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REPORT OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL

DECEMBER 31, 1934.

To the PRESIDENT:

There is transmitted herewith the report of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year 1934, which was the first full year of the present administration of the affairs of this Department.

For the 12-month period which ended June 30, 1934, the revenues of the Post Office Department showed a decline for the fourth consecutive year.

Notwithstanding this decline, it is my pleasure to report a net operating postal surplus of \$12,161,415.03. This gratifying result has been achieved through systematic, businesslike management in the operation of the service and the exercise of strict economy wherever practicable.

A preliminary investigation made early in 1933 disclosed that expenditures for contract services, such as transportation, leases, and the purchase of supplies, as well as for personnel services, were in excess of what appeared to be justified by the greatly reduced volume of postal business.

The surplus was obtained without the dismissal of any employee because of decreasing receipts and also without impairment of the service to the public in any essential particular. On the contrary, the service, in many respects, was improved.

What has been accomplished is largely the result of efficient and loyal service on the part of both executives and employees in the Department in Washington and in the field.

When this administration took over the operation of the Post Office Department of March 4, 1933, there was an excess of about 15,000 employees in the service. Since that time, due to resignations, deaths, retirements and removals for cause, that excess has been practically wiped out. It has been the policy of the Department not to fill vacancies thus occurring except where absolutely necessary.

The decreasing volume of mail and the excess personnel presented a serious problem. The Department was faced with the necessity of eliminating excess employees either by wholesale dismissals or by spreading employment through the means of payless furlough days during the year. The latter course was followed and only 11 payless furlough days were required. Furloughs were discontinued as soon as it became evident that there had been an upward trend in the

volume of mail and that the excess personnel had been largely reduced through retirements, deaths, resignations, and other normal causes.

On December 31, 1929, there were 254,956 persons regularly employed by the Post Office Department, which was the largest number ever carried on the Department's roll. By June 30, 1934, this number had been decreased to 229,646.

The following is a statement showing the extent of the reduction in personnel during the fiscal years 1932, 1933, and 1934:

Statement showing permanent employees in the Postal Service June 30, 1934, compared with June 30, 1933, June 30, 1932, and Dec. 31, 1929

Class	Number of employees				Decrease	
	Dec. 31, 1929	June 30, 1932	June 30, 1933	June 30, 1934 ¹	During 1934	During 1933 and 1934
Departmental.....	1,430	1,526	1,408	1,402	6	124
Postmasters:						
Presidential.....	15,626	15,487	15,029	14,110	919	1,377
Fourth class.....	33,618	32,732	32,612	32,397	215	335
Assistant postmasters.....	2,797	2,769	2,698	2,501	197	298
Clerks, first- and second-class offices.....	71,966	70,527	68,521	64,250	4,271	6,277
Watchmen, messengers, and laborers.....	4,907	4,803	4,646	4,459	187	344
City-delivery carriers.....	53,570	52,767	51,229	48,275	2,954	4,492
Vehicle service.....	3,835	3,797	3,737	3,593	144	204
Railway Mail Service.....	20,612	21,109	19,958	18,967	991	2,142
Rural-delivery carriers.....	43,509	41,515	39,924	37,019	2,905	4,496
All others.....	3,086	3,092	2,909	2,673	236	419
Total.....	254,956	250,124	242,671	² 229,646	13,025	20,478

¹ On Oct. 31, 1934, the number of permanent employees was 229,280, not including 8,354 custodial employees transferred from the Treasury Department Oct. 1, 1933.

² Does not include 7,990 custodial employees transferred from Treasury Department.

The Department's revenues reached their highest mark during the fiscal year 1930, when they amounted to \$705,484,098.15. Since 1930 there has been a steady decline. In 1931 the revenues declined \$49,000,000 by comparison with 1930; in 1932 there was a further decline of \$68,000,000; in 1933 there was a decline of only \$500,000, while in 1934 the loss in revenues when compared with 1933 was \$900,000. It is, therefore, obvious that the 3-cent rate for letter mail, effective July 1, 1932, was the principal factor in arresting the decline in postal revenues. However, it is also apparent that the reduction in the postage rates for local first-class mail on July 1, 1933, from 3 to 2 cents did not bring in the expected increased volume of either mail or revenue.

At the end of the fiscal year 1930, which, as stated above, brought the revenues of the Department to their highest point, the net postal deficit was \$57,571,511.72.² In 1931 the deficit was \$98,497,891.44.² The following year, 1932, the deficit was \$153,581,408.20,² and in 1933 the deficit was \$48,316,005.45,² while in 1934 there was a net postal surplus of \$12,161,415.03.

² These deficits exclude payments applying to prior years and take into account obligations for the particular year outstanding but unpaid.

In each instance these amounts of deficits and surplus were arrived at after adjustments for nonpostal items authorized by law. These nonpostal items include the air-mail subsidy, the ocean-mail subsidy, franked and penalty mail, etc.

There follows a statement showing the audited postal expenditures and revenues, the gross and net deficit or surplus of revenues for the fiscal years 1930 to 1934:

Table showing postal revenues and expenditures and the gross and net deficiency of revenues, fiscal years 1930 to 1934, inclusive

Fiscal year	Audited expenditures	Revenues	Gross deficiency of revenues	Credit for nonpostal and adjusted items	Net deficit
1930	\$803,700,085	\$705,484,068	\$98,215,987	\$40,644,475	\$57,571,512
1931	802,529,573	656,463,383	146,066,190	47,568,299	98,497,891
1932	793,722,534	588,171,923	205,550,611	51,969,203	153,581,408
1933	700,006,257	587,631,365	112,374,892	64,058,887	48,316,005
1934	630,767,001	586,733,166	44,033,835	56,195,250	12,161,415

¹ Surplus.

² These deficits exclude payments applying to prior years and take into account obligations for the particular year outstanding but unpaid.

In 1934 the expenditures of the Department for transportation of mail, salaries of personnel, equipment and supplies, rent, heat and light, and miscellaneous obligations were \$630,767,000, as compared with \$700,006,256.53 in 1933.

The following is a statement comparing the expenditures by objects for the fiscal years 1932, 1933, and 1934:

Statement comparing the audited postal expenditures for the fiscal years 1934 and 1933, classified according to the objects of expenditure, with expenditures during the fiscal years 1933 and 1932, respectively

	Expenditures				
	1934	1933	Decrease, 1934 compared with 1933	1932	Decrease, 1933 compared with 1932
Salaries and wages	\$431,989,312	\$482,313,358	\$50,324,046	\$562,815,338	\$80,501,980
Transportation	125,611,219	135,035,471	9,424,252	145,521,489	10,486,018
Rent, supplies, and miscellaneous	31,481,101	37,392,482	5,911,381	43,133,497	5,741,015
Total postal operations	589,081,632	654,741,311	65,659,679	751,470,324	96,729,013
Subsidies:					
Steamship	28,692,468	25,228,463	3,463,995	21,666,013	3,562,360
Aircraft	12,992,911	20,036,482	7,043,571	20,586,107	549,625
Total subsidies	41,685,369	45,264,945	3,579,576	42,252,210	3,012,735
Grand total expenditures	630,767,001	700,006,256	69,239,255	793,722,534	93,716,278

¹ Increase.

AIR MAIL

On July 1, 1933, air-mail contractors were being paid at the rate of approximately \$20,000,000 a year for 100 percent performance. The

amount actually paid out for the year which ended June 30, 1933, was \$19,400,264.81.

The appropriation for the fiscal year 1934 was \$15,000,000, which made it necessary to readjust the service and the rates in order to keep expenditures within the appropriation. These readjustments decreased the average rate per mile of cost from 54 cents for the previous year to 42.658 cents for the fiscal year 1934.

Investigation of air-mail contracts, begun in October 1933, disclosed that these contracts were illegal, having been procured through fraud and collusion. Therefore, on February 19, 1934, all domestic air-mail contracts were annulled. In the emergency, and pending the letting of new contracts, the Army Air Corps took over the operation of the essential routes. The Army assumed this task on February 19 and continued to perform service over various routes until May 31. In the meantime the Post Office Department advertised for bids for transporting air mail on those routes served by the Army, as well as on routes not then being served by it. Later, bids were advertised for a number of other routes, completing the present Nation-wide air-mail system, which comprises a network of 28,924 miles as compared with 25,248 miles in the old system.

As a result of open, competitive bidding the average rate of pay per mile is, under the new contracts, 26.802 cents, compared with an average rate of 54 cents per airplane mile for the fiscal year 1933, and 42.658 cents immediately prior to annulment. None of the new contracts became effective until within a few weeks of the end of the fiscal year 1934. The air-mail appropriation for 1935 is \$12,000,000. The largely expanded air-mail service already contracted for and planned improvements can be provided within this figure.

The new system not only embraces 3,676 more route miles than was embraced in the old system but it serves 4 additional States and 41 cities which did not have air-mail service at the time the old contracts were annulled. Included in the increased route mileage is service which has been established between the principal islands of the Hawaiian group.

By act of Congress the air-mail postage rate was reduced, effective July 1, 1934, from 8 cents for the first ounce and 13 cents for each additional ounce to a flat rate of 6 cents per ounce. The extension of the service and the reduced postage rate has resulted in a continually increasing volume of air mail.

Air-mail legislation enacted by the last Congress has done much to eliminate objectionable conditions which obtained in the air-transport industry prior to the annulment of the contracts.

TRANSOCEANIC AIR MAIL

It is my hope that in the next Annual Report of the Department it can be stated that a trans-Pacific air-transport service will have been inaugurated by one or more American companies and that the plans looking toward a trans-Atlantic air-transport service will have been further advanced, if not consummated.

It is assumed that the Government's policy of giving financial aid to the domestic air-transport companies and American companies operating foreign air-transport service through mail contracts will be extended so as to provide Government aid for companies which inaugurate and operate transoceanic air-transport services. If such aid is to be given, the necessary funds must be provided by Congress.

I wish to call your attention to the well known fact that the governments of most of the larger countries of the world are manifesting a special interest in the development of transport lines to foreign countries, particularly transoceanic lines. With few, if any, exceptions these governments of the larger countries are providing substantial financial aid for these companies and are also providing for a considerable degree of governmental regulation and control of their affairs.

ALASKAN AIR-MAIL SERVICE

The Department has made a careful survey of transport and communications conditions in Alaska and has concluded that, from several standpoints, it is advisable for the Government to improve and extend the rather limited air-transport services now operating in the Territory. Such improvement, like the proposed transoceanic air-transport services, will require governmental aid, provision for which must be made by Congress.

POSTAGE RATES

Postage rates are still a matter of grave concern. Congress very wisely continued the 3-cent first-class postage rate until July 1, 1935. It is imperative that this 3-cent rate be continued. If the first-class postage rate were reduced from 3 to 2 cents, the result would mean a loss of at least \$75,000,000 a year in the revenues of the Post Office Department. The restoration of the 2-cent rate on local delivery letter mail effective July 1, 1933, has had the effect of reducing the revenues on that particular mail matter from \$83,702,040 in the fiscal year 1933 to \$62,545,550 in 1934, a loss in revenue of \$21,156,490.

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Under Executive order the administration of Government-owned post-office buildings was transferred from the Treasury to the Post

Office Department on October 1, 1933. At that time 1,569 buildings were transferred, involving an operating personnel of 7,352.

Surveys were made covering the physical condition of the buildings, the adequacy of the personnel for operation and maintenance, etc. As a result of these surveys, material savings in operation and maintenance costs have been effected.

With the transfer of these buildings from the Treasury Department to the Post Office Department, there was charged against the revenues of the Post Office Department an expenditure of \$5,485,981.82 covering their maintenance and operation, an item which has not heretofore been included in the cost of the Postal Service. The Department felt that this was an expense properly belonging to the Postal Service.

THE FISCAL YEAR 1935

From the revenue returns for the first 4 months of the current fiscal year the Department estimates that its income for the fiscal year 1935 will be approximately \$615,000,000. This estimate is based on the continuance of existing postage rates and the gradual trend upward in postal receipts already manifested.

Expenditures for the fiscal year 1935 are estimated at \$697,092,564. This estimate includes the subsidies for air mail and ocean mail, the free mail for Congress and Government departments, etc., as well as maintenance of public buildings under the custody of the Department.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES A. FARLEY,
Postmaster General.

LEGISLATION

ENACTMENTS BY THE SEVENTY-THIRD CONGRESS, SECOND SESSION

Laws specially affecting the Postal Service were enacted by the second session of the Seventy-third Congress, as follows:

The act approved March 27, 1934 (Public, No. 140), to authorize the Postmaster General to accept and use equipment, landing fields, men, and material of the War Department, for carrying the mails by air, and other purposes.

The act approved May 4, 1934 (Public, No. 203), to require postmasters to account for money collected on mail delivered at their respective offices.

The act approved May 7, 1934 (Public, No. 209), to amend section 198 of the act entitled "An act to codify, revise, and amend the penal laws of the United States", approved March 4, 1909, as amended by the acts of May 18, 1916, and July 28, 1916, curbing the practice of depositing statements of account, circulars, sale bills, etc., in letter boxes established and approved by the Postmaster General for the receipt or delivery of mail matter without payment of postage thereon.

The act approved May 9, 1934 (Public, No. 214), to amend the act entitled "An act to promote the circulation of reading matter among the blind", approved April 27, 1904, and acts supplemental thereto, transmitting, free of postage, sound reproduction records for the use of the blind.

Section 515 of the Revenue Act of 1934, approved May 10, 1934 (Public, No. 216), continued the 3-cent postage rate until July 1, 1935, and granted the President power to modify rates on all mail matter, except drop letters, until July 1, 1935.

The act approved June 5, 1934 (Public, No. 288), to fix the rates of postage on certain periodicals exceeding 8 ounces in weight.

The act approved June 5, 1934 (Public, No. 289), to remove inequities in the law governing eligibility for promotion to the position of Chief Clerk in the Railway Mail Service.

The act approved June 11, 1934 (Public, No. 302), to amend the third clause of section 14 of the act of March 3, 1879 (20 Stat. 359; U. S. C., title 39, sec. 226), providing that publications produced by the stencil, mimeograph, or hectograph process or in imitation of type-writing shall not be regarded as printed within the meaning of this clause.

The act approved June 12, 1934 (Public, No. 308), to revise air-mail laws, and to establish a commission to make a report to the Congress recommending an aviation policy.

The joint resolution approved June 26, 1934 (Pub. Res. No. 48), to simplify the administration of air-mail routes and contracts.

The act approved June 12, 1934 (Public, No. 315), to provide for the final construction, on behalf of the United States, of postal treaties or conventions to which the United States is a party.

The act approved June 13, 1934 (Public, No. 332), to authorize the Post Office Department to hold contractors responsible in damages for the loss, rifling, damage, wrong delivery, depredation upon, or other mistreatment of mail matter due to fault or negligence of the contractor or an agent or employee thereof.

The act approved June 14, 1934 (Public, No. 349), to provide hourly rates of pay for substitute laborers in the Railway Mail Service and time credits when appointed as regular laborer.

The act approved June 14, 1934 (Public, No. 353), to reclassify terminal railway post offices.

The act approved June 15, 1934 (Public, No. 355), to authorize the acknowledgment of oaths by post-office inspectors and by Chief Clerks of the Railway Mail Service.

The act approved June 16, 1934 (Public, No. 366), to compensate the Post Office Department for the extra work caused by the payment of money orders at offices other than those on which the orders are drawn.

The act approved June 16, 1934 (Private, No. 257), granting a franking privilege to Grace G. Coolidge.

The act approved June 18, 1934 (Public, No. 385), to enable the Postmaster General to withhold commissions on false returns made by postmasters.

The act approved June 18, 1934 (Public, No. 386), to amend the act entitled "An act authorizing the Postmaster General to adjust certain claims of postmasters for loss by burglary, fire, or other unavoidable casualty", approved March 17, 1882, as amended.

The act approved June 18, 1934 (Public, No. 390), to remove the limitation upon the extension of star routes.

The act approved June 18, 1934 (Public, No. 391), to authorize the Postmaster General to charge an additional fee for effecting delivery of domestic registered, insured, or collect-on-delivery mail, the delivery of which is restricted to the addressee only, or to the addressee or order.

The act approved June 19, 1934 (Public, No. 414), to amend the act entitled "An act to amend section 217, as amended, of the act entitled 'An act to codify, revise, and amend the penal laws of the United States', approved March 4, 1909", approved January 11, 1929, with respect to the use of the mails for the shipment of certain drugs and medicines to cosmetologists and barbers.

The act approved June 19, 1934 (Public, No. 429), to amend section 3937 of the Revised Statutes, authorizing the handling of mail matter deposited in post offices without the postage being wholly paid, as dead letters.

The act approved June 22, 1934 (Public, No. 452), to authorize the Postmaster General to hire vehicles from postal employees.

The act approved June 22, 1934 (Public, No. 455), relating to conveyance of letters by private hands without compensation, or by special messenger employed for the particular occasion only.

The act approved June 22, 1934 (Public, No. 456), to amend section 392 of title 5 of the United States Code, authorizing the Postmaster General to settle claims for damages caused by negligence of postal employees.

The act approved June 25, 1934 (Public, No. 463), to adjust the salaries of rural letter carriers, and for other purposes.

The act approved June 26, 1934 (Public, No. 472), to reduce the fee to accompany applications for entry as second-class matter of publications of limited circulation.

The act approved June 27, 1934 (Public, No. 480), amending the Independent Offices Appropriation Act of 1935, providing full credit for all service rendered during the period from July 1, 1932, to June 30, 1934, by postal and other officers and employees entitled to automatic promotions.

BUREAU OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

DIVISION OF POST OFFICE SERVICE

POST OFFICES—CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to the requirements of the law classifying post offices and fixing the salaries of postmasters and supervisory officers in accordance with the gross receipts for the preceding calendar year, the salaries of postmasters and supervisory officers were duly adjusted, effective July 1, 1934. The detail of these adjustments insofar as they affect postmasters is set forth in the appendix. The number of offices of the presidential classes, as of July 1, 1934, as compared with the number on July 1, 1933, is as follows:

	1933	1934	Decrease
First class.....	966	922	44
Second class.....	3, 123	2, 987	136
Third class.....	10, 024	9, 475	549
Total.....	14, 113	13, 384	729

POST-OFFICE STATIONS AND BRANCHES

Classified.—On June 30, 1934, there were 1,487 classified stations and branches in operation. These units are established and maintained primarily for the purpose of furnishing adequate postal facilities to the patrons of the neighborhood in which located.

Contract.—On June 30, 1934, there were 5,809 contract stations in operation. During the fiscal year the receipts from stamp sales from such stations were approximately \$26,725,116 and the cost for their maintenance during the same period was \$1,533,972.

Such units are conducted under agreement for a period of 2 years at a stipulated rate of compensation, ranging from \$1 to \$1,500 per annum. They are usually conducted in places of business, more frequently in drug stores and department stores. Stations in the latter places are maintained largely for the convenience of the patrons of the stores in which located.

Persons conducting contract stations are required to furnish quarters and equipment, heat, light, and the necessary clerical assistance. All stations and branch offices are required to transact money-order and registry business, sell postage supplies, and, when so designated, shall transact postal-savings business. Stations and

branch post offices may also receive and dispatch mails. At contract stations and branches, where the needs of the service require, lock boxes and general-delivery facilities are provided.

REORGANIZATION OF POST OFFICES

The Department continued its efforts to reduce the cost of service proportionately to the diminished volume of business, and effected during the year a further substantial reduction in the pay roll of clerks, carriers, and laborers by continuing the policy of not filling vacancies as they occurred through resignations, retirements, deaths, and removals.

Surveys were made at a large number of post offices, resulting in further reductions in expenditures for overtime and auxiliary clerk, carrier, and laborer hire through the readjustment of working schedules and delivery routes. Surplus regular employees, at offices still having them, were utilized wherever practicable in lieu of auxiliary service. Special attention was given also to the matter of proper supervision, with view to obtaining greater efficiency and eliminating unnecessary expenditures. More than 800 supervisory positions, as they became vacant, were absorbed without detriment to the service, making a further large reduction in operating costs.

PERSONNEL

First- and second-class post offices.—On June 30, 1934, the number of assistant postmasters, supervisors, clerks, watchmen, messengers, laborers, city and village carriers employed in post offices of the first and second classes was 120,454. During the year there was a net reduction in personnel of 4,468 assistant postmasters, supervisors, and clerks; 2,985 carriers; and 187 watchmen, messengers, and laborers—a total of 7,640.

The average basic salary of clerks, including supervisory employees, decreased from \$2,172.92 to \$2,166.93 and of city carriers from \$2,090.17 to \$2,089.52. The decreases are due to the fact that the law prohibited promotions within the several grades during the fiscal year 1934. The reduction of 15 percent in compensation required by the act of April 1, 1933, continued in effect until February 1, 1934, when it was superseded by a reduction of 10 percent for the balance of the fiscal year, as provided by the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1935.

The resignations of clerks during the year numbered 232, an increase of 68 as compared with the previous year. Resignations of carriers were 126, an increase of 2 over the previous year.

Third-class offices.—The Department has continued to cooperate in the effort to spread employment by directing postmasters of third-class offices where practicable not to employ members of their immediate families, thus making available many clerical positions to competent worthy unemployed persons with dependents.

OVERTIME

During the year ended June 30, 1934, expenditures for clerical overtime amounted to \$646,042, and for carrier overtime \$580,157, decreases of \$58,058 and \$65,968, respectively. These decreases were due largely to the continued efforts of the Department to restrict the use of overtime to emergencies only, and to spread the work among the substitutes.

CITY AND VILLAGE DELIVERY SERVICES

No additional city or village delivery service was established during the year. A few minor extensions of existing service were made, involving little or no expense.

RETIREMENT

During the year 5,249 post-office employees, including 2,720 supervisors, clerks and laborers and 2,529 city and village carriers were retired with annuity, making a total of 8,829 supervisors, clerks, and laborers and 10,439 carriers, or a grand total of 19,268 post-office employees retired during the period August 20, 1920, to June 30, 1934. The Department has no record of the number of annuitants who have been separated from the rolls by death or otherwise. The figures given represent an increase of 2,955 in the number of retirements of post-office employees as compared with 1933. This increase is due principally to the involuntary separation from the Service of surplus employees who were entitled to annuities under the provisions of section 8 (a) of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1934, which authorizes practically maximum annuities to employees having 30 or more years of service and who have been so separated.

