Nimi Shokai	82.20	48.92
G. Wakibayashi	18.41	10.96
S. Eto	3,750.00	2,231.25
K. Ebisuzaki	1,256.67	747.71
S. Kato	1.76	1.04
Y. Suzuki	1,000.00	595.00
B. Taira	1,500.00	892.50
Maikawa Limited	42.71	25.41
	<u>\$ 10,689.19</u>	<u>\$ 6,356.09</u>

EBISUZAKI COMPANY

Payments collected on Accounts Receivable.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
S. Uchida	6.70
Kojiro Ebisuzaki	22.12
Kentaro Ebisuzaki	10.08
Norio Maeda	3.40
Genzo Saayama	8.07
Tatsuro Katano	1.30
Masachi Watanabe	.30
Charlie Ohama	2.95
Shoichi Fukumoto	1.65
Tatsugoro Ikeda	28.34
Mrs. K. Shinizu	2.96
Yoichi Ohama	101.63
Masao Kobayakawa	3.50
T. Kube	5.90
Raisuke Kinoshita	7.45
Tomise Sato	29.73
K. Otani	6.03
Kamajiro Touji	25.45
Masao Ide	2.45
Yuichi Katakami	27.78
Mitsugi Araki	2.50
Shigera Asada	18.02
Toshio Sawada	8.57
Shigeo Inoue	15.17
Mrs. Maschi Miyahara	9.90
Sataro & Shotaro Matsumoto	25.84
Hitsuji Seki	56.13
Tsunaoichi Ikeda	8.00
Masao Torakita	3.52
Akira Inakire	31.10
Tashiro Omoto	1.71
Masuo Aihoshi	1.17
Mrs. Masuo Ebisuzaki	7.13
Yasaburo Ito	30.00
Hobaru Korakiyo	1.70
Kunakichi Inamura	3.53
Sadayoshi Namba	18.43
Yasuo Sakine	10.14
Eiji Tashiro	85.78
I. Matsuo	25.60
Kyenosuke Yamazaki	3.04
Gohichi Ogura	.88
Hachiro Taise	7.42
Kenichi Doi	4.61
Shigetaka Sasaki	5.67
Seiji Tashiro	24.67
Kazuichi Shimozuma	5.72
Mumohara Heiko	18.00
Estate of K. Matsumura	36.00
Teiji Morishita	124.49
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	\$ 892.23
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EVACUATION SECTION

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Ans.

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17 Lindsey Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.,
November 21, 1950.

Mr. C. H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hastings & Granville,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

As Mr. S. Tashiro wrote me enclosing your letter, I did receive the sum while I was semi-interned at Lemon Creek, B.C.

At the time of evacuation of all Japanese origin, majority of evacuees were with the opinion that the custodians will look after business matters--debts and loans. They thought that everything was at an end and you were responsible for settling all affairs of Japanese origin. As far as paying back debts was concerned, they paid little or no attention. I believe some still have the same attitude.

Unfortunately I had to be on maintenance. I had to live on \$12.00 a month, later this amount was increased to \$13.20. Mrs. Tashiro visited her sick father at Slocan City and kindly paid me on her own accord. I am very grateful for her kindness and her attitude toward settling her responsibilities. I never asked her for it. I wonder if you can imagine how glad I was to receive any amount of money at that time.

The first winter at Lemon Creek was something of horror, especially to me or to anyone who was used to the city life. The hut was built with green lumber, with thin tarred paper to keep out draft as much as possible, every nailheads inside the house shone with frost, our rubber boots stuck frozen to the floor, bed mattress damp and wet--I was stricken with kidney trouble and finally developed arthritis. I can't work and support myself. I am a heavy burden to my son and his wife who have their own responsibilities more than they can bear.

I have no money now. I can't pay Mr. Tashiro as you suggested in your letter to him. No doubt you are making some collections. Would you kindly pay him out of the funds collected for M. Ebisuzaki Co.

Beside Mr. Tashiro, Mr. K. Tabuchi paid me. They are the only two who were kind and thoughtful enough to pay me. I made no pleas for payment. I am sorry that I neglected to report the receipts. I once requested you to tell me to whom and from whom you paid and received on behalf of my store. I still want to know how much you paid to settle company's debts and how much and from whom you received payment. You wrote and gave me a very general report.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Hide EBISUZAKI

per *K.E.*.....

