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INFORMATION FROM R.O.M.P.

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Our File No. 13671.

Full Name Shigeko HANANISHI, Deceased.  
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. N/R Male - Female  
(Check)

Age

Former Address 1140 Stewart Avenue, Nanaimo, B. C.

Date Evacuated Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(June 15, 1900) (Check)

Present Address DIED ON MAY 3rd, 1941.

Married - Single  
(Check)

Name of Wife Riyo #07896 (File 6680) - Greenwood.

Name of Husband Oct 17/26 Dec

Name of Mother Name of Father

Names of Children under 16 Umeko (F) age 23 (File 5946);

Nobuko (F) age 21 (File 5947); Yoshio (M) Born Jan. 10, 1928. Reg. # 16538

Requested by Addie MacKay. Registered with Custodian No.  
(Yes or No)

Additional Information

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Copies for File Nos. 13671, 1584 and 6679.

File No. 6680

April 20, 1948.

REAL PROPERTY MEMORANDUM

Re: Shigeso HAMANISHI, deceased.  
and  
Riyo (Mrs. Shigeso) HAMANISHI.

Catalogue No. 611.

File No. 1584	Tokuse TEPASHITA	Registration No. 07953
6679	Ishimatsu ATAGI	07883
13671	Shigeso HAMANISHI *	Deceased.

Note: \* Each of the above three Japanese had a one-third interest in the undermentioned Real Property and Mrs. Riyo HAMANISHI, Widow of Shigeso HAMANISHI, who died on May 3, 1941, at Nanaimo, is claiming as sole beneficiary. The net sale proceeds have been paid to her by the Official Administrator. This property was sold for \$1,500.00 as per letters dated August 3, and August 31, 1944.

Legal Description:

Lots 1 and 2 in Block 113, Newcastle Townsite, of  
Section 1, Nanaimo District, Plan 366.

Assessment: (1943)

Land ..(Both Lots)... \$ 400.00  
Improvements..... 1000.00  
TOTAL \$1400.00

Valuation by Appraiser, Mr. C. H. W. Evans \$1425.00.

Sold to Mrs. E. M. Berg for..... \$1500.00  
Deceased's share..... 500.00 \*  
Mrs. Hamanishi is claiming 700.00  
less 500.00  
Net Claim \$ 200.00

Relative documents attached to Claim File.

Note: Government Counsel: Mr. Ishimatsu ATAGI has not filed a claim with the Commissioner but one has been filed by Mr. Tokuse TEPASHITA, which has been set down for hearing at Grand Forks at the same Sitting as Mrs. Hamanishi's Claim will be heard.

WJ3/HMS

.....*W. J. Hunter*.....







PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File 13671.

Shigezo HAMANISHI, Deceased.

Reg. No. —

This Japanese, a Naturalized Canadian, died on May 3rd, 1941.

His widow, Riyo (File 6680) sole beneficiary under her husband's Will, signed a Custodian "JP" declaration form on the 27th April, 1942. She was evacuated, presumably with her 3 children (aged 23, 21 & 17), on the 29th April, 1942.

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Real Property: See Real Property Summary, dated 26th September, 1946, for particulars of Jointly-owned Nanaimo property (Cat. 611) sold (Aug. 31/44) for \$1,500.00 Cash.

Liabilities: None.

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Personal Property: All Chattels were declared by Widow, and are carried in her file (6680).

Specified Articles: See Fishing Vessels Summary, dated 28th August, 1944, for particulars of F.V. "S. U.", sold (July 2/42) through Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee for \$115.00; net proceeds (\$111.35) being credited to this account.

Bills Receivable: None.

Bonds, Shares, etc.: None.

Bank Accounts: None.

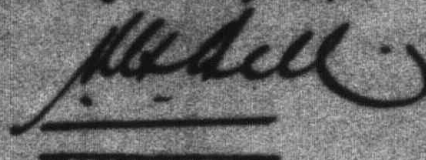
Life Insurance: None.

Funds: There is a credit balance of \$621.20 in this account at the present time; (\$111.35 net proceeds from sale of Fishing Vessel, and \$509.85 one-third share of Real Property Joint Account).

There is no other personal property interest in this file.

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

26th September, 1946.

  
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RMB/P.



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July 11, 1947.

V. C. Fawcett, Esq.,  
Official Administrator,  
Hansimo, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Shigeo Hamanishi, Deceased.

We acknowledge, with thanks, your letter of July 10, giving particulars of receipts and disbursements in the above Estate. We notice from your statement that the funds herein have been disbursed and we are, therefore, closing our file on this estate.

Yours very truly,

L. G. McArthur,  
Office of the Custodian.

/AG



Our File \_\_\_\_\_  
Your File \_\_\_\_\_  
Address Your Reply \_\_\_\_\_  
To \_\_\_\_\_



Nanaimo, B.C.,

July 10th, 1947.

The Custodian,  
Japanese Evacuation Section,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUL 11 1947
File No.	13671
Ans.	
Referred	<i>M. L. Th...</i>

Dear Sir:-

Re - Shigezo Hamanishi, deceased.

As requested by your letter of  
the 25th ultimo, I am setting out below a state-  
ment of receipts and disbursements herein:-

1946		
Oct. 3	Received from Custodian	\$621.20
Nov. 2	Minister of Finance, Commission	31.06
	Court fees on Administration, order, etc.	4.40
	Paid to Mrs. Riyo Hamanishi, beneficiary	585.74
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		\$621.20    \$621.20

Yours truly,

*V. C. Fawcett*  
V. C. Fawcett.  
Official Administrator.



6460 & 13671.

December 27th, 1946.

