

12236

REAL ESTATE

BUREAU HASTINGS PARK OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. 12.236

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: SAKAI, Shotaro

HOME ADDRESS: Now at Hastings Park, Vancouver, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 11982 SEX: male AGE: 65

OCCUPATION: Retired

(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: none

MARRIED? yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Tsune

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Japan

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:

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: At P. O. Box # 10.
Owns 4 room, 1 storey wooden
frame bungalow at Ucluelet, B. C. Also 1 36 X 24 net house.
Property owned by Mrs. Almer Reech, Ucluelet, B. C.
Declarant pays \$25. per annum for use of property. Paid to date.

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) House vacant. ✓

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: Now at Hastings Park, Vancouver, B. C.

Lived at Box #10, Ucluelet, B. C.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: self

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:

Fishing gear, Sain net gear (old net), stored in Net house
at Box #10, Ucluelet, B. C. (no key net house boarded).

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: _____

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF
OTHERS: _____

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) _____

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

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: _____

9. LIFE INSURANCE: _____

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS. _____

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: _____

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: _____

2. TRADE DEBTS: _____

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 8th day of August 1942.

(Signature) _____

Witness _____

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE _____

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Oct. 27/43.

Our File No. 12236

Full Name SAKAI, Shotaro
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 11982

Male ☒ - Female
(check)

Age Aug. 12, 1896

Former Address P.O. Box 10, Ucluelet, B.C.

Date Evacuated Sept. 25/42 Naturalized ☒ - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address Tashme, B.C.
RETURNED TO JAPAN
S.S. MARINE ANGEL
31st MAY, 1946

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife (^{nee}NAKAI) Tsune (Japan)

Name of Husband

Name of Mother (^{nee}TERANISHI) Shige Name of Father Ukachi (Dead)

Names of Children under 16 (Dead)

Requested by ECF

Registered with Custodian
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Retired.

711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
475 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B.C.,

Oct. 10/46

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

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ **NIL**

Dear Sir:

Re: SAKAI, Shotaro #11982

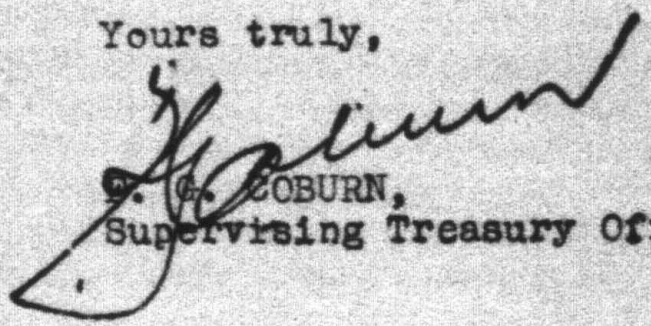
Please note that the above Japanese has
been repatriated to Japan. The following is the status
of his account with this Department, covering the
repatriation transactions:

Money turned in - - - - - \$ 1413.29

Draft Issued- - - - - \$ 1413.29

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,


G. G. COBURN,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FGC/EJ.

House No. 12

30th September 1942.

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

Attention Mr. R. P. Alexander.

Dear Sir:

re: Shotaro Sakai. Registration No. 11982.
My File No. 162.

In accordance with your instructions, I have investigated and taken control of the property of the above man recorded on his registration form as follows:

Real Property:

"At P. O. Box #10. Owns 4 room, 1 storey wooden frame bungalow at Ucluelet, B. C. Also 1 36 x 24 net house. Property owned by Mrs. Almer Beach, Ucluelet, B. C. Declarant pays \$25. per annum for use of property. Paid to date."

Personal Property:

"Fishing gear, Sain net gear (old net), stored in Net house at Box #10, Ucluelet, B. C. (no key net house boarded)."

In connection therewith I have to report as follows:

1. Location:

This is a small Japanese settlement on the foreshore of Ucluelet Inlet about half a mile from the public wharf on land leased by the Lyche Estate. The house is listed with the Provincial Assessor at Alberni as House No. 12, Lyche's Bay, Ucluelet.

