

## GENERAL POST OFFICE

## A.—TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE SERVICES

Table I.—General summary

| Particulars                                      | 1935-36* | 1930-31* | 1924-25* |
|--|----------|----------|----------|
|  | £'000    | £'000    | £'000    |
| Value of products (Gross output) ...             | 11,950   | 11,641   | 11,151   |
| Cost of materials, fuel and electricity used ... | 3,417    | 3,712    | 3,742    |
| Amount paid for work given out ...               | 7        | 5        | 1        |
| Net output ...                                   | 8,526    | 7,924    | 7,408    |
|  | No.      | No.      | No.      |
| Average number of persons employed ...           | 36,192   | 33,206   | 31,809   |
|  | £        | £        | £        |
| Net output per person employed ...               | 236      | 239      | 233      |
|  | No.      | No.      |          |
| Number of returns ...                            | 5        | 5        | †        |
| Number of establishments ...                     | 20       | †        | †        |

\* Year ended 31st March.  
† Not available.

Table II.—Output

| Kind of work done and goods made   | 1935-36 | 1930-31 |
|--|---------|---------|
|  | £'000   | £'000   |
| Work of installation, etc., carried out (exclusive of value of apparatus made):— |         |         |
| Installation of wireless, telegraph and telephone apparatus and appliances ...   | 2,703   | 2,195   |
| Telegraph and telephone wires and cables ...                                     | 3,529   | 4,766   |
| Electric power and lighting lines or works ...                                   | 200     | 140     |
| Repair and maintenance work carried out on:—                                     |         |         |
| Post Office telegraph and telephone systems and power plant ...                  | 4,666   | 3,834   |
| Telegraph, telephone and other apparatus ...                                     | 436     | 324     |
| Repair and re-arrangement work for railway companies and others ...              | 92      | 124     |
| Goods made:—   |         |         |
| Telegraph apparatus ...  | 15      | 17      |
| Telephone apparatus ...  | 111     | 112     |
| Other ...  | 3       | —       |
| Scrap metal sold:—   |         |         |
| Copper ...   | 103     | 132     |
| Other metals ...   | 81      |         |
| Total ...  | 11,939  | 11,644  |
| Work in progress:—   |         |         |
| Addition on account of work in progress at end of year ...                       | 49      | 37      |
| Deduction on account of work in progress at beginning of year ...                | 38      | 40      |
| TOTAL ...  | 11,950  | 11,641  |

Table III A.—Materials, fuel and electricity purchased and used

| Kind of materials, etc.                      | 1935-36               |       | 1930-31 |
|--|-----------------------|-------|---------|
|  | Quantity              | Cost  | Cost    |
|  | Th. tons              | £'000 | £'000   |
| Fuel and electricity used for all purposes:— |                       |       |         |
| Coal ...                                     | 1.8                   | 1     | 3,712   |
| Coke ...                                     | 0.2                   | *     |         |
|  | Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.) |       |         |
| Purchased electricity ...                    | 611                   | 2     |         |
| All purchased materials and other fuel ...   |                       | 3,414 |         |
| TOTAL ...                                    |                       | 3,417 | 3,712   |

\* Less than £.500

Table III B.—Consumption of coal, coke and electricity

| Kind of fuel  | 1935-36               | 1930-31               |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|               |                       | Th. tons              |
| Coal ...      | 1.8                   | 1.2                   |
| Coke ...      | 0.2                   | 0.2                   |
|               | Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.) | Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.) |
| Electricity:— |                       |                       |
| Purchased ... | 611                   | 489                   |

Table IV.—Average numbers employed

| Persons employed                                  | Males    |          | Females  |          | Total    |          |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|   | Under 18 | All ages | Under 18 | All ages | Under 18 | All ages |
| Operatives (average for the year) ...             | 801      | 29,506   | 91       | 296      | 892      | 29,802   |
| Administrative, technical and clerical staff* ... | 958      | 27,541   | 50       | 259      | 1,008    | 27,800   |
|   | 1935     | 5,331    | 55       | 1,059    | 294      | 6,390    |
|   | 1930     | 5,030    | 58       | 376      | 258      | 5,406    |
| TOTAL ...   | 1,040    | 34,837   | 146      | 1,355    | 1,186    | 36,192   |
|   | 1,158    | 32,571   | 108      | 635      | 1,266    | 33,206   |

\* As at 12th October, 1935, and 18th October, 1930.