Under the provisions of section 204 of the act of June 30, 1932, providing for immediate retirement of employees who had reached automatic retirement age, certain employees named in Executive Order 5874 were separated from the service at close of business July 10, 1932. The Veterans' Administration began payment of annuities to these employees as of August 1, 1932, leaving them without pay or annuity for the period from July 11 to 31, inclusive. The Postmaster General recommended legislation, which was embodied in section 8 of the act of March 3, 1933, authorizing annuities for

the employees included in the Executive order to begin with the day following date of separation from active service.

It has since been found, however, that a number of employees were separated from the Service during the month of July 1932 in addition to those named in the Executive order above referred to, who have received neither pay nor annuity for the period from date of separation to July 31, 1932, inclusive.

COOPERATION

Throughout the year the Department cooperated with the National Industrial Recovery Administration by placing the facilities of the postal establishment at its service for the distribution of literature and the dissemination of information to assist in its work. Frequent notices were published in the Postal Bulletin instructing postmasters in these matters.

DIVISION OF POSTMASTERS

APPOINTMENT OF POSTMASTERS

Presidential postmasters.—Offices of the first, second, and third classes.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934, there were 4,753 postmasters nominated by the President, of whom 4,698 were confirmed by the Senate. Eleven nominations were withdrawn from the Senate and one rejected, leaving but 43 nominations which failed of confirmation. From eligible registers established by the Civil Service Commission 4,153 appointments were made. There were 31 employees of the classified civil service promoted and 7 with civil-service status reinstated after satisfying the Civil Service Commission that they met the requirements for appointment. Four hundred and seventy-two postmasters were reappointed. Ten were appointed without examination due to the inability of the Civil Service Commission to establish registers. Twenty-four appointments were made in Territories and possessions, of which 11 were reappointments and 13 new appointees.

Appointments were made to fill vacancies at 2,867 offices due to the expiration of 4-year terms; 1,670 on account of death, resignation, removal, or retirement, and the establishment of new offices; 84 because of the advancement of offices from the fourth class to a Presidential grade, and 77 due to transfers to positions in the classified civil service.

Postmasters of the fourth class.—Fourth-class postmasters were commissioned at 3,092 offices during the fiscal year where vacancies occurred through death, resignation, or removal of postmasters, establishment of offices, and through relegation of offices from the Presidential classes.

RETIREMENT

On June 30, 1934, 432 postmasters and 70 acting postmasters, serving at offices of the first, second, and third classes, were entitled to the benefits of the Retirement Act.

During the fiscal year, 307 postmasters and 1 acting postmaster were separated from the service, of which number 63 were retired under section 8 of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act (30 years' or more service), 29 under section 7 of the act of May 29, 1930 (15 years' but less than 30 years' service), 16 automatically upon reaching retirement age, 8 under section 6 of the act of May 29, 1930 (total disability), 9 due to death, 5 resigned without sufficient service to receive annuity, and 82 transferred to other positions within the Service. Ninety were removed due to expiration of commissions and 5 on charges of misconduct and delinquency.

DESIGNATION OF ACTING POSTMASTERS

Existing law requires the Postmaster General to designate an acting postmaster when a vacancy occurs by death, resignation, or removal of the postmaster. It is desirable that legislation be enacted which will provide authority, in those cases where there is unavoidable delay in filling vacancies due to death, resignation, removal, or expiration of term, for the payment of the postmasters' salaries to the persons assuming charge of the post offices until acting or regular appointments of postmasters are made.

It is in the interest of the Service to have additional authority provided by legislation to appoint acting postmasters upon the expiration of postmasters' terms whose services should be terminated by reason of unsatisfactory records but without the stigma of removal against them.

DIVISION OF DEAD LETTERS AND DEAD PARCEL POST

Undelivered letters received in the dead-letter offices during the year increased $7\frac{1}{4}$ percent over the number received last year.

Money found in letters during the fiscal year 1934 amounted to \$69,596.29, of which amount \$40,230.73 was restored to the rightful owners.

As the result of a thorough survey, the dead-letter service was further decentralized by establishing dead-letter branches at 966 first-class post offices for the treatment of local dead first-class matter, and the treatment at the proper central accounting offices of all dead first-class matter reaching post offices of the second, third, and fourth classes.

This reorganization became effective December 1, 1933, and effected a considerable saving in the cost of operations, as the work was

wholly absorbed by regular personnel of the offices concerned. The dead-letter service to the public was made more efficient, in that the time of treatment and restoration to the sender was cut from approximately 15 days to practically a 48-hour service.

The number of unclaimed addressed parcels and articles found loose in the mails, treated in the dead parcel-post branches, decreased 84,231 from the previous year. The number of unclaimed parcels and articles sold at public auction was 194,630, and the net proceeds of these sales amounted to \$46,687.44, an increase of \$11,168.30.

The total revenue from all sources, including sales of unclaimed merchandise and magazines, money and stamps removed from undeliverable mail, found loose in the mails, and from 3-cent fees for returning dead letters amounted to \$161,104.82, an increase of \$17,674.51½. The actual cash revenues increased \$12,326.15, over the previous year.

BUREAU OF THE SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

DIVISION OF RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE

The function of the Railway Mail Service is the supervision of the distribution and dispatch of mails in the Postal Service and the distribution of mails in transit in order to effect the earliest practicable delivery.

Curtailment and withdrawal of train service by railroad companies continued during the fiscal year 1934, but not to as large an extent as during the previous year. To provide adequate mail service for offices formerly supplied by trains, star-route service has been established, and in most cases a better service has been provided at a lower cost.

Some railroad companies have quickened schedules on through trains and this has expedited the delivery of transcontinental, or through mails.

There has been some increase in the volume of mails handled during the year but the additional mails have been transported and distributed without increased cost.

In a number of instances it has been found practicable to reduce railway post office, apartment car, and storage car space at a substantial saving in cost of mail transportation without impairing the efficiency of mail service.

Railroad companies have been experimenting with lightweight high-speed trains during the year and in a few instances such equipment has resulted in expediting the transportation and delivery of the mails.

Surveys have been made during the year of organization units and better methods adopted which have resulted in a reduction of personnel and at the same time provided improved service.

A terminal railway post office in rented quarters was moved into the railroad station at a slightly higher rental but involving a net saving to the Department of approximately \$10,000 in the trucking of mails.

The distribution of city mails was taken up on several railway post office lines which resulted in securing first instead of second carrier delivery.

PERSONNEL ¹

On June 30, 1934, there were 267 officials (including 115 chief clerks and 5 vacancies and 111 assistant chief clerks and 3 vacancies);

¹ See appendix for table showing average annual salary, average annual travel allowance, and number of resignations during the year.

59 clerks in charge of sections in offices of division superintendents and 1 vacancy; 17,899 regular railway postal clerks; 815 regular laborers; 7 joint employees; 247 acting railway postal clerks; a total of 19,285 employees (including 19,038 regular and 247 acting employees); a decrease of 945 or 4.73 percent in the regular force; an increase of 76 or 44.44 percent in the acting force, or a decrease of 869 or 4.31 percent in the total number of employees as compared with the previous fiscal year.

DISTRIBUTION OF MAIL

During the year there were 9,001,063,788 distributions and redistributions of pieces of first-class mail and 5,347,631,158 distributions and redistributions of pieces of second-, third-, and fourth-class mail, a total of 14,348,694,946 distributions and redistributions of pieces, exclusive of registered mail, by railway postal clerks, a decrease of 1.31 percent in first-class mail and an increase of 1 percent in second-, third-, and fourth-class mail; a net decrease of 0.46 percent in all classes of mail over the previous year. The above figures include 90,160,598 pieces of air mail. There were also handled during the year 67,576,697 pieces of registered mail, including 1,070,779 pieces of registered air mail.

CAR EQUIPMENT²

On June 30, 1934, there were 743 full postal cars and 3,496 apartment mail cars owned by the several railroad companies and operated for the Postal Service.

All of the 743 full postal cars and 2,449, or 70.1 percent, of the apartment cars are all-steel construction. The steel underframe apartment cars constitute 14.1 percent; wood, steel reinforced, 15.5 percent; and the straight wood cars 0.3 percent of the cars in service. Of the 10 straight wood cars 7 are narrow gage.

A mail apartment was installed in each of two lightweight high-speed trains built during the year, and in the same period 11 steel-underframe, 52 wood steel-reinforced, and 3 wood cars were retired from the service. Twenty-six all-steel mail cars were under construction at the close of the year, 5 of which are to be operated in lightweight high-speed trains.

Despite the unfavorable conditions resulting from continued depression in railroad circles progress has continued in the standardization and improvement of existing equipment. During the year 18 cars were standardized, 1 was strengthened, 201 were equipped with sanitary fixtures, 16 were supplied with electric fans, and 33 had electric lights installed in lieu of gas or oil.

² For table showing type of construction of postal cars see appendix.

CASUALTIES

There were 79 railroad accidents during the fiscal year in which railway postal clerks were injured or in which mail was lost or damaged, resulting in serious injuries to 25 clerks and slight injuries to 83.

STAR-ROUTE SERVICE ³

On June 30, 1934, there were 12,237 star routes, a decrease of 359 routes over the preceding year. The length of the routes aggregated 251,824.26 miles one way, requiring travel by contractors and carriers of 156,699,298.03 miles per annum. The average rate of cost per mile of scheduled travel was 8.16 cents, a decrease of 0.99 cent per mile.

The mails were carried on a pound-rate basis on 176 routes, at a cost of \$21,919.40.

As the result of the establishment or extension of rural delivery 47 star routes were discontinued. The length of the routes discontinued was 470.48 miles, and their annual cost was \$26,825.36.

Service in the Fourth Contract Section was awarded for the term of 4 years, beginning July 1, 1934, at an aggregate cost of \$4,876,765.98 per annum, a decrease in cost under the preceding term of \$1,657,451.79 per annum.

Government-operated star-route service.—This class of service, which is paid for from the appropriation for inland transportation by star routes (excepting service in Alaska), is operated only on routes for which no proposals for star-route service under contract can be obtained, or where the rates submitted in response to advertisement are considered too high and much in excess of the cost of providing service with Government-owned equipment.

On June 30, 1934, 10 such routes were in operation, having an aggregate length of 854.5 miles one way. The cost of the service for the year was approximately \$90,000. Thirty-nine employees and 29 trucks were employed in the operation of these routes.

DIVISION OF RAILWAY ADJUSTMENTS

MAIL TRANSPORTATION BY RAILROADS AND MAIL-MESSENGER SERVICE

On June 30, 1934, mails were carried under authorizations of the Department by 412 companies over 201,260 miles of railroads. The annual mileage of regularly authorized space units of the several sizes for carrying mails was 453,846,658.

The appropriation for the fiscal year for inland transportation by railroad routes and mail-messenger service was \$100,000,000. From this amount, \$6,875 was transferred to the credit of the appropriation for salaries, office of the Solicitor, for the Post Office Department,

³ For table showing number of routes and comparison of cost in the several contract sections see appendix.

and \$928,875 was transferred from the appropriation for salaries, Railway Mail Service, to the credit of this appropriation, making a net total of \$100,922,000 available. The expenditures for the fiscal year were \$100,896,153 (subject to adjustment), a decrease of \$3,794,488 from those of the preceding year.

Of the above amount, \$7,456,913 was expended for mail-messenger service. On June 30, 1934, there were 20,943 mail-messenger routes, a decrease of 569, or 2.65 percent. The annual rate was \$7,022,831, a decrease of \$2,230,270, or 24.10 percent, in the annual cost. In the last annual report mention was made of the policy which was adopted about April 1, 1933, to issue advertisements for all mail-messenger service generally throughout the country with a view to reducing its cost. This general advertisement was concluded in December 1933. On June 30, 1934, largely as the result of these advertisements, the annual rate of expenditure had been reduced approximately \$2,464,000.

SIDE AND TRANSFER SERVICE

Under orders of the Interstate Commerce Commission the railroads are compensated for carrying the mails between railroad stations and between stations and the several post offices where so required by the Postmaster General on the basis of the cost of such service plus 3 percent. Where the Department has been able to secure this service by the establishment of mail messenger service at less cost, it has done so.

The annual rate of expenditure for this service on July 1, 1933, was \$583,450 at 3,415 points. On June 30, 1934, the annual rate was \$528,203, a reduction of 9.47 percent, and the number of points was 3,244, a reduction of 5.01 percent. The estimated expenditures were \$535,404.

MAIL TRANSPORTATION BY POWER BOATS

On June 30, 1934, mails were carried under authorizations of the Department by power boats over 219 routes, covering 38,977 miles. The appropriation for the service for the fiscal year was \$1,350,000, and the expenditures were \$1,180,840 (small part estimated).

Contracts for this service are entered into after advertisement and receipt of competitive bids. The contracts for service in the fourth contract section were relet from July 1, 1934. The cost under the expiring contracts was \$789,113 for 101 routes. The new contracts were let on 92 routes, at an aggregate annual rate of \$752,101.

MAIL TRANSPORTATION BY ELECTRIC RAILWAYS

On June 30, 1934, the mails were carried under authorizations of the Department by 153 companies over 4,824 miles of electric railways.

The appropriation for the fiscal year was \$450,000, and the expenditures (subject to adjustment), \$397,034. This service is authorized and paid for under the terms of the order of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

STAR-ROUTE SERVICE IN ALASKA

On June 30, 1934, mails were carried under authorizations of the Department on 63 routes, covering a distance of 10,216 miles. The appropriation for the service for the year was \$135,000. The estimated expenditures were \$130,021.

DIVISION OF INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SERVICE

That the International Postal Service, not unlike other branches of the Postal Service and of the Government in general, as well as private business, has been a victim since 1930 of the world-wide depression is indicated by the decrease in the volume of the mails exchanged with foreign countries as set forth in the annual reports for the fiscal years 1931, 1932, and 1933.

While there was again a decrease during this year, it is believed that the percentages of decrease are now sufficiently low in most cases to indicate quite unmistakably that the decline in international postal traffic has been arrested in our exchanges with many foreign countries, signifying a gradual improvement in foreign trade.

In analyzing the decrease by countries or groups of countries it is found that, with one exception (in connection with regular mails dispatched to countries other than Canada and Mexico), the percentages of decrease are less than in the years 1932 and 1933. In the case of regular mails dispatched to Canada and Mexico and in the case of regular mails received from foreign countries generally, the decrease was negligible, while the decrease in the total volume of parcel post dispatched to foreign countries has been almost entirely eliminated, and the percentage of decrease in the total volume of parcel post received has been greatly reduced. The exception as regards regular mails dispatched is quite noticeable in that it relates to the total volume of such mails dispatched to all foreign countries other than Canada and Mexico, the percentage of decrease in this instance being considerably greater than in 1933 although considerably less than in 1932.

The statistics indicating the increased downward trend for 1934 in the volume of regular mails dispatched to foreign countries generally were assembled as to groups of countries (other than Canada and Mexico) and they do not admit of sufficient analysis to determine definitely the countries to which such dispatches showed the greatest decreases and which therefore were responsible for the increased percentage as a whole. That our regular mail dispatches to the

countries of Central and South American were not responsible is indicated by separate statistics assembled during a recent period, which, while not sufficiently complete for an exact year-by-year comparison, tend to show an actual increase in 1934. The records of parcel post dispatched and received which are furnished to the Department by our exchange offices as the basis for accounts with foreign countries show also that in the case of parcel post exchanged with the countries of Central and South America, as well as with Mexico, there was a noticeable increase in 1934.

VOLUME OF MAILS AND REVENUE

Based on the actual count for 7 days in October 1933 and 7 days in April 1934, at all United States exchange post offices, it is estimated that the number of letters and other articles, excluding parcel post, dispatched to foreign countries, by land, sea, and air during the fiscal year was 286,015,990, a decrease of 11.22 percent from the preceding year, while the number received from all countries was 263,438,214, a decrease of 1.15 percent.

The amount of postage, including air-mail and special-delivery fees, prepaid by the senders on such articles sent to foreign countries and the deficient postage collected from the addressees in this country on unpaid and short-paid articles received from abroad was \$11,024,931, a decrease of 8.01 percent from 1933.

Of the above totals, the number of articles dispatched to countries other than Canada and Mexico was 175,581,900, a decrease of 15.34 percent from 1933, and the number received was 186,096,066, a decrease of 0.94 percent from 1933, while the postage collected is estimated at \$7,872,207, a decrease of 9.34 percent from 1933.

The decrease was 4.12 percent for mails dispatched to Canada and 1.50 percent for mails received. In the case of Mexico the decrease was 0.22 percent for mails dispatched and 3.47 percent for mails received.

In addition to the postage (including air-mail and special-delivery fees) amounting to \$11,024,931, collected on regular mail articles according to the above count, it is estimated that the postage collected on parcel post to foreign countries and to the insular possessions was \$3,327,357.10, making a total of \$14,352,288.10 for both regular mail and parcel post.

Furthermore, there was collected as fees on registered, insured, and c. o. d. mail and parcel post; as charges for return receipts and for inquiries and complaints; as charges in connection with applications for return and change of address of mail and parcel post; as fees for customs clearance of letter packages, small packets, and parcel-post packages; as delivery fees on parcel-post packages and small packets;

as charges for certificates of mailing for parcel-post packages; as storage charges on parcel post; and as charges for receipts on ordinary parcel-post packages addressed for delivery in Americo-Spanish (Pan American) Postal Union countries (except Canada and Cuba), a total of \$847,948.06.

The number of parcel-post packages dispatched to foreign countries was 3,035,957, a decrease of 13,049, or 0.43 percent, while the weight was 21,809,268 pounds, a decrease of 767,704 pounds, or 3.40 percent.

The number of parcels received from other countries was 1,034,604 a decrease of 196,051, or 15.93 percent, while the weight was 8,014,833 pounds, a decrease of 1,913,100 pounds, or 19.27 percent.

The weights of mails dispatched by air were:

On United States foreign air-mail routes:	<i>Pounds</i>
United States origin (increase over 1933, 16 percent)-----	85, 989
Foreign origin (increase over 1933, 11 percent)-----	91, 584
Canal Zone origin (increase over 1933, 3 percent)-----	8, 404
Total (increase over 1933, 11.56 percent)-----	185, 977
On United States domestic routes only:	
Foreign origin (increase over 1933, 7 percent) (does not include mail from Canada and Mexico, figures on which are not available)---	10, 882
On foreign routes other than those of Canada and Cuba:	
United States mails (increase over 1933, 19 percent)-----	14, 129

The weights of mails (United States and foreign origin) dispatched by sea from United States ports to foreign countries and to our possessions were:

	<i>Pounds</i>
Letters and post cards-----	4, 431, 928
Prints-----	29, 673, 324
Parcel post-----	18, 262, 980
Total-----	52, 368, 232

These weights show a decrease of 3.49 percent from the preceding year. They do not include mails dispatched overland to Canada, Cuba, and Mexico, these mails (except parcel post) being included in the estimate based on the semiannual count referred to previously. The total parcel post dispatched to Canada decreased 2.58 percent, while that received from Canada decreased 4.45 percent. To Mexico, the parcel post dispatched increased 20.50 percent, while that received increased 40.89 percent. To Cuba, the outgoing parcel post decreased 6.09 percent, while the incoming decreased 29.45 percent.

The percentage of all mails dispatched in American ships during the year was 69 percent, as against 69.4 in 1933.

The weight of trans-Atlantic mails dispatched was 24,561,207 pounds, of which American ships carried 56.7 percent, as against 59.6 percent in 1933.

The weight of mails to Central and South America and the West Indies was 16,948,403 pounds, of which American ships carried 81.4 percent, as against 82.9 percent in 1933.

The weight of trans-Pacific mails dispatched was 10,858,622 pounds, of which 77.7 percent was carried in American ships, as against 72.3 percent in 1933.

APPROPRIATIONS AND COST OF SERVICE

The appropriations for the fiscal year 1934 are:

For foreign mail transportation.....	\$35, 500, 000
For balances due foreign countries.....	1, 000, 000
For indemnities, international mail.....	15, 000
Total.....	36, 515, 000

(In addition to the above, \$2,600,000 was transferred to the appropriation for foreign mail transportation from the United States Shipping Board for payment of service on contract route no. 57 and \$173,000 was transferred from the appropriation for star-route service, none of the latter having been used.)

The appropriations for the fiscal year 1935 are:

For foreign mail transportation.....	\$37, 500, 000
For balances due foreign countries.....	1, 000, 000
For indemnities, international mail.....	15, 000
Total.....	38, 515, 000

The amounts estimated as necessary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1936, are:

For foreign mail transportation.....	\$41, 500, 964
For balances due foreign countries.....	1, 300, 000
For indemnities, international mail.....	20, 000
Total.....	42, 820, 964

This is \$4,305,964, or 11.2 percent, more than the appropriation for the fiscal year 1935.

The cost of the international postal service during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934, is estimated as \$38,967,987.82, of which \$35,386,458.69 is chargeable to the appropriation "For the transportation of foreign mails" and \$2,567,927.50 is chargeable to a fund of \$2,600,000 transferred from the United States Shipping Board for payment of service on contract route no. 57; \$1,000,000 chargeable to the appropriation "Balances due foreign countries" (many of the accounts with foreign countries are still necessarily unsettled, so that it is difficult at the time of submission of this report to determine, even approximately, the expenditures chargeable to this appropriation); \$13,601.63 (partly estimated) chargeable to the appropriation "Indemnities, international mail" (a number of items chargeable to

this appropriation are still under investigation so that an accurate statement of expenditures is not possible at this time).

The foregoing amounts were distributed as follows:

Appropriation for foreign mail transportation:

Trans-Atlantic ocean-mail service:	
Contract.....	\$12, 101, 210. 59
Noncontract.....	629, 338. 69
Trans-Pacific ocean-mail service:	
Contract.....	7, 092, 291. 00
Noncontract.....	168, 527. 43
Miscellaneous ocean-mail service:	
Contract.....	10, 619, 141. 01
Noncontract.....	244, 007. 60
Contract air-mail service.....	6, 943, 856. 29
Sea-post service.....	135, 222. 98
Miscellaneous items, telegrams, etc.....	20, 430. 60
Rent of office quarters for United States postal agency at Havana.....	360. 00
Total.....	<u><u>37, 954, 386. 19</u></u>

Balances due foreign countries:

Balances paid or due foreign countries on account of intermediary maritime and land transit of United States regular mails (estimated).....	452, 074. 74
Balances paid or due foreign countries for transit, terminal, and storage charges, etc., on United States parcel post (estimated).....	498, 018. 94
Balances paid or due foreign countries for the transmission of United States mails over foreign air-mail routes and for transdesert motor service (estimated).....	35, 342. 96
Balances paid or due foreign countries on exchange of reply coupons, including the printing by the International Bureau at Berne of coupons issued by the United States..	4, 038. 77
For this Department's share in maintaining the International Bureau at Berne, Switzerland, including subscription to L'Union Postale and the Universal Dictionary of Post Offices.....	8, 543. 53
For this Department's share in maintaining the International Office at Montevideo, Uruguay.....	1, 981. 06
Total.....	<u><u>1, 000, 000. 00</u></u>

Indemnities, international mail:

Registered mail.....	6, 100. 71
Insured mail.....	4, 261. 52
C. o. d. mail.....	566. 14
Ordinary Americo-Spanish (Pan American) parcel post...	173. 26
Total (plus \$2,500 estimated for items still under investigation).....	<u>13, 601. 63</u>

CONTRACT OCEAN MAIL (MERCHANT MARINE) SERVICE

No additional contracts were let during the year under the Merchant Marine Act. The total number of routes under contract remained the same as at the close of the previous fiscal year—that is, 44. A complete list will be found in table 47 of the appendix.