2. Ownership:

The two buildings are situated on property owned by Mrs. Alma Littleton of Ucluelet, B. C., Executrix of the A. H. Lyche Estate. The "JP" Form shows Mrs. Almer Reech, of Ucluelet, as the owner. This would appear to be incorrect, according to the official records. Certificate of Title is No. 118274-1. As far as can be ascertained there are no encumbrances.

The assessed value is \$250.00. Rental possibilities are nil.

3. Buildings:

The house is a four-room, one-storey frame bungalow and is about twenty-five years old. The house and net house are in poor condition. Rooms in the house are on the main floor.

The estimated sale value is \$150.00.

4. Inventory:

The house is vacant and there are no contents. Despite the statement in the "JP" Form that certain fishing gear is stored in the net house, nothing was found therein. *True*

5. Insurance:

No insurance is carried on this property.

6. Liabilities:

There are no liabilities as far as can be ascertained, other than the taxes for 1942, which amount to \$7.50.

7. Recommendations:

As the buildings offer little or no prospect of rental and as the value thereof does not warrant insurance being taken out, no recommendation can be submitted in this regard.

As in previous reports of Japanese properties on the Lyche Estate, I would recommend that Mr. Littleton, the appointed agent for the Japanese, be approached with a view to ascertaining.

7. Recommendations: (continued)

exactly what the position is (a) respecting the re-occupation of the buildings by the owner should he be permitted to return, (b) in the alternative, what compensation, if any, he proposes to make for the taking over of these buildings.

I have not been able to confirm the fact stated by the declarant, that a rental of \$25.00 per annum for use of the property has been paid in the past and that this rental was paid in full up to the time of evacuation.

Yours faithfully,

H. G. Hinton
per A. E. P.

BWP:LMS

404 Federal Building,
325 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B.C.
April 21st, 1950.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 22 1950
File No.	12236
Ans.	
Referred	

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

Dear Sir:

Re: SAKAI, Shotaro

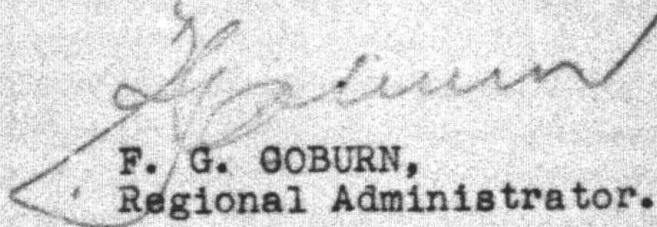
#11982

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ 17.51

This will acknowledge the sum of \$ 17.51
received from you on account of the above mentioned which
has been accounted for by this office in the proper manner.

There has been no No. 2 Receipt issued in
this instance.

Yours truly,


F. G. GUBURN,
Regional Administrator.

FGC/EJ.

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1946

No 130

DOMINION OF CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Issued at ... Tokyo, D.C.

Date ... May 10th, 1946

The Government of Canada acknowledges that SAKAI, Shozo
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 Ca-
nada by way of Repatriation Grant.

Sum of \$1,413.29
Balance of Custodian Balance (\$53.29 and currency \$1,360.00)

[Signature]
for Comptroller of the Treasury

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DEPOSIT FORM

G-657-A

Reg. No. 11982 - NAME: Sakai, Shotarō.
(please print) Surname Given Name

Cheques (must be certified)		Cash	Dollars	Cents
List Bank Name and Branch	Amount			
		X 1		
		X 2		
		X 5		
	28	X 10	280	
	44	X 20	880	
	4	X 50	200	
		X 100		
Total Cheques		Total Bills	1360	
		Silver		
		Copper		
		Total Cheques		
		Total Amount	1360	00
Teller's Initials				

Herewith monies as shown above.