Mrs. Riyo HAMANISHI,  
Registration No. 07896,  
P. O. Box 577,  
Greenwood, S. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Estate of Shigeo HAMANISHI, Dec'd.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant, enclosing the Official Administrator's letter of the 7th instant advising the completion of his work as administrator of your late husband's Estate.

We, too, heard from Mr. V. C. Fawcett and on the 14th instant advised him that the Custodian has no objection to payment being effected direct to you, and you will doubtless receive this payment in the very near future. If you do not we would suggest that you communicate with Mr. Fawcett, whose letter we return to you herewith.

Yours truly,

R. G. Hall,  
Office of the Custodian.

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13671, 6680

December 14, 1946.

V. C. Fawcett, Esq.,  
Official Administrator,  
Nanaimo, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Shigeko HAMANISHI, Deceased.

Your letter of November 14th has been received and it is noted that Riyo HAMANISHI is the sole beneficiary of the Estate in the amount of \$585.74.

The Custodian will have no objection to these funds being paid direct to her. According to the latest information received from the Department of Labour, Mrs. Hamanishi lives at Greenwood, B. C.

When these funds have been paid, we would be glad to receive a statement of receipts and disbursements relative to the Estate of Shigeko HAMANISHI, Deceased, in order to complete our records.

Yours very truly,

AGM/AG

A. G. McArthur,  
Office of the Custodian.



13672 & 6680.

October 11th, 1946.

Mrs. Riyo HAMANISHI,  
Registration No. 07896,  
Greenwood, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Estate of Shiroo HAMANISHI, Deceased.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 7th inst., and assure you that we regret the delay in closing out this matter.

The Estate of your late husband is now being dealt with by the Official Administrator at Nanaimo, as the Official Administrator is required by law to settle all claims filed with him against the Estate of the Deceased person, and we have no knowledge of any obstacles to an early distribution of funds of the Estate.

In a letter to us dated 3rd October, he advises us that in making distribution he will send a cheque payable to you in care of this office. When this is received it will be forwarded to you.

Yours truly,

Ian Macpherson  
Office of the Custodian.

IM:JS



OUR FILE.....

YOUR FILE.....

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY

TO.....



Nanaimo, B.C.,

Oct. 3rd, 1946.

Mr. A. G. McArthur,  
Administration Department,  
Office of Custodian,  
Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION

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*Mr. MacArthur*

Dear Sir:-

Re - Shigezo Hamanishi, deceased.

I have your letter of September  
26th last with enclosed cheque for \$621.20.

The sole beneficiary named in  
the will of the deceased is Riyo Hamanishi, his  
wife.

In making distribution I will  
send the cheque payable to Riyo Hamanish, care of  
your office.

I enclose my receipt No. 3706 E  
for the above amount.

Yours truly,

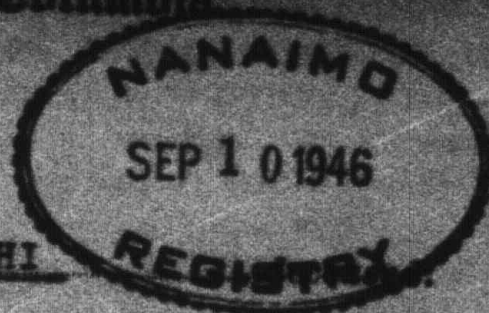
*Official Administrator.*



In the Supreme Court of British Columbia

IN PROBATE.

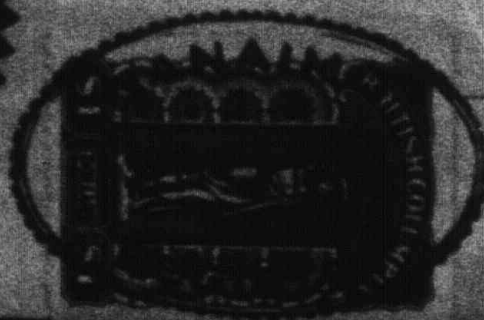
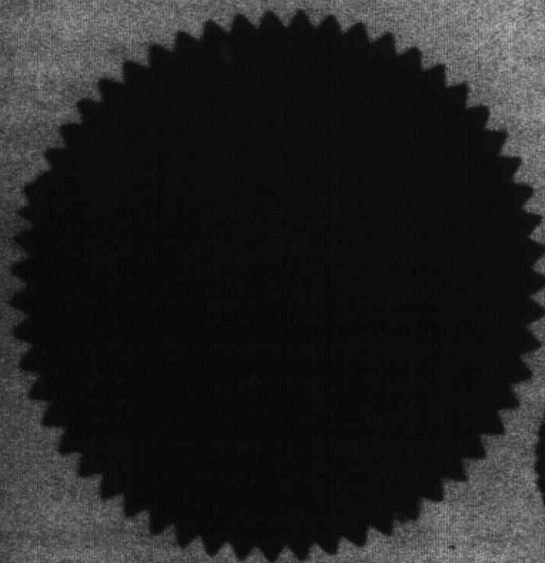
In the matter of the Estate of SHICEZO HAMANISHI



I hereby certify that the paper writing hereunto annexed and marked with the letter "A" is a true and correct copy of the Order appointing Victor C. Fawcett, Official Administrator for the County of Nanaimo, excepting therefrom the Komox Electoral and part of the Alberni Electoral Districts, the Administrator of the Estate

of the above-named deceased, issued out of this Honourable Court on the 10th day of September, 19 46.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Supreme Court of British Columbia,  
this 10th day of September, 19 46.



*W. C. Fawcett*  
Deputy District Registrar.



In the matter of the Estate of SHIGEZO HAMANISHI, deceased,

and

In the matter of the "Administration Act."

DATED THE 10th DAY OF September, A.D. 1946.

