

STATEMENT OF IRREGULARITIES IN CONNECTION WITH PUBLIC MONEYS AND STORES—*continued.*

Nature of Irregularity.	Amount involved.	Action taken, and Result.
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Mines Department.

IRREGULARITY BY PERSON NOT A DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER.

Valueless cheque cashed	6 19 6	Offender sentenced to nine months imprisonment. No loss to Department.
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Native Department.

IRREGULARITIES BY PERSONS NOT DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS.

Theft of pedigree stock	5 0 0	Offender admitted to probation for a period of twelve months and ordered to make restitution of the amount involved.
False pretences and impersonation	61 8 6	Offenders (two) admitted to probation for period of one year and ordered to make restitution of £57 11s. 1d.

Post and Telegraph Department.

IRREGULARITIES BY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS.

Theft of postal packets	Nil	Offender ordered to come up for sentence if called upon within three years and to pay costs of prosecution.
Theft of money	2 0 0	Offender admitted to probation for a period of three years and ordered to make restitution.
Misappropriation of employment-tax moneys ..	101 0 0	Offender admitted to probation for period of two years. Restitution made.

IRREGULARITIES BY PERSONS NOT DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS.

Fraudulent withdrawal from Post Office Savings-bank	1 3 8	Offender sentenced to three years' reformatory detention.
Thefts from public-call offices and stamp-vending machines	14 5 2	Police investigations resulted in eight offenders being sentenced to varying terms of imprisonment and four convicted and discharged. Recovery of £2 2s. 9d. made.
Loss of parcel receptacle	15 12 6	Police inquiries unsuccessful. Loss to Department, £15 12s. 6d.
Theft of money by burglar	0 12 0	Police inquiries unsuccessful. Loss to Department, 12s.
Sustenance payment made to person other than rightful claimant	1 16 0	Inquiries unsuccessful. Loss to Department, £1 16s.
Fraudulent withdrawals from Post Office Savings-bank	34 10 0	Police investigations unsuccessful. Loss to Department, £34 10s.
Theft of money by burglar	3 12 6	Offender sentenced to one month's imprisonment. Restitution made.
Theft of School Savings-bank money by burglars	1 9 6	Offenders (two) sentenced to imprisonment. Loss to Department, £1 9s. 6d.
Theft of money by burglar	34 19 5	Police investigation unsuccessful. Loss to Department, £34 19s. 5d.
Theft of money by burglar	27 4 10	Police investigation unsuccessful. Loss to Department, £27 4s. 10d.
Fraudulent negotiation of money-order ..	3 15 0	Police investigation unsuccessful. No loss to Department.
Suspected theft of money by burglar ..	10 0 0	Police investigation unsuccessful. Loss to Department, £10.
Theft of mail by burglars	Not stated	Police investigating.
Forgery of sustenance vouchers	4 5 0	Police inquiries unsuccessful. Loss to Department, £4 5s.
Theft of money by burglar	0 10 0	Police inquiries unsuccessful. Loss to Department, 10s.
Theft of money by burglar	0 2 0	Police investigations unsuccessful. Loss to Department, 2s.

Public Trust Office.

IRREGULARITIES BY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS.

Misappropriation of departmental moneys ..	24 7 11	Offender admitted to probation for a term of two years and ordered to make restitution.
Misappropriation of departmental moneys ..	390 8 8	Offender sentenced to two years' reformatory detention. It is anticipated that portion of the moneys misappropriated will be restored to the Account.

Public Works Department.

IRREGULARITY BY PERSON NOT A DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER.

Compensation obtained by false pretences ..	£ s. d. 8 16 0	Offender admitted to probation for a period of twelve months and ordered to make restitution.
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Railways Department.

IRREGULARITIES BY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS.

Irregularity in cash of a Post Office administered by the Department	20 0 0	Officer dismissed. Amount restored.
Misappropriation of departmental moneys ..	0 1 7	Officer dismissed. Restitution made.
Theft of departmental property	1 1 0	Officer dismissed. Property recovered.