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FILE NO. 14986

File No.

Ans.

J.M.C.

Referred

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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: *Wakichi Tokuda*
HOME ADDRESS: *Port Alice, B.C.*
REGISTRATION NUMBER: *09811* SEX: *male* AGE: *38*
OCCUPATION: *mill hand*

(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: *B C Pulp and Paper Co., Ltd. Vancouver, B.C.*

MARRIED? *no*

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND:

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND:

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:

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable)

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS.

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST.

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS.

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:

1 only Victor camera Model 55, \$2.8 lens.
35 mm size film also Kodak carrying case
at D.D. McKay, Connelly, B.C. office
for Alice Spalding.

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 15th day of Sept 1948

(Signature) W. Tokuda

Witness _____

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE _____

RETURNED TO JAPAN
S. S. MARINE ANGEL
31st MAY, 1946

open file
INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

July 22/43

Our File No.

14976

Full Name

TOKUDA, Wakichi

(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No.

09811

Male - Female
(check)

Age

Mar. 8, 1905

Former Address

Port Alice, B.C.

Date Evacuated

Mar. 18/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

Sleean, B.C.

Tashme, BC
Papoff Farms

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

Name of Husband

Name of Mother

nee
FUKUSAKA

Name of Father

Ryotaro (Dead)

Names of Children under 16

(Japan)

Requested by

D. Egglestone

Registered with Custodian

No

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Mill Worker

Owns Camera

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 \$ 200
no a/c

Dear Sir:

Re: TOKUDA, Wakichi 14986
#09811

Please note that the above has been
repatriated to Japan. At the time of repatriation, the
following transactions took place:

Cash turned in - - - - - \$ Nil

Draft Issued - - - - - \$ 200.00

It will be seen that this Japanese is
indebted to the Department on account of repatriation in
the amount of \$ 200.00. Therefore should you receive
further funds on this account such funds should be turned
into this office. It will be applied first to ~~repay~~ the
expenditure made and, second, if there is any surplus such
surplus will be remitted to Japan for the account of the
Japanese in question.

Yours truly,

E. G. COBURN
E. G. COBURN,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FGC/EJ.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	NOV 20 1945
File No.	14986
For	
Released	<i>Mackay</i>

Port Alice, B.C.
March 10th, 1942

RECEIVED FROM WAKICHI TOKUDA, Parole Cert.
#136970, 1 only Perfex camera, model 55, F2.8 lens,
35 mm size film. Also one leather carrying case for
same.

D. O. Mackay
(D. O. Mackay)
Constable, B.C. Police,
Port Alice Detachment

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December 7, 1945.

British Columbia Police,
Port Alice Detachment,
Port Alice, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Masichi TOKUDA, Reg. #09811

We have received from the above-named person a receipt for one Perfox camera, model 55, F2.8 lens, 35 mm size film and one leather carrying case for same, which shows that these articles were handed to Constable D.G. Mackay of your force on the 13th of March, 1942, at Port Alice.

As these articles have not been reported to this office by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, we understand that these would still be in your possession.

Mr. Tokuda has requested the return of his camera and we would therefore request that you mail the camera and case to him by insured parcel post. His address is,

Mr. Masichi TOKUDA,
Reg. No. 09811,
TASHME, B. C.

Enclosed is postal note for 25 cents. We believe this should be sufficient to cover mailing costs.

We would appreciate your attending to this matter, and also advising Mr. Tokuda when shipment is made. If you will send this office a copy of your letter to Mr. Tokuda we would be grateful as this would complete our records as far as this particular item is concerned.

Thank you in anticipation of your kind attention.

Yours truly,

Enclosure

F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

Your File No. 14986



SUBJECT: Wakichi TOKUDA, Reg' #09811

VACATION SECTION	
In reply quote File No.	DEC 14 1945
Re: _____	
File No. _____	
Referred _____	

Port Alice Detachment,
December 11th. 1945.

Mr. F. Matheson,
Protection Dept.,
Office of the Custodian.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 7th instant, re a camera belonging to the above named. I have to advise that the camera is not held at this Office. As there appears to be some doubt as to the actual location the camera is held I have forwarded a copy of your letter to our head Office with what information was available here and in due course you will be advised.

Postal Note for Twenty-five cents returned herewith,

Yours truly,

E. W. Bell

(E.W. Bell) Constable,
i/c Port Alice Detachment.