UPON reading the affidavits of Victor C. Fawcett sworn the 10th day of September 1946, the Petition of Victor C. Fawcett of even date and the exhibits referred to in the said Affidavits,

, it is ordered,

that VICTOR C. FAWCETT, Official Administrator for the

Nanaimo excepting therefrom the Comox with the Will Annexed  
County of Electoral and part of the Alberni shall be Administrator of all and singular  
Electoral Districts

the estate of SHIGEZO HAMANISHI, deceased,\* who died at

Nanaimo, British Columbia, on the 3rd day of May, 1941.

and that notice of this Order be published:

P. P. HARRISON

Local Judge of the Supreme Court.

\* Insert "with the will annexed," or as the case may be.

<sup>A</sup>  
This is the paper writing Marked "A"  
referred to in my certificate, dated the

10th day of September 1946  
W. H. Fawcett  
Deputy District Registrar



THIS IS THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

of me -----SHIGERU HAMANISHI-----of the City  
of-----NANAIMO-----in the Province of  
British Columbia,-----made this First -----  
day of-----May-----in the year of our Lord one  
thousand nine hundred and forty-one-----

I HEREBY REVOKE all former Wills and other Testamentary  
Dispositions by me at any time heretofore made, and declare  
this only to be and contain my last Will and Testament.--

I DIRECT all my just debts, Funeral and Testamentary  
expenses to be paid and satisfied by my Executors--  
hereinafter named as soon as conveniently may be after  
my demise.-----

I GIVE, DEVISE AND BEQUEATH all my Real and Personal  
Estate whatever and wheresoever in the manner following,  
that is to say: Everything to RIYO HAMANISHI, my Wife.-----

ALL the residue of my Estate, both real and personal, not  
herein before disposed of, I give, devise and bequeath  
unto

AND I nominate and appoint ISHIMATSU ATAGI and  
YOSHIBIE MAEDA  
to be Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand the day  
and year first above written.

SIGNED, published and declared  
by the said Shigeru Hamanishi  
the Testator as and for his last  
Will and Testament in the presence  
of us who both present together  
at the same time in his presence  
at his request and in the presence  
of each other have hereunto sub-  
scribed our names as witnesses.

Shigeru Hamanishi X

Name Yoshibie Maeda  
Address 104 St. George St. City.  
Occupation Fisherman

Name Ishimatsu Atagi  
Address 1130 Stewart Ave., City  
Occupation Fisherman

OFFICE COPY





C O P Y

THIS IS THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

of me SHIGEZO HAMANISHI of the City  
of Nanaimo in the Province of  
British Columbia, made this first  
day of May in the year of our Lord one  
thousand nine hundred and Forty-one

I HEREBY REVOKE all former Wills and other Testamentary  
Dispositions by me at any time heretofore made, and declare this  
only to be and contain my last Will and Testament.

I DIRECT all my just debts, Funeral and Testamentary expenses  
to be paid and satisfied by my Executors hereinafter named  
as soon as conveniently may be after my demise.

I GIVE, DEVISE AND BEQUEATH all my Real and Personal Estate  
whatsoever and wheresoever in the manner following, that is  
to say: Everything to RIYO HAMANISHI, my wife.



ALL the residue of my Estate, both real and personal, not herein  
before disposed of, I give, devise and bequeath unto

AND I nominate and appoint ISHIMATSU ATAGE and YOSHIBIE MAEDE

to be Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand the day and  
year first above written.

SIGNED, published and declared by the)  
said Shigezo Hamanishi the testator )  
as and for his last Will and Test- )  
ament in the presence of us who both )  
present together at the same time in )  
his presence at his request and in the )  
presence of each other have hereunto )  
subscribed our names as witnesses. )

"Shigezo Hamanishi"

X

Name....."Yoshibie Maede".....

Address...104 St. George St. City.....

Occupation....."Fisherman".....

Name....."Ishimatsu Atagi".....

Address...1130 Stewart Ave. City.....

Occupation....."Fisherman".....



COPY

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
IN PROBATE.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHIGESO HAMANISHI,  
Deceased.

I, YOSHIBIE MAEDE, of Greenwood in the Province of British Columbia, make oath and say that I am one of the subscribing witnesses to the last will and testament of Shigeso Hamanishi of Nanaimo, British Columbia, deceased, the said will being now hereunto annexed bearing date the 1st day of May 1941.

1. That I further make oath and say that the said testator duly executed his said will on the day of the date thereof by making his mark at the foot or end thereof as the same now appears thereon in the presence of me the said Yoshibie Maede, and of Ishimitsu Atagi, the other subscribing witness thereto, both of us being present at the same time, and we therefor attested and subscribed the said will in the presence of the said testator.

2. AND I FURTHER make oath, that previously to the execution of the said will by the said testator, the same was read over to him by me and he the said deceased at such time seemed thoroughly to understand the same.

SWORN BEFORE me at Greenwood, )  
British Columbia, this 3rd )  
day of June, 1946. )

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Yoshibie Maede

Chambers Council  
A Commissioner for taking Affidavits  
Within the Province of British Columbia.



1584 & 13671

June 17, 1946.

Mr. Tokuzo TERASHITA,  
Registration No. 07953,  
Greenwood, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Finance

On the 9th of October, 1945, we remitted to you all the funds held in your account with this office.

On the 11th of March, 1946, we reestablished a credit balance in your account by the transfer thereto of one-third of the balance standing at the credit of the joint account in which we carry the Hanaimo property formerly registered in the names of Tokuzo TERASHITA (File No. 1584), Ishimatsu ATAGI (File No. 6679) and Shigeko HAMANISHI (File No. 13671) and sold by this office under Cat. No. 611.

