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STATE FIRE INSURANCE OFFICE.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1941.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly pursuant to the Provisions of the State Fire Insurance Act, 1908.

State Fire Insurance Office, Wellington, 30th March, 1942.

I HAVE the honour to submit the thirty-seventh annual report of the State Fire Insurance Office, for the year ended 31st December, 1941, with the Revenue Account and Balance-sheet.

The following are the comparative figures for the last three years:—

	1939.		1940.		1941.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income—						
Premiums	205,539		218,253		222,458	
Other receipts, less land-tax	50,743		50,258		47,237	
	<u>256,282</u>		<u>268,511</u>		<u>269,695</u>	
Outgo—						
Bonus rebate to policyholders	37,201		41,922		45,587	
Claims	39,443		31,617		28,896	
Working-expenses (exclusive of income-tax and Fire Board contributions)	58,232		58,542		56,128	
Fire Board contributions	11,365		12,124		13,977	
Income-tax	51,273		66,564		70,476	
National and social security tax			19,783		15,276	
Loss on realization of securities					246	
Carried to reserve for unearned premiums			4,880		2,102	
	<u>197,514</u>		<u>235,432</u>		<u>232,688</u>	
Surplus, apportioned as follows:—						
Written off Office premises	28,000		23,000		21,000	
Reserve Fund	768				16,007	
Bonus Rebate Reserve			10,079			
Reinsurance Reserve	20,000					
Investments Fluctuation Reserve	10,000					
	<u>58,768</u>		<u>33,079</u>		<u>37,007</u>	
Total	<u>256,282</u>		<u>268,511</u>		<u>269,695</u>	
Reserves and funds at 31st December	<u>1,191,175</u>		<u>1,206,134</u>		<u>1,224,244</u>	
Ratio of claims to premium income	Per Cent. 19·19		Per Cent. 14·49		Per Cent. 12·99	
Ratio of working-expenses (exclusive of income-tax and Fire Board contributions) to premium income	28·33		26·82		25·23	
Ratio of Fire Board contributions to premium income	5·53		5·55		6·28	
Ratio of income-tax and National and Social Security tax to premium income	24·95		39·56		38·55	

J. H. JERRAM, General Manager.

REVENUE ACCOUNT OF THE STATE FIRE INSURANCE OFFICE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1941.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Premiums after deduction of reinsurances ..	222,458	8	3	Bonus rebate to policyholders	45,586	11	6
Other receipts—				Losses by fire and earthquake (after deduction of reinsurances)	28,895	9	8
Interest, commission, and rent 49,374 5 1				Income-tax	43,328	18	10
Less land and income tax £29,284 11s. 8d. and national and social security tax, £5,885	35,169	11	8	National and social security tax	9,391	2	3
	14,204	13	5	Commission	10,269	16	0
				Salaries	31,056	18	7
				Contribution to Public Service Superannuation Fund	425	19	5
				Contribution to Fire Boards under the Fire Brigades Act, 1908	13,976	11	8
				Expenses of management—			
				Travelling-expenses	2,084	17	5
				Printing, stationery, and advertising	1,385	2	6
				Rent	1,398	16	9
				Exchange	46	14	10
				Postages, telegrams, cablegrams, and sundry charges	3,565	4	6
					8,480	16	0
				Loss on realization of securities	246	6	0
				Office equipment	524	12	2
				Office premises : Depreciation	5,370	2	0
				Reserve for unearned premiums	2,102	9	8
					199,655	13	9
				Office premises : Written off	21,000	0	0
				Amount of fire-insurance funds at end of year	16,007	7	11
					£236,663	1	8
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BALANCE-SHEET OF THE STATE FIRE INSURANCE OFFICE ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1941.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Capital authorized by the State Fire Insurance Act, 1908	100,000			Government securities	740,903	12	0
Less not raised	100,000			Local-authority securities	230,879	16	8
				Rural Advances bonds	14,175	0	0
				Fixed deposits and at short call	130,000	0	0
Bad Debts Reserve	1,500	0	0	Land and buildings	225,411	19	9
Reserve Fund	747,928	16	4	Outstanding premiums	14,261	0	2
Investments Fluctuation Reserve Fund	85,000	0	0	Interest accrued but not due	10,573	9	8
Reserve for unearned premiums	111,229	4	2	Rent accrued or due	8,502	16	2
Bonus Rebate Reserve	122,578	17	0	Cash in Reserve Bank of New Zealand at Wellington, or in transit to Wellington	80,205	9	8
Reinsurance Reserve Fund	140,000	0	0	Imprest Account balances : Head Office and branches	1,910	4	6
Premium and other deposits	2,313	7	10		82,115	14	2
Outstanding fire and earthquake losses	2,768	0	0				
Government taxes	148,347	9	4				
Sundry creditors	49,862	17	6				
Other amounts owing by the Office—							
Reinsurance premiums due	21,706	10	0				
Commission	2,348	3	4				
Printing, stationery, and advertising	17	3	3				
Postages and sundry charges	5,215	11	11				
	29,287	8	6				
Fire-insurance funds, as per Revenue Account	16,007	7	11				
	£1,456,823	8	7		£1,456,823	8	7

J. H. JERRAM, General Manager.

23rd June, 1942.

I hereby certify that the Revenue Account and Balance-sheet have been duly examined and compared with the relative books and documents submitted for audit, and correctly state the position as disclosed thereby.—
C. G. COLLINS, Controller and Auditor-General.

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