No new vessels were completed during the year under the requirements of these contracts. However, the contractors reconditioned existing vessels with tonnage aggregating 42,419 tons, at a cost of approximately \$1,192,518. The total construction to June 30 under the merchant-marine contracts consists of 31 modern new vessels, aggregating approximately 342,501 tons, at a cost of approximately \$138,435,852 and 42 reconditioned vessels, aggregating 235,673 tons, at a cost of approximately \$15,673,591.

The cost of the contract ocean-mail service during the fiscal year was \$29,611,481.99, of which \$2,567,927.50 was expended from a fund transferred from the United States Shipping Board to cover the cost of route 57, while the cost of carrying the same mails on a weight basis would have been \$2,598,962.86.

SEA POST SERVICE

Sea post service was in operation on 43 ships, 22 in the trans-Atlantic service manned by 32 clerks and 21 in the trans-Pacific service manned by 16 clerks.

The approximate number of articles distributed was, in the trans-Atlantic service, 46,619,742 pieces of ordinary mail, 467,615 registers, and 37,642 sacks of papers and, in the trans-Pacific service, 10,648,542 pieces of ordinary mail, 103,125 registers, and 4,652 sacks of papers.

In addition to the distribution of mail in transit, the clerks on trans-Atlantic steamships registered 2,323 articles and sold postage stamps amounting to \$9,038.11, while those on trans-Pacific steamships registered 672 articles, insured 187 articles, and sold postage stamps amounting to \$8,938.61.

Various improvements have been inaugurated in the distribution of the mails in sea post offices, with the view of expediting delivery and eliminating rehandling. A revised scheme of distribution for the use of sea post clerks in the trans-Atlantic service is now in course of printing.

The distribution on westbound voyages of air mail originating in European countries was inaugurated with the sailing of the steamer *Leviathan* from Le Havre, France, on June 19. This results, in some cases, in earlier air dispatch from New York than if the mail were forwarded to the New York post office for distribution. It also relieves the latter office of this work, without the need for additional clerical assistance in the sea post.

NAVY MAIL SERVICE

Navy mail service was in operation on 230 naval vessels and at 92 domestic and foreign shore establishments, 115 of which had money-order facilities. The personnel of this service numbered 315 Navy mail clerks and 51 assistant Navy mail clerks, a total of 366. Navy mail service was placed in operation on 13 new vessels and at 10 shore establishments.

All Navy post offices are under the direct supervision of naval officers, who are required to make monthly and quarterly audits of the stamp stock and funds. As this is considered adequate inspection for nonmoney-order offices, the regulations providing for the annual inspection by post-office inspectors of all post offices on naval vessels and shore stations were amended to provide for such inspection only of post offices on vessels and stations which transact money-order business.

INTERNATIONAL AIR-MAIL SERVICE⁴

The performance on our international air-mail routes, including that from New York to Montreal, was 99.46 percent of the service scheduled.

A new contract was made, effective July 1, 1933, for service on the Seattle-Victoria route, for a term of 4 years, with the Seattle-Victoria Air Mail, Inc., Seattle, Wash., at 53 cents per mile for a specified load of not exceeding 800 pounds per trip each way, and a pro rata of 26½ cents per pound per 1,000 miles for mails required to be carried in the same aircraft in excess of the specified load, each way. As the rates under the old contract were 76 and 38 cents, respectively, the new contract rates constitute a saving of \$4,960.76 for the year.

Effective March 20, 1934, Puerto Cumarebo (State of Falcón), Venezuela, was added as a stop on F. A. M. route 5, between Maracaibo and La Guaira, eastbound and westbound.

Commencing with southbound flight of April 29, 1934, the route flown between Habana and Cienfuegos, Cuba, was changed slightly, resulting in a lesser mileage of 7½ miles each way, thereby constituting a saving of \$540 for the balance of the year; \$3,120 for the next fiscal year.

A new contract was made with the Tropical Airways, Inc., to cover service on the New Orleans-Pilot Town air-mail route for the last 6 months of the year at a rate of \$48 per round trip. As the old contract called for \$49 per round trip, this made a saving of \$95 for the 6 months. This route was discontinued on June 30, 1934, and as the cost of the service for the year was \$10,411.19, it is estimated the saving for the next fiscal year will be about this amount.

⁴ See table 51 of the appendix.

INTERNATIONAL PARCEL POST SERVICE

On October 4, 1933, the provisions of a new parcel-post agreement with Dutch (Netherlands) East Indies were made effective. The principal feature of this new agreement is the provision for the exchange of insured parcels with a maximum indemnity of \$100 for loss, rifling, or damage.

On November 1, 1933, there were made effective the provisions of a new agreement with Denmark for collect-on-delivery service in connection with insured parcels. The maximum amount for collection is \$100.

Effective May 1, 1934, registered parcel post service with Chile was discontinued and only ordinary parcels are now accepted for mailing to Chile.

Negotiations are now in progress with other countries for the conclusion of new parcel-post agreements providing for insured and c. o. d. services.

During the year our maximum weight limits for international parcel post have been extended, by mutual agreement, to parcels exchanged with several additional countries.

The arrangement for the alternative disposition of parcel-post packages which cannot be delivered as originally addressed has been extended, by mutual agreement, to our parcel-post exchanges with additional countries so that this arrangement is now in effect with nearly all the countries of the world. A special sticker to be pasted on the wrapper of a parcel has also been provided for use in cases where this information is required to be shown on the parcel as well as on the customs declaration or dispatch note attached thereto.

INDEMNITY⁵

Nine hundred and thirty international registry claims were paid amounting to \$6,100.71, an average of \$6.56 per claim, chargeable to 1934 and prior fiscal years, an increase of 24 percent over the number of paid international registry claims for the prior fiscal year. The ratio of losses to the total number of articles registered was 0.023209 percent.

Five hundred and thirty-six claims for indemnity were paid, involving international insured mail amounting to \$4,261.52, an average of \$7.95 per claim, chargeable to 1934 and prior fiscal years, an increase of 0.03 percent over the number of paid indemnity claims involving international insured mail for the preceding fiscal year. The ratio of losses to the total number of parcels insured was 0.180199 percent.

Thirty-six international c. o. d. claims were paid, amounting to \$566.14, an average of \$15.73 per claim, chargeable to 1934 and prior

⁵ See table 50 of the appendix.

fiscal years, an increase of 83 percent over the number of paid international c. o. d. claims for the previous fiscal year. The ratio of losses to the total number of c. o. d. parcels mailed was 0.536993 percent.

Thirty-two claims for indemnity were paid, involving ordinary parcel-post mail, amounting to \$173.26, an average of \$5.41 per claim, chargeable to 1934 and prior fiscal years, a decrease of 13 percent below the number of paid ordinary parcel-post claims for the preceding fiscal year. The ratio of losses to the total number of ordinary parcels mailed was 0.028272 percent.

A total of 1,534 international indemnity claims of all kinds was paid, amounting to \$11,101.63, an average of \$7.23 per claim. This is an increase of 269 in the total number of claims paid and an increase of \$387.93 in the total amount. The average amount per claim paid was \$1.24 less than the average for the previous year.

MISCELLANEOUS

The statistics of international-mail transactions for the fiscal year 1934 were taken during the months of July, August, and September, 1933, instead of during the entire year as heretofore, and provision has been made for taking these statistics in the future during the last 2 weeks of October and the first 2 weeks of May. This will result in considerable saving of work on the part of postal employees throughout the country without affecting the usefulness of the statistics in question.

Effective January 1, 1934, provision was made for the issuance of certificates of mailing for ordinary Postal Union articles (letters, post cards, printed matter, samples of merchandise, commercial papers, and small packets) so that it is now possible for senders to obtain a certificate of mailing for any ordinary article dispatched in the Postal Union or parcel-post mails upon the payment of a fee of 1 cent for each article. A certificate of mailing may also be obtained as additional evidence of mailing for articles dispatched in the registered and insured mails (Postal Union or parcel post).

UNIVERSAL POSTAL CONGRESS OF CAIRO

The tenth Congress of the Universal Postal Union convened at Cairo, Egypt, February 1, 1934, for the purpose of revising the convention and agreements concluded by the Congress of London, and closed its sessions on March 20 with the signing of the new convention and agreements by the delegates of the member countries. The new acts will become effective January 1, 1935.

The Congress, as is the usual practice, was organized into committees to deal with the various instruments and to prepare the drafts of the new acts for submission to and adoption by the Congress at its

plenary sessions, of which there were seven. There were also 13 sessions of the first committee (convention); 9 sessions of the second committee (parcel post and insurance); 7 sessions of the third committee (money orders, postal checks, collection orders, and newspaper subscriptions); 16 sittings of the drafting committee; and 5 sittings of the subcommittee on forms.

As the United States is not a party to all the acts of these Congresses but only to the principal convention, mention is here made of only the more important changes in this instrument, these being as follows:

Uniform dimensions were prescribed for all articles except post cards.

The delivery fee for small packets has been increased from 25 to 50 centimes with the additional provision that as much as 75 centimes may be charged in case of delivery at the residence of the addressee.

The inquiry fee, the maximum of which has been reduced from 1 franc to 50 centimes, is collected for each article, even if the inquiry relates to several articles mailed simultaneously by the same sender to the same addressee.

Although inquiries are accepted only within the period of 1 year as heretofore, administrations must comply with simple requests for information up to 2 years.

The addressees of unpaid or insufficiently prepaid registered articles erroneously dispatched will, under the new convention, be liable to a charge equal to only the deficiency instead of double the deficiency as heretofore.

The transit charges due from one administration to another on correspondence sent in "open mail" and the charges for "warehousing", with two special exceptions, have been eliminated while the "closed-mail transit" charges have been reduced 20 percent for both territorial and maritime transit.

The restriction that registered articles mailed in transparent-panel envelopes are admitted only if the panel forms an integral part of the envelop is eliminated.

The texts, colors, and sizes prescribed by the convention for the forms used in the international service are now made compulsory instead of optional as heretofore.

No special label was heretofore prescribed for sacks containing empties, but the Congress of Cairo prescribed that green labels be used in the future. The color of the labels for registry sacks has been changed from light red to vermilion red in order to facilitate distinguishing these sacks by assuring a more uniform shade of red. These changes were urged by the United States, as well as one that discontinues the use of the red label on a letter-bill sack when no registered mail is contained therein and another which provides that sacks of ordinary mail are always delivered in bulk at debarkation ports.

The more important changes in the air mail regulations are a provision that, if not contrary to the regulations of the country of destination, the recipients of air mail correspondence may ask the delivering post office to deliver their air correspondence by special messenger subject to a charge which may not exceed the ordinary special delivery fee; and a reduction in the extra charge to be made for air-mail articles transmitted in open mail.

The Congress of Cairo selected Buenos Aires as the meeting place of the eleventh Congress, to be held in 1939.

DIVISION OF AIR MAIL SERVICE

OLD SERVICE

At the beginning of the fiscal year 1934 the rates being paid to air-mail contractors were on the basis of approximately \$20,000,000 per year. A complicated system of variables was in effect which required pay for other than mail service. The amount actually paid out for the year ending June 30 was \$19,400,264.81. Since the appropriation for the fiscal year 1934 was only \$15,000,000, it was necessary to readjust the service and the rates in order to stay within the appropriation. Effective September 1 all variables involving increased pay for passenger traffic, multimotored equipment, night flying, fog and terrain conditions were discontinued and in lieu thereof were substituted rates varying from 40 to 45 cents per mile, depending upon the number of trips involved, which decreased the average rate per mile from 54 cents for the fiscal year 1933 to 42.658 cents.

Many useless trips were eliminated and the schedules on the remaining trips were improved. These rates were in effect until the time of the annulment of the contracts and would have kept expenditures within \$14,000,000 for the service being performed. In making the readjustments necessary to stay within the appropriation, it was necessary to eliminate service from four cities.

ARMY SERVICE

After the annulment of the contracts, the Army Air Corps was ordered to transport the mails over necessary routes during the emergency. The Army assumed this task on some routes on February 19, 1934, and continued to perform service on various routes to May 31, 1934. During the period of this operation a total of 1,719,919 miles were flown with mail. The cost of this service was \$2,249,004.31. Included in this amount is the cost of the transportation of personnel and equipment and other initial overhead expenses incurred in setting up operations and expenses incurred in the discontinuance of operations.

NEW SERVICE

Since March 30, 1934, 33 new routes have been established; more than 25,000 advertisements were distributed; 110 bids were received and examined; 33 contracts prepared and executed; 41 cachets prepared for first flights on various routes. In short, it was necessary within the space of 3 months to plan, advertise, inaugurate, and start the administration of an air-mail system greater than the system which had been gradually developed during the years from 1926 to 1934. This new domestic system embraces 28,795 route miles, which is 3,547 more route miles than existed at the time the old contracts were annulled. The new system will serve four States, the Hawaiian Territory, and 41 cities which did not have service when the old contracts were annulled. The average rate per mile is 26.802 cents under the new contracts as compared to 42.658 when the contracts were annulled; 54 cents in the fiscal year 1933; 61.9 in 1932; 79.2 in 1931; 97.8 in 1930; and \$1.094 in 1929.

AIR MAIL FLYER'S MEDAL OF HONOR

An Air Mail Flyer's Medal of Honor was awarded to Mal B. Freeburg, who distinguished himself by an extraordinary achievement while participating in an air-mail flight on April 12, 1932. This medal was presented to Mr. Freeburg by the President on December 13, 1933. It is the first medal of honor which has been awarded under the act approved February 14, 1931, which provides that the President may present a medal of honor with accompanying ribbon to any person who while serving as a pilot in the Air Mail Service since May 15, 1918, has distinguished, or who, after the approval of this act, distinguishes himself by heroism or extraordinary achievement while participating in such Service. Decisions are pending in a number of other cases.

DIVISION OF RURAL MAILS

Thirty-three petitions for the establishment of new routes were pending at the beginning of the year and 141 petitions were received during the year. Before favorable action is taken upon such requests, field investigations are made by inspectors to determine whether the postal benefits to be afforded and the local conditions justify establishment of the service.

Of the petitions received during the year, 102 were accepted for investigation and 40 were rejected as not meeting the requirements. Ninety-eight petitions were approved, but action has been withheld because of the necessity to hold down postal expenditures.

Thirty-two cases were in the hands of field representatives for investigation and report at the close of the year. One new route was established incident to a readjustment of star route service.

One thousand and forty-six extensions of rural routes were authorized, providing more convenient service to 13,488 families. By the establishment and extension of routes, 5,000 families, or 18,000 individuals, were benefited.

On June 30, 1934, 37,108 rural routes were in operation, by which approximately 6,946,000 families, or 25,731,000 individuals, were given postal service.

During the year, 2,912 routes were discontinued, 1 route was established, and 6 routes which had formerly been absorbed through consolidations of service were reestablished, a net reduction of 2,905 routes.

The reduction in the number of rural routes resulted from consolidations of service as vacancies occurred in the rural carrier force and in connection with the separation of carriers who had completed 30 years of service and who were, therefore, eligible under existing law for substantial retirement annuity, investigations having disclosed that there would be no impairment of the service to the patrons. Through consolidations, 2,909 routes were discontinued during the fiscal year 1934, with an actual saving in that year of \$1,534,388, and a reduction in the annual rate of cost of \$3,309,349. The number of routes discontinued since October 1925, when the first consolidations were made, is 8,861, at a reduction in annual cost of \$9,797,830.

Although the consolidation of routes does not as a rule result in any material reduction in mileage, it reduces the rate of cost and places the service on a basis in keeping with the advantages afforded by improved roads and transportation facilities.

The 37,108 routes in operation at the close of the year were of an aggregate length of 1,359,895 miles, and the carriers traveled 1,348,761 miles each schedule day and 412,720,866 miles during the year. The average length of rural routes was increased from 34.132 to 36.647 miles. During the past 10 years there has been a net decrease of 7,652 routes, or 17.10 percent. The mileage added in the same period is 154,181, or 12.79 percent.

There were 37,019 rural carriers on June 30, 1934, a decrease of 2,905, as compared with the previous year. The average annual salary of the carriers was \$2,170, exclusive of the equipment maintenance allowance. The average salary of carriers serving rural routes daily, except Sunday, was \$2,185. The average compensation of those serving triweekly routes was \$1,322. Both figures are exclusive of the equipment maintenance allowance. The salary cost for each mile of travel was 19.47 cents, as compared with 20.13 cents the previous year. With the equipment maintenance allowance of 4 cents a mile the total cost of a mile of travel was 23.47 cents.

The number of vacancies arising in the rural carrier force during the year was 948, a decrease of 482, as compared with the year 1933.

Of the vacancies, 99 were due to resignations, 350 to retirements, 256 to deaths, 221 to removals for cause, 12 to separation without prejudice, and 9 to transfers of carriers to other branches of the service.

In former years reasonable extensions of Rural Delivery Service to new territory and new patronage were made as conditions were found to warrant them, and this new Service was largely or entirely paid for from funds accumulated by making consolidations. At present additional expenditures are avoided, as far as practicable, and extensions are authorized only where necessary because of unusual service, road, and other conditions.

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DIVISION OF FINANCE

During the fiscal year 1934 the postal revenues, including the fees from money orders and profits from Postal Savings business, amounted to \$586,733,165.80, while during 1933 they amounted to \$587,631,364.48. The revenues decreased \$898,198.68 from 1933, or 0.15 percent, as compared with a decrease of 0.09 percent in 1933 from 1932.

The audited expenditures, exclusive of \$34,066.84 losses by fire, burglary, and other causes, amounted to \$630,732,933.82 for the fiscal year 1934, a decrease from the year 1933 of \$69,154,252.54. The audited expenditures exceed the revenues by \$43,999,768.02, and, in addition, there were the losses referred to making the cash deficiency in postal revenues \$44,033,834.86.

The deficiency is subject to adjustment, however, since it is based on actual payments made during 1934 and includes payments for services rendered in previous fiscal years which could not be paid at the time the obligations were incurred. The payments on account of prior years should be eliminated in such adjustment, and, in like manner, similar obligations incurred in 1934 and subsequently paid should be taken into account.

The above is the cash deficit shown in the statement of transactions for the year. When the additional elements referred to are taken into account the result is as follows:

The expenditures during the fiscal year, including \$34,066.84 losses by fire, burglary, etc., amounted to \$630,767,000.66. This includes \$20,070,594.23 paid on account of undischarged obligations carried over from previous years, which, deducted, leaves \$610,696,406.43 as the expenditures during the fiscal year applying to the service of that year. To this should be added \$21,933,875.34, the obligations for 1934 outstanding on June 30, 1934, making a total of expenditures and undischarged liabilities chargeable to the fiscal year 1934 of \$632,630,281.77 and an operating deficit of \$45,897,115.97.

DIVISION OF POSTAL SAVINGS

On June 30, 1934, there was held in trust for Postal Savings depositors the sum of \$1,220,549,448.99, an increase of \$16,706,689.69 over the amount for the corresponding date last year. The classification of the amount was as follows: Outstanding principal, represented by certificates of deposit, \$1,197,907,773; accrued interest,

\$22,562,687.09; outstanding savings stamps, \$66,573.90; unclaimed deposits, \$12,415.

The number of depositories in operation was 8,059, including 812 branches and stations, a net increase of 171 depositories during the year.

In the interest of good administration, the privilege of transferring accounts between depository post offices, free of cost to depositors, was indefinitely suspended, effective at the close of business September 15, 1933.

Accounts of deceased and incompetent depositors to the number of 14,773, involving \$9,754,130, were approved for payment to the next of kin or legal representatives, an increase of 4,656 in the number of depositors and \$3,014,023 in the amount paid.

Postal-savings certificates, bearing 2 percent interest, are exchangeable as of January 1 and July 1 of each year for postal-savings bonds, bearing interest at the rate of 2½ percent. Depositors to the number of 18,900 availed themselves of this conversion privilege during the fiscal year 1934 in the amount of \$27,579,500, an increase of \$9,199,480 by comparison with 1933. Bonds outstanding June 30, 1934, totaled \$78,058,180.

Despite the bond conversion mentioned above, the balance to the credit of Postal Savings depositors increased \$10,733,980—which, when compared with the corresponding figure of \$402,365,585 for 1933, gives evidence of stabilization in the financial life of the country. During the same period the number of depositors increased from 2,342,133 to 2,562,082.

Of the balance to the credit of depositors, \$694,575,368.74 was on deposit in banking institutions to the number of 5,365, as against 5,521 a year ago.

Administration, embracing a period of 24 years, shows clearly that the institution of a system of postal savings was statesmanlike; that the System long ago passed the experimental stage; and that it should be looked on as a permanent Government institution.

A detailed statement of operations and balance sheet of the Postal Savings System will be found in the appendix.

DIVISION OF MONEY ORDERS

VOLUME OF MONEY-ORDER TRANSACTIONS

For the first time since 1930 both the number and amount of domestic money orders issued and paid showed an increase over the preceding year. The increase in the value of the money orders is especially to be noted, as during the latter part of the preceding fiscal year postal money orders had been used extensively for transactions ordinarily considered as functions of the banks. The increase in the number of

domestic money orders issued was 15.88 percent and in their value 7.85 percent, while for domestic money orders paid the number was 14.62 percent and the value 8.14 percent greater than in 1933. The average value of domestic money orders and fees decreased slightly, indicating that, as compared with the previous 12-month period, proportionately more money orders of the smaller amounts were demanded by patrons.

The restrictions on sending funds out of the country and the continued world-wide depression have combined to cause a further decline in international money orders sold. The number of money orders issued in the United States for payment abroad decreased as compared with the preceding year by 10.62 percent and the amount by 14.45 percent. An increase of 13.96 percent and 19.37 percent, respectively, in the number and value of money orders sent into the United States from other nations appears to have been caused principally by the growing use of postal money orders by foreign customers to pay for purchases made of American merchants.