*The sum of 25¢
held in P.M. Bell's desk
P.M.*

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February 6, 1946.

Mr. Wakichi TOKUDA,
Registration No. 09811,
TASHME, B. C.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the camera which you surrendered to the British Columbia Provincial Police, we wish to advise that this was not among the cameras turned over to the Custodian by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. We are in communication with the Provincial Police in regard to this matter and will write you again as soon as we have something definite to report.

In the meantime we are returning the 25 cents you sent us. We are holding your receipt as this evidence that you did surrender a camera to the Provincial Police is of assistance to us in following the matter up with the police. Your receipt reads as follows:

"Port Alice, B. C.
March 10th, 1942

RECEIVED FROM WAKICHI TOKUDA, Parole Cert. #136770,
I only Perflex camera, model 55, F2.8 lens, 35 mm size
film. Also one leather carrying case for same.

(Signed) D.O. MacKay
(D.O. MacKay)
Constable, B.C. Police,
Port Alice Detachment."

This letter is your proof that this receipt is in the hands of the Custodian.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Protection Department

Enclosure (25¢)

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February 6, 1946.

Constable E. W. Bell,
Port Alice Detachment,
British Columbia Provincial Police,
Port Alice, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Wakichi TOKUDA Reg. No. 09811

Your reply of December 11th, 1945, to our letter of December 7th, 1945, in regard to a camera and case surrendered by Wakichi TOKUDA to Constable D. O. MacKay of your force, stated that you had taken this matter up with your Head Office and would be advising us in due course.

Since that time almost two months have elapsed, and we must make some sort of report to Mr. TOKUDA. We would therefore appreciate hearing from you or the Head Office of the Provincial Police as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

Your File No. **14986**



In reply quote File No.

SUBJECT: **TOKUDA, Wakichi**
Reg. No. 09811

Port Alice, B.C.
February 15th. 1946.

F. Matheson
Protection Dept.,
Office of the Custodian,

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 19 1946
File No.	14986
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Matheson</i>

Dear Sirs:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 6th instant re above subject. Copy of same has been forwarded to our Head Office with a request that same be replied to from there.

It would be appreciated if any further correspondence in connection with this matter would be forwarded direct to The Commissioner, B.C. Provincial Police, Victoria, B.C.

Yours truly,

E. W. Bell
E.W. Bell, Skipper,
i/c Port Alice Detachment.

Address all communications to:
THE COMMISSIONER
British Columbia Provincial Police
(C.I.D.)
Victoria, B.C.



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT

Your File No.

RECORDATION SECTION

In reply quote File No. 45/W-5-5
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SUBJECT:

Wakichi TOKUDA -
Reg. No. 09811 - -

Rec'd
MAR 1 1946
File No. 14986
Ans.
Referred Matheson

February 28th, 1946.

F. Matheson, Esq.,
Protection Department,
Dept. of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Bldg,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

On March 10th, 1942 the above named Japanese surrendered a Perflex 35 m.m. camera and carrying case to our Port Alice Detachment and was issued a receipt by Constable D.O. MacKay.

Under date of December 7th, 1945 you wrote to the Constable i/c at Port Alice and requested him to return the camera to Tokuda at Tashme, B. C. A search at Port Alice Detachment failed to produce the camera or any correspondence relating to its disposal and you were advised that the matter would be investigated.

This matter has been under continuous investigation since receipt of your request but the camera is still unaccounted for. Unfortunately, the two Constables who were stationed at Port Alice at the time of the Japanese evacuation are no longer members of this Force. Both of these men have now been located and questioned but state that they cannot recall what disposition was made of the camera in question.

I am advised by our Port Alice Detachment that a 5 x 7 Seneca View Camera is still being held at that Detachment.

F. Matheson, Esq.

February 28th, 1946.

This camera was turned in with other cameras by Walter Inouye, #09762 and although other equipment was shipped to Inouye at Tashme, B. C. in October, 1942, the 5 x 7 Seneca was apparently overlooked.

It seems quite possible that the camera owned by Tokuda was included by mistake in the shipment made to Walter Inouye and for this reason he has never requested the return of the Seneca camera still held by our Port Alice Detachment.

Do you think that it would be advisable to have Walter Inouye questioned and if so, would you please furnish his address.

Yours truly,

T.W.S. Parsons

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T.W.S. Parsons
Commissioner of Provincial Police.

