

YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH, 1943.

BROADCASTING ACCOUNT—*continued*.

REMARKS.

- (a) Increase represents estimated cost of second cost-of-living allowance.
- (b) Increased provision made to meet cost of four sets of Encyclopaediae for stations and additional periodicals required for women's session.
- (c) Includes fresh provision for goods mentioned in (d). Balance represents cost extensions and additions to recording facilities and additions and replacements of tools.
- (d) Underexpenditure due to lag in supply of goods ordered from overseas.
- (e) Increased provision made to cover full year's cleaning-costs, Station 1ZB.
- (f) Cleaning-costs of new Station 1ZB, Auckland, underestimated.
- (g) This year's estimate based on a recession of business due to war conditions. Drop in earnings may be more marked than anticipated, in which case expenditure under this item will reflect a corresponding reduction.
- (h) Revenue estimate exceeded, with corresponding increase in commission costs.
- (i) Item retained at nominal figure to meet contingent expenditure under this heading.
- (j) Overexpenditure due to increased sales effort which resulted in a record turnover for the Service.
- (k) Underexpenditure due to enforced curtailment of visits owing to war situation.
- (l) Increased provision made to meet cost of containers designed to prevent breakage in forwarding glass base acetate transcription discs. (See also item "Postages, &c.").
- (m) Increased provision made to meet cost of war-risk cover (£200) and cover on additions to furniture, fittings, and equipment of new Station 1ZB, Auckland.
- (n) Increased provision needed to meet full year's cost of Station 1ZB, where greater floor space occupied entails corresponding increase in lighting and heating charges as compared with former premises.
- (o) Includes fresh provision for expenditure mentioned in (p). Balance represents extensive renovations at Station 2ZB, Wellington, including the installation of a new air-conditioning plant, replacement of worn carpet in main studio, and rearrangement of offices and studios to provide better facilities for the public. Provision is also made for routine additions to office and studio furniture throughout the Service as occasion demands.
- (p) Underexpenditure represents items of furniture and furnishings not brought to charge in 1941-42, approximating £1,017.
- (q) Includes provision for cost of meals and expenses for officers performing E.P.S. fire-watch duties.
- (r) Overexpenditure due to extra overtime worked to complete new Station 1ZB on schedule.
- (s) Overexpenditure on last year's appropriation as well as increased provision made for current year rendered necessary by change-over due to war conditions from aluminium to steel and glass-base acetate transcription discs. To overcome excessive number of breakages of glass-base acetates special mailing-boxes have been made, and as this item comprises the heaviest portion of the daily mail between stations the increase in both mailing and freight costs will be substantial. A similar increased provision has been made in the item "Freights, cartage, &c," for the same reason.
- (t) Reduction made in accordance with Government policy for conservation of paper-supplies. Material saving is substantially greater than the figures represent, as rising costs of certain stationery lines tend to offset the result shown by a straight expenditure comparison.
- (u) Increase includes provision for (v), also full year's rental of new premises 1ZB (assessed at 9s. per square foot—actual rental costs not yet determined by Public Works Department).
- (v) Underexpenditure due to rent of new 1ZB premises not brought to charge in last financial year.
- (w) Fresh provision made for goods ordered from overseas under last year's appropriations but not yet supplied (£2,500). Increased provision also made to meet higher maintenance cost owing to ageing of plant and equipment and substantial percentage of increase in cost of all radio lines.
- (x) Increased provision made for travelling-costs involved in recording and publicity work connected with war effort.
- (y) Fitting and furnishing new premises, Station 1ZB, Auckland, required constant supervision, entailing greater expenditure on travelling-costs than anticipated. Number of officers, 56. Travelling-expenses, £618; travelling-allowances, £1,036; motor-hire, £73; motor-car allowances, £9: total, £1,736.
- (z) Compensation for damage to clothing, £8; medical expenses of officer injured on duty, £1: total, £9.
- (aa) Contract terminated, 31st July, 1941.

(bb) Credits-in-aid :—		Salaries.	Other	Estimated.	Estimated.	Recovered.
		£	Charges.	1942-43.	1941-42.	1941-42.
		£	£	Total.	£	£
Subdivision I	..	1,000	27,000	28,000	24,000	26,914
„ II	..	2,200	400	2,600	1,400	3,617
Totals	..	3,200	27,400	30,600	25,400	30,531