As you know, the actual distribution of these funds is dependent on the administration of the estate of the late Shigeko HAMANISHI, and the determination of the exact amount due to that estate, but we are prepared to release a portion of the funds (say \$100/150) now carried in your account, subject to such release having the approval of the Department of Labour, Japanese Division, as you are a resident of one of their Interior Housing areas. If, therefore, you are in urgent need of funds we would suggest that you discuss your needs with your local Supervisor and first obtain his approval.

Yours truly,

RGB/AC

R. G. Bell,  
Administration Department.



13671, 6680

June 12th, 1946.

Mr. V.C. Fawcett,  
Official Administrator,  
Nanaimo, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate Shigeo HAMANISHI, Deceased.

Reference is made to our letter to you dated May 14th last in which we reported an offer to purchase Lots 1 and 2 in Blk. 113, Newcastle Townsite, Section 1, Nanaimo District, Plan 366, at a price of \$1500.00, and in which we informed you that the proportion of the price accruing to the Estate would be \$509.85. This information was not strictly correct as the  $\frac{1}{3}$  interest will be \$500.00. There have been other credits to the property however, as appear on the statement enclosed, and the \$509.85 is the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the total present credit of \$1529.53 to the Joint Account.

There will be some further charges to the account for registration etc., and when transfer of Title is complete, we will send you a final statement. In the meantime we wished to explain the figures given you.

Yours truly,

Ian Macpherson,  
Title Examiner.

IM:ML  
Encl. (1)



13671, 6680

May 14th, 1946.

Mr. V.C. Fawcett,  
Official Administrator,  
Hannino, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate Shigeso HAMANISHI, Deceased.

In respect to the application of Mrs. Riyo HAMANISHI to administer the Estate of her deceased husband, Shigeso HAMANISHI, we are forwarding you herewith the following documents.

- (1) Certified copy of Certificate of Encumbrance of the property in which the Estate is interested.
- (2) Renunciation in duplicate of Right to Probate the Will of the deceased signed by Ichimatsu ATAGI, one of the executors under the Will.
- (3) Renunciation in duplicate of Right to Probate the Will of the deceased in the name of Yoshie HAMADA, the other executor under the Will.
- (4) Renunciation in duplicate of Right to Administration of the Estate and consent to the issue of Letters of Administration executed by Riyo HAMANISHI, widow of the Deceased, and Japanese signature witnessed by S. NISHIMURA.
- (5) Renunciation in duplicate of Right to Administer and consent to issue of Letters of Administration executed by Umeko HAMANISHI, daughter of the Deceased.
- (6) Renunciation in duplicate of Right to Administer and consent to issue of Letters of Administration executed by Nobuko HAMANISHI, daughter of the Deceased.
- (7) Statement as to death of Shigeso HAMANISHI, made by Mrs. HAMANISHI before C.L. COWDRELL.

You recently advised us that the original Will is in your possession.

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Encl. (2)  
Incl.

Ken Macpherson,  
Little Examiner.

Yours truly,

Ishimatsu ATAGI is one of the Japanese being repatriated and  
if anything further is required from him or if his repatriation is  
not in order, will you please advise me by return mail if possible  
in order that my letter regarding his attention should be completed  
before he sails for Japan.

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if anything further is required from him or if his repatriation is  
not in order, will you please advise me by return mail if possible  
in order that my letter regarding his attention should be completed  
before he sails for Japan.

He are not aware that you have obtained Inventory "A" and "B"  
of the Estate, declaration of value and relationship, and declaration  
of death and Certificate of Death. If you will advise me if any of  
these or other documents are required, sending me the forms to be  
filled and declared, I will arrange for execution and return to you  
later.

The property involved consists of Lots 1 & 2 in Block 113,  
Nescaite Township, Section 1, Kawato District, Plan 366 as in copy  
of Certificate of Encumbrance enclosed. This property has been  
sold by the Custodian at a price of \$1500.00. So far as we have  
information, the Estate in question consists of a 1/3rd interest in  
the above two lots, a duplex house numbers 1170 and 1150 Stewart Ave.,  
Kawato, and a credit of \$111.35 now in Mrs. HAWAISHI's account with  
the Custodian. The total credit to her account at present, including  
the 1/3rd interest of the property sold, is \$621.20 which we will remit  
to you.





DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR  
JAPANESE DIVISION

EVACUATION SECTION	
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<i>Ian Macpherson</i>	

360 Homer Street,  
VANCOUVER, B.C.  
May 1st, 1946.

Att'n Mr. Ian Macpherson

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate Shigezo HAMANISHI, Deceased.  
Your file No. 13671

Replying to your inquiry of April 29th, our Greenwood Supervisor was successful in having forms of renunciation signed by the widow, Riyo HAMANISHI, and her daughters, Umeko and Nobuko. He also obtained the formal renunciation of Yoshibel MAEDE, one of the executors. We enclose these forms herewith.

The other executor, Ishimatsu ATAGI, now resides at East Kelowna, and we forwarded the renunciation form to him direct. Under date of April 15th, he replied objecting to the signing of this form, but requesting that his third interest in the property be settled. We replied on April 17th, pointing out the necessity of having these matters straightened out before his departure for Japan, and explaining that it was necessary for Mr. HAMANISHI's estate to be administered before his interest in the property could be realized. We have heard nothing further from him. We are writing again today, and will advise you as soon as we have anything to report.

