

that they carry a load of ice. But they could take a certain amount of ice out in hot weather. There ought to be some way of keeping the fish cool and not have it exposed to the heat.

Mr. Hillier I have not been a fisherman, but I know you cannot have ice aboard a trap skiff. However, I understand the Bank fishermen carry out ice. In this connection, I think the boats should have equipment to bleed the fish and make it in a good state.

Mr. Ryan How does the Committee suggest the fishermen keep ice over from the previous winter?

Mr. Hillier I know there are cases of fishermen who have erected small ice-houses, and they secured some sawdust to cover the ice and thus are able to get it during the summer time.

Mr. Job It is a matter of co-operation and I expect the co-operatives will fix all that.

Mr. Hickman I would like to ask Mr. Job, does he know whether the Icelandic or Norwegian fisheries are subsidised at the present time?

Mr. Job I have no definite information but I understand that they are not.

Mr. Ballam I saw an article in the paper where the Icelandic government had put up an amount of \$50 million to subsidise the fisheries in the building of deep sea draggers.

Mr. Job That was to assist the building, not to subsidise. It was used to assist in the promotion of the fisheries.

Mr. Harrington Page 10 of Appendix B: "The whole problem of the fisheries is quite complex and is linked up ultimately with the matter of subsidies which our competitors have used and are using to bolster their own production of fish. This matter always will have to be borne in mind, as it has a most important bearing on the ability of one producer to compete for any particular market." I was wondering how that stood up in relation to what you have just said?

Mr. Job I said I was not quite sure. My impression is they are not using it at the present time. These matters will be matters of discussion at the ITO meeting. The hope is that subsidising will be done away with.

Mr. Smallwood They are definitely subsidising in Portugal and Spain.

Mr. Job They subsidise boats that catch fresh fish.

Mr. Reddy I was very much struck with the

remarks of Mr. Newell and of Mr. Ashbourne regarding getting salt codfish on a cash basis. That is important. It gives fishermen a great incentive when they can get cash instead of waiting months and months before they can get returns. I also agree with Mr. Fudge. I am afraid there is too big a spread between what the fishermen receive and what the exporters obtain. That is a question to be gone into thoroughly.

Mr. Hollett Might I ask Mr. Job if it is not a fact now that fishermen on bankers are paid on a cash basis when they come in with a load of fish? They are not like your fresh fish men that catch the fish and deposit it on your wharf and get paid for it, they are fishermen who are co-operative in a sense. They make fish on a certain share, and I did understand that when they come in, although they cannot get all settled up, they can get an amount reasonably equal to what their share will come to.

Mr. Job I don't know. I know that any fish landed by the bankers at the fishery premises is paid for in cash. What the owner does with the sharemen I do not know.

Mr. Hollett What particular branch of the salt codfishery were you trying to get on a cash basis? Take the shore fisherman. He goes out in his dory and he brings in his fish and puts it in his own stage and salts it and washes it, but when he takes it to his merchant he gets cash for it if he wants it. There is an act to that effect. What branch is not on a cash basis?

Mr. Smallwood What branch is on it?

Mr. Hollett I am asking Mr. Job.

Mr. Job You mean if a fisherman salts his own fish? I think the fisherman should bring his fish in and sell it as it is, and receive cash for it.

Mr. Hollett But you are talking about the salt codfishery.

Mr. Job But even with saltfish the shareman sells his fish when it is cured. I don't think the idea was that the fisherman who cures his own fish should necessarily sell that for cash. I don't know, but he has generally received some credit and has to pay for that.

Mr. Hollett What you mean is that our fishery should be re-organised to this extent, that all fishermen should bring in their fish and sell it to some central market. Well, naturally he would get cash then. But what particular branch of the salt codfishery are you referring to there when