The net revenue from money-order business was \$18,140,665.65, exceeding that of 1933 by \$2,305,541.08. Although most of this added revenue was obtained because more money orders were issued than in the preceding year, a substantial portion of it was made up from the profit on purchases of foreign exchange, this item alone contributing \$104,410.64 to the earnings of the money-order system.

MONEY-ORDER POST OFFICES

As all post offices except a few in Alaska now transact money-order business, changes in the status of post offices necessarily affected the number of offices where money orders could be purchased or presented for payment. At the close of business on June 30, post offices and stations to the number of 53,719 were designated as money-order offices. On June 30, 1933, the number was 54,842, the net decrease for the year being 1,123.

MONEY-ORDER RESERVES AND CREDITS

To insure the prompt payment of money orders and to provide funds for other office needs, Presidential post offices of the first and second class upon request are permitted to withhold from deposit surplus money-order funds to a certain designated amount. Such funds, known as "money-order reserves" were authorized at the end of the year at 3,805 post offices. Although this was a decrease of 155 in the number of post offices permitted to carry reserves, the amount thus allowed to be retained increased to \$5,909,120, which was greater by \$747,025 than at the close of the previous fiscal period. Besides the money-order reserves postmasters at all classes of post offices are,

upon application, granted a credit on money-order account with the Treasurer of the United States against which checks may be drawn when additional funds are needed. The value of such checks paid during the year totaled \$1,127,733,450.73, as compared with \$1,033,443,851.34 in 1933. The activity in the use of these checks, which was so pronounced in the latter half of the preceding fiscal period, continued during 1934, as postmasters found that they were allowed to use this quick and convenient method for obtaining funds for other postal purposes than the payment of money orders.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE PURCHASED

The decline in the volume of money orders sent to other countries caused a corresponding decrease in the amount of foreign exchange purchased to discharge our indebtedness to other postal administrations. The total amount of such exchange bought was \$9,328,842.63, on the purchase of which a net profit of \$104,410.64 was realized. Only a portion of the indebtedness to other countries was paid in foreign currencies, the remainder of \$11,627,519.31 being settled on the basis of the United States dollar.

INTERNATIONAL MONEY-ORDER BUSINESS

Although fewer money orders were sent to other countries there were no actual suspensions of money-order agreements nor any important modifications of existing conventions. Negotiations looking to the resumption of the exchange of money orders between the United States and the French Levant were conducted, but not finally concluded.

The fluctuations of Canadian exchange during the year made it necessary to protect the postal revenues by exacting an exchange charge, in addition to the regular money order fee, for money orders payable in Canada and Newfoundland. A charge of 2 percent was prescribed effective December 18, 1933, but was removed temporarily on February 1, 1934. Until the end of the fiscal year it was possible to avoid reimposing the exchange charge, although the Canadian dollar gradually increased in value. The sum of \$9,249.29 was collected during the short period that the exchange charge was in effect.

ALLEGED WRONG PAYMENT OF MONEY ORDERS

Occasionally, notwithstanding the care exercised by the employees paying money orders, a complaint is made that a money order has been improperly paid. Each case is carefully investigated and if the claim is found to be just, the Department attempts to adjust the case

to the satisfaction of the patron. For the year the number of complaints was 1,568 involving money orders with a total value of \$20,413.84. The result of the investigations is shown by table 12, from which it will be seen that recoveries were made in more than two-thirds of the cases.

ELECTRICAL ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

During the year at several offices the use of the electrical accounting system for tabulating paid money orders was adapted to other tabulating purposes, such as cost ascertainment and Postal Savings transactions. No other post offices were directed during the year to send money orders to other points for tabulation by electrical accounting system, although arrangements were completed to make a number of changes on July 1.

MONEY ORDERS IN PAYMENT OF GOVERNMENT LOANS

The precedent set in 1932 of remitting payments on crop-production loans by means of postal money orders was extended to other activities, particularly those of the Federal Housing Administration and the Home Owners' Loan Corporation. Public voucher no. 1034 was continued in use by postmasters as a means for claiming reimbursement for money-order fees, exchange charges, etc.

ENACTMENT OF LAW REQUIRING A FEE FOR A MONEY ORDER PAID AT AN OFFICE OTHER THAN THAT ON WHICH DRAWN

On June 16, 1934, the President approved the act authorizing the exaction of a fee of the same amount as that charged when the order was issued whenever a money order is paid at an office other than that on which drawn. The law authorized the Postmaster General to fix the date upon which the charge should become effective, and by order no. 5738 that officer declared August 1, 1934, as the date upon which this change should be inaugurated. By this legislation a long-existing and serious abuse of the money-order system will be corrected, and although it is not expected that much revenue will be derived from the enforcement of the act, nevertheless it will save the Postal Service a very large amount annually.

DIVISION OF CLASSIFICATION

RECEIPTS FROM POSTAGE AND OTHER SOURCES OF REVENUE

The sources of revenue of the Postal Service are the postage paid on mail through the medium of stamps and stamped paper or in cash on permit matter mailed without stamps affixed; the fees on registered, insured, and c. o. d. mail collected in the same manner; from the

money order and postal savings businesses; the fees accompanying applications for entry as second-class matter or for permits to mail nonmetered matter without stamps affixed; box rents and other miscellaneous items set forth in the financial tables.

The postage paid on mail constitutes by far the largest source of revenue. The receipts from this source alone during the last fiscal year amounted to \$519,249,989.12, or 88.50 percent of the total revenues, a decrease of \$5,177,261.67 as compared with such receipts during the previous year. The postage paid by means of stamps affixed to mail amounted to \$417,683,458.93, while the postage paid in money on the various classes of matter mailed without stamps affixed, including second-class matter mailed by publishers and news agents, aggregated \$101,566,530.19. The average per capita expenditure for postage during the year was \$4.05.

The excess of the amount representing the sales of stamps and stamped paper, as shown in detail elsewhere in this report, over the amount of postage paid with stamps affixed represents the value of the stamps and stamped paper used for the payment of special delivery, registry, insurance, c. o. d., and other fees for special services, and the excess of the sale price of stamped envelopes, books of stamps, etc., over their value for postage purposes.

Included in the postage collected by means of stamps affixed is \$1,740,295.32, collected on business reply cards and letters in business reply envelopes, of which \$570,154.93 represents postage in excess of that at the regular rate on such cards and letters, a decrease of 4.16 percent in the total and 14.68 percent in the excess over the regular rate as compared with the previous year.

MATTER MAILED UNDER PERMIT WITHOUT STAMPS AFFIXED

The postage collected in money during the fiscal year on matter of the several classes mailed under permit without stamps affixed as metered or nonmetered matter, exclusive of second-class matter mailed by publishers and registered news agents at the pound rates, amounted to \$82,209,896.41 or 15.83 percent of the postage collected on all mail.

The act of July 7, 1932, prescribes a fee of \$10 to accompany applications for permits to mail nonmetered matter without stamps affixed. The amount of such fees collected during the fiscal year was \$87,810.

POSTAGE RATES AND APPLICATION FEES

Legislation was enacted by Congress during the past year making a number of changes of importance in postage rates as well as in the conditions pertaining to mail matter of the several classes, and in the fees required to accompany applications for entry of publications as

second-class matter. The acts of Congress referred to, which will be discussed in more detail under the respective heads, were as follows:

The act of May 10, 1934, continued for another year, until July 1, 1935, the 3-cent rate on letters and other first-class matter mailed for other than local delivery.

The act of June 12, 1934, reduced the air-mail rate to 6 cents for each ounce or fraction thereof, regardless of distance.

The act of June 5, 1934, established a rate of 1 cent for each 2 ounces for periodical publications weighing in excess of 8 ounces, issued at regular intervals of 12 or more times a year, 25 percent or more of whose pages are devoted to reading matter and not more than 75 percent to advertising matter, and which are circulated free or mainly free.

The act of May 9, 1934, made provision whereby sound-reproduction records for the use of the blind may be mailed free of postage under certain conditions and increased the limit of weight of matter mailed free for the use of the blind.

The act of June 11, 1934, declared publications produced by the stencil, mimeograph, or hectograph process or in imitation of type-writing to be inadmissible as second-class matter.

The act of June 26, 1934, reduced the fees required to accompany applications for entry of publications as second-class matter in certain cases, and made provision for the return of one-half of the fee upon failure to obtain entry.

In addition to the foregoing the zone rates on the advertising portions of publications of the second class in effect prior to July 1, 1932, were automatically restored under the provision of the act of June 6, 1932, which increased such rates for the 2-year period ending July 1, 1934.

SECOND-CLASS MATTER

The revival in business which has been in evidence during the past year has brought about an increase in the mailings of newspapers and periodicals as second-class matter and in the amount of postage derived therefrom. This increase is particularly gratifying in view of the decline in both volume and postage during the previous 2 years.

The mailings of second-class matter at the pound rates and free in the county of publication during the past fiscal year aggregated 1,022,675,975 pounds, an increase of 54,021,919 pounds or 5.58 percent over the mailings for the previous year. The postage collected on the mailings at the pound rates amounted to \$19,355,415.91, an increase of \$1,204,305.38 or 6.63 percent as compared with the previous year.

The weight of the advertising portions of publications subject to the zone rates mailed during the year was 299,842,940 pounds, on which \$9,586,379.96 was collected, an average of 3.2 cents a pound.

This was an increase of 33,958,329 pounds and \$919,720.94 postage as compared with the previous year. The weight of the reading portions of such publications was 484,194,565 pounds and the postage collected thereon \$7,278,786.51 as compared with 458,336,292 pounds and \$6,893,919.41 postage during the previous year.

The provision of the act of June 6, 1932, increasing the postage rates on the advertising portions of publications entered as second-class matter automatically expired on July 1, 1934, and the old rates of postage thereupon became effective. The rates in effect during the past 2 years, together with the decreases effective July 1, 1934, for the respective zones, are indicated below:

Zone	Rate per pound prior to July 1, 1934	Rate per pound effective July 1, 1934	Decrease	
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Percent
First and second.....	2	1½	½	25.00
Third.....	3	2	1	33.33
Fourth.....	5	3	2	40.00
Fifth.....	6	4	2	33.33
Sixth.....	7	5	2	28.57
Seventh.....	9	6	3	33.33
Eighth.....	10	7	3	30.00

The weight of the mailings of newspapers and periodicals published by and in the interest of religious, educational, scientific, philanthropic, agricultural, labor, and fraternal organizations at the special flat rate of 1½ cents a pound during the fiscal year 1934 was 99,141,135 pounds, on which \$1,490,366.19 postage was collected. It is estimated that \$1,908,466.86 would have been collected on the mailings of these publications if their advertising portions had been subject to the zone rates applicable to other publications. The estimated difference between the postage collected during the fiscal year 1934 on such publications accorded a special flat rate and that which would have been collected at zone rates of postage is \$418,100.67. This amount will, as provided by the act of June 9, 1930, be shown separately in the statements of the Treasury Department and the General Accounting Office with respect to the postal receipts and expenditures.

The weights of mailings of second-class matter, by States, together with the postage paid thereon, are shown in table 13 of the appendix.

On June 30, 1934, there were 9,668 post offices at which publications were entered as second-class matter. Of the total postage paid at the pound rates, 75.22 percent was collected at the 50 post offices having the largest mailings of such matter.

During the year 2,208 applications for the admission of publications to the second class of mail matter or for change in title, frequency of issue, or office of publication were received. Of these, 2,175 were

favorably acted upon and 33 denied. The number of publications discontinued during the same period was 3,006, leaving 26,308 having a second-class status at the close of the year, a decrease of 831 as compared with the previous year. There were 674 news agents' permits to mail second-class matter at pound rates outstanding at the close of the year.

Under the act of July 7, 1932, a fee of \$100 was required to accompany each application for original entry of a publication as second-class matter, a fee of \$10 to accompany a request for reentry or additional entry, and a fee of \$20 to accompany an application for registry as a news agent. The fees thus received during the year amounted to \$64,370. In the last Annual Report recommendation was made that the application fee of \$100 be reduced in the case of small publications because experience had shown that the higher fee tended to discourage the establishment of small and meritorious publications serving a real, though limited field, and under the act approved June 26, 1934, the law was amended by reducing such fee from \$100 to \$25 in the case of publications having a circulation not exceeding 2,000 copies and from \$100 to \$50 for publications having a circulation greater than 2,000 but not more than 5,000 copies. The same act also authorizes the return of half the fee in case the applicant fails to obtain second-class entry for his publication. Under the previous law the entire fee was retained by the Department regardless of the action taken.

Another measure serving to aid legitimate publications of the country was the Act of June 11, 1934, embodying in the law a postal regulation of many years' standing under which alleged periodical publications produced by the stencil process or in imitation of type-writing are declared inadmissible as second-class matter. This provision is designed to prevent the mailing free of postage or at the nominal second-class rates of what in effect are mere bulletins or circulars of a restricted character in which the general public has little or no interest.

FREE MAIL PRIVILEGE

Following a custom of many years' standing in the case of widows of ex-Presidents, Congress during the past year (act of June 16, 1934) granted the franking privilege to Mrs. Grace G. Coolidge. Other legislation affecting the free mail privilege was the act of June 18, 1934, changing the date for the expiration of the franking privilege of Members of Congress for public documents from the 1st day of December to the 30th day of June following the expiration of the respective terms of office; and the act of May 9, 1934, making provision for the acceptance of sound-reproduction records for the use of the blind under the conditions already applicable to matter in

raised characters for the blind, and increasing the limit of weight of such matter from 4 pounds to 12 pounds.

The estimated number of pieces and weight of matter mailed free of postage under the penalty privilege by the departments and establishments of the Government, other than the Post Office Department, by Members of Congress and others under the franking privilege, by publishers of newspapers and periodicals of the second class free in the county of publication, and by those mailing free matter for the blind, during the fiscal year 1934, and the estimated revenue which would have been derived therefrom if such matter had been carried at the usual rates of postage, including registry fees on penalty matter registered free, are as follows:

	Number of pieces	Weight in pounds	Revenues at usual postage rates, including registry fees
Mailed under penalty privilege by departments and establishments of the Government, exclusive of the Post Office Department.....	530,471,016	81,212,639	1,223,094,882
Mailed under franking privilege:			
By Members of Congress.....	20,882,779	7,724,910	775,785
By others.....	6,133	674	215
Publications mailed free in county.....	397,398,571	54,522,708	545,227
Free matter for the blind.....	511,539	1,696,591	103,552
Total.....	949,270,038	145,157,522	24,519,661

¹ For postage, \$22,893,584; for registry fees, \$201,298.

The material increase in the number of pieces of matter mailed under the penalty privilege by departments and establishments of the Government, exclusive of the Post Office Department, from 43,326,622 pounds in 1933, to 81,212,639 pounds in 1934, is due, of course, to the creation and rapid growth of many new bureaus and establishments of the Government during the past year in connection with the National Recovery activities.

NEW AIR MAIL POSTAGE RATE

Since the inauguration of the Air Mail Service many changes have been made in the postage rates on air mail. The original rate was 24 cents an ounce. This was soon reduced to 16 cents. During the years of the Government-operated transcontinental route, postage on air mail was charged according to distance, based on three zones. For several years the rate was 5 cents for the first ounce and 10 cents for each additional ounce. When the ordinary letter rate was increased to 3 cents an ounce, the air-mail rate was also increased to 8 and 13 cents for the first ounce and each additional ounce, respectively. These various changes were made by the Department pursuant to the authority granted by Congress to the Postmaster General to

prescribe air-mail rates within the maximum of 24 cents and the minimum of 5 cents an ounce. By the Act of June 12, 1934, effective July 1, Congress fixed the rate at 6 cents for each ounce, regardless of distance, a reduction of 25 percent on the first ounce and more than 50 percent on additional ounces. The attention of other branches of the Government has been invited to the advantages of the Air Mail Service, since where telegrams are being sent it would often be more satisfactory to send the messages by air mail at the new rate because of the lower cost and the opportunity afforded of transmitting more complete instructions than is practicable in telegrams.

To obtain the maximum advantage of Air Mail Service, letters should be sent special delivery, thus obtaining immediate delivery at the office of address. In order to facilitate and popularize the use of this combined service, a new stamp covering both Air Mail and special-delivery service has been provided. A material increase in the volume of air mail is expected in view of the new low rate, and it is hoped that this increased volume will to a large measure offset the reduction in rate so far as the postage revenue is concerned.

MATTER DEPOSITED IN MAIL RECEPTACLES BY PRIVATE DISTRIBUTORS
WITHOUT PAYMENT OF POSTAGE

The practice of private distributors of placing mailable matter, such as statements of account, bills, circulars or other like matter in letter boxes or other receptacles designated by the owner or user for the receipt or delivery of mail by city or village letter carriers had increased in recent years to such extent as to interfere with the depositing in such receptacles by the carriers of matter regularly in the mails on which proper postage was paid. This practice led to complaints from patrons who protested against the misuse and cluttering of their mail boxes with extraneous matter; it also affected the postal revenues adversely.

Letter boxes or other mail receptacles designated by the owner or user for the purpose of receiving mail are subject to the postal rules and regulations applicable to such receptacles. This means that not only is matter deposited therein to be treated in accordance with the rules governing the mails, including proper addressing and payment of postage, but it also carries with it the protection which the law affords to every authorized depository for mail matter.

To stop this abuse an order was issued on January 2, 1934, directing carriers, on finding in such letter boxes or receptacles any mailable matter on which no postage is paid addressed to or intended for the person in whose box it was deposited, to take the matter to the post office to be held for postage. This action led to immediate improvement in the condition referred to. Subsequently Congress en-

acted a law, approved May 7, 1934, prescribing a fine of not more than \$300 for the depositing of any mailable matter on which no postage has been paid in any authorized letter box on any mail route with intent to avoid payment of lawful postage thereon. The combined effect of this order and legislation has been practically to eliminate the improper use of letter boxes for depositing statements, circulars, and like matter without payment of postage and to restore to the mails a considerable volume of matter formerly delivered by private distributor. As a result of this action there has been a substantial increase in the postage collected on matter thus restored to the mails.

DOUBLE POST CARDS

With the passage of the act of June 6, 1932, increasing the letter rate of postage to 3 cents an ounce, some decrease in the volume of letter mail and an increased use of 1-cent postal and post cards were to be expected. Presently, however, it was noticed that double or reply post cards were being used instead of sealed letters for the purpose of sending out monthly statements of account and similar matter. The movement rapidly gained momentum, and during the past year the practice of many persons and concerns of sending out statements in this manner grew to such proportions as seriously to affect the postal revenues. The revenue from single post and postal cards at 1 cent each is not sufficient to cover the cost of handling such cards. Double cards are still more costly to handle and carry in the mails. The use of double cards prepaid only 1 cent for sending out statements which were formerly mailed at the letter rate thus represents a double loss to the Government, first, in the actual handling of the matter at a rate below cost, and second, in the loss of the revenue formerly received at the letter rate.

In the majority of instances, where the statements were sent out on double cards, the so-called "reply" portion was seldom used by the recipient, nor was this expected when the statement was originally sent out, the reply portion being a mere subterfuge whose real purpose was to cover up and give a measure of privacy to the statement on the inside of the folded card. In view of the wide-spread practice of mailing such double cards at the 1-cent rate, an order was issued on April 5, 1934, requiring postage at the letter rate on all double post cards of the kind in question which are not bona fide reply cards.

MAIL ADDRESSED TO "BOX HOLDER"

In order that the simplified method of addressing mail to box holders on rural and star routes and to post-office box holders at offices not having City Delivery Service may be more readily utilized, com-

plete information as to the number of such box holders of the respective kinds has been compiled and is given in connection with the names of post offices in the county list of offices in the July 1934 Official Postal Guide. Matter mailed under this arrangement is addressed merely, "Rural Route Box Holder" or "Post-office Box Holder", together with the post office and State, and need not bear the name of the individual to whom it is to be delivered.

An order issued since the close of the fiscal year makes it optional for the mailer to use the word "Local" in lieu of the name of the post office and State. The order also extends this facility to matter to be delivered to patrons of city and village letter carrier routes, the address "Patron (or Householder), Letter Carrier Route" together with the post office and State or the word "Local" being used on such matter.

This method of addressing mail where it is desired to effect a general distribution of advertising matter, circulars, samples, etc., eliminates much of the labor and expense incident to the usual manner of addressing the matter to particular individuals. Because of its possibilities for the development of business and its economy and simplicity, as well as the satisfactory results obtained from its use, this facility is becoming increasingly popular.

DIVISION OF STAMPS

The revenue accruing from the sale of postage stamps and other stamped paper, as reported in postmasters' stamp accounts, totaled \$449,854,405.37, a decrease of 1.44 percent compared with the previous fiscal year. Sales of internal-revenue stamps in post offices reached a total of \$2,349,095.78, an increase of 62.6 percent compared with the previous year.

Approximately 80 percent of the yearly gross income of the Department is derived from the sale of stamped paper in post offices. To meet the public requirements there were issued to postmasters on requisition during the year a total of 15,872,730,157 postage stamps, postal cards, stamped envelopes, and other varieties of stamped paper, an increase of 763,478,212 pieces compared with the prior fiscal year.

All adhesive postage stamps, including those in coils and books, are designed, engraved, and printed at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Treasury Department. Shipments of stamps are made from the Bureau by official registered mail to all direct and central accounting post offices, which include offices of the first and second classes. Distribution of stamps to district accounting post offices of the third and fourth classes is made on a fixed credit basis from the State central accounting post office.

Postal cards are manufactured at the Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., and stamped envelopes are produced under

private contract, which is let, as provided by law, to the lowest bidder for a term of 4 years. The present envelop plant is located at Dayton, Ohio.

To facilitate handling and as a measure of economy in the cost of distribution, subagencies for postal cards and stamped envelopes are operated in 36 widely separated cities throughout the country under the supervision of the local postmaster. These subagencies are supplied with stocks of cards and envelopes from the points of manufacture in carload lots by freight or mail storage cars at a minimum of expense. Distribution of cards and envelopes is then made by mail to post offices located within the territory of the respective subagencies as needed to meet the public demand. During the year a total of 525,436,500 stamped envelopes, having a selling value of \$14,076,812.96, and 1,590,257,450 postal cards, valued at \$16,292,228, were supplied to post offices from these distributing subagencies at a large saving to the Department.

The operation of these subagencies for postal cards and stamped envelopes not only effects a material saving in the cost of distribution by utilizing cheaper transportation to the local territory, but in addition is of the utmost value in regulating the production of cards and envelopes to conform to variation in the public demand. There were held in these reserve stocks at the close of business June 30, 1934, available for immediate use in filling post-office orders, 590,259,250 stamped envelopes, with a selling value of \$15,256,694.33, and 137,507,450 postal cards, valued at \$1,598,801.