Yours very truly,

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR - JAPANESE DIVISION

*M. L. Brown*

M. L. Brown  
Office Manager



13761, 6680,  
5946, 5947 - Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.  
April 5, 1946

V. C. Fawcett, Esq.,  
Official Administrator,  
Nanaimo, B. C.

Re: Estate of Shigezo HAMANISHI, Dec'd,  
and Lots 1 & 2 in Block 113, Newcastle Town-  
site of Sec. 1, Nanaimo Dist. Plan 366

Dear Sir:

In confirmation of our Mr. Bell's recent telephone conversation with you, we wish to advise you that one-third of the net proceeds received from the sale of the above-mentioned property has been transferred from the Joint Account to the account of Shigezo Hamanishi, deceased.

Also, we have completed Renunciation Forms and have forwarded same to the Department of Labour, Japanese Division, for the signature of the two Executors and all the heirs who would be entitled to apply for Letters Probate. As soon as these Renunciations are returned to us, they will be forwarded to you without delay and we wish to take this opportunity of thanking you in anticipation of your co-operation in the settlement of this Estate.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Johnston  
Administration Department

WJ/JF



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March 11, 1946.

Mrs. Riyo HAMANISHI,  
Registration No. 07896,  
Greenwood, B.C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Estate of Shigezo HAMANISHI (Deceased)

We have to acknowledge receipt of your letters of the 15th January and 4th ultimo asking for information regarding the administration of your husband's estate.

This matter has moved a step forward today by the transfer of your husband's one-third interest in the Joint Account in which proceeds from sale of his real property has been held, to the account of his estate, under File No. 13671. The Official Administrator has been communicated with and as soon as the necessary renunciation forms have been completed the balance in the Estate Account will be turned over to him for administration in accordance with the terms of the Will, as required by law. To expedite this stage our legal department is preparing the forms, which will then be sent to the Department of Labour, Japanese Division, to obtain the necessary signatures and pass the completed forms on to the Official Administrator at Nanaimo.

Yours truly,

RGB/P

R. G. Bell,  
Administration Department.

cc. to C.V. Fawcett, Esq.,  
Official Administrator,  
Nanaimo, B.C.



13671, 6679, 6680, 5946  
1947, 1584.

March 27th, 1946.

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

Re: Lots 1 & 2, Blk. 113, Newcastle  
Townsite, Sec. 1, Nanaimo District,  
Plan 366.

The registered owners of this property are Shigeko HAMANISHI, Takano TERASHITA and Ichimatsu ATAGI. A Vesting Certificate No. 50295 covering the interests of the above registered owners was filed on October 21st, 1942. Shigeko HAMANISHI died on the 3rd May 1941, of which event we had no knowledge at the time of filing the Vesting Certificate. Transmission to the Secretary of State of title and deed to Edith Marie BENS were registered on the 1st November 1944, at which date we had no knowledge of the decease of HAMANISHI.

Actually HAMANISHI having died prior to evacuation, the interests to be Vested were those of the heirs to his Estate. As title to the land is passed to Mrs. BENS this vesting cannot now be filed.

On March 27th, 1945, the matter of Letters of Administration was taken up with Mr. V.C. Fancett, Official Administrator at Nanaimo, who replied on the 31st that he had been advised by the B.C. Security Commission at Greenwood that HAMANISHI left a Will, and on April 19, the B.C. Security Commission advised us that this Will had been sent in. It is not said to whom the will had been sent but apparently it had been sent to this office as Mr. Wright refers to it in his memorandum of April 27 and suggests that the original will be returned to the B.C. Security Commission, which was done on the 30th April. There is no copy of this will on file.

As this will exists, before Letters of Administration can be applied for by the Official Administrator, it will be necessary to procure renunciations from the two executors in the will, and a renunciation of probate by all the heirs. The Department of Labour's letter of November 6th, 1945, states that preliminary waivers by the executors have already been signed but there is no copy of these waivers on file. Presumably they will sign formal renunciations, which are being sent to them and to the heirs.

IN:HL



13671, 6680, 5946, 5947.

March 26th, 1946.

Mr. H.L. Brown,  
Department of Labour,  
Japanese Division,  
360 Homer St.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Shigezo HAMANISHI, Deceased.

We have heretofore had some correspondence with you and through your office in an effort to get the matter of this Estate in shape which will permit us to pay the proceeds of the sale of land owned by the Estate at Nanaimo, B. C., and again solicit your assistance. The land in question is Lots 1 & 2, Blk. 113, Newcastle Townsite, Sec. 1, Nanaimo District, Plan 336, in which the deceased has a 1/3rd interest. The deceased left a Will appointing Ichimatsu ATAGI and Yoshie SADE as executors, and we understand that these executors would prefer to be released from this appointment. We therefore propose to obtain from them a formal renunciation and from the three heirs named in the Will, Mrs. HAMANISHI and her daughters, Ueko and Nobuko, who are of age, a renunciation and consent to the Estate being administered by the Official Administrator, Mr. V.C. FANCETT of Nanaimo. To this end we are enclosing certain documents which we shall be pleased if you will forward to your agent at Greenwood and Peachland. One of the executors, Ichimatsu ATAGI resides at Peachland, and the other, Yoshie SADE at Greenwood. The documents enclosed are: (1) Renunciation in duplicate to be signed by ATAGI, (2) Renunciation in duplicate to be signed by SADE, (3) Renunciation in duplicate to be signed by Riyo HAMANISHI, (4) Renunciation in duplicate to be signed by Ueko HAMANISHI and (5) Renunciation in duplicate to be signed by Nobuko HAMANISHI. Both original and duplicate of these documents should be returned to this office.

We shall also require to submit to Mr. FANCETT the Will of the late Shigezo HAMANISHI. We are not sure where this will is at present. You sent it to us and from our files we believe that we returned it to Mrs. HAMANISHI through your office as in your letter of November 6th last, you state that the Will can be sent again to us if required.