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& 762

March 4, 1946

Mr. T. W. S. Parsons,
Commissioner of Provincial Police,
Criminal Investigation Department,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Wakichi TOKUDA, Reg. No. 09811
Your File 45/W-5-5-20

Your letter of February 28th has been received and we note that the Perfox 35 mm. camera and carrying case which were surrendered by Mr. Wakichi TOKUDA to your Port Alice Detachment cannot be located. We note that you consider it possible that this camera may have been included in a shipment of photographic equipment sent to Mr. Wataru INOUE, Reg. No. 09762, Tashme, B. C., in October, 1942. We would appreciate your continuing your investigation into the disappearance of the camera belonging to Mr. Wakichi TOKUDA, and notifying this office of the result. For your information, Mr. Wataru INOUE is still a resident of Tashme, B. C. It is possible, however, that he may shortly be returning to Japan. It would therefore be advisable to get in touch with him at an early date.

In regard to cameras and radios surrendered to the British Columbia Provincial Police by persons of Japanese origin, we would call your attention to the letter sent to you on October 31, 1942, in which we asked that you inform this office of any articles belonging to such persons which might have been surrendered to your department at points other than Vancouver. We asked that an inventory be sent to the Custodian since these articles vested in the Custodian under Order-in-Council P.C.2483. You replied on November 9, 1942, as follows: "I have to advise that such radios and cameras as were seized or turned in at the various departments of the B. C. Police have been handed over to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police." Since it would appear from your recent letter that all cameras and radios surrendered to your department were not turned over to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, we would appreciate your informing us of any such articles that may still be held by your department. We would also appreciate receiving information in regard to any shipments that may have been made without the permission of the Custodian.

With reference to the photographic equipment of Mr. Wataru INOUE, we wrote to your Port Alice Detachment on September 16, 1942, listing a quantity of such equipment which we had been informed was being held at Port Alice. We received a reply from Constable A. Robson to the effect that the equipment listed was on hand at Port Alice and that it would be held pending advice as to its disposal from this office. The 5x7 Seneca View Camera was not in the list of equipment given to this office. Would you kindly let us know what equipment was sent to Mr. INOUE in October, 1942?

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Mr. T. W. S. Parsons
Commissioner of B.C. Police

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March 4, 1946

Although property belonging to evacuated persons of the Japanese race left in the protected areas of British Columbia after the evacuation of the owners vested in the Custodian, and although our records indicate that your department was aware of this, it would seem that your department had decided that it was not necessary to report such property to this office or to refer to this office before making shipments of such property. We might point out that the Custodian was not releasing radios and photographic equipment to persons of the Japanese race in 1942, and that such articles were not released to residents of Tashme, B. C. until just prior to the cessation of hostilities with Japan.

We shall appreciate receiving an inventory of the cameras and radios which were surrendered to your department but were not turned over to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, giving information in regard to shipments made and articles still being held.

We would also appreciate a report in regard to the camera belonging to Mr. Wakichi TOKUDA.

Thank you in anticipation of your kind attention to these matters at an early date.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

March 18, 1946.

For File No. 14986 - Wakichi TOKUDA #09811

The following extract is from report dated March 23, 1942, of the British Columbia Provincial Police, Port Alice, in connection with camera equipment surrendered by Japanese. This report shows that the following were turned in by Wakichi TOKUDA:

1 Perflex Camera, Model 55, F2.8 lens, 35 MM
1 Carrying case for above, leather

The original report is on General Camera File G/28

This camera and case were not turned over to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and are now missing from Port Alice.

Smithson

C O P Y

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT

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VICTORIA

Subject:
TOKUDA, Wakichi
Reg. No. 09811

March 14th, 1946.

C F. Matheson, Esq.,
Protection Department,
Dept. of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter dated March 4, 1946, in connection with the above matter, I beg to advise that Wataru Inouye has been interviewed at Tashme, B.C. and states that he did not receive the Perflex 35 m.m. Camera owned by Wakichi Tokuda, and cannot give any information regarding the disposal of this camera. All possible avenues of information have now been followed to conclusion, and it appears that this camera cannot be located.

O I am attaching for your information a copy of a report submitted by Ex-Constable D.O. McKay dated 23-3-42 in which all equipment surrendered by Japanese to our Port Alice Detachment is listed. The equipment listed in this report is the only equipment which was not picked up by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and was apparently overlooked.