The list of special issues of postage stamps authorized during the year, in addition to the NRA stamp, mention of which was made in the last report, included the 50-cent Graf Zeppelin, 5-cent Kosciusko, 3-cent Little America, 3-cent Maryland Tercentenary, 3-cent Mothers', 3-cent Wisconsin Tercentenary, and a special series of national-parks stamps. To the regular issues there were added a new air-mail stamp and stamped envelopes in the 6-cent denomination. A special printing was also authorized of the 1-cent and 3-cent Century of Progress stamps in the form of souvenir sheets of 25 stamps each. Likewise, a special sheet containing six of the Little America stamps was provided.

The 50-cent Zeppelin stamp was issued for use on air-mail letters carried on the *Graf Zeppelin* flight to the Century of Progress Exposition in October 1933. The central design depicts this airship flying over the Atlantic Ocean, with the hangar at Friedrichshafen at the right and the Federal Building at the exposition at the left. The Zeppelin stamp was first placed on sale at the post office in New York, N. Y., on October 2, 1933. The stamp was also placed on sale shortly thereafter in Chicago, Ill., as well as at Miami, Fla., and Akron, Ohio, where stops were made to take on mail.

The 3-cent Little America stamp was issued for use on mail matter dispatched through the temporary post office established at the base camp of the Byrd Antarctic Expedition. The stamp is blue in color and has for its central design a large geographic globe on which the position of Little America is marked, together with dotted lines to indicate the several previous Byrd flights as well as proposed new flights, in the Antarctic and to the South Pole. The Little America stamp was first placed on sale October 9, 1933, at the Philatelic Agency, Post Office Department. As the stamp was not designed for ordinary mailing purposes, it was not placed on sale in post offices.

The stamp issued in honor of General Kosciusko was provided in connection with the national celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the naturalization of Kosciusko as an American citizen. The stamp is blue in color and has for the central design a reproduction of the Kosciusko statue in Lafayette Park, Washington, D. C. The Kosciusko stamp was first placed on sale October 13, 1933, in the following cities: Chicago, Ill., Boston, Mass., Detroit, Mich., Kosciusko, Miss., St. Louis, Mo., Buffalo, N. Y., and Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Maryland Tercentenary stamp was issued in commemoration of the three-hundredth anniversary of the arrival of the settlers who established the first permanent settlement in this State. The stamp is printed in red and has for the central subject a reproduction of the two sailing vessels, the *Ark* and the *Dove*, on which the members of the colony came to America. The stamp was first placed on sale on March 23, 1934, at the post office in St. Marys City, Md., near the site of the first settlement.

The stamp in commemoration of the mothers of America was first placed on sale on May 2, 1934, at the post office in Washington, D. C. The stamp is printed in purple and includes in the central design a reproduction of the painting of his mother by the noted American artist, James Abbott McNeil Whistler.

The Wisconsin Tercentenary stamp was issued for the three-hundredth anniversary of the arrival in Green Bay of Jean Nicolet, the first white explorer, of record, to reach this territory. The stamp is printed in purple. The central subject depicts the arrival of the explorer, modeled from the painting entitled "Nicolet's Landing on the Shores of Green Bay", by Edwin Williard Deming. The Wisconsin Tercentenary stamp was first placed on sale at the post office in Green Bay, Wis., on July 7, 1934.

The set of national parks stamps represents the first series of stamps ever to be issued devoted exclusively to the portrayal of notable scenic wonders in this country. The issue when completed will consist of ten stamps in denominations of 1 cent to 10 cents, respectively, each depicting an outstanding scene from one of the national parks. The 1-cent stamp, the first to be issued, was placed

on sale on July 16, 1934, at the post offices in Yosemite National Park, Calif., and Washington, D. C. The stamp is green in color and shows a view from the Yosemite National Park. The remaining stamps of the series are to follow as rapidly as completed.

The special sheets of 1-cent and 3-cent stamps in multiples of 25 of the Century of Progress series were issued as a souvenir of the annual convention of the American Philatelic Society, held in Chicago, Ill., in August 1933. The sheets were first placed on sale at the Philatelic Station, Chicago, Ill., on August 25, 1933.

The souvenir sheet containing six stamps of the 3-cent Little America issue was authorized on behalf of the National Stamp Exhibition of 1934 held at Rockefeller Center, New York, N. Y., February 10-18, 1934. The souvenir sheet was first placed on sale February 10, 1934, at the Branch Philatelic Agency operated in connection with the Convention.

To conform to the reduction in the postage rate on air-mail matter, effective July 1, 1934, provision was made for the issuance of air-mail stamps and stamped envelopes in the 6-cent denomination. To meet the existing emergency the designs in use in connection with the 8-cent stamp were continued, the only alteration necessary being to change the denomination numerals from "8" to "6" and the color from purple to orange.

Although sales and registration of war-savings securities and active participation in redemption thereof have been discontinued for several years, a considerable amount of clerical time is still required to search records and adjust claims arising as a result of past activities of the Department in selling, registering, and accounting of these war-time securities.

Under the act of Congress approved March 16, 1934, provision was made for the assessment of a Federal tax at the rate of \$1 per annum on hunters of migratory water fowl and the collection of such fee by means of an adhesive stamp affixed to the hunting license or a special certificate. The law further provides that the migratory-bird hunting stamp shall be sold through post offices, and gives to the Post Office Department complete jurisdiction of the printing, distribution, and sale of the stamp.

Immediately after the enactment of this legislation action was taken to provide the special stamp and printed forms required for use in connection with the sale of the stamp in post offices located in county seats, those located in cities having a population of 2,500 or more, as well as such other post offices as may be required to meet the public demand. It is estimated that approximately 14,000 post offices will be authorized to have the migratory-bird hunting stamp on sale, entailing a considerable amount of extra expense to the Department, for which reimbursement is to be made, as provided in the act, from the funds received from the sale of the special stamp.

The Philatelic Agency enjoyed the most profitable year's business since the establishment of this central agency in December 1921 for the sale of postage stamps of selected quality for collection use. The total sales for the year amounted to \$811,723, compared with \$302,619.54 for the previous fiscal year, a gain of 168 percent. This phenomenal advance in business is largely attributable to the constantly increasing interest that is being displayed in the collecting of postage stamps. The agency transacts a heavy business annually through direct window sale, but its primary service to collectors in general is through the filling of mail orders, which are received in increasing numbers from all parts of this country and from many foreign lands. The total number of mail orders handled by the agency was 96,710, compared with 35,185 orders filled during the previous year.

The yearly records of business transacted give proof that the Philatelic Agency is furnishing stamp collectors with needed service, which can not well be provided through local post offices.

A statement in detail of post-office transactions in postage stamps and internal-revenue stamps will be found in the appendix.

DIVISION OF REGISTERED MAELS

DOMESTIC REGISTRY, INSURANCE, AND COLLECT-ON-DELIVERY SERVICES

There was a decrease of 5.27 percent in the number of domestic paid registrations during the year as compared with the fiscal year 1933, an increase of 7.70 percent in free registrations, a decrease of 2.60 percent in the number of pieces of insured mail, and an increase of 7.73 percent in the number of c. o. d. articles mailed. The percentages of decreases in the number of pieces of paid registered and insured mail are much smaller than in the fiscal year 1933, when the percentage of decrease in registered mail was 23.37 percent, and the decrease in insured mail was 25.10 percent, as compared with 1932. This fact, together with the increase in c. o. d. business in the fiscal year 1934, indicates that the ebb in the registry and insurance services has probably been reached and that the trend in the future will be toward increases in these two services, as well as a further increase in the c. o. d. service.

An act of Congress was approved June 18, 1934, which authorized the Postmaster General, under such regulations as he might prescribe, to collect an additional fee of 10 cents for effecting the delivery of domestic registered, insured, and collect-on-delivery mail restricted in delivery to the addressee only or to the addressee or order. This additional charge was made effective on July 9, 1934.

The closing of the banks during the early spring of 1933, coupled with the inability of many addressees of collect-on-delivery mail to

obtain cash to meet their obligations, prompted the suspension of collection of demurrage charges on domestic collect-on-delivery mail, which was done beginning March 6, 1933, until further notice. In the belief that the conditions which prompted the suspension of demurrage had sufficiently subsided to permit the resumption of the collection of demurrage charges on domestic collect-on-delivery mail, the Postmaster General, under date of March 8, 1934, ordered these collections to be resumed effective July 1, 1934.

This is the second fiscal year during which collection of surcharges was made on registered mail, and insured mail treated as registered mail. Last year the total amount of surcharges collected was \$2,824,296.72. This year the surcharges amounted to \$2,859,566.52.

SPECIAL-DISCOUNT METHOD OF ADJUSTING INDEMNITY CLAIMS

Under special-discount arrangements some shippers of insured and collect-on-delivery mail agree, in the event of loss, rifling, or damage, to accept as indemnity the actual cost of the merchandise involved plus certain overhead charges, or the market or sale value less a fixed discount, and a considerable saving to the Department results in the adjustment of indemnity claims under these agreements.

STATISTICS

Statistics relating to domestic registered, insured, and collect-on-delivery mail will be found in tables 15 and 16 of the appendix.

DIVISION OF COST ASCERTAINMENT

The ascertainment of "the revenues derived from and the cost of carrying and handling the several classes of mail matter and of performing the special services" as authorized in section 214 of the act of February 28, 1925 (39 U. S. C. 826), was continued during the fiscal year 1934 substantially in accordance with the plans and methods previously pursued.

The purpose of the cost ascertainment is to allocate or apportion to each of the classes of mail matter and each of the special services the respective postal revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year, and summaries of the results for 1934 are shown in tables 17 to 21 of the appendix to this report.

Included in the expenditures contributing to the computed distributable loss of \$54,461,714.80 appearing in these tables are certain nonpostal items identified in table 58, credit for which, under the act of June 9, 1930, should be extended in all considerations relating to the finances of the Post Office Department. The application of these nonproductive and extraordinary items as credits against

the distributable loss for the year will indicate a net operating surplus, as follows:

	Revenue equivalent	Expense	Total
Distributable loss.....			\$54,461,714.80
Penalty matter for branches of the Government other than the Post Office Department, including free registration.....	\$23,094,882.00		
Franked matter for—			
1. Members of Congress.....	775,785.00		
2. Others than Members of Congress.....	215.00		
Total franked matter.....	776,000.00		
Publications going free in county.....	545,227.00		
Free mail for the blind.....	103,552.00		
Differentials in second-class postage favoring religious, educational, scientific, philanthropic, agricultural, labor, and fraternal organizations.....	418,100.00		
Excess cost of airplane service over the postage revenues derived from air mail.....		\$12,992,910.83	
Differentials favoring vessels of American registry.....		28,692,458.00	
Nonproductive and extraordinary items.....	24,937,761.00	41,685,368.83	66,623,129.83
Net operating surplus.....			12,161,415.03

DIVISION OF PARCEL POST

The campaign to increase the volume, reduce expenses, and improve the Parcel Post Service is being carried on by this Division. At the 125 largest post offices specially qualified employees, designated "parcel-post supervisors", have been engaged in calling on the public and explaining in detail the Parcel Post Service, thereby increasing the volume of fourth-class mail and establishing a spirit of general cooperation and goodwill between mailers and the Postal Service.

Questionnaires have been sent to a comprehensive mailing list of patrons asking for criticisms of the Service and requesting suggestions as to how it may be improved. Information obtained from these sources discloses to the Department matters warranting inquiry and investigation and enables it to discover and correct the defects or to further improve existing service.

The Division continues to sponsor a weekly series of radio talks by postal officials and other prominent speakers on subjects pertaining to the Postal Service for the purpose of acquainting the public with general postal information and in order that they may use the Service to their best advantage.

Through the cooperation of the Federal Board for Vocational Education, the Agriculture Department, agricultural colleges, 4-H clubs, Future Farmers of America, and teacher-trainers in those organizations, the Division of Parcel Post is urging greater use of parcel post by residents on rural routes.

Other activities have been continued during the past year, such as furnishing publicity and educational copy to newspapers and magazines, addresses before civic and business organizations, conference talks with postal employees, convention groups, and supervisors, publication of postal information in telephone directories, and other general publicity and educational work.

BUREAU OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

On June 20, 1934, the emergency appropriation act was approved and provided \$65,000,000 for public-building projects, the funds to be administered jointly by the Treasury and Post Office Departments.

Immediately upon the approval of this act, the Secretary of the Treasury and Postmaster General selected 302 projects to be constructed and paid for out of that fund. Those projects were distributed throughout the country, and the necessary preliminary steps have already been taken to assure a speedy compliance with that part of the act which will provide for countrywide relief of unemployment.

DIVISION OF ENGINEERING AND RESEARCH

During the fiscal year 1934, detailed drawings of 71 leased quarters were prepared. Tentative plans were checked, so far as they related to post-office activities, of 186 Federal buildings. Cabinet sketches of 116 post offices and final plans and specifications of 137 projects were checked. Furniture and equipment requisitions were reviewed and lay-outs prepared for 101 buildings.

Interior lay-outs were planned of that portion of public buildings to be used for postal purposes, developing all space into efficient units with reference to the prompt and economical handling of mails and the activities related thereto.

Mechanical conveyor mail-handling equipment was designed and installed in a number of the larger post offices for the purpose of expediting the mails; also, improvements were devised and successfully used in the operation of several of the existing conveyor installations.

The shop details of 45 safes purchased by the Department were revised and the number of types of standard post-office safes reduced from 77 to 18. The shell-safe specifications and fireproof-safe specifications were also revised and lists prepared for the types of safes to be used in the various post offices.

Special research work on electric rates in large cities was conducted in cooperation with the Procurement Division of the Treasury Department, for the purpose of reducing electrical costs and to insure economy in the purchase of electricity in the operation of Federal-building and other post-office activities.

DIVISION OF POST OFFICE QUARTERS

Quarters for post offices of the first, second, and third classes, and stations and branches thereof, are provided under lease in the case of the larger post offices and on a month-to-month rental basis for the smaller post offices; quarters are also provided in Federal buildings. Lease contracts in most cases include rent, light, fuel, water, and equipment, and are usually for terms of 5 or 10 years.

There were 14,110 Presidential post offices and 1,487 classified stations and branches on June 30, 1934, a total of 15,597. Quarters for these post offices, stations, and branches are provided as follows:

CLASSIFICATION

Leased quarters, post offices.....	4, 941
Leased quarters, stations, and branches.....	1, 330
Rented quarters (month-to-month) post offices.....	7, 514
Rented quarters (month-to-month), stations, and branches.....	77
Federal buildings, post offices.....	1, 607
Federal buildings, stations, and branches.....	30
Free quarters, military reservation stations.....	28
Free quarters, post offices.....	48
Free quarters, stations.....	22
Total.....	15, 597

The appropriation for 1934 was \$16,000,000. Expenditures from this appropriation were made as follows:

Lease of quarters for post offices, stations, and branches.....	\$13, 513, 254
Rental of quarters (month-to-month) for post offices, stations, branches, and miscellaneous.....	1, 944, 008
Total expenditures.....	15, 457, 262

During the fiscal year 1934, 710 leases were negotiated, of which 701 were new leases to replace expiring leases, or renewals of leases which had expired during the year, and 9 covered new quarters. The renewed leases provided an aggregate of 1,569,812 square feet of floor space at an annual rental of \$1,145,163, equivalent to 73 cents per square foot. This was a decrease of 20 percent of the cost of expiring leases.

The nine new projects provided for 13,671 square feet of floor space at an annual rental of \$9,160, or at the rate of 67 cents per square foot.

REDUCTION OF RENT AT RENTAL OFFICES

The cost of rent, light, and fuel in buildings occupied on a month-to-month rental basis was reduced at 2,843 offices during 1934 as a result of a further effort to effect economies wherever possible in the Postal Service, reflecting a saving of \$143,983.

REDUCTION IN COST OF LIGHT AND FUEL

During the fiscal year 1934 reduction in allowances for light and fuel for quarters occupied by post offices, stations, and branches, totalling \$100,528, resulted from efforts to confine the use of artificial light and fuel to the minimum required for efficient service.

GARAGES

On June 30, 1934, there were 119 garages under lease for housing trucks used in the motor-vehicle service and at 1,255 additional offices garage space was occupied on a month-to-month rental basis. One garage is located in a Federal building. The rental of garage quarters under lease aggregated \$1,258,947, and those on a monthly basis \$134,253, making a total of \$1,393,200.

DIVISION OF MOTOR-VEHICLE SERVICE

The expenditures during the year for vehicle service in cities, including the operation of Government-owned motor-vehicle service, aggregated \$12,395,229, which is \$1,278,411 less than was expended in 1933. This reduction represents savings accomplished as the result of suspension of administrative and automatic promotions, lapsing of vacancies, pay reductions, administrative furloughs, and operating economies.

GOVERNMENT-OWNED MOTOR-VEHICLE SERVICE

The cost of maintenance and operation of the Government-owned motor-vehicle service amounted to \$9,886,689, which is \$679,671 less than in 1933. Service was extended to 41 additional cities and at the close of the year trucks owned and maintained by the Postal Service were in operation at 1,387 points. The collection, relay, and delivery of mail in 1,259 cities was performed exclusively with trucks owned by the Department, while at the remaining 128 points Government-owned vehicles were also used for mail transportation between post offices, postal stations, depots, and other mail-handling units.

On June 30, 1934, there were in service 8,000 trucks owned by the Department, while the personnel of the Government-owned motor-vehicle service numbered 3,945, a decrease of 17 trucks and 232 employees during the year.

The cost of operating Government-owned trucks has been decreased from 87 cents per hour in 1921 to 41.4 cents in 1934, without driver and without deducting the saving resulting from the furlough and pay reduction in effect throughout the year.

The Department maintains repair shops at 30 conveniently located points throughout the country for reconditioning trucks as the need therefor arises, and where automobiles owned by other branches of the Federal service are repaired and serviced from time to time. These repair plants also serve to some extent as supply bases for the motor-vehicle service units located in the same area.

CONTRACT VEHICLE SERVICE

The expenditures for contract vehicle service during the year included \$1,128,874 under 4-year contracts, \$962,365 for vehicles hired on an annual basis, and \$417,301 for vehicles secured on an hourly basis, under quarterly agreements, making a total of \$2,508,540 which is \$598,740 less than was expended for contract service in 1933.

New contracts were entered into for vehicle service for the 4-year period beginning July 1, 1934, at 46 out of 52 cities where contracts expired June 30, 1934. The aggregate annual cost under the new contracts is \$247,406, as compared with a yearly cost of \$392,799 under the expired contracts. The saving effected under this reletting amounts to \$145,393 a year, or 37.01 percent.

At the six remaining cities temporary arrangements have been made for continuation of the service at an aggregate annual rate of \$58,466, effective July 1, 1934, as compared with \$81,120, the cost under the former contracts, a reduction of \$22,654 per annum, or 27.92 percent.

Vehicle service covered by 4-year contracts is in operation in 185 cities. These contracts provide for the transportation of mail between the post office, postal stations, railroad stations, and other mail-handling points and in a few instances include the furnishing of vehicles for use in the City Delivery Service. At the close of the fiscal year, 503 trucks were used under 4-year contracts, and in addition the contractors were furnishing 13 trucks for use in the City Delivery Service.

On June 30, 1934, there were in operation 1,486 trucks and 160 horse-drawn wagons secured on a rental basis under informal contract, for use in 805 cities. There were also hired during the year, on a quarterly basis, by the hour, the equivalent of 561 trucks, 8 hours per day, 306 days per year.

At the close of the fiscal year, 2,723 vehicles were under hire by the Postal Service, of which 516 were being used in the performance of 4-year contract service, leaving 2,207 for collection and delivery service.

PNEUMATIC TUBE SERVICE

New York, N. Y.—Double lines of 8-inch pneumatic tubes, providing an expeditious transmission of mail between 4 a. m. and 11

p. m., connect the main post office in New York City, 22 of the larger postal stations on Manhattan Island, and the general post office in Brooklyn. The tube system is approximately 26.5 miles in length and is under contract for a period of 2 years from July 1, 1932, with provision for three 1-year extensions, at a rental of \$19,500 per mile per annum, which includes all expense incident to its maintenance and operation. Approximately 55 percent of the letter mail and a limited amount of other classes is dispatched through the tubes. The contract has been extended until June 30, 1935.

Boston, Mass.—The tube system in Boston, connecting the North and South Railroad Stations via South Postal Station, is approximately 1.8 miles in length and is under contract until June 30, 1936, at a rental of \$24,000 a year.

MISCELLANEOUS

Revision of the overhauling and truck rebuilding program heretofore in effect, has reduced maintenance costs and the amount of replacement truck parts required, without impairment of efficiency or serviceability of the trucks.

Investigations have been and are being made at the larger units with a view to determining the actual man-power requirements under this revised program. Investigations made to date, have disclosed a surplus of employees, whose services are now being utilized in other capacities.

The transportation service, Government-owned and contract, are being closely supervised with a view to effecting additional economies during the fiscal year 1935.

DIVISION OF BUILDING OPERATIONS AND SUPPLIES

EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES BRANCH

There was available through direct appropriations and allotments for the purchase of equipment and supplies a total of \$3,906,500. There was expended from these funds \$2,485,954.86 or \$1,420,545.14 less than the amount available for that purpose.

A comparison of a few items furnished the service illustrates some reductions made and reflects the savings effected:

Item	Purchased in 1933	Purchased in 1934
Letter box posts.....	2,980	1,250
Rural carrier distributing cases.....	431	208
Time recorders.....	200	60
Mechanical pick-up tables.....	7	None
Adding machines.....	469	99
Typewriters.....	448	178
Platform trucks.....	374	294

There were received a total of 124,018 requisitions for postal supplies, an increase of 2,890 over the preceding year. Requisitions from the smaller offices were submitted direct to the 55 distributing offices in the field operating under the direction of this office. Miscellaneous postal supplies amounting to 1,687 tons were hauled to and from the local freight yards and docks.

During the year complete screen partition and furniture equipment was installed in 80 offices and stations at a cost of \$119,484.47, thus continuing the policy of providing Government-owned equipment where it is in the interest of economy to do so. All Department-owned equipment becoming available as a result of offices moving into Federal buildings from leased quarters was transferred to offices for which it would have been necessary to purchase new equipment.