## B.—OTHER DEPARTMENTS OF THE GENERAL POST OFFICE

Table I.—General summary

Note.—The 1935-36 and 1930-31 figures cover the printing and similar work done by the Savings Bank Department, the maintenance, repair, etc., work done on the Post Office (London) Railway, the maintenance and repair of motor vehicles and the repairs of mail bags. The 1924-25 figures relate only to the printing, etc., work done by the Savings Bank Department, no information being obtained for that year in respect of the other services mentioned.

| Particulars                                      | 1935-36* | 1930-31* | 1924-25* |
|--|----------|----------|----------|
| Value of products (Gross output) ...             | £'000    | £'000    | £'000    |
| ...  | 380      | 217      | 26       |
| Cost of materials, fuel and electricity used ... | 131      | 105      | 9        |
| Net output ...                                   | 249      | 112      | 17       |
|  | No.      | No.      | No.      |
| Average number of persons employed ...           | 1,195    | 558      | 63       |
|  | £        | £        | £        |
| Net output per person employed ...               | 208      | 201      | 264      |
|  | No.      | No.      |          |
| Number of returns ...                            | 4        | 4        | †        |
| Number of establishments ...                     | 4        | †        | †        |

\* Year ended 31st March.  
† Not available.

Table II.—Output

| Kind of work done and goods made  | 1935-36    | 1930-31    |
|---|------------|------------|
|   | £'000      | £'000      |
| Job and general printing ... ..   | 26         | 15         |
| Envelopes manufactured ... ..   | 7          | 8          |
| Repair and maintenance of motor cars and motor cycles ...   | 325        | 167        |
| Repairs to railway rolling stock and mail bag containers used therewith ... ..                            | 5          | 3          |
| Work of construction or repair on :—  |            |            |
| Permanent way and works connected therewith ... ..  | 4          | 5          |
| Electrical equipment of lines ... ..  | 1          | 1          |
| Maintenance, cleaning and overhaul of tunnels, stations, rolling stock, electrical equipment, etc. ... .. | 11         | 17         |
| Cleaning and repairing mail bags and other postal receptacles   | 1          | 1          |
| <b>TOTAL</b> ... ..   | <b>380</b> | <b>217</b> |

Table III A.—Materials, fuel and electricity purchased and used

| Kind of materials, etc.                       | 1935-36                         |             | 1930-31 |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------|---------|
|   | Quantity                        | Cost        | Cost    |
| Paper, all kinds ... ..                       | Th. tons<br>0.7                 | £'000<br>11 | } 105   |
| Purchased electricity ... ..                  | Th. B.T.U.<br>(Kw.-hrs.)<br>196 | 1           |         |
| All other purchased materials and fuel ... .. | ...                             | 119         |         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> ... ..                           | ...                             | 131         | 105     |

Table III B.—Consumption of electricity

|                       |                  |                          |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
|                       |                  | Th. B.T.U.<br>(Kw.-hrs.) |
| Purchased electricity | { 1935-36 ... .. | 196                      |
|                       | { 1930-31 ... .. | 163                      |

These figures relate to electricity consumed in connection with the output returned in Table II. In addition, 2,063,000 B.T. units in 1935 and 3,142,000 B.T. units in 1930 were used for traction purposes and 993,000 B.T. units in 1935 for power for lifts, conveyers, lighting, etc., all of which was purchased.

Table IV.—Average numbers employed

| Persons employed                                     | Males    |          | Females  |          | Total    |          |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|  | Under 18 | All ages | Under 18 | All ages | Under 18 | All ages |
| Operatives (average for the year) ... { 1935-36      | 8        | 1,024    | 6        | 33       | 14       | 1,057    |
| ... { 1930-31  | 12       | 474      | —        | 32       | 12       | 506      |
| Administrative, technical and clerical staff* { 1935 | —        | 105      | 2        | 33       | 2        | 138      |
| ... { 1930   | —        | 43       | —        | 9        | —        | 52       |
| <b>TOTAL</b> ... { 1935-36                           | 8        | 1,129    | 8        | 66       | 16       | 1,195    |
| ... { 1930-31  | 12       | 517      | —        | 41       | 12       | 558      |

\* As at 12th October, 1935, and 18th October, 1930.