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By Mr. Fleming:

Q. Page 31, too.—A. 31 also.

Mr. McCubbn: That is all right but I want producer prices and retail prices.

Mr. Maybank: You have the retail prices on page 4.

The WITNESS: On page 31 there are prices.

Mr. McCubbin: That is all right. Page 31 is O.K.

The Witness: It would have taken a very large memorandum if we had supplied you with tables of prices of every commodity by months, but when we know what you need we can supply tables of prices as well. We will be very glad to do that.

Mr. McCubbin: That is all right.

Mr. Winters: On table 6— The Chairman: Page?

Mr. Winters: Pages 17, 18, 19 in particular. I notice that meat products are broken down by various types of cuts and various species of animals, but fish is lumped. I wonder if Mr. Marshall would say something about fish and how he arrives at that grouping.

The WITNESS: Which page is that?

By Mr. Winters:

Q. Fish, on page 19-A. Do you want to know the commodities?

Mr. Fleming: He wants to know where the fish are.

Mr. Winters: Fish are lumped. There are a great many varieties of fish. I wonder if you have anything to say about it. You break meats down but not fish.

The Chairman: You are not speaking of Atlantic or Pacific fish; you are speaking of fish.

Mr. WINTERS: Fish.

The Witness: In that group we have a number of items. Dry shore cod fish; cod, fresh steak, headless; mackerel, salt spring; kippered herring, etc.

Mr. Maybank: I am thinking of the record. Go slowly.

The CHAIRMAN: Go slowly.

The Witness: We have kippered herring; smoked finnan haddie; sole, fresh; smoked fillets, cod; haddock, fresh; fillets of haddock, fresh, skinless; whitefish, frozen; halibut, No. 1; four varieties of canned salmon and lobsters canned. That is the group.

By Mr. Winters:

Q. There is a wide variety there, and there must be a great number of different prices the same as applies to meat products. I wonder why it is you lump fish under one general heading and you do not do the same for meats?

Mr. MAYBANK: For which?

Mr. Winters: Meats.

The WITNESS: We can break those down for you.

By Mr. Winters:

Q. I wonder why you do that in this table and do not do it for meat products?—A. There are certain cases where we have general groups as a contrast. You see the rise in fish prices is 35 per cent on the basis of December, 1945.