The following items purchased and distributed indicate the requirements of the Service:

Domestic and international money orders.....	222, 454, 025
Official envelopes and registry jackets.....	114, 413, 420
Postal-savings certificates.....	19, 116, 500
Postmarking, money order, registry, dating, and miscellaneous stamps.....	137, 000
Facing slips.....	735, 681, 300
Strip labels.....	544, 095, 650
International service labels.....	1, 036, 950
Gallons of cylinder oil.....	238, 980
Gallons of transmission oil.....	6, 043
Pounds of grease.....	43, 176
Tires.....	5, 115
Tubes.....	6, 174

Shortly before the close of the fiscal year arrangements were made with the Treasury Department whereby approximately 84,000 used key-type lock boxes formerly used in Federal buildings were transferred to this Department. After rehabilitation, these lock boxes will be used in rented and leased quarters, effecting material economies.

MAINTENANCE BRANCH

Pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order No. 6166, dated June 10, 1933, modified by order no. 6244, dated July 27, 1933, and in accordance with an order of the Secretary of the Treasury approved by the President on September 25, 1933, the administration of Government-owned post-office buildings was transferred from the Treasury Department to the Post Office Department on October 1, 1933.

For the administration of these buildings for the 9 months from October 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934, there was transferred from appropriations under the control of the Secretary of the Treasury to appropriations under the control of the Postmaster General a total of \$9,895,311.19.

At the time this transfer was made there were 1,569 buildings occupied, requiring a total force of 7,352 employees for their maintenance and operation. Since October 1, 1933, 27 new and additional buildings have been commissioned, 27 new ones replacing old buildings which were closed, and 14 extensions. At the close of business June 30, 1934, the Department was operating 1,637 Government-owned buildings, necessitating a force of 8,781 employees. The annual pay roll of this force was \$10,286,943.69.

Prior to the transfer of these buildings to the control of the Post Office Department, one central storehouse was maintained in Washington, from which miscellaneous cleaning supplies and tools were distributed to the various buildings. Subsequent to the transfer warehouses were established in Chicago and New York and this has greatly facilitated the handling of supplies and has made possible an appreciable saving in the cost of transporting these commodities to the various buildings.

By careful examination of requisitions from postmasters for additional equipment for activities housed in these buildings and the use and transfer of furniture and equipment surplus to meet the needs of certain activities in various locations, the Department has been able to make a substantial saving in the expenditure of public funds incident to equipping these offices. The sum of \$305,000 of the total appropriation of \$1,161,518.50 was saved by this policy.

The simplification and standardization of drawings and specifications for safes by the Division of Engineering and Research resulted in a saving of about 50 percent of the cost of similar equipment furnished during previous fiscal years.

During the fiscal year 1934 a number of emergency activities, established under legislation enacted by the last Congress, have been accommodated in Federal buildings. During the period October 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934, reassignments of space in the various buildings permitted the Department to accommodate in Federal buildings activities which had planned to occupy or were occupying commercial space, with a resultant saving to the various organizations of the sum of \$44,738.

During the 9-month period in which these buildings were under the jurisdiction of this Department there was expended \$9,091,000 for their operation and maintenance. This is \$804,000 less than the amount transferred from the Treasury Department for this purpose.

MANUFACTURING AND REPAIRS BRANCH

The manufacture of new equipment during the past year was further curtailed, the number of new mail bags and locks supplied the Service being the smallest in more than a score of years. The reduced pro-

duction did not necessitate the dismissal of any of the personnel, as no vacancies have been filled during the last 4 years and separations through retirement, resignations, etc., kept pace with the work.

The principal articles manufactured were 349,617 mail bags, 250,000 LA locks, 4,150 rotary locks, 15,000 Arrow locks, and 724,000 locking-cord fasteners.

Repair work included 74,618 locks, 1,970 numbering machines, 161 canceling machines, 489 motors, as well as reconditioning 2,257,496 old mail containers. It was necessary to condemn 435,430 old bags, 3,300 LA, 678 Arrow, and 4,063 rotary locks.

By fitting 285,279 old bags with new bottoms and converting 101,777 old no. 2 sacks into no. 3 sacks, 387,056 bags, which otherwise would have been condemned, were restored to service.

An experimental lot of 15 asbestos bags was made for use in the Air Mail Service. Catcher pouches, which are subjected to very severe strain, have been improved and strengthened by binding the bottoms with leather. Experiments were also conducted looking to the possible rehabilitation of old post-office lock boxes. It was found that a saving could be effected by the manufacture of furniture tags in the shops, and that work has been undertaken. Four special types of stackers for use in connection with 5 inch wide letter belt distribution systems were also manufactured for use in post offices.

Savings effected through the salvage and sale of scrap materials amounted to \$93,800.

The appropriation for the fiscal year was \$900,000, of which amount only \$682,414 was expended.

DIVISION OF TOPOGRAPHY

During the year, 22,284 post-route maps were distributed, and in addition 6,042 county and 26,513 local-center maps showing rural delivery service were printed. There were sold to the public 729 post-route maps, 5,244 county maps, and 280 local-center maps. The amount received from the sale of these maps was \$3,602.40.

In addition, 41,031 miscellaneous blueprints, negatives, and photostats were made for the service, and 29,792 zone keys for use in the operation of the Parcel Post System were supplied.

DIVISION OF TRAFFIC

During the year there were 414 carload shipments and 6,115 less-than-carload shipments of postal supplies and equipment, or 29,867,094 pounds of freight and express, transported at a cost of \$181,766.16, an average cost of \$0.60858 per 100 pounds, as compared with \$0.66 last year. The decrease in cost per 100 pounds may be attributed to the consolidation of less-than-carload shipments into carloads and the securing of special rates.

In addition, during the last three quarters of the fiscal year there were 95 carload shipments and 3,625 less-than-carload shipments of custodial supplies and equipment, or 5,093,627 pounds of freight and express, transported at a cost of \$61,294.96, an average cost of \$1.20336 per 100 pounds. No comparison of average cost with last year may be made, as this is a new activity.

The consolidation of less-than-carload shipments into carloads; merger of postal cards and supplies as mixed carloads; use of mail-storage space wherever available; driving chassis overland, instead of shipping by freight; obtaining special, reduced rates; and negotiation of reasonable drayage rates effected a saving of \$34,986.82.

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

FRAUDULENT ENTERPRISES

Proceeding under the provisions of title 39, United States Code, sections 259 and 732, and also on special cases under the provisions of title 18, United States Code, section 336, the Department, during the last year, took action against numerous persons and concerns who obtained and attempted to obtain money and property through the mails by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

The dishonest schemes with which the Department was called upon to deal were remarkable for the variety of their approach and the ingenuity of their appeal to the victims. The incomplete data secured by the Department in the process of investigating and handling these cases relative to the amounts of money obtained by dishonest persons and concerns through the mails makes it impracticable to even approximate the total sum. However, the figures which are available indicate that it is a very large amount, and in several instances individuals parted with large sums of money in response to solicitations of a fraudulent character. This was particularly true in cases where hopes and promises were held out to the remitters of enormous profits to be quickly realized. Particularly was this true in the sale of interests in oil leases and royalties. However, these dishonest promoters of oil-land selling schemes have greatly diminished in number and have become greatly circumscribed in their activities due to the fact that the Department gives special handling to such cases to insure expeditious closing of the mails against the fraudulent promoters. However, many drillers of wildcat oil wells in territories long since explored, and the production possibility of which had been definitely established as being very low, interested a large number of investors upon pretenses that their wells would almost certainly develop into monster gushers. In practically every case where the well was carried to completion nothing more valuable than salt water was obtained, while in a few cases small amounts of gas or oil were encountered in the drilling which were of no commercial value and to market which no facilities were available or no attempt was made by the persons operating these enterprises. In none of these cases did the investors secure as much as a dollar's return on their investment and the only profits that accrued were obtained by the persons who secured the remittances.

More cases involving patent-medicine quackery were successfully handled by the Department during the past year than in any preceding

year. The schemes against which action was taken were of the usual variety and character, but were more skillfully conducted in a great many instances than similar schemes have been in the past. As noted in previous reports, there is still a large class of people who, despite widespread information on the subject, are still prone to rely upon advertisements which promise rejuvenation by means of nostrums or so-called gland treatments, and who hope and believe apparently that in some mysterious way youthful vigor and vitality will be restored to them despite the natural limitations of advancing years and chronic disease conditions. Such persons always provide a ready market for the purveyors of worthless drug preparations advertised as practically sure rejuvenators. Persons suffering from chronic or incurable maladies and diseases also fall easy victims to extravagant representations as to the values of drugs sold for the purpose of curing conditions which are either incurable or can be dealt with successfully only by means of surgery. The remarkable feature of these medical schemes is that the promoters invariably have received large numbers of testimonials from persons who appear to believe that they have been rejuvenated or revitalized or cured of their condition, whatever it may be, and regardless of the proven therapeutic inapplicability of the concoctions which they have taken. Some of these preparations were found to be actually dangerous to the users, and it was shown in certain instances that they caused several deaths. By its prompt action in denying the use of the mails to the operators of such dishonest medical schemes the Department has undoubtedly saved not only the money but also the lives of many persons.

LOTTERIES

Section 213 of the United States Penal Code (18 U. S. C. 336) provides that all matter relating to lotteries, gift enterprises, and schemes of any kind in which prizes are offered dependent in whole or in part upon lot or chance shall not be transmitted in the mails, and directs that such matter be excluded or withdrawn by postmasters.

Prize contests designed for the purpose of stimulating sales and increasing circulation lists found much favor with business concerns and newspapers in all parts of the country, and the Department was called upon to issue thousands of rulings to postmasters for their information and guidance in the proper treatment of mail matter.

The campaign instituted by the Department to deny the use of the mails to the operators of foreign sweepstakes drawings has resulted in a marked decrease during the past year in the quantity of tickets and literature which the promoters of the largest of these lotteries have sought to forward through the mails to residents of the United States. Several of these enterprises operated on a small scale have been particularly active in their efforts to get their advertisements and tickets

into the hands of United States citizens through the use of the mails. However, the Department in cooperation with the Customs Service confiscated millions of these tickets. Furthermore, fraud orders were promptly issued forbidding the forwarding of mail matter and the issuance, certification, and payment of money orders intended for these foreign lottery agents.

OBSCENE AND SCURRILOUS MATTER

During the past year the Department has endeavored to rid the mails of indecent matter by the vigorous enforcement of section 211 of the United States Penal Code (18 U. S. C. 334) which prohibits the transmission in the mails of any matter of an indecent, obscene, lewd, lascivious, or filthy character. As a result of this action the number of periodicals with indecent contents sought to be mailed have decreased notably. Whenever matter of an obscene character was found in the mails, it was disposed of as unmailable under the law.

Foreign dealers continued to send considerable literature advertising obscene books and pictures to this country, but the greater portion of these advertisements were confiscated by the Department through the cooperation of the Customs Service. In addition, orders were issued against persons or concerns abroad engaged in advertising their obscene wares in the United States which prevented them from receiving mail from this country and also stopped the certification of money orders drawn in their favor.

Undoubtedly much obscene matter is transported by facilities other than the mails, and it is again emphasized that the rigid enforcement of State laws forbidding the sale and display of indecent publications and pictures would do much to help rid the field of such objectionable matter.

CLAIMS OF POSTMASTERS FOR CREDIT OR REIMBURSEMENT ON ACCOUNT OF UNAVOIDABLE LOSSES

Under the provisions of title 39, United States Code, section 49, the Postmaster General is authorized to reimburse postmasters or to allow them credit in their accounts in sums not exceeding \$10,000 for public funds and stamp supplies lost by burglary, fire, or other unavoidable casualty, or in transit to designated depositaries, if the loss resulted from no fault or negligence on their part. The act of Congress of June 18, 1934, (Public, No. 386), amended the law cited to include internal revenue funds and stamps, Federal migratory bird hunting funds and stamps, funds lost by bank failure, and funds and stamp stock lost in transit. By the Postal Laws and Regulations the Solicitor is charged with consideration and submission to the Postmaster General of all claims of this character with such advice as to disposition as the facts in each case appear to require. On July 1, 1933, there were

582 claims pending, and 1,131 were received during the year, making the total for consideration 1,713. Of this number 1,146 were adjudicated during the year, leaving 567 pending. Of the claims disposed of 761 were allowed in whole or in part. In 313 cases it was necessary to deny credit because of negligence with respect to the protection afforded the public funds and stamp supplies, or with respect to the deposit of surplus funds in the manner or at the time designated, in violation of sections 106, 111, and 117 of the Postal Laws and Regulations, as the disregarding by postmasters of applicable regulations is construed as constituting negligence precluding allowance of credit. Recovery of the money or stamps made it possible to dismiss 52 claims, and 20 claims aggregating \$569.91 were voluntarily withdrawn by the claimants. The total credits authorized, classified to show the number of claims, the cause of loss, and the amount involved in the several funds and stamp supplies, and the same particulars in disallowed and dismissed claims are set forth in the tabular statements following:

Cause of loss	Number	Funds				Stamp stock	Total
		Postal	Money order	Postal savings	Customs		
Allowed:							
Burglary.....	390	\$10,232.02	\$11,350.67	\$61.40	-----	\$89,561.47	\$111,205.56
Robbery, theft.....	166	3,453.41	11,766.20	473.98	-----	6,140.45	21,834.04
Fire.....	97	623.40	614.31	-----	-----	3,902.35	5,040.06
In transit.....	90	280.48	10,928.51	291.95	\$2.13	-----	11,603.07
Flood, accident.....	18	2.34	5.84	24.00	-----	113.86	146.04
Total.....	761	14,591.65	34,565.53	851.33	2.13	99,718.13	\$149,728.77
Disallowed:							
Burglary.....	253	4,737.89	10,179.09	174.67	-----	4,180.62	19,272.27
Robbery, theft.....	23	1,472.76	2,712.92	-----	-----	55.16	4,240.84
Fire.....	2	131.44	558.70	-----	-----	47.70	737.84
In transit.....	33	159.43	1,483.21	815.00	-----	-----	2,457.64
Flood, accident.....	2	-----	20.35	-----	-----	-----	20.35
Total.....	313	6,501.52	14,954.27	989.67	-----	4,283.48	26,728.94
Dismissed:							
Burglary.....	6	179.94	17.68	-----	-----	13.76	211.38
Robbery, theft.....	9	342.74	264.05	3,050.00	-----	25.38	3,682.17
Fire.....	5	14.84	-----	-----	-----	207.99	222.83
In transit.....	31	1,065.54	6,236.50	810.00	-----	-----	8,112.04
Flood, accident.....	1	-----	-----	-----	-----	.92	.92
Total.....	52	1,603.06	6,518.23	3,860.00	-----	248.05	12,229.34

¹ Includes \$28,022 allowed by a special act of Congress.

² The difference between these totals and those shown in the appendix is due to the fact that some of the credits authorized have not been allowed in the accounts as of the same fiscal year.

Claims in excess of \$10,000.—No claim involving a loss of more than \$10,000 has been received during the year. In compliance with the law hereinbefore cited, the facts relating to the claim of the postmaster at Seattle, Wash., on account of \$29,082.30 in postal funds lost by robbery and embezzlement, December 23, 1931, have been reported to Congress with the recommendation for authority to allow credit for \$15,997.66, the net loss after recovery of \$13,084.64. The

claim of the postmaster at Asbury Park, N. J., on account of \$28,022 in money and postage stamps lost in the burglary, July 6, 1929, was allowed by special act of Congress approved June 11, 1934 (Private, No. 217). As no action has been taken by Congress on the following claims favorably reported at various times on account of losses by burglary, the recommendation for authority to allow credit in each case is renewed in order to relieve the respective postmasters and their sureties of liability:

Office	Date	Name of postmaster	Amount	Date reported to Congress
De Kalb, Ill.	Feb. 10, 1931	Thomas F. Olsen	\$18,687.19	Apr. 1, 1931
Fort Myers, Fla.	Mar. 10, 1918	Corinne T. Summerlin	13,636.72	Jan. 7, 1921
Hanover, Pa.	Feb. 4, 1919	E. K. Eichelberger	14,221.36	Aug. 4, 1919
Macomb, Ill.	Apr. 5, 1929	James M. Pace	21,643.04	Dec. 14, 1929
Oxford, N. C.	Mar. 9, 1920	Ben K. Lassiter	33,345.13	Nov. 20, 1920

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR DAMAGE TO PERSON AND PROPERTY

Claims in the number of 1,999 were received in the Department during the year for consideration under the provisions of the acts of Congress of June 16, 1921 (5 U. S. C. 392), and December 28, 1922 (31 U. S. C. 215-217). The Department is authorized by these acts to adjust and pay, or recommend for payment, claims for personal injuries and property damage. Claims coming within the purview of the earlier act are paid direct by the Department, whereas claims handled under the later act are required to be certified to Congress for an appropriation for their payment.

This class of claims arises largely out of accidents involving Government-owned mail trucks in the larger cities. There were 433 claims pending at the beginning of the fiscal year, either under investigation or awaiting claimants' compliance with the requirements of the Department. Final disposition was made of 1,835 claims, of which 1,083, amounting to \$28,232.46, were approved and paid; 576, aggregating \$275,811.37, were disallowed; and 176 claims were closed out during the year either because the claimants withdrew their claims or failed to perfect them.

There remain 597 cases still under consideration, many being held in abeyance awaiting some necessary steps on the part of claimants. In addition to the foregoing, 335 reports relating to accidents have been filed with the Department during the past fiscal year in which no claims for damages have yet been made.

POSTAL SAVINGS SECURITY EXAMINATION

The Board of Trustees of the Postal Savings System is required by section 759 of title 39, United States Code, to take from banks which are designated depositories for Postal Savings funds only "security in public bonds or other securities, authorized by act of Congress

or supported by the taxing power." During the fiscal year just ended 956 bond issues were examined with respect to their legal acceptability as security for deposits of Postal Savings funds. These represented bonds of 31 of the States themselves; bonds of municipalities and other political divisions located in 44 States; and bonds of Hawaii and Puerto Rico, as well as bonds of municipalities in Puerto Rico guaranteed by the people of Puerto Rico.

At the beginning of the fiscal year there were 50 issues on hand. During the year 906 were received, making a total of 956, of which number 842 were approved as legally acceptable, 28 were held to be not legally acceptable, and 53 issues were withdrawn by the tendering banks involved before any decision could be rendered. Thirteen cases represented duplicates. One case was returned by reason of the failure of the tendering bank to furnish the necessary legal information. Nineteen cases remained on hand at the end of the fiscal year.

The uniform requirements maintained by this office in connection with the legal examination of bonds tendered as Postal Savings security have undoubtedly resulted in affording the Government protection from a flood of low-grade bonds and in maintaining the general high standard of securities offered as collateral for Postal Savings funds.

GOVERNMENT MONOPOLY OF THE TRANSPORTATION OF MAIL

During the past year there was a notable increase in the number of cases coming before the Department for decision under the provisions of sections 1710 to 1715 of the Postal Laws and Regulations of 1932, embracing the so-called private express statutes. These statutes, which vest the Post Office Department with a monopoly of the transportation of letters, are little understood and often misinterpreted by the public.

Private individuals, public-utility companies, and large business concerns, claiming to be unfamiliar with the provisions of the private express statutes, initiated practices during the past year whereby they sought to deliver their letters by private "contract" carriers outside the mails without the payment of any postage. Prompt action by the Department in calling to the attention of such individuals and concerns the illegality of this practice has resulted in the diversion to the proper postal channels of great quantities of mail matter, with a material increase in postal revenues.

The primary purpose of the private express statutes is to safeguard the revenues of the Post Office Department. Though perhaps, strictly speaking, not primarily designed nor adapted to carry out that purpose, yet achieving important results through augmenting the effectiveness of these statutes in accomplishing such purpose, is the order of the Postmaster General of January 2, 1934. This order emphasizes that all private mail receptacles are to be used exclusively

for the reception and delivery of matter regularly in the mails, and authorizes postal carriers to take up and return to the post office to be held for postage any mailable matter found deposited in such receptacles on which no postage has been paid. The practical effect of this regulation has been to bring back into postal channels matter such as statements of account, circulars, sales bills, and like matter, heretofore delivered by private messengers. The effectiveness of this regulation is made complete by act of Congress approved May 7, 1934 (18 U. S. C. 321) which subjects any person or concern, who knowingly deposits any mailable matter, on which no postage has been paid, in any private mail receptacle with intent to avoid payment of lawful postage thereon, to a fine of \$300.

Of like efficacy in accomplishing a material increase in postal receipts is the recent amendment to section 1711 of the Postal Laws and Regulations of 1932, enacted by the last Congress upon the recommendation of the Department. Aimed to suppress the then prevalent practice of many business houses and public utilities of distribution of their private mail by contract private messengers, this law (18 U. S. C. 309, as amended), limits to 25 the number of letters that may be transmitted outside the mails without the payment of postage by special messenger employed for the particular occasion only.

With a view to bringing to the attention of employees of the Post Office Department and the public generally the requirements of the private express statutes, the Department has prepared a pamphlet containing some of the outstanding and fundamental principles which control it in the decision of questions arising under these statutes. This pamphlet will be distributed throughout the country, and it is believed a marked decrease in the number of violations of these statutes will result from this step.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INSPECTOR

New legislation and the efforts of the Department to prevent postal expenditures from greatly exceeding the postal revenues resulted in unprecedented demands upon the Post Office Inspection Service for special and immediate investigations. Many of the investigations which had as their object economies in postal operations were Nation-wide in their scope and to complete them in time for the Department to receive the maximum benefit therefrom necessitated the withdrawal of large groups of inspectors from their regular duties and their assignment to this special work. Some of the special investigations are listed below:

Investigation to determine the quota of employees necessary to conduct the service in the larger post offices and to ascertain which employees should be separated from the Service on account of the 30-year retirement law or on account of the marital clause of the Economy Act.

Rearrangement and consolidation of rural routes in connection with the retirement of rural carriers under the 30-year retirement law.

Investigation of the star-route service with a view to the discontinuance of unnecessary routes and the rearrangement of those remaining in operation.

Investigation to determine the efficiency of custodial employees in Government buildings under the jurisdiction of the Post Office Department.

A general survey of the motor-vehicle service.

Completion of the survey of the Post Office Department begun in May 1933, which resulted in the elimination of unnecessary positions and changes in organization and practices which produced savings in excess of \$400,000. Approximately 20 inspectors devoted their full time to this investigation for a period of about 3 months in the fiscal year 1934.

Other special investigations to which a great deal of time was devoted by inspectors were:

Parcel-post shipments by certain fourth-class postmasters of eggs and other produce for the purpose of increasing their compensation. Investigation of this subject at more than 1,000 fourth-class post offices resulted in the recovery from such postmasters of \$25,480.12 and in recommendations by inspectors for the removal of the postmaster or the discontinuance of the office in 191 cases. Further recoveries from these postmasters of amounts fraudulently claimed as compensation are under consideration.