I wish to take all of these funds with me to Japan, plus \$ 53.29
now on deposit with the Custodian. Yes: _____ No: _____

I wish to take with me only the amount of the Government Guarantee
Yes _____ No _____

Date: May 10, 1946

OR

I have no money to turn in.

Date: _____, 1946

Signature

Signature

Custodian for Balance
\$53.29
MAY 10 1946
OK [Signature]

C.T. JAP.2 - WORKSHEET

The following has been turned in by SAKAI. SHOTARO. Reg. No. 119.81 . . .
for which C.T. Jap.2 is to be issued. C.T. Jap.2 issued. ~~130~~ 130

Available for immediate
transfer on C.T. Jap. 1

To be Negotiated
by Custodian

Bank 1360.00
Guatemala Palace 53.29

1413.29

Box #130 1413.29

Box 1 232 1413.29

File No. 12236

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

February 20, 1946.

Re: Shotaro SAKAI, #11982

In his declaration to the Custodian on August 8, 1942, this man reported a 4 room, 1 storey wooden frame bungalow at Ucluelet, B.C. Also a 36 x 24 net house. Property owned by Mrs. Almer Reech, Ucluelet, B.C. Declarant pays \$25.00 per annum for use of property. Paid to date.

According to the report of Mr. H. G. Hinton dated September 30, 1942, the two buildings declared were situated on the property owned by Mrs. Alma Littleton of Ucluelet, executrix for the A. H. Lyche estate. These buildings were assessed at \$250.00. The dwelling house was a 4-room one-storey frame bungalow, about 25 years old. Both the net house and dwelling were, according to Mr. Hinton, in poor condition and he gave an estimated sale value of \$150.00.

The buildings belonging to this man were among a group of buildings owned by Japanese situated on the property belonging to the Lyche estate. According to Mrs. Littleton the lease whereby the Japanese were allowed to build houses on this property was to the effect that the houses would revert to the owner of the property if vacated. However, Mr. Littleton could not show any lease to this effect nor could any of the Japanese. According to a report by Constable D. H. Howell of the B.C. Police, on March 23, 1942, Mr. Littleton was going to rent the houses and forward half the rent to the Japanese and to allow them to move back after the war. However, no funds have been paid into this office in connection with this property.

As there is no evidence of any written agreement between the property owner and the Japanese house-owners, this office can do nothing in regard to these buildings. In such cases the buildings revert to the owner of the land and unless the owner voluntarily pays the owner of the building for his equity in the house there is no means by which we can force payment. We have, in all such cases, left the matter in the hands of the two parties concerned.

This file reveals no other real property.

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

Matheson

February 21, 1946.

FM/MM

CANADA

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

PHONE PACIFIC 6131
PLEASE REFER TO
FILE No. 12236

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

April 30, 1946.

Mr. Shotaro SAKAI,
Reg. No. 11982,
Tashme, B.C.

Dear Sir:

There is a credit balance of \$53.29 standing in your account with this office.

In your declaration to the Custodian you reported fishing gear and an old seine net in your net house at Ucluelet. However, when Custodian representative visited this net house following your evacuation nothing was found in the building.

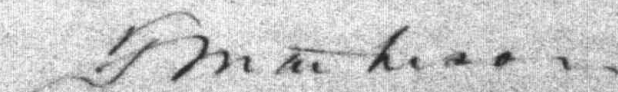
Goods stored at House No. 5, Ucluelet, identified as your property were sold at auction and the net proceeds in the amount of \$1.25 were credited to your account.

The oil stove and tank reported by you as having been left at Hastings Park were sold at auction and the net proceeds in the amount of \$52.04 were credited to your account.

In your declaration to the Custodian you reported ownership of a 4-room bungalow and net house built on property owned by Mrs. Almer Reech. As we informed you on October 3, 1942, this property is owned by the Lyche Estate, and we have been unable to establish that you have any legal equity in this property.

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

Yours truly,



F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

/MM

(Mr.) Shotaro SAKAI,
Reg. No. 11952,
Tashme, B. C.