M. Ebisuzaki Company
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
For the period 31st July 1946 to 30th November 1947

Balance 31st July 1946		968.49
<u>Receipts</u>		
Accounts receivable collected		<u>237.91</u>
		1,206.40
<u>Disbursements</u>		
Custodian re Control and Liquidation fees	800.00	
Dividend to creditors	310.67	
Sundry	<u>38.48</u>	<u>1,149.15</u>
<u>Cash in bank - 30th November 1947</u>		\$ <u>57.25</u>

M. Ebisuzaki Company
Statement showing Dividends paid to Creditors

	<u>Amount of claim</u>	<u>Amount Paid to 31/7/46</u>	<u>Amount Paid 31 /7/46 to 30/11/47</u>	<u>Amount Out- Standing</u>
<u>Secured claims</u>				
General Securities Ltd.	389.00	389.00		
Scale Shop	20.00	20.00		
	<u>409.00</u>	<u>409.00</u>		
<u>Preferred claims</u>				
Wages - store	373.62	373.62		
Wages - camp	1,325.75	1,325.75		
Unemployment insurance	51.90	51.90		
Workmen's Compensation	5.00	5.00		
	<u>1,756.27</u>	<u>1,756.27</u>		
<u>Ordinary creditors</u>				
Caulfield, Burns & Gibson Ltd.	108.75	59.80	3.26	45.69
M. Furuya Company Ltd.	8.18	4.50	.24	3.44
Gault Bros. Limited	1,218.00	669.90	36.54	511.56
Milne & Middleton Ltd.	26.63	14.64	.80	11.19
Mackay, Smith & Blair	727.51	400.14	21.83	305.54
Wing Lee Limited	108.22	59.52	3.25	45.45
Parsons, Brown & Co. Ltd.	19.52	10.74	.59	8.19
B.C. Telephone Co.	8.96	4.93	.27	3.76
B.C. Electric Railway Co.	8.12	4.47	.24	3.41
Jones Tent & Awning Co. Ltd.	70.36	38.70	2.11	29.55
Tairiku Nippo Sha Limited	148.74	81.81	4.46	62.47
G. Ebata	584.45	321.45	17.53	245.47
Nimi Shokai	82.20	45.21	2.47	34.52
C. Wakibayashi	18.41	10.13	.55	7.73
S. Eto	3,750.00	2,062.50	102.50	1,585.00
K. Ebisuzaki	1,256.67	691.16	37.70	527.81
S. Kato	1.76	.97	.05	.74
Y. Suzuki	1,000.00	550.00	30.00	420.00
B. Taira	1,500.00	825.00	45.00	630.00
Maikawa Limited	42.71	23.49	1.28	17.94
	<u>\$ 10,689.19</u>	<u>5,879.06</u>	<u>310.67</u>	<u>4,499.46</u>

M. Ebisuzaki Company
Statement of Affairs
As at 30th November 1947

A s s e t s

Cash in bank	57.25
Deficiency	<u>4,442.21</u>
	\$ <u>4,499.46</u>

L i a b i l i t i e s

Accounts payable	\$ <u>4,499.46</u>
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306 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.,
February 25, 1948.

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Your File No. J-13

E.W. Wright, Esq.,
Counsel to the Custodian,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Bldg.,
7 O'Connor St.,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Teiji MORISHITA and
Edizusaki & Co. - Files 170 & 5078

I regret the delay in answering your letter of 2nd of January last, but the file was passed to Mr. Sheppard as soon as your letter was received, and Mr. Sheppard has apparently made several trips east, so that we did not receive his reply until today.

We are enclosing a copy of the reply received from him, and the letters and files will be drawn to Mr. Shears' attention on his return from Vernon the day after tomorrow.

Yours very truly,

B. Good
Comptroller.

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November 25, 1947.

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

Gentlemen:

It has been quite some time now since we have communicated with you regarding the liquidation of H. Ebisuzaki Co.

We wish to know in detail how the company's affairs were rounded up, particularly how you have disposed the stock of merchandises, fixtures and equipments of the company, tools and equipments of our two shingle camps at Stillwater, B.C., and names of accounts collected and paid, and how much, etc. We are very anxious to know the names of creditors to whom you paid 50¢ on a dollar as you mentioned in your letter that the company's debts amount to \$13,000.00.

Can you now give us full particulars? Your promptness is very much appreciated.

Yours very truly,

"H. EBISUZAKI" 12144

Mrs. H. Ebisuzaki,
28 Draper Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

"T. MORISHITA" 5078

T. Morishita,
Slocan, B.C.

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37 Gilsud Avenue
Lemon Creek, B.C.
November 19, 1945.

Custodian's Office
Department of the Secretary of State
Vancouver, B.C.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your letter of October 10th, informing me of the M. Ebisuzaki Company's debts amount to approximately \$13,000.00. I am quite surprised to hear of this amount.