A campaign to put an end to the transportation and delivery of letters by outside agencies in violation of the private-express statutes, which vest in the Post Office Department an absolute monopoly of the transportation of letters and packets of letters by regular trips or at stated intervals over all post routes. Investigations completed and in progress have established wide-spread violations of this statute which are costing the Government hundreds of thousands of dollars in revenue annually.

Investigations by inspectors in the capacity of site agents to select the sites for more than 200 Federal buildings.

Investigations of air-mail contracts beginning on December 5, 1933, and still in progress. Inspectors have been continuously employed on this investigation.

Investigation of ocean-mail contracts begun about October 1, 1933, and still in progress. Inspectors have been continuously employed on this investigation.

The assumption by the War Department temporarily of the transportation of air mail necessitated more than 50 special investigations by inspectors at points throughout the United States.

Postal savings and other official funds belonging to a large number of post offices throughout the country were tied up in banks which had failed and closed their doors. An investigation by an inspector resulted in the recovery of more than \$335,000 of these funds.

Unceasing efforts were made during the fiscal year to improve the efficiency of the inspection service and to effect economies in its operation. With this object in view improved methods were put into operation for—

1. Detecting the mishandling of funds collected on c. o. d. parcels.
2. Detecting and apprehending persons committing depredations upon the mails.
3. The inspection of stations and branch post offices.
4. Determining the relative efficiency of post-office inspectors.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

The year was marked by the successful conclusion of an unusually large number of important criminal cases. Included in this group were:

The apprehension and conviction of bandits who committed mail robberies during the fiscal year 1934 and the latter part of the fiscal year 1933 at Fort Worth, Tex., Minneapolis, Minn., Sacramento, Calif., Salt Lake City, Utah, Charlotte, N. C., Washington, D. C., and Richmond, Va. The losses in these robberies aggregated \$512,313.30, more than half of which has been recovered.

The continuation of a campaign against oil-fraud promoters in the State of Texas resulted in the arrest and conviction of 104 persons

who received sentences aggregating more than 250 years in prison and upon whom fines were imposed in the amount of \$6,000. It is estimated that this group of swindlers have filched from the public more than \$26,000,000 during the period they have been operating.

For a good many years some of the residents of certain localities have openly flouted the mail-fraud statute by repeatedly ordering merchandise from mail-order concerns and paying for it with "no account" checks. Conditions became so bad that mail-order concerns would not ship merchandise to these localities until the checks sent in payment had cleared through the banks. Early in the fiscal year two inspectors were sent to these localities to clean up the situation and by the end of the fiscal year they had caused a total of 184 arrests, and had secured 176 convictions on the charge of sending worthless checks through the mails in furtherance of a scheme to defraud.

Arrest and conviction of one Oscar M. Hartzell, the principal in a gigantic mail-fraud scheme known as the "Sir Francis Drake Estate." Hartzell resided in London, England, and for many years has defrauded the unsuspecting public out of millions of dollars upon the representation that contributors to his scheme would be permitted to participate in a division of large holdings belonging to the heirs of Sir Francis Drake.

Investigations by inspectors of violations of the act of July 8, 1932, resulted in the conviction of 161 persons on the charge of sending letters of extortion through the mails.

NEED FOR ADDITIONAL INSPECTORS

The constantly increasing demands upon this Service for investigations designed to promote economies in the operation of the Postal Service and for other investigations of a special character have made it impossible for inspectors to keep abreast of their regular work. Notwithstanding an increased output in the number of investigations made, the Inspection Service found itself 3,672 cases further behind at the end of the fiscal year 1934 than it was at the end of the fiscal year 1933. A comparative statement for the 2 fiscal years is shown below:

	1933	1934	Increase
Cases issued.....	89,421	100,187	10,766
Cases closed.....	89,434	96,515	6,079
On hand close of year.....	15,749	19,421	3,672

There is every indication that the future will bring still greater demands upon the Inspection Service both from the public and from the administrative officers of the Post Office Department. New crimi-

nal statutes and the determination of the Department to reduce the expense of postal operations to the minimum will necessitate many additional investigations. The undue postponement of needed investigations brings justifiable complaint from the public and delays the inauguration by the Department of money-saving policies and practices. It is believed that at least 50 additional inspectors will be needed to keep the work in a reasonably current condition.

CLASSIFICATION OF INSPECTORS

Post-office inspectors at present, like other employees of the Postal Service, receive automatic promotions. The automatic promotion system is not adapted to the position of post-office inspector for the reason that under it there is not a sufficient range of salary grades between inspectors of limited experience and those of greater experience and outstanding attainments. The same amount of money distributed to grades in accordance with a proper classification system will compensate inspectors more nearly in proportion to the value of their individual services. This would be in harmony with the organization of other investigative agencies of the Federal Government.

SUMMARY OF WORK

The work performed during the year and on hand at the end of the year is summarized in the following table:

	Investigations made	Uninvestigated June 30, 1934
Loss, rifling, theft, damage, and other mistreatment of registered mail.....	4, 403	855
Charges against employees, wrong payment of money orders, and miscellaneous complaints.....	22, 154	5, 003
Robberies, fires, accidents and other casualties.....	17, 168	6, 034
Mailing of obscene, scurrilous, and other prohibited matter.....	¹ 4, 961	¹ 2, 505
Use of the mails in schemes to defraud.....	508	528
Special matters handled under personal direction of Chief Inspector.....	373	5
Regular inspections of post offices (including auditing of accounts).....	32, 880	708
Investigating and leasing of post-office quarters.....	2, 840	1, 383
Parcel post irregularities.....	3, 966	1, 175
Claims for reward.....	316	41
Rural service.....	6, 641	1, 027
Clerical and carrier needs and survey of postal units.....	305	157
Total.....	96, 515	19, 421

¹ Includes fraud cases issued prior to February 1, 1934.

In addition to the above, 286,396 complaints of the loss and rifling of ordinary domestic mail were reported, an increase of 43,899 over 1933. Reported losses of foreign mail, registered and ordinary, amounted to 19,935 as compared with 25,911 during the preceding fiscal year.

The number of cases in the hands of inspectors at the close of the year was 19,421 as against 15,749 for the fiscal year 1933.

COLLECTIONS

Collections aggregating \$678,435.03 were made by the Office of the Chief Inspector and by inspectors in the field from mail robbers, burglars, money-order forgers, sureties, steamship companies, and other carriers and from persons who knowingly or otherwise received stolen government funds or property or valuables not intended for them.

CRIMINAL WORK

The number of persons arrested charged with violations of the postal laws was 3,728. Of this number, 591 were employees of the Postal Service. Indictments were returned against 3,273 postal law violators and, including those obtained upon indictments returned during previous years, there were 3,041 convictions. The number of persons arrested, indicted, and convicted for each of the different classes of postal offenses is shown in the table below:

Character of crime	Arrests	Indictments	Convictions
Fraudulent use of the mails.....	837	831	636
Theft of mail.....	850	670	775
Hold-up and robbery.....	142	133	93
Burglary of post office.....	498	475	473
Mailing of obscene matter.....	140	109	62
Embezzlement of official funds.....	284	263	240
Money-order forgeries.....	206	194	174
Letters of extortion.....	233	(1)	161
Miscellaneous.....	538	598	397
Total.....	3,728	3,273	3,041

¹ Data not available.

Of the 3,728 criminal prosecutions instituted by arrest during the year, all were concluded by June 30 except 854. The proceedings resulted as follows:

Convicted.....	2,467
Proceedings dismissed.....	349
Tried and acquitted.....	51
Died awaiting trial.....	7
Pending.....	854
Total.....	3,728

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1933, 3,728 arrests were made for violations of the postal laws. The progress made in dis-

posing of these cases may be seen from the following statement of their status on the first day of each succeeding fiscal year:

	Status as of—	
	July 1, 1933	July 1, 1934
Convicted.....	2,453	2,917
Proceedings dismissed.....	294	481
Tried and acquitted.....	65	106
Died awaiting trial.....	10	14
Cases pending.....	906	210
Total.....	3,728	3,728

There was a substantial increase over the preceding fiscal year in the number of major postal robberies and thefts and a decrease in minor robberies and thefts as shown in the table below. The more important robberies and thefts increased from 16 to 24 and the minor robberies decreased from 305 to 202.

Robberies and thefts involving losses of \$5,000 or more

	Number of cases	Amount stolen
1932.....	9	\$167,173.82
1933.....	16	789,228.92
1934.....	24	509,687.97

Other robberies

1932.....	263	\$20,983.01
1933.....	305	25,826.31
1934.....	202	35,084.07

BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS

Last year the Bureau of Accounts, under the Comptroller of the Post Office Department, reported the completion of a uniform accounting plan for all postmasters and that the new methods were in operation at 46,506 (as of July 1, 1934) post offices in this country, in Alaska, Hawaii, Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

Monthly reports of postal revenues and expenditures are now secured from all first- and second-class offices, which enables the quick compilation of information in the Department showing income and expense as reported by postmasters. Therefore, for the first time in the history of the Postal Service, the executives of the Department are furnished with current information relative to fiscal affairs. For example, on October 20, 1934, it was possible to state the receipts and disbursements classified by States and by appropriations for the first quarter of the fiscal year 1935.

The quarterly postal and monthly money-order accounts of first- and second-class postmasters are rendered direct to the Department for administrative examination in the Bureau of Accounts prior to submission to the General Accounting Office. During the year, 15,636 postal accounts and 46,908 money-order accounts received the prescribed administrative examination. The accounts of third- and fourth-class postmasters, combining postal and money order business, are forwarded to the central accounting postmasters for administrative examination and transmittal to the General Accounting Office by the Department. The number of district office accounts submitted during the year was 170,392.

Following is a statement showing the audited fiscal postal statistics, detailed and classified according to source of revenue and object of expenditure. It also shows the gross audited deficit, the credits for nonpostal items and other adjustments. It shows the income and expenditure of 10 years ago and for the years 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, and 1934.

	1924	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934
Revenue:						
Sales of postage.....	\$544,911,535.18	\$676,980,669.42	\$628,517,829.36	\$558,870,726.21	\$556,345,556.19	\$551,339,854.05
Box rents.....	7,552,092.47	8,538,940.90	8,325,651.81	7,831,960.34	6,859,995.63	6,515,411.11
Money-order earnings.....	11,249,068.72	17,495,593.61	16,333,250.04	15,761,716.40	16,615,752.92	18,710,144.19
Postal-savings earnings.....	8,089,358.00	1,562,106.84	2,296,569.03	4,066,437.00	6,690,226.80	8,102,624.65
Other.....	1,146,723.44	906,787.38	900,083.05	1,641,082.99	1,119,831.94	2,065,131.80
Audited revenue.....	572,948,778.41	705,484,098.15	656,463,383.29	588,171,922.94	587,631,364.48	586,733,165.80
Add: Gross audited deficit.....	14,463,976.24	98,215,987.43	146,066,189.66	205,550,611.09	112,374,802.05	44,033,834.86
Total.....	587,412,754.65	803,700,085.58	802,529,572.95	793,722,534.03	700,006,256.53	630,767,000.66
Expenditure:						
Salaries:						
Postmasters.....	45,433,728.90	50,128,054.74	49,553,218.64	48,175,830.98	42,203,983.03	37,531,145.68
Post-office clerks.....	134,422,136.14	201,465,587.28	200,081,681.56	198,023,058.66	168,418,282.65	151,203,740.18
Letter carriers.....	91,220,404.23	137,584,812.11	136,552,398.27	135,013,331.29	114,155,897.09	103,743,361.67
Rural carriers.....	84,105,220.05	106,346,568.23	106,430,450.81	106,290,126.37	93,802,396.45	81,635,342.17
Railway postal clerks.....	45,245,307.50	56,577,058.26	55,804,238.84	57,841,708.55	48,560,253.26	44,318,704.34
Motor vehicle.....	7,050,315.25	9,155,300.00	9,065,387.00	8,890,960.00	7,593,987.00	6,962,476.00
Inspectors.....	1,840,110.76	2,337,589.87	2,351,996.48	2,359,656.93	2,085,628.61	1,933,040.02
Departmental.....	2,119,172.33	2,788,695.25	2,908,833.10	2,974,680.31	2,623,203.63	2,361,408.61
Other.....	1,969,199.78	2,901,607.26	3,194,810.60	3,245,984.97	2,869,826.19	2,300,033.26
Total salaries.....	413,405,603.94	569,285,273.00	565,942,955.30	562,815,338.06	482,313,357.91	431,989,311.93
Transportation of mail:						
Railroads.....	97,803,082.87	117,197,761.94	111,634,120.82	103,724,178.21	95,858,969.26	92,477,320.06
Mail messengers.....	8,089,074.50	10,065,958.63	10,074,652.60	9,928,374.78	9,560,807.10	7,487,106.95
Ocean mail.....	7,133,674.99	23,130,965.43	29,474,904.27	31,390,339.52	34,308,402.98	35,820,714.12
Air-mail.....	1,748,906.52	13,898,832.41	17,200,255.60	20,154,146.19	18,815,742.24	12,377,236.52
Contractors.....	12,899,844.07	14,216,030.82	14,347,674.12	14,723,699.13	14,394,274.91	13,202,284.54
Motor vehicle.....	3,779,426.00	4,492,913.00	3,990,153.00	3,616,554.00	3,933,275.00	2,584,050.00
Other.....	3,683,897.91	4,024,895.87	4,391,703.17	4,238,407.27	3,929,144.96	3,347,875.41
Total transportation.....	135,137,906.86	187,027,358.10	191,113,463.58	187,773,699.10	180,300,416.45	167,296,587.60
Equipment and supplies:						
Rent, heat, and light.....	14,230,733.65	14,276,176.65	12,774,468.74	11,897,246.75	9,685,577.62	5,995,472.76
Travel expense.....	14,544,080.26	23,075,118.69	23,492,427.05	23,085,719.39	21,607,228.96	19,574,958.83
Miscellaneous.....	3,960,618.87	5,879,989.57	5,829,552.92	5,618,479.34	4,147,857.02	3,879,725.41
Other.....	6,103,801.07	4,156,169.57	3,406,705.36	2,554,051.46	2,051,818.57	2,030,944.13
Total supplies and service.....	38,869,243.85	47,387,454.48	45,473,154.07	43,153,496.87	37,392,482.17	31,481,101.13
Total audited expenditure.....	587,412,754.65	803,700,085.58	802,529,572.95	793,722,534.03	700,006,256.53	630,767,000.66

Gross audited deficit.....	14,463,976.24	98,215,987.43	146,066,189.66	205,550,611.09	112,374,892.05	44,033,834.86
Adjustments:						
Prior-current obligations.....	1,281,383.63	1,074,757.32	479,010.06	1,335,219.70	1,236,600.01	2,633,563.95
Shipping Board, ocean mail.....						2,308,334.17
Public buildings.....						5,485,981.82
General fund payments.....	9,421,746.89					
Adjusted gross deficit.....	23,604,339.50	97,241,230.11	146,545,199.72	206,885,830.79	110,007,292.04	54,461,714.80
Deduct:						
Act of June 9, 1930:						
Government departments.....	7,850,481.00	9,347,505.00	9,886,456.00	9,151,899.00	14,315,414.00	23,094,882.00
Congress.....	970,604.00	872,605.00	852,641.00	784,725.00	1,023,615.00	776,000.00
Newspapers (free in county).....	676,817.00	753,263.00	704,579.00	631,647.00	538,221.00	545,227.00
Public policy (blind, etc.).....	635,602.00	478,167.00	524,656.64	483,941.39	549,091.02	521,652.00
Air-mail subsidy.....		13,863,174.10	17,167,501.04	20,686,107.31	20,036,482.16	12,992,910.83
Ocean-mail subsidy.....	2,576,646.00	14,355,004.29	18,911,474.60	21,666,102.89	25,228,463.41	28,692,458.00
Total.....	12,710,240.00	39,669,718.39	48,047,308.28	53,304,422.59	61,601,286.59	66,623,129.83
Net postal deficit.....	10,894,099.50	57,571,511.72	98,497,891.44	153,581,408.20	48,316,005.45	12,161,415.03

Deducted.

2 Surplus.

It will be seen from the above that in the column for 1934 we have arrived at our surplus through the same formula of accounting procedure as brought out the deficits of previous years. In furtherance of a correct statement of the financial result from the conduct of the service of the mails for the public, eliminating all consideration of free mail and subsidies, and also in order to measure the sufficiency of the postage rate charged, it is necessary to adjust the gross difference between revenues and expenditures from all sources. In reporting a surplus of \$12,161,415.03, the Department has accomplished this result through the following adjustments.

The prior-current item is the elimination of expense applying to 1933 and 1932, and bringing in obligations for 1934, incurred but unpaid. The item of Shipping Board ocean mail is a charge to postal expenses of an ocean-mail contract which was let during the year and administered by us from funds transferred from the Shipping Board. The item of public buildings is the amount chargeable to the Postal Service from the expenditures for public buildings; the cost of occupancy by other Government departments and agencies is charged to general expense by the Comptroller General. The general fund item for 1924 is the adjustment of payments to the retirement fund applicable to the Postal Service, and since then absorbed in the regular expense.

It will also be seen that the credits provided for in the act of June 9, 1930, have been on the same basis each year. The variance in the amounts reflects the increased postage rate and the increased free mail volume from Government departments. The decrease in air-mail subsidy for the fiscal year 1934 is due to a downward revision of airmail contracts early in the year and prior to the reletting of the present new contracts which made a further saving but only applied during the last few weeks of the fiscal year. The increase in ocean mail subsidy is due to the provisions of the long-termed contracts under which this service is performed.

BUDGET OFFICER

The Comptroller has been designated to act as Budget officer for the Department. In that capacity he supervises the preparation of Budget estimates, makes proper allocations and allotments of the several appropriations, and is the contact officer of the Department with the Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

RETIREMENT RECORDS

The record of individual deductions from salaries of postal employees subject to retirement, inaugurated in March 1930, was carried on to a satisfactory conclusion by the end of the year. Difficulties were

encountered in obtaining correct reports from post offices, many of whose records were not complete. However, the final results obtained were reasonably accurate and enabled this office to make its report to the Civil Service Commission for the purpose of computing actuarial data and for other administrative information.

Records are maintained of individual postal employees to the number of 221,481, to whose collective credit there stood in the civil service retirement and disability fund on June 30, 1934, the sum of \$129,-360,253.72, not including interest.

During the present fiscal year, 6,786 custodial employees with a net retirement credit of \$1,385,794.29 were transferred from the Treasury to the Post Office Department.

OFFICE OF THE PURCHASING AGENT

This office is charged with the purchase of all supplies, both for the Post Office Department proper and for all branches of the Postal Service. The purchasing agent prepares the advertisements and forms for proposals necessary to the making of contracts, enters into contracts for such supplies for the Postmaster General, issues orders to contractors, and passes upon the propriety of allowances to postmasters to cover emergency purchases. The purchasing agent also enters into contracts for the Postmaster General for envelopes for the departments and independent establishments of the Government.

On October 1, 1933, the administration of Federal post-office buildings was transferred from the Treasury Department to the Post Office Department. It became necessary to purchase large quantities of supplies for these buildings, which has resulted in much additional work and responsibility for this office. The number of contracts and orders has increased very materially, as shown in this report.

CONTRACTS

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934, 1,907 contracts were entered into for the purchase of supplies, 116 of which were formal and 1,791 of which were open-market or circular-proposal contracts. This is an increase of 31 percent, as compared with 1,458 contracts for the previous fiscal year, which is due largely to the additional work occasioned by the transfer of the administration of Federal post-office buildings to the Post Office Department.

EXPENDITURES

The sum of \$6,608,655.65 was expended by the Post Office Department on orders for supplies placed by the purchasing agent and on postmasters' authorizations approved by the purchasing agent during the fiscal year.

These expenditures were apportioned among the various bureaus of the Department as follows:

Second Assistant, Division of Railway Mail Service.....	\$7, 890. 66
Third Assistant, Division of Stamps.....	3, 219, 841. 90
Fourth Assistant:	
Equipment and supplies branch.....	2, 164, 031. 57
Maintenance branch.....	887, 396. 81
Manufacturing and repair branch.....	244, 646. 73
Chief Clerk.....	84, 847. 98
Total.....	6, 608, 655. 65

In handling the business covered by the amount named it was necessary to draw 14,196 orders on contractors, as compared with 8,636 for the previous fiscal year—an increase of 64 percent, which is due largely to the additional work occasioned by the transfer of the administration of Federal post-office buildings to the Post Office Department. The orders covered supplies for the different bureaus of the department as follows:

Second Assistant Postmaster General.....	164
Third Assistant Postmaster General.....	1, 171
Fourth Assistant Postmaster General.....	11, 046
Chief Clerk.....	1, 815
<u>Total.....</u>	<u>14, 196</u>

ENVELOPS

The schedule of envelopes for the departments of the Government, which the Postmaster General is required to contract for under the law, contained 69 items, calling for approximately 12,361,000 plain envelopes and 243,400,500 printed envelopes—a total of approximately 255,761,500 envelopes. This estimated quantity was approximately 13,466,000 envelopes less than were estimated for the previous fiscal year. Due to the increase in the cost of kraft and white paper prices were slightly higher than during the previous year.

For use in handling correspondence in the Postal Service 114,413,-420 official envelopes and registered package jackets were purchased, amounting to \$92,254.04.

Following are the principal items purchased during the year:

Item	Cost
1,625 small-size letter boxes.....	\$5, 222. 51
500 large-size letter boxes.....	2, 119. 35
1,500 large collection boxes.....	18, 315. 00
3,800 letter-box fasteners.....	694. 98
1,000 letter-box posts.....	1, 499. 40
1 conveyer.....	2, 157. 00
60 time recorders.....	2, 652. 21
234 safes.....	41, 561. 85
Blinds and shades.....	93, 369. 42
5,115 tires.....	29, 167. 36
6,174 tubes.....	6, 505. 67
Gasoline.....	725, 024. 17
245,023 gallons of oil.....	42, 294. 67
43,176 pounds of grease.....	1, 205. 38
1,208,500 tags.....	1, 768. 60
178 typewriters.....	11, 660. 00
99 adding machines.....	14, 493. 60
6 dictating machines.....	1, 215. 00
3 mimeographs.....	423. 00
191,120,000 tabulating cards.....	107, 346. 93
Furniture and screen line.....	694, 973. 76

Item	Cost
Paper of various kinds (blueprint, newsprint, toilet, white and colored sulphite bond, mimeograph, manifold, carbon, wrapping, blotting, book, cards, plain facing slips, paper tape, etc.)-----	\$111, 011. 76
860,703 pounds of twine-----	120, 938. 89
294 platform trucks-----	14, 303. 75

By taking advantage of discounts offered for the prompt settlement of accounts the sum of \$16,255.15 was conserved in favor of the Department's appropriations.