Mr. H.L. Brown-

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It may be that it has already been sent to Mr. FANCHER. Our files  
also not exhibit on this point. He should be placed if you could  
make inquiries of your agent at Greenwood if Mrs. HANSEN is in  
possession of this will, obtain it and forward it to us again.

With these documents complete, we shall make application to the  
Official Administrator to administer the estate and distribute the  
assets held by the executor which will be forwarded to him.

Yours truly,

Lawyer  
The Executor.

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Files Nos. 13671, 6680,  
6679, 1694 (Evae)

April 27, 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: MR. R. G. BELL

FROM: MR. K. W. WRIGHT

RE: Shigezo HAMANISHI, Deceased

I return herewith the letter of B. C. Security Commission addressed to you under date of 19th instant; also the original Will of Shigezo HAMANISHI.

I note from the Will that Riyo HAMANISHI, wife of Shigezo HAMANISHI is the sole beneficiary and that Ishimatsu ATAGI and Yoshie MAEDE are the Executors named therein.

If Mr. Fawcett, Official Administrator at Nanaimo is to proceed with an application to the Court for Letters of Administration with the Will annexed, he will require formal renunciation of Probate, signed by the Executors. I therefore suggest that you return the original Will to the B. C. Security Commission by registered mail and ask them to have their Supervisor interview the Executors named in the Will. If they are willing to renounce Probate, the B. C. Security Commission may send the Will to the Official Administrator and indicate the desire of the Executors to withdraw. The Official Administrator will then furnish them with the required forms and his application may be proceeded with.

Funds in the Custodian's hands may be paid to the personal representative appointed by the Court upon receipt of a certified copy of Letters of Administration with the Will annexed, or a certified copy of the Probate if the Executors named are appointed.

I would be obliged if you would speak to me about the distribution of funds which belong to co-owners of a parcel of real estate which I note from the file has been sold. Evidently all these funds still stand in the joint account. As the estate is only entitled to one-third, I see no reason for blocking the remaining two-thirds, but have not reviewed all the correspondence, nor have I looked at the co-owner's files.

K. W. WRIGHT

KWW/JF  
Attach.

*Mr. Bell.  
Apr 30  
As you alone improve  
of varying value 50% 35%  
disburse to allot funds  
with approval of personal  
repres - when appointed  
K. W. W.*



1367L  
Cat. No. 611.

March 27th, 1945.

V. C. Fawcett, Esq.,  
Official Administrator,  
Sanaine, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Shigene HAMANISHI (Deceased).

We understand that a request to have this estate administered has been filed with you by the widow, Mrs. Riyo Hamanishi, and we, therefore, enclose herewith:

- (1) Complete statement covering sale of Real Property and showing net residue of \$1,418.97.
- (2) Statement of Joint Account in which above property is carried, showing a credit balance of \$1,529.53.
- (3) Our covering letter of 27/3/1945.

To enable us to distribute the assets represented by the balance of the Joint Account please advise us as soon as possible of the amount payable to you for account of the above Estate, at the same time supplying us with letters from Tokuzo TERASHITA and Ishimatsu ATAGI accepting the share accruing to them. In this connection we have to advise that our records show the buildings on the jointly owned land, and the value placed on them by the appraiser, to be as follows:

House No. 1130, declared by Ishimatsu ATAGI	\$ 125.00
House No. 1136, declared by Tokuzo TERASHITA	\$ 50.00
Duplex No. 1140/1150 declared by Riyo HAMANISHI	\$ 350.00
Appraised value of Land (Lots 1 and 2, Block 113)	\$ 900.00
Total appraised value . . . . .	\$1425.00
Sold for . . . . .	\$1500.00

*modified  
own funds  
(5/13/1945)*

We would add that in addition to the above assets we hold the sum of \$111.35 in the account of "Shigene HAMANISHI, Deceased". This sum represents the net residue from sale of a Fishing Vessel of which our records show the deceased was registered owner.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,  
Administration Department.

RGB/P.  
Encl.



1136 Stewart Ave Nanaimo B.C.  
March 1st 1945

The Custodians Office  
Department of the Secretary of State  
of Canada  
Vancouver B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 1 1945
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	Peters

Dear Sirs,

File 13671

I have received my  
title for the following property

Catalogue No 611

1130-36-4 & 1150 Stewart Ave.

Nanaimo/182/113/Newcastle T./1/366.

Thanking you very much

I am yours truly

Mrs. Edith M. Berg



# Agreement for Sale of Vessel

BETWEEN:

RIYO HAMANISHI

(hereinafter called the "Vendor")

OF THE FIRST PART

AND

BRITISH COLUMBIA PACKERS LIMITED

(hereinafter called the "Purchaser")

OF THE SECOND PART

I  
In consideration of the sum of \$1.00, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I agree to the sale and purchase of the vessel hereunder described:

Name of Vessel: "S. U." (S.H.) 3332 NAN 886 N 79A

Port of Registry: NANAIMO

Official Number: NAN 886

Length: 28'

Breadth: 7'

Depth: 3'

Propelling power: EASTHOPE 8 HP

For the price or sum of \$115.00 (ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN DOLLARS)

Payable as follows: CASH

I  
FURTHER, I the said RIYO HAMANISHI

for my heirs, covenant with the said BRITISH COLUMBIA PACKERS LTD and THEIR assigns,

that I have power to transfer in the manner aforesaid, the premises hereinbefore expressed to be transferred, and that the same are free from encumbrances, except as hereunder set out:

~~BALANCE of purchase price to be secured forthwith by mortgage on the vessel.~~

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals this

20<sup>th</sup> day of November

A.D. 1944

SIGNED, SEALED and DELIVERED

in the presence of:

*Leonard Howdill*

*Mobuko Hamanishi +*

Witness to Riyo Hamanishi's cross  
*H. Iwacaki*



JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIM

Whilst in Naval Custody, my boat "S..U.."(S.H.I...3332.NAM 886 N 79A  
Official No...NAM.886..... suffered damage as set forth  
in the surveyors' report.