In October, 1942, Wataru Inouye wrote direct to our Port Alice Detachment from Tashme, B.C. stating that he was no longer in a protected area and requested return of his equipment. All of Inouye's equipment was then returned to him with the exception of the 5 x 7 Seneca View Camera with accessories, by our Port Alice Detachment without reference to this Headquarters. Inouye acknowledged receiving this equipment.

P The 5 x 7 Seneca View Camera with accessories is still on hand at our Port Alice Detachment, and would you please give instructions as to its disposal.

Yours truly,

T.W.S. Parsons
Commissioner of Provincial Police.

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File No. 0.28
C.C. 14986

March 21, 1946.

To: Mrs. MacArthur

From: F. Nathan

Re: Nakichi TOKUDA, Reg. No. 09811

Attached is a letter received from the D.C. Police in regard to a camera surrendered to them by Nakichi TOKUDA, Reg. No. 09811. TOKUDA has written us enclosing the receipt given to him by the D.C. Police at Densen and has asked that his camera be returned. This camera is no longer in the possession of the D.C. Police at Densen. It apparently was not turned over to the R.C.M.F. and the Provincial Police are unable to trace it.

They had thought that possibly it had been delivered to Matsuo ISHIDA, but ISHIDA has denied receiving the camera.

Since this camera has vanished while in the hands of Provincial Police would you please advise me in regard to further action by this office. Should we obtain from the Japanese a value on his camera and make claim on his behalf against the D.C. Police? Would such an action not be precedented that the Custodian would have to follow on the cameras that have vanished while in the possession of the Custodian?

FN/ML

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23rd March, 1946.

MEMORANDUM

To: Miss Matheson
From: Mr. F. G. Shears

Re: Takichi TAKUDA.

With reference to your memorandum to Mrs. McArthur dated March 21st, 1946.

I do not think we should at this time open up the question of claims for missing articles.

This particular case should be dealt with in line with items that have been stolen or cannot be traced after they came into our own possession; the only difference being that the Japanese should be informed of the particular circumstances in this case. He should be informed that we are advised by the Provincial Police authorities that the camera which was turned in to their Department at Port Alice cannot be located by them, that there is no record of it being turned over to the R.C.M.P., and that it did not come into our custody.

Conclude in the usual manner, that his request and the report from the Provincial Police will remain on our files and will be available for review at any future time.

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FOS/TMB

SPECIFIED ARTICLES MEMORANDUM

File No. 14986

February 6, 1946.

Re: Wakichi TOKUDA #09811

This man, in his declaration to the Custodian, September 15, 1942, stated that he was the owner of a camera, described as follows:

Perfex Camera, Model 55, F2.8 lens, 35 mm Size film
and a leather carrying case for same.

He has sent us the receipt from the British Columbia Police showing that this camera was surrendered to Constable D.O. MacKay of the Port Alice Detachment.

This camera was not reported to this office by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and was not turned over to the Custodian.

We are endeavouring to trace this camera through the British Columbia Provincial Police.

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

J. Maclean

February 6, 1946.

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April 1, 1946.

Mr. Wakichi TOKUDA,
Reg. No. 09811,
Tashme, B.C.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to our letter of February 6th we wish to inform you that we have been in touch with the British Columbia Provincial Police in regard to your camera and carrying case.

The Provincial Police have informed us that your camera and case were overlooked at the time such articles were turned in to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and although the Provincial Police have investigated this matter very thoroughly they have been unable to locate these articles. We regret very much that we are therefore unable to return your camera to you. If your camera should be located we shall inform you.

In the meantime, we are placing on record details in regard to the loss of your camera and this information will be available for review at any future time.

Yours truly,

FM/MM

F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

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GENERAL SUMMARY

April 2, 1946.

Re: Wakichi TOKUDA, Reg. No. 09811

This man signed a declaration to the Custodian on September 15, 1943.

The only property reported in his declaration was the camera described in the Specified Articles Memorandum. This camera was surrendered to the British Columbia Police at Port Alice in March, 1942. This camera and a leather carrying case for same were not turned over to the R.C.M.P. by the Provincial Police and although the Provincial Police have investigated this matter thoroughly they are unable to trace these articles. This file is being left open until such time as a decision is arrived at in regard to missing articles.

This file reveals no other property. This file reveals no liabilities.

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

FM/MA

April 2, 1946.