

By Mr. Ryan:

Q. You said that the sockeye started about July 11th; is that right?—
A. Approximately so.

Q. You were about to tell us when it finished?—A. I stated that it lasted approximately 30 days—roughly speaking. Sometimes it is somewhat later than that and sometimes it is somewhat earlier.

Q. Have you got any actual figures as to what the sockeye catch was in the last 10 years at your plant?—A. I have, sir; I can give it to you for the past 14 years if you like.

Q. My attention has been called to the fact that we have a printed form before us which shows that. Does it show that?—A. I think for the last 10 years, yes; up to and including—I think that gives 1934 only. In 1935 we had 73,244. That is not down there. In 1936 I believe the department has stated—I have not the figures on this paper for 1936—I think it was 44,600. I think that is correct, something under 45,000.

By Mr. Kinley:

Q. You were endeavouring to give us an explanation of your operations. What is your pay-roll, exclusive of executives per year?—A. Somewhere in excess of \$50,000 per annum.

Q. That is for actual labour?—A. Yes.

Q. Without the salaries of the foremen?—A. Salaries of the foremen—certainly, the foremen work along with the men.

Q. So that you have paid out in salaries according to your pay-rolls \$50,000 a year?—A. Something over \$50,000. We have paid out in salaries and wages something over \$1,000,000 since we organized 18 years ago.

By Hon. Mr. Stirling:

Q. That is, the two companies?—A. It is the two companies so far as 1922 on goes, in the production of salmon and the operation of the trap; but it does not include any of the wages paid to workers in the cannery.

By Mr. Kinley:

Q. You said there was no connection between the two companies, no interest?—A. I did not intend to say there was no connection, or no interest; I said we had worked in good co-operation since 1922, but that there was no—

Q. No shareholders of one company appear as shareholders of the other; therefore, the pay-roll of one company would not affect the pay-roll of the other?—A. I am giving you the combined pay-roll.

Q. I want the pay-roll of your company?—A. They are not separated. Since 1922 we have operated traps jointly.

Mr. NEILL: There was no over-lapping when you get your pay-roll together?

The WITNESS: We kept our pay-roll together.

By Mr. Neill:

Q. What form of corporation is this?—A. I think I have explained that as well as I can.

Q. What form of corporation is it which provides for a common pay-roll since 1922?—A. We operate the two traps jointly, for joint benefit, but there is no common ownership.

By Mr. Kinley:

Q. Were the traps owned jointly?—A. No, sir; they are not.

Q. Who owns the traps?—A. There are three trap sites that are owned by the Sooke Harbour Fishing and Packing Company.