If the Dominion Government will allow me \$.....  
to make good that damage, including missing inventory, I agree  
that I shall not make further claim of any nature whatsoever  
against the Dominion Government, and hereby authorize the  
Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee to pay the sum so  
allowed to.BRITISH.COLUMBIA.PACKERS.LTD.....

*Nobuko Hamanishi* +  
(Boat Owner) *Witness to Nobuko Hamanishi*  
*H. Iwasaki* *Cross*

The damage claim of \$..... is fair and just.

.....  
Surveyor for Japanese Fishing  
Vessels Disposal Committee.

.....  
Surveyor for Naval Service

DATED at Vancouver, B. C.

.....August 6th.....1942.



~~13671~~ & 13671

AUGUST 7, 1944.

British Columbia Security Commission,  
Dick Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention: Mr. M. L. Brown

Dear Sir:

Re: Mrs. Riyo HAMANISHI, #07896, Greenwood, B.C.  
and Shigezo HAMANISHI (Deceased)

Thank you for your letter of July 26th, enclosing memorandum from Mr. D. MacTavish, Supervisor at Greenwood.

The information obtained by Mr. MacTavish enabled us to locate a vessel, licensed at the Port of New Westminster in the name of S. Hamanishi. The licence, No. 886, was issued in the year 1919 for a vessel of similar dimensions to that of the vessel "S.U." sold by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee.

We are, therefore, crediting the sum of \$111.35 (net proceeds from the sale of the vessel "S.U.") to the account of the Estate of the late Shigezo HAMANISHI.

Yours very truly

F. Matheson,  
Specified Articles Department.



SUMMARY OF REAL PROPERTY OR INTEREST THEREIN:

OWNED BY Shigazo HAMANISHI REG. NO. (Deceased)

(1) Nature of Interest:

(a) Owner: Certificate of Title or unregistered Deed held by Tokuze TERASHITA (J.P.)

(b) Part owner (Major in common)

Co-owners Ishimatsu ATAGI (File 6679 - House No. 1130)

Tokuze TERASHITA (File 1584 - House No. 1136)

(c) Holder of the right to purchase                      Equity \$                     

Vendor                     

(d) Holder as Mortgagee                      Equity \$                     

Mortgagee                     

(2) Cert. of Title No. 12857-N In the name of Shigazo HAMANISHI  
Tokuze TERASHITA  
Ishimatsu ATAGI

(3) Property address 1140-1150 Stewart Ave. Mun. Nanaimo

(4) Legal description Lots 1 and 2, in Block 113, Newcastle Townsite, of Section  
1, Nanaimo District, Plan 366 I.R.O. Victoria

(5) Vested in the Custodian 50295 Certificate of Encumbrance November 12, 1942.

(6) If Agricultural Lands: Type of Farm                     

Acreage                      Crops                     

SSB No.                     

(7) ASSESSED VALUE: LAND \$ 400.00 IMPROVEMENTS \$ 1,000.00

(8) Appraised value if any: Land \$                      Improvements \$                     

(9) Taxes: Current \$ 22.35 (1944) Arrears \$ 28.00 (1943)

(10) Water or other rates: Current \$                      Arrears \$                     

(11) Encumbrance:                      Dated                      Amount \$                      Matures                     

Payments: Prin. \$                      Due                      Bal. owing \$                     

Int. rate                      Due                      Total owing \$                      (R.2)

(12) Judgments or other charges 65160-9- Reservation of minerals etc. in favour  
of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company.

(13) Leased or rented to Mrs. F. L. Sherlock Amount \$ 5.00 per month

All or part                      Chattels included                     

Terms month-to-month. This is a duplex bungalow of poor construction.

Total owing \$                     

(14) Insurance: Agent                      Company                     

Pol. No.                      Amount \$                      Premium \$                      Exp. date                     

(15) If liquidated: Amt. realized \$                      Cash \$                      Outstanding \$                     

(16) Agent Bald, Mitchell and Company Limited, Nanaimo, B. C.

Dated this 25th day of July A.D. 1944

Ex'd. by Accounting Dept.                     

Compiled by:                     

A.D. 1943

R. G. Bell.



26th September, 1944.

REAL PROPERTY MEMORANDUM

FILE NO: 13671, 1584, 6679  
NAME: Shigase Hamanishi, Tokuso Terashita and Ichimatsu Atagi  
CATALOGUE NO: 611  
RE: 1140-1150, 1136 and 1130 Stewart Avenue, Nanaimo, B.C.  
- 3 dwellings (1 duplex)

CERTIFICATE OF ENCUMBRANCE:

Description of Property: Lots 1 and 2 in Block 113, Newcastle Townsite, of Section 1, Nanaimo District, Plan 366.

Encumbrances: None

Taxes: 1944 taxes paid - no arrears or consolidated.

Vested: 50295

VALUATION BY APPRAISER: \$1425.00

AMOUNT OF BID: \$1500.00

APPROVED BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: July 25th, 1944.

AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN: \$1500.00

NAME OF PURCHASER: Edith Marie Berg.

K.W. WRIGHT

KW/DO  
Attache







REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Catalogue No. 611.

File No. 1584  
6679  
13671

Tokuzo TERASHITA  
Ishimatsu ATAGI  
Shigeso HAMANISHI

Reg. No. 07953  
07083  
Dec'd.

Address: 1130, 1136, 1140/50 Stewart Avenue, Nanaimo, B. C.