Last few years, I have communicated with your office and asked for detailed statements of the Company, but never can I say that I received "detailed" information. Now you tell me that the Company's debts amount to \$13,000.00. This is twice the amount of the debts when the company was seized. You have paid fifty cents on a dollar to the creditors of the Company. This makes the company's debts to be \$26,000.00 at first. This can not be true.

I wish to know to whom the company owes so much. Perhaps I am not in a position to know what goes on in your office regarding the liquidation of the Company. If so, please notify me at once. I'll take proper steps to find out the information I want.

Regarding the mortgages which you say amount to \$8250.00. There should not be two mortgages held on the property, 337 Powell Street, Vancouver, B.C. There is a mortgage held by Miss Levenson for \$3000.00. But the second mortgage which was in hands of Mr. T. Matsuyama, if you go through the Ebisuzaki's and also Matsuyama's, you will see this mortgage is paid up. The last payment was made just before the Company was closed.

When I made the last payment, re Matsuyama Mortgage, to Mr. Kita, who represented Mr. T. Matsuyama, I asked for some papers to show this mortgage is paid up. Mr. Kita told me and assured me that I would not require any paper because both Ebisuzaki's and Matsuyama's books will show that this mortgage is paid up. Therefore, I would not be in a position in future that I need to show the papers proving that it is paid.

At this time, my son's family and I were ordered to move out of Vancouver and I could not do very much in this matter.

Custodian's Office

November 19, 1945.

May I please have statements showing the names of the debtors (because you have written to some who have paid before evacuation), creditors, how the merchandise, fixtures, etc., of the Company were disposed and present condition of the Company.

You are the "Custodian" who are supposedly taking care of the properties of Japanese. You are the representatives of the Canadian Government in this branch. Surely you can furnish me with the information I seek.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Hide Ebisuzaki

per _____

Reg. No. 07971
File No. 170, 12144, 382
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Enemy Section

509 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.
October 10th, 1945

Mrs. Hide Ebisuzaki,
Registration No. 07971,
37 Gilead Avenue,
Lemon Creek, B. C.

Re: Masataro EBISUZAKI and
M. Ebisuzaki & Company

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of the 10th ultimo, we wish to advise you that our file reveals debts owing by the above mentioned Company amounting to approximately \$13,000.00, and therefore it would not appear likely that there will be any funds available for distribution to you.

In connection with the property known as 337 Powell Street, formerly owned by your late husband, Masataro EBISUZAKI, this is to inform you that this property was subject to two Mortgages, totalling \$8,250.00, and as the valuation of this parcel did not exceed \$2,500.00, the parcel was Quit Claimed to the holder of the First Mortgage.

We have been notified by the B. C. Mutual Benefit Association that Certificates Nos. A-11021 and A-11711, in the names of your late husband and yourself, lapsed during 1942.

In your letter, under reply, you make mention of your late husband's Will, and we would be pleased to have you forward same to this office.

Yours truly,

F. J. Johnston
Administration Department

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DECEMBER 20th, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

TO: MR. K. B. WRIGHT

FROM: MR. G. H. PETERS

RE: H. HISUZAKI AND COMPANY

Liquidating Order: P. S. Ross & Sons - April 27th, 1942.

MEMORANDUM

Masaturo HISUZAKI, In Japan 29% Internec File #382
Mrs. Hide " Wife of above 50% Evacuee File #12144
Taiji MORISHITA 29% " " #3078

The file and latest report of April 5th, 1943, indicate that all assets of the partnership have been liquidated. However, the matter of the shingle belt camp should be subject to a further report. See memo on file dated November 10th, 1944.

The files of Masaturo HISUZAKI and Mrs. Hide HISUZAKI do not reveal any assets but Taiji MORISHITA'S file reveals a credit balance derived from revenue and sale of real property of \$1764.21, and also an inventory of household effects.

The liquidators statements show liabilities of \$13133.73 of which \$10689.19 are ordinary creditors. Secured and preferred account amounting to \$2444.54 have been paid reducing the total liabilities to \$12242.72 against which the sum of \$7005.73 is in the liquidators hands.

In view of his liability under the partnership should MORISHITA'S personal account be blocked before any further remittances are made to him. Of the ordinary creditors the amount of \$2295.67 is owing to non Japanese firms.

The amount of wages due in regard to the Taira Camp does not seem to be definitely established and when this is done a final distribution could be made to the creditors and a release given the liquidator. The file does not show if an advertisement for creditors claims has been published.

G. H. PETERS

GHF/O'S

CC: MR. F. G. SHRANS