

TELEPHONES.

The difficulties of maintaining communication with outlying districts have largely disappeared, and a slight increase in revenue is shown.

RADIO FEES.

Reduced revenue under this heading has occurred owing to the main radio-station having been removed to Apia, and in consequence dealing directly with the public.

POSTAL.

Mail-matter delivered in Samoa during the year, estimated from a general average, was : Letters, 133,916 ; registered articles, 1,188 ; parcels, 1,740 ; other articles, 64,220.

Mail-matter outwards from Samoa : Letters, 100,248 ; registered articles, 3,480 ; parcels, 384 ; other articles, 26,210.

Receipts on behalf of New Zealand Government Departments were : Superannuation, £1,877 11s. 9d. ; Government Insurance, £456 12s. 1d. ; National Provident Fund, £29 13s. 1d. ; miscellaneous, £1,782 4s. Payments : Pensions, £235 6s. 4d. ; miscellaneous, £834 6s.

On the 2nd July, 1930, the Post Office building was totally destroyed by fire, and a quantity of mail-matter and the office records were lost. Fortunately, however, the strong-room, containing Savings-bank records and documents of similar value, withstood the strain upon it. Pending the erection of a new building, the Post Office has been conducted in premises adjoining the local branch of the Bank of New Zealand, from the management of which much courteous assistance has been received.

Money-orders.

Year.	Money-orders issued.			Money-orders paid.		Postal Notes and British Postal Orders.			
	Number.	Commission.		Amount.		Issued.		Paid.	
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
1930-31	2,020	644	8 0	25,860	3 10	242	1,781 8 9	1,178	14 8
1929-30	2,070	109	19 9	21,670	0 6	236	1,361 9 4	1,167	17 4

Savings-bank.

Year.	Accounts opened.	Accounts closed.	Deposits.	Withdrawals.	Interest credited.	Amount at Credit of Depositors at End of Year.	Invested.	In Hand.	Accounts open at End of Year
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
1930-31	243	213	28,499 18 6	38,579 5 2	1,462 6 7	37,234 10 9	37,213 12 8	20 18 1	1,484
1929-30	223	230	29,134 3 10	33,776 19 0	1,666 9 4	45,851 10 10	42,812 0 0	1,616 13 4	1,454

Other Receipts.

Year.	Stamp Sales.	Radio Fees.	Telephone Receipts.	Private Boxes.	Miscellaneous.*
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1930-31	1,083 11 7	688 14 0	1,241 1 11	120 19 2	7 18 0
1929-30	1,491 3 0	1,554 18 10	1,121 12 8	112 9 6	24 9 0

* Revenue from telegraphic addresses is now received by the Wireless Department.

LANDS AND SURVEY DEPARTMENT.

The Department has proceeded normally. In the latter part of the year an exchange of officials was arranged with the New Zealand Lands and Survey Department whereby a field cadet of the local Department was sent to New Zealand for further training and a qualified Computing Draughtsman arrived in his stead.

The most important work dealt with in the field during the year was the fixing of the Apolima Lighthouse and its relative position with regard to the eastern coast of Savai'i and the western coast of Upolu. Plans and prints of the data obtained were forwarded to the Hydrographic Department of the Admiralty, London, and Chart No. 1730 has now been corrected in terms of the data supplied.

Surveys and plans for the Native Land and Titles Commission, New Zealand Reparation Estates, Public Works Department, and for the public were dealt with as set out in the schedule.

The supervision and location of grave plots was observed in connection with the Magiagi Cemetery and minor repairs executed.