Legal Description: Lots 1 and 2, in Block 113, Newcastle Townsite, of Section 1,  
NANAIMO DISTRICT, Plan 366.

Classification: 2 Bungalows and a Duplex Bungalow.

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Registered in the names of: SHIGESO HAMANISHI, TOKUZO TERASHITA and ISHIMATSU ATAGI.

State of Title (No. 12857-N): Clear.

Sold to: MRS. EDITH MARIE BERN for \$1,500.00 (Cash).

As at: August 31st, 1944.

Title (No. 34085-N) delivered to new Registered Owner on: February 26th, 1945.

Net proceeds (\$1,418.97) released to credit of Shigeso HAMANISHI, Tokuzo TERASHITA and Ishimatsu ATAGI (Joint Account 1584, 6679 & 13671) on: February 19th, 1945. Balance of this Joint Account has been liquidated by transfer (March 11th, 1946) to individual personal accounts concerned.

Completed sales statement mailed to parties concerned on: March 27th, 1945.

Chattels: None.

Insurance: None. (Buildings uninsurable).

Administration: The joint owners of the above 2 lots, situated on the waterfront at the junction of Stewart Avenue and Eighth Street in the Brechin district of Nanaimo, each owned his own house, the appraiser's description and valuation of the buildings being as follows:

No. 1130 (deeded by Ishimatsu ATAGI. File 6679):

A small 3-room Cottage, built on posts (over water). No brick chimney. Not in very good condition. Value: \$125.00  
(Rented to date of sale @ \$5.00 per month)

(Over)



No. 1136 (declared by Tokuzo TERASHITA, File 1584):

A 4-room Cottage, built on piling, which is eaten away to a dangerous extent by teredo. Tin chimney. In very poor condition. Value not more than:  
(Rented for a time @ \$5.00 per month but vacant since March 10th, 1944).

\$ 50.00

No. 1140/1150 (declared by Riyo HAMANISHI, widow of Shigeco HAMANISHI. Deceased. File 13671):

A duplex bungalow, each half of 4 rooms, of light construction, on posts. Tin chimneys. Worth approximately: \$350.00  
(Rented for a time @ \$5.00 (each) but 1140 vacant since April 1st, 1944, and 1150 since March 11th, 1944).

Land valued at:

\$900.00

The Official Administrator at Manama was advised of these values in our letter of the 27th March, 1945, in connection with the Estate of Shigeco HAMANISHI. In his acknowledgment of this letter (Mar. 31/45) he wrote: "The deceased's interest would be an undivided one third", and on the strength of this the Joint Account in which the property has been carried was liquidated by transfer of an equal one-third share to each of the individual personal accounts concerned.

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

26th September, 1946.

  
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RCB/P.



Catalogue No. 611,  
File No. 13671, 6679 & 1584  
1140-1150, 1136 and 1130 Stewart Ave. Nanaimo, B.C.  
Lots 1 and 2 in Blk. 113, Newcastle Townsite, of  
Section 1, Nanaimo District, Plan 366.

February 14th, 1945.

EDITH MARIE BIRD

( purchaser )

In account with: The Custodian of Enemy Property

STATEMENT OF ADJUSTMENTS

(as at August 31st, 1944)

	DEBIT	CREDIT
Purchase price	\$1500.00	
Charges received		1900.00
Registration fees on deed - \$1500.00	7.25	
Purchaser's proportion of 1944 taxes 122/365 x \$22.35	7.47	
Rent - August 9th to August 31st \$11.30 22/31 x 5.00	3.55	
Balance owing by purchaser		18.27
	<u>\$1518.27</u>	<u>\$1518.27</u>

BALANCE OWING BY PURCHASER - \$18.27



SHIGEO HAMANISHI  
Tokuo TERASHIMA,  
Tokuo ATARI

Files 13671, 1364, 6679  
Reg. Dec'd, 07553, 07553

Date	Particulars	Debit	Credit	Balance
1944 August 1	Rents collected			
	Commission	43.00		\$ 233.00
	Repairs	16.70		
	Land Registry Office - Certificate of Encumbrance	2.00		
	Taxes - 1943 and 1944	52.09		
	Repairs to water pipes	4.45		
	Rents collected		45.00	
	Commission & Repairs	12.75		
August 31	Balance rents to date (nett)		3.55	
	Survey of property	40.00		
			1,418.97	
	Credit re Sale of Property			
		\$ 170.99	\$1,700.52	

GR \$ 1,529.53



File No. 13671  
Reg. No. 07896  
Deceased

Shigeo HAMANISHI

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1943 April 7	Proceeds Boat sale	\$	\$ 111.35	
1946 March 13	Transfer 1/3 joint account		509.85	
September 27	Cheque to you	621.20		
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		\$ 621.20	\$ 621.20	

NIL

Accounting Department  
April 20th, 1948



File Nos.  
13671, 1584, 6679  
Reg. Nos.  
Dec'd, 07953, 07883

Shigao HAMANISHI  
Tokuso TERASHITA  
Ichimatsu AYAGI

Date	Particulars	Debit	Credit	Balance
1944 August 1	Rents collected	\$ 43.00	\$ 233.00	
	Commission	16.70		
	Repairs	2.00		
	Land Registry Office - Certificate of Encumbrance	52.09		
	Taxes 1943-44	4.45		
	Repairs to water pipes		45.00	
	Rents collected			
	Commission & repairs	12.75		
	Balance rents to date (nett)		3.55	
August 31	Survey of property	40.00		
	Credit re sale of property		1,418.97	
1946 March 12	Transfer to single accounts - 1/3 each	1,529.53		
		\$1,700.52	\$1,700.52	

CR \$ NIL

Accounting Department  
April 20th, 1948