May 3rd, 1946.

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

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of the 30th April stating
in details about my standing.

Will you kindly arrange that I will be able to get
the balance of the money as soon as possible?

I am leaving on the first boat and would appreciate
very much if arrangements can be made.

Thanking you.

Yours very truly,

S. Sakai.

MEMORANDUM

TO: MR. BRAIDWOOD
FROM: MRS. A. G. Mearthur

Re: Case 732 - Kazuichi SAKAI

In this case the Claimant, Kazuichi Sakai, is claiming \$900. as half the value of a house stated by him to have been jointly owned by Hama and his father, Shotaro Sakai. He states in the Transcript, Page 5, that his father gave him his share in 1932.

The father, Shotaro Sakai, declared, August 8, 1942, a four-roomed, one storey, bungalow and a 36 x 24 net house situated on land owned by the Lyche Estate, for which he claims he paid \$25.00 per annum ground rent to the Administrator of the Lyche Estate at Ulualeit. In support of his claim to ownership, the Alberni-Clayquot Assessment District bills him as owner of improvements in 1942 valued at \$250.00. Shotaro Sakai declared ownership of gear and nets stored in the net house and stated that on evacuation he boarded up the net house but moved his household chattels for storage to No. 5 house, Fraser's Bay. (This was another Japanese settlement on leased property.)

H. G. Hinton of Geo. Touche & Company, Victoria, was instructed by the Custodian to investigate and reported fully on Sakai's property (September 30, 1942). He located the net house, boarded up. He states that the house is listed with the Provincial Assessor as House No. 12, Lyche Bay, Ulualeit, and both buildings were located on property owned by Mrs. Alma Littleton, Executrix of the Lyche Estate. The house is described as a four-roomed, frame bungalow about twenty-five years old, both house and net house in poor condition - house vacant and no contents. Nothing found in the net house. Estimated sale value \$150.00. No definite information as to lease arrangement but subsequent correspondence indicates that ground rent and taxes were paid by the owners of the houses through one of their number.

On March 23, 1942, Const. D. H. Howell, in charge of the Ulualeit Detachment of the B. C. Police, reported to the Custodian giving a list of the Japanese owners of the buildings on the Lyche property. Opposite each building he placed a valuation which he stated in his report was given to him by the owner before evacuation. The value of Shotaro Sakai's house was listed as \$350. Shotaro Sakai was informed on October 3, 1942, that under the circumstances his equity in the house was doubtful. Shotaro Sakai returned to Japan on May 11, 1946, and the Custodian's last report to him again informed him that legal equity in the building had not been established.

With reference to the statement made by the claimant, Kazuichi Sakai, that his father owned a half interest with Hirokichi Hama in an eight-roomed house, this is not supported by Hama's file. Hirokichi Hama declared to the Custodian on March 21, 1942, that he owned a three-roomed wooden cabin built on land belonging to Mrs. A. Littleton, Ulualeit. H. G. Hinton reported on June 3, 1942, that Hama's house was "a slum shanty in poor condition with no rental value and little sale value even for the lumber therein". Hama returned to Japan on August 2, 1946. Hama was also told that no legal equity in the building had been established. According to Const. Howell's report, Hama also valued his house at \$350.

Assessment Notice for 1942 of the Alberni-Clayquot Land District shows improvements valued at \$250.00 belonging to Hirokichi Hama.

Obviously Shotaro Sakai and Hirokichi Hama owned two separate cabins, each assessed at \$250.00 and valued by their respective owners at \$350.00.

There is no evidence anywhere that either of these owners made a gift to Kasuichi Sakai, the Claimant.

After the Japanese Evacuation, up until October-November 1944, when the R.C.A.F. Station at Ucluelet was closed, some of the dwellings in this Japanese settlement were rented from Mrs Littleton by Air Force personnel who endeavoured to make necessary repairs to make them habitable.

