

In addition to the above the Natives indirectly contribute their quota of import duty received owing to Native purchases of goods, but it is almost impossible to arrive at a figure which could be considered as correct. There are also such fees as motor licenses, boat licenses, and shipping fees to be considered.

The second item above (medical levy) represents an annual subscription of £1 per head payable by each adult male Samoan, in return for which medical treatment is free for all Samoans. The Natives themselves are entirely in agreement with the medical levy, and keenly avail themselves of the increased facilities for medical treatment.

Expenditure directly on the Natives.

							1923-24.
							£
(a.) Payments directly to Natives :—							
(Salaries and wages (approximate)—							
Native Department, Samoan staff and officials	..	..	..	..	..	..	8,500
Other Departments, Samoan officials	..	..	..	..	..	..	8,500
Casual labour employed by Public Works, Harbour Department, &c.							
(say)	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,000
(b.) Payments directly on behalf of Natives :—							
Salaries, European staff, Native Department	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,200
Cost of printing <i>Savali</i> (Native Gazette)	..	..	..	..	..	..	350
Fono sessional expenses	..	..	..	..	..	..	700
Expenses Land and Titles Commission	..	..	..	..	..	..	670
Publishing Samoa Act in Samoan language	..	..	..	..	..	..	110
Travelling-expenses, Native Department	..	..	..	..	..	..	850
Entertainment of Samoans	..	..	..	..	..	..	400
Native dog-collars	..	..	..	..	..	..	60
Clothing Native police and messengers	..	..	..	..	..	..	250
Rations, Police and Prisons	..	..	..	..	..	..	600
Upkeep of Samoan lepers at Fiji	..	..	..	..	..	..	650
Upkeep Samoan pupils at Auckland	..	..	..	..	..	..	240
Educational grant to missions	..	..	..	..	..	..	500
Native water-supplies	..	..	..	..	..	..	300
Native pensions	..	..	..	..	..	..	60
Rents of Native houses	..	..	..	..	..	..	40
Rations, Samoan patients and staff at Hospital	..	..	..	..	..	..	600
Transport and travelling-expenses, Health Department, in carrying out							
malagas for treatment of hookworm and yaws (say)	..	..	..	..	..	..	500
First Samoan Agricultural show and fair	..	..	..	..	..	..	400
Erection of copra-driers	..	..	..	..	..	..	320
School food-supplies	..	..	..	..	..	..	200
							<u>£30,000</u>

NOTE.—In addition to the above the Medical Department and Education Department exist mainly for the benefit of Samoans, and large sums have been spent in these directions. Practically the whole of the expenditure of the Agricultural Department is on behalf of the Samoans generally, while that of the Police Department is mainly incidental to the Natives.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT LOAN ACCOUNT EXPENDITURE.

Expenditure hereunder is paid for out of a loan account fund of £125,000 provided by the New Zealand Government. Of this amount £25,000 has been donated as a gift free of charges, while £100,000 is on loan at 5 per cent. interest and at a sinking-fund rate to repay in thirty years. Since the commencement the expenditure has been as follows :—

							£	s.	d.
1919-20	..	..	..	..	..	..	14,902	0	4
1920-21	..	..	..	..	..	..	29,434	3	10
1921-22	..	..	..	..	..	..	49,229	1	2
1922-23	..	..	..	..	..	..	20,776	16	8
1923-24	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,657	18	0
Total to 31st March, 1924							<u>£120,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

This leaves the sum of £5,000 yet to be expended, and this amount has been set aside to be used on Native water-supplies only.

The schedule hereunder gives particulars of the total loan expenditure to 31st March, 1924, showing the various heads :—

Expenditure against Loan Account	£125,000
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