

*By Mr. Reid:*

Q. Well, it is the same thing. How many are there?

Mr. WHITMORE: About 400.

The WITNESS: Four hundred.

Mr. GREEN: Four hundred out of the 1,000 are Japanese.

An Hon. MEMBER: Oriental.

The WITNESS: Yes, are Canadian citizens of oriental origin.

Mr. McCULLOCH: Well, they are all Japanese, are they not?

Mr. REID: Yes.

*By Mr. McCulloch:*

Q. Are they British subjects?—A. Yes.

*By Mr. Taylor:*

Q. There are gill netters, trollers, purse seiners and trappers, are each of these types of fishermen entirely friendly to the other types?

Hon. Mr. MICHAUD: Apparently not.

Mr. TAYLOR: No, apparently not; and that is the point I want to make, that the purse seiner is just as intent on destroying all other methods of recovering fish as the gill netter and the troller and the trapper. So it has become a factional discussion.

Hon. Mr. MICHAUD: The survival of the strongest.

Mr. HILL: I think Mr. Found told us that the traps take about 2 per cent of the fish. Forty fishermen would be exactly 2 per cent of the 2,000; so that these people are entitled to live as much as the others, I would suggest. They do not catch enough fish to affect it. They only catch their percentage of the fish.

*By the Chairman:*

Q. We are not so well acquainted with the British Columbia situation as some of the others. There is just one question I would like to ask Mr. Found for the benefit of the committee. There has been only 4 of these licenses granted?

Mr. NEILL: Operating.

*By the Chairman:*

Q. There are four allowed to operate?—A. Not allowed. Six or seven granted.

Q. There are only 4 operating; and you have applications for a large number more, have you?—A. Not in recent years. In recent years applications have usually been—I think I can safely say 6 or 7 is the general thing.

*By Mr. MacNeil:*

Q. May I ask Mr. Found to describe the regulations covering the operation of these traps—the length of time they operate, the closed seasons and the methods of inspection by the department with regard to the area?—A. The same closed seasons apply to the traps as apply to the other methods of fishing.

Mr. NEILL: Not quite.

The WITNESS: In what respect are they different?

Mr. NEILL: Well, if you want to know, I will tell you. There is a 48-hour closed season on gill nets, seines and traps—48 hours per week.

The WITNESS: Yes.

Mr. NEILL: The chief supervisor of fisheries in British Columbia has power to extend that and he does extend it. Sometimes he makes it 56 hours or 64