During this period correspondence was carried on between the Custodian and Mrs Littleton and her solicitor, Mr A. G. McCulloch of Port Alberni. It was finally agreed that some compensation might be given to the Japanese for the buildings situated on the Estate property. An appraisal was therefore made by Mr G.H. Gilroy-Moore, together with Frank Everett representing the Lyche Estate. This appraisal dated October 23, 1944, signed by Mr. Gilroy-Moore, was reported to the Custodian on October 24, 1944. At the time the appraisal was made some of the Air Force families were still in possession. The Appraiser stated that he had some difficulty in identifying some of the houses listed by Const. Howell and he was unable to definitely relate any value to houses belonging to either Hirokichi Hama or Shotaro Sakai, but house No. 12 stated by H.G. Hinton to belong to Shotaro Sakai, was valued by Mr Gilroy-Moore at \$250.00; the position is, therefore, briefly as follows. House No. 12, identified as belonging to Shotaro Sakai, was assessed at \$250.00, declared by Shotaro Sakai to be worth \$350.00, stated by H.G. Hinton to have a sale value of \$150.00, and appraised by Mr Gilroy-Moore at \$250.00. Mr Gilroy-Moore in letters dated August 29, October 5, and October 24, 1944, amplifies statements made in his appraisal concerning the dilapidated condition of these dwellings.

It should be noted that nowhere in reports made to the Custodian's office concerning this Japanese settlement is there any mention of an eight-roomed house owned by any person or persons. Further, not even a suggestion of a gift to Kasuichi Sakai can be found in the files of any of the persons concerned, nor did Kasuichi Sakai produce any proof of a gift at the time of the hearing. Kasuichi Sakai stated in his evidence that his father gave him his interest in the house in 1932 at which time Kasuichi was seventeen years of age.

With reference to the settlement with the owner of the land, the Custodian agreed to accept one-half of the appraiser's valuation of the buildings, namely \$577.50, the Lyche Estate to bear one-half of the cost of the appraisal. These funds have not yet been apportioned but it is proposed to apportion them in relation to the values given by the Japanese owners to Const. Howell in 1942. The total value according to the Japanese was \$10250.00. Sakai's share on the basis of his own valuation of \$350.00 will therefore be very little.

With reference to the net house for which Sakai makes a claim of \$50.00, and gear and nets in Ucluelet for which his total claim is \$600.00, the net house was declared by Shotaro Sakai in 1942 to belong to him and also the gear and nets stored therein.

With reference to sale of the Fishing Vessel and the Power of Attorney signed by Kasuichi Sakai in favour of Hideo Fukuyama, consideration should be given to the fact that Kasuichi Sakai was a native-born Canadian, was apparently educated in Canada and twenty-seven years of age at the time of the Evacuation. Hideo

Fukuyama, who died about two years ago was twenty-nine years of age at the time of the evacuation and was Managing Director of the Uelualet Fishermen's Association. He also was Canadian born and spoke English and Japanese. He was given special permission to remain in the Restricted Area as representative of the boat owners and after his evacuation, was permitted to return to carry on negotiations for other Japanese. As a matter of fact two other Japanese persons were allowed to remain to represent the boat owners, the others being Miwa, an officer of the Prince Rupert Fishing Company, and Sakamoto of Steveston. Under these circumstances it would seem unreasonable to repudiate his Power of Attorney.

ACM/AC
September 28, 1949.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 12236

February 21, 1946.

Re: Shotaro SAKAI #11982

This man signed a declaration to the Custodian on August 8, 1942. He was evacuated on September 25, 1942.

The only property reported, other than the buildings which are dealt with in the Real Property Summary, was fishing gear and an old seine net stored in his net house at Ucluelet. Mr. H. G. Hinton's report of September 30, 1942, states that nothing was found in the net house or dwelling house, formerly occupied by this man.

