

STATEMENT OF IRREGULARITIES IN CONNECTION WITH PUBLIC MONEYS AND STORES—continued.

Nature of Irregularity.	Amount involved.	Action taken, and Result.
Health Department.		
IRREGULARITY BY A PERSON NOT A DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER.		
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Theft of petty cash moneys.	0 16 0	Police investigation unsuccessful.
High Commissioner's Office.		
IRREGULARITIES BY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS.		
Misappropriation of petty cash	1 13 11	Officer dismissed. Recovery made.
Delay in payment of accounts	8 16 10	Salary of officer responsible reduced by £20 per annum. No loss of public funds.
Department of Industries and Commerce, Tourist and Publicity.		
IRREGULARITY BY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER.		
Theft of departmental moneys	9 6 5	Offender convicted and admitted to probation for a period of two years.
Justice Department.		
IRREGULARITY BY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER.		
Theft of public moneys	41 8 0	Offender convicted and admitted to probation for eighteen months. Restitution made.
Labour Department.		
IRREGULARITY BY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS.		
Excess claims, motor-mileage allowance	Not stated	Officers (two) dismissed the Service. Wages and travelling-expenses due to these officers are being withheld until loss is ascertained.
Labour Department : Employment Promotion Fund.		
IRREGULARITIES BY PERSONS NOT DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS.		
Three thousand two hundred and fifty-seven cases in which relief recipients obtained moneys in excess of scale rates by making false statements to the Labour Department or by failing to disclose material particulars of their circumstances	19,778 1 8	Proceedings instituted, 694 cases, involving the sum of £12,368 15s. 6d., whereof 637 convictions have been entered, fines totalling £7,423 2s. 3d. inflicted, costs amounting to £364 16s. imposed, and restitution of £1,131 10s. 4d. ordered by the Court. Effective action is being taken to recover from 2,551 cases involving the sum of £6,955 15s. 2d., of which a substantial reduction has already been achieved.
Lands and Survey Department.		
IRREGULARITY BY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER.		
Excess claims, motor-mileage allowances	Not stated	Officer's dismissal recommended.
Mental Hospitals Department.		
IRREGULARITY BY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER.		
Theft of stores	0 7 8	Offender convicted and ordered to make restitution. No loss to the Department.
National Commercial Broadcasting Service.		
IRREGULARITY BY PERSON NOT A DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER.		
Theft of stores	5 10 4	Police investigation unsuccessful.
Pensions Department.		
IRREGULARITY BY PERSON NOT A DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER.		
False declarations regarding earnings	85 17 8	Offender admitted to probation for eighteen months and ordered to make restitution.
Post and Telegraph Department.		
IRREGULARITIES BY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS.		
Fraudulent withdrawals from Post Office Savings-bank	1,599 0 5	Offender sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour. Recovery of £136 10s. made.
Theft of postal packets	45 9 4	Offender sentenced to nine months' reformatory detention. Restitution made.
Employment levies not accounted for	2 7 0	Restitution made.
Misappropriation of departmental moneys	218 4 8	Offender sentenced to imprisonment for eighteen months. Recovery made of £100 being proceeds of fidelity-guarantee policy.
Misappropriation of departmental moneys and fraudulent withdrawals from Post Office Savings-bank	12 7 9	Police prosecuting inquiries.
Misappropriation of departmental moneys and fraudulent withdrawals from Post Office Savings-bank	425 0 0	Recovery of £388 made and restitution of balance ordered. Offender admitted to probation for three years.
Loss of registered letter	3 10 0	Departmental investigation unsuccessful.
Loss of letter	1 15 6	Departmental investigation unsuccessful.
Loss of unissued postal notes	3 14 6	No loss to Department.