An inventory, dated July 10, 1942, taken by Mr. Hinton shows that among goods stored at House No. 5, Ucluelet, were the following, identified as the property of Shotaro SAKAI, one box of irons, kitchenware, etc., one wringer, one pail fishing gear, one pail earthenware and one carton containing 2 large platters. The pail of fishing gear was sold in July, 1944 for \$1.25, which was credited to the account of Shotaro SAKAI. The file gives no further information in regard to the other chattels.

On September 23, 1942, SAKAI reported an oil stove, and oil tank, valued at \$80.00 left at Hastings Park Baggage Room. A Duo therm heater, identified as the property of this man, was sold on March 14, 1944, for the net sum of \$52.04. It appears likely that the tank was included with the stove in the sale, and the same is true of the carton of stove parts which, which according to undated, unsigned memorandum was stored at 992 Powell Street.

The articles sold on September 26, 1944, and credited to this account do not appear to be the property of this man. At any rate there is nothing on the file to indicate that these were his property, and the items sold do not appear to be consistent with the information available about this man. The net proceeds of this sale, \$3.07, will be transferred to Suspense Account unless some evidence comes to light to show that he is entitled to this money.

This file reveals no other personal property.

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

Machison

February 21, 1946.

NAME OSAKAT, Chetaro

REGISTRATION NO. 11982

FILE NO. 12236

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at 992 Powell, Vancouver, B.C. on March 14, 1947.

Duo therm heater

\$65.00

Total:

\$ 65.00

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$6.50

\$ 12.96

(Advertising: 0.96

(Moving: 5.50

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 45.04

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Vancouver 13

Remarks.

NAME SAKAI, Shotaro

REGISTRATION NO. 11982

FILE NO. 1236

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at 992 Powell Street, Vancouver on September 26, 1944.

Troy and contents	\$ 1.00
Rocking horse and chair	0.50
Baby buggy	1.75
Rack and 2 boxes ceremonial	1.00

*Transferred to Suspense
Account May 13, 1946*

Mr. Wills says Inventory 26th Pg.

Total

Less Expenses: Auctioneer's Fee: \$ 0.42
Advertising: 0.15
Moving: 0.61

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 4.25
\$ 1.18
\$ 3.07

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Vancouver 32.

Remarks

To: Mr. Wills

April 29, 1946.

From: F. Matheson

Re: Shotaro SAKAI, Reg. No. 11982, File 12236

On March 19, 1946, we sent you a memo reading:

"The following articles were sold at auction, Vancouver No. 32, on September 26, 1944: Tray and contents, rocking horse and chair, baby buggy, and a rack and two boxes ceremonials.

"According to your list of items sold at that auction these articles were taken from Inventory 264. Would you kindly let us know where these goods listed on 264 came from? Please let us know also if there is anything still on hand that was received on Inventory 264."

You replied on the back of our memo, as follows:

"These items were in a pile by themselves and the only mark of identification was on the ...(?), so all were sold under File 12996."

Upon investigating File 12996 we can find absolutely no record of any connection between this file and File 12236.

You forgot to tell us where the goods listed on Inventory No. 264 came from. This information might possibly help us find the owner of the goods sold, so we would appreciate having this information.

Matheson

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 12236

February 21, 1946

Re: Shota SAKAI #11982

This file reveals no liabilities.

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

J. Macdonald

February 21, 1946.

April 30, 1946.

Mr. Shotaro AKAI,
Reg. No. 11982,
Tashme, B.C.

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Goods stored at House No. 5, Uelualet, identified as your property were sold at auction and the net proceeds in the amount of \$1.25 were credited to your account.

The oil stove and tank reported by you as having been left at Hastings Park were sold at auction and the net proceeds in the amount of \$52.04 were credited to your account.

In your declaration to the Custodian you reported ownership of a 4-room bungalow and net house built on property owned by Mrs. Almer Reech. As we informed you on October 3, 1942, this property is owned by the Lyche Estate, and we have been unable to establish that you have any legal equity in this property.

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

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

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