As has been shown in annual reports in the past, the only saving credited directly to the purchasing agent's office is the taking of cash discounts. Due largely to the fact that many of the codes of the National Recovery Administration prohibit time discounts, the amount of discounts shown for the past fiscal year is very much smaller than preceding years. It is the claim of the purchasing agent that this item is not a saving but merely one of the routine duties of the office. The discounts are an integral part of the original bid of the successful contractor. A real saving is being effected only by applying hard and fast business methods to purchases. Actual savings to the Post Office Department cannot be shown in even approximate figures. The purchasing agent, by taking advantage of seasonal price changes, by securing wide competition, by substituting, with the approval of the requisitioning bureau, lower-priced products, by readvertising when prices quoted are considered too high, is saving much money and the actual saving appears in the conservation of appropriations.

APPENDIX

Following is a statement of the audited revenues and expenditures of the Postal Service for the fiscal year 1934 as compared with the year preceding.

TABLE 1.—Comparison of revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934, with those of the preceding year

Items	Fiscal year	
	1933	1934
Ordinary postal revenues.....	\$564,325,384.76	\$559,920,396.96
Revenues from money-order business.....	16,615,752.92	18,710,144.19
Revenues from postal-savings business.....	6,690,226.80	8,102,624.65
Total revenues from all sources.....	587,631,364.48	586,733,165.80
Expenditures on account of the current year.....	676,328,923.60	610,662,339.59
Expenditures on account of previous year.....	23,558,262.76	20,070,594.23
Total expenditures during year.....	699,887,186.36	630,732,933.82
Excess of expenditures over revenues.....	112,255,821.88	43,999,768.02
Amount of losses by fire, burglary, bad debts, etc.....	119,070.17	34,066.84
Deficiency in postal revenues.....	112,374,892.05	44,033,834.86

REVENUE IN DETAIL

Ordinary postal revenues:	
Sales of stamps, stamped envelopes, newspaper wrappers, and postal cards.....	\$449,773,323.86
Second class postage paid in money.....	19,356,653.78
First-, second-, third-, and fourth-class postage paid in money under permit.....	82,209,896.41
Receipts from box rents.....	6,515,411.11
Miscellaneous receipts.....	389,583.00
Receipts from foreign mail transit service.....	1,453,872.84
Fines and penalties.....	30,358.43
Dead letters.....	35,535.13
Second class application fees, Act of July 7, 1932.....	64,370.00
Nonmetered application fees, Act of July 7, 1932.....	87,810.00
Post route map sales.....	3,602.40
Total ordinary postal revenues.....	559,920,396.96
Money order revenues:	
Revenues from domestic and international money order business.....	18,140,665.65
Revenues from invalid money orders.....	569,478.54
Total money order business.....	18,710,144.19
Revenues from postal savings business.....	8,102,624.65
Total revenues from all sources.....	586,733,165.80

AUDITED EXPENDITURES OF THE POSTAL SERVICE DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

Items	On account of the fiscal year 1934	On account of previous fiscal years	Total
Compensation to assistant postmasters and clerks.....	\$151,573,245.99	\$49,173.97	\$151,622,419.96
City Delivery Service.....	96,919,353.06	27,768.10	96,947,121.16
Railroad transportation.....	81,995,968.40	10,522,244.29	92,518,212.69
Rural delivery carriers.....	81,659,370.71	14,595.46	81,673,966.17
Railway Mail Service.....	47,227,843.23	223,078.55	47,450,921.78
Compensation to postmasters.....	39,542,055.01	78,961.67	39,621,016.68
Foreign-mail transportation.....	31,951,823.63	4,021,948.06	35,973,771.69
Rent, light, and fuel.....	14,925,446.66	231,759.98	15,157,206.64
Star route service.....	11,870,645.29	1,206,154.60	13,076,799.89
Contract air mail service.....	10,732,173.91	1,689,560.23	12,421,734.14
Vehicle service.....	12,308,279.21	97,836.01	12,406,115.22
Mail messenger.....	7,420,461.72	66,645.23	7,487,106.95
Special delivery.....	5,478,211.01	1,542.24	5,479,753.25
Post office inspectors.....	2,356,224.55	38,042.77	2,394,267.32

¹ Repayment.

TABLE 1.—Comparison of revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30 1934, with those of the preceding year—Continued

AUDITED EXPENDITURES OF THE POSTAL SERVICE DURING THE FISCAL YEAR—Continued

Items	On account of the fiscal year 1934	On account of previous fiscal years	Total
Post Office Department, salaries.....	\$2,361,393.94	\$14.67	\$2,361,408.61
Manufacture of stamped envelopes.....	1,468,642.65	250,320.46	1,718,963.11
Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices.....	1,654,558.35	30,838.08	1,685,396.43
Village delivery service.....	1,312,227.97	6,343.77	1,318,571.74
Power-boat service.....	1,026,686.38	162,694.95	1,189,381.33
Car-fare and bicycle allowance.....	1,100,190.95	3,460.58	1,103,651.53
Balances due foreign countries.....	363,680.14	628,895.39	992,575.53
Manufacture of postage stamps.....	789,280.97	21,132.05	810,413.02
Post Office Department, contingent expenses.....	604,350.26	143,661.23	748,011.49
Mail bags and equipment.....	614,980.11	16,160.33	631,140.44
Pneumatic tube service.....	539,938.46	-----	539,938.46
Indemnities for lost mail, domestic.....	388,609.48	108,044.55	496,654.03
Post office equipment and supplies.....	376,446.86	96,167.07	472,613.93
Manufacture of postal cards.....	439,392.00	32,803.50	472,195.50
Stationery.....	423,095.13	22,563.13	445,658.31
Electric and cable car service.....	349,771.76	44,831.30	394,603.06
Labor-saving devices.....	240,261.35	102,649.80	342,911.15
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old.....	252,471.76	-----	252,471.76
Freight, express, or motor transportation of equipment.....	120,759.51	48,726.52	169,486.03
Star route service, Alaska.....	111,524.50	13,960.15	125,484.65
Twine and tying devices.....	46,287.94	32,208.95	78,496.89
Payment of rewards.....	27,996.58	25,508.81	53,505.39
Shipment of supplies.....	41,818.48	604.82	42,423.30
Distribution of stamped envelopes.....	18,772.29	-----	18,772.29
Detroit River postal service.....	15,995.00	-----	15,995.00
Indemnities, international registered mail.....	5,424.47	6,158.44	11,582.91
Claims for damages to persons or property.....	2,043.49	4,810.40	6,853.89
Electric power, light, etc.....	2,391.25	670.41	3,061.66
Expenditures under five other small appropriations.....	2,245.13	138.19	2,383.32
Total.....	610,662,339.59	20,070,594.23	630,732,933.82

TABLE 2.—Statement of appropriations, expenditures, and obligations for fiscal year 1934

Titles	Amount appropriated, including special acts and deficiencies	Audited expenditures, plus obligations	Unobligated balances of appropriations	Audited expenditures to June 30, 1934	Unliquidated balances of obligations
DEPARTMENTAL					
Salaries, Post Office Department: Office of the Postmaster General.....	\$214,463.00	\$192,949.38	\$21,513.62	\$192,949.38	-----
Post Office Department Buildings.....	176,360.00	143,527.66	32,832.34	143,527.66	-----
Office of the First Assistant.....	471,000.00	416,679.52	54,320.48	416,679.52	-----
Office of the Second Assistant.....	394,275.00	347,751.37	46,523.63	347,751.37	-----
Office of the Third Assistant.....	725,532.00	636,037.77	89,494.23	636,037.77	-----
Office of the Fourth Assistant.....	328,638.00	290,976.94	37,661.06	290,976.94	-----
Office of the Solicitor.....	175,625.00	69,691.16	5,933.84	69,691.16	-----
Office of the Chief Inspector.....	188,045.00	158,533.59	29,511.41	158,533.59	-----
Office of the Purchasing Agent.....	35,411.00	30,610.41	4,800.59	30,610.41	-----
Bureau of Accounts.....	87,083.00	74,636.14	12,446.86	74,636.14	-----
Total, salaries.....	2,696,432.00	2,361,393.94	335,038.06	2,361,393.94	-----
Contingent expenses:					
Stationery.....	15,000.00	14,962.00	38.00	13,448.73	\$1,513.27
Fuel, repairs, etc.....	\$ 38,500.00	38,496.00	4.00	32,441.77	6,054.23
Telegraphing.....	\$ 6,900.00	5,012.00	1,888.00	3,348.42	1,663.58
Miscellaneous items.....	\$ 40,025.00	49,975.00	50.00	29,664.72	20,310.28
Furniture and filing cabinets.....	\$ 5,750.00	5,699.00	51.00	1,243.95	4,455.05
Printing and binding.....	\$ 941,725.00	833,991.00	107,734.00	524,202.67	309,788.33
Total, departmental.....	3,754,332.00	3,309,528.94	444,803.06	2,965,744.20	343,784.74

¹ \$6,875 transferred from railroad transportation and mail-messenger service.

² \$1,000 transferred from printing and binding.

³ \$900 transferred from freight, express, or motor transportation of equipment, etc.

⁴ \$6,525 transferred from printing and binding.

⁵ \$750 transferred from printing and binding.

⁶ \$1,000 transferred to fuel, repairs, etc., \$6,525 transferred to miscellaneous items and \$750 transferred to furniture and filing cabinets.

TABLE 2.—Statement of appropriations, expenditures, and obligations for fiscal year 1934—Continued

Titles	Amount appropriated, including special acts and deficiencies	Audited expenditures, plus obligations	Unobligated balances of appropriations	Audited expenditures to June 30, 1934	Unliquidated balances of obligations
FIELD SERVICE					
<i>Office of the Postmaster General</i>					
Electric power, light, etc.	\$4,500.00	\$3,285.00	\$1,215.00	\$2,391.25	\$893.75
Rewards to postal employees for inventions	1,500.00	-----	1,500.00	-----	-----
Travel expenses, etc., Postmaster General	1,000.00	23.00	977.00	21.25	1.75
Personal or property damage claims	21,000.00	21,000.00	-----	2,043.49	18,956.51
Total	28,000.00	24,308.00	3,692.00	4,455.99	19,852.01
<i>Office of the Chief Inspector</i>					
Post Office Inspectors:					
Salaries	1,878,750.00	1,673,306.00	205,444.00	1,665,128.17	8,177.83
Traveling expenses	475,000.00	455,047.00	19,953.00	412,767.19	42,279.81
Miscellaneous expenses, Division Headquarters	14,000.00	11,700.00	2,300.00	10,235.95	1,464.05
Clerks, Division Headquarters	300,700.00	270,749.00	29,951.00	268,093.24	2,655.76
Payment of rewards	45,000.00	45,000.00	-----	27,996.58	17,003.42
Total	2,713,450.00	2,455,802.00	257,648.00	2,384,221.13	71,580.87
<i>Office of the First Assistant</i>					
Compensation to postmasters	46,000,000.00	39,750,000.00	6,250,000.00	39,542,055.01	207,944.99
Compensation to assistant postmasters	6,200,000.00	5,450,000.00	750,000.00	5,437,754.32	12,245.68
Clerks, first- and second-class post offices	161,000,000.00	138,265,000.00	22,735,000.00	138,247,793.30	17,206.70
Clerks, contract stations	1,800,000.00	1,533,972.00	266,028.00	1,520,388.68	13,583.32
Separating mails	450,000.00	395,336.00	54,664.00	379,006.66	17,329.34
Unusual conditions at post offices	50,000.00	41,698.00	8,302.00	34,684.16	7,013.84
Clerks, third-class post offices	8,000,000.00	6,008,543.00	1,991,457.00	5,954,618.87	53,224.13
Miscellaneous items	2,000,000.00	1,675,000.00	325,000.00	1,654,558.35	20,441.65
Village delivery service	^a 1,430,000.00	1,339,816.00	90,184.00	1,312,227.97	27,588.03
Detroit River postal service	15,995.00	15,995.00	-----	15,995.00	-----
Car fare and bicycle allowance	1,250,000.00	1,120,781.00	129,219.00	1,100,190.95	20,590.05
City delivery carriers	^b 112,970,000.00	97,294,689.00	15,675,311.00	96,919,353.06	375,335.94
Special-delivery fees	7,450,000.00	5,525,000.00	1,925,000.00	5,478,211.01	46,788.99
Travel expenses, etc., First Assistant	1,000.00	355.00	645.00	183.90	171.10
Total	348,616,995.00	298,416,185.00	50,200,810.00	297,596,021.24	820,163.76
<i>Office of the Second Assistant</i>					
Star-route service	¹⁰ 13,827,000.00	12,990,000.00	837,000.00	11,870,645.29	1,119,354.71
Star-route service, Alaska	135,000.00	130,021.00	4,979.00	111,524.50	18,496.50
Power-boat service	1,350,000.00	1,180,840.00	169,160.00	1,026,686.38	154,163.62
Railroad transportation and mail-messenger service	¹¹ 100,922,000.00	100,896,153.00	25,847.00	89,416,430.12	11,479,722.88
Railway Mail Service, salaries	¹² 50,071,125.00	44,344,600.00	5,726,525.00	44,199,913.18	144,686.82
Railway postal clerks, travel allowances	2,466,667.00	2,268,000.00	198,667.00	2,252,643.93	15,356.07
Railway Mail Service, traveling expenses	60,000.00	46,300.00	13,700.00	41,987.96	4,312.04
Railway Mail Service, miscellaneous expenses	975,000.00	960,000.00	15,000.00	733,298.16	226,701.84
Electric and cable-car service	450,000.00	397,034.00	52,966.00	349,771.76	47,262.24
Foreign mail transportation	¹³ 35,673,000.00	35,386,459.00	286,541.00	31,951,823.63	3,434,635.37
Balances due foreign countries	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-----	363,680.14	636,319.86
Travel expenses, etc., Second Assistant	1,200.00	257.00	943.00	85.20	171.80
Contract Air Mail Service	15,000,000.00	12,468,823.00	2,531,177.00	10,732,173.91	1,736,649.09
Indemnities, international mail	15,000.00	13,602.00	1,398.00	5,424.47	8,177.53
Rural delivery	95,000,000.00	81,675,000.00	13,325,000.00	81,659,370.71	15,629.29
Total	316,945,992.00	293,757,089.00	23,188,903.00	274,715,459.34	19,041,629.66

⁷ Includes \$11,000 to be paid from 1935 appropriation and exclusive of \$8,000 for payment of 1933 claims.

⁸ \$30,000 transferred from city-delivery carriers.

⁹ \$30,000 transferred to village delivery.

¹⁰ \$173,000 transferred to foreign-mail transportation.

¹¹ \$923,875 transferred from Railway Mail Service salaries, and \$6,875 transferred to Salaries, Office of the Solicitor.

¹² \$28,875 transferred to railroad transportation and mail-messenger service.

¹³ \$173,000 transferred from star-route service.

TABLE 2.—Statement of appropriations, expenditures, and obligations for fiscal year 1934—Continued

Titles	Amount appropriated, including special acts and deficiencies	Audited expenditures, plus obligations	Unobligated balances of appropriations	Audited expenditures to June 30, 1934	Unliquidated balances of obligations
FIELD SERVICE—continued					
<i>Office of the Third Assistant</i>					
Manufacture of postage stamps and stamped paper	\$4,900,000.00	\$3,220,284.00	\$1,679,716.00	\$2,697,315.62	\$522,968.38
Distribution of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers	21,775.00	18,823.00	2,952.00	18,772.29	50.71
Indemnities, domestic mail	700,000.00	500,000.00	200,000.00	388,609.48	111,390.52
Travel expenses, etc., Third Assistant	1,000.00	998.77	1.23	998.77	
Total	5,622,775.00	3,740,105.77	1,882,699.23	3,105,696.16	634,409.61
<i>Office of the Fourth Assistant</i>					
Stationery	575,000.00	485,928.00	89,072.00	423,095.18	62,832.82
Past office equipment and supplies	1,200,000.00	455,949.00	744,051.00	376,446.86	79,502.14
Twine and tying devices	310,000.00	120,747.00	189,253.00	46,287.94	74,450.06
Shipment of supplies	50,000.00	42,982.00	7,018.00	41,818.48	1,163.52
Labor-saving devices	500,000.00	277,528.00	222,472.00	240,261.35	37,266.65
Mail bags and equipment	900,000.00	682,414.00	217,586.00	614,980.11	67,433.89
Rent, light, fuel, and water	16,000,000.00	15,457,262.00	542,738.00	14,925,446.66	531,815.34
Pneumatic-tube service	524,000.00	515,938.46	8,061.54	515,938.46	
Pneumatic-tube service, Boston	24,000.00	24,000.00		24,000.00	
Vehicle service	14,918,734.00	12,395,229.00	2,523,505.00	12,308,279.21	86,949.79
Travel expenses, etc., Fourth Assistant	4,000.00	981.00	3,019.00	956.01	24.99
Freight, express or motor transportation	14 349,100.00	181,766.00	167,334.00	120,759.51	61,006.49
Custodial supplies					
Custodial furniture and repairs to same					
Vaults and safes					
Total	35,354,834.00	30,640,724.46	4,714,109.54	29,638,269.77	1,002,454.69
SUMMARY					
Departmental	3,754,332.00	3,309,528.94	444,803.06	2,965,744.20	343,784.74
Office of the Postmaster General	28,000.00	24,308.00	3,692.00	4,455.99	19,852.01
Office of the Chief Inspector	2,713,450.00	2,455,802.00	257,648.00	2,384,221.13	71,580.87
Office of the First Assistant	348,616,995.00	298,416,185.00	50,200,810.00	297,596,021.24	820,163.76
Office of the Second Assistant	316,945,992.00	293,757,089.00	23,188,903.00	274,715,459.34	19,041,029.66
Office of the Third Assistant	5,622,775.00	3,740,105.77	1,882,699.23	3,105,696.16	634,409.61
Office of the Fourth Assistant	35,354,834.00	30,640,724.46	4,714,109.54	29,638,269.77	1,002,454.69
Total	713,036,378.00	632,343,743.17	80,692,634.83	610,409,867.83	21,933,875.34
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old	252,471.76	252,471.76		252,471.76	
Adjusted losses and contingencies (postal fund)		34,066.84		34,066.84	
Total	713,288,849.76	632,630,281.77		610,696,406.43	

¹⁴ \$900 transferred to contingent expenses, telegraphing.

Taking into account the payments made during the fiscal year on account of undischarged obligations carried over from previous fiscal years and undischarged obligations incurred for the service of the fiscal year 1934, the deficit is as follows:

Expenditures during the fiscal year (including \$34,066.84 adjusted losses and contingencies, postal funds)	\$630,767,000.66
Less payments on account of undischarged obligations carried over from previous fiscal years	20,070,594.23
Expenditures during the fiscal year applying to the service of the year	610,696,406.43
Obligations for 1934 outstanding June 30, 1934	22,704,158.18
Total expenditures and undischarged liabilities chargeable to fiscal year 1934	633,400,564.61
Revenues	586,733,165.80
Operating deficit	46,667,398.81
Adjustments for extraordinary expenditures (act of June 9, 1930):	
Revenue credits	\$24,937,761.00
Expense credits	41,685,368.83
	\$66,623,129.83
Adjustments for General Fund expenditures:	
Public buildings	\$5,485,981.82
Shipping Board	2,308,334.17
	7,794,315.99
Net adjustments	58,828,813.84
Net postal surplus	12,161,415.63

The figures for the previous 9 years (but excluding the revenue credits for free mail and the extraordinary expenditures under the act of June 9, 1930, and general fund expenditures as above) reconstructed in the same manner show the following comparisons:

Fiscal year	Postal revenues	Expenditures, obligations, and losses	Operating deficit	Cost of operations per million dollars' revenue
1925.....	\$599,591,477.59	\$648,347,504.61	\$48,756,027.02	\$1,081,315.41
1926.....	659,819,801.08	708,784,714.62	48,964,913.54	1,074,209.62
1927.....	683,121,988.66	725,071,949.51	41,949,960.85	1,061,409.17
1928.....	693,633,921.45	740,328,432.73	46,694,511.28	1,067,318.66
1929.....	696,947,577.69	782,146,498.02	85,198,920.33	1,122,245.80
1930.....	705,484,098.15	802,725,328.26	97,241,230.11	1,137,836.17
1931.....	656,463,383.29	801,352,098.57	144,888,715.28	1,220,711.03
1932.....	588,171,922.94	794,691,164.25	206,519,241.31	1,351,120.53
1933.....	587,631,364.48	696,521,255.77	108,889,891.29	1,185,303.06
1934.....	586,733,165.80	632,343,743.17	45,610,577.37	1,077,736.49

These amounts include retroactive payments actually made to railroads to June 30, 1934, in accordance with orders of the Interstate Commerce Commission and Court of Claims judgments, as follows:

Fiscal year, retroactive payments:

1921.....	\$423,475.91	
1922.....	1,379,598.31	
1923.....	1,292,107.96	
1924.....	704,546.38	
1925.....	2,102,314.03	
1926.....	14,838,404.04	
1927.....	14,836,277.76	
1928.....	14,897,880.11	
1929.....	1,206,728.35	
		\$51,781,332.85
Chargeable to general fund of Treasury.....	42,997,089.50	
Chargeable to postal revenues:		
Fiscal year 1927.....	6,250,000.00	
Fiscal year 1928.....	2,634,243.35	
		51,781,332.85

TABLE 3.—Statement showing the audited postal revenues for the fiscal years 1933 and 1934, by quarters, with increases and percent of increases

Period	Fiscal year 1933	Fiscal year 1934	Increase	Percent of increase
September quarter.....	\$142,688,323.37	\$132,826,578.26	¹ \$9,861,745.11	¹ 6.91
December quarter.....	165,660,706.35	159,415,417.25	¹ 6,245,289.10	¹ 3.77
March quarter.....	138,866,793.10	148,108,467.86	9,241,674.76	6.66
June quarter.....	140,415,541.66	146,382,702.43	5,967,160.77	4.25
Total.....	587,631,364.48	586,733,165.80	¹ 898,198.68	¹ .15

¹ Decrease.

TABLE 4.—Growth of the Postal Service—Receipts and expenditures for certain years from 1800 to 1934

Item	1800	1810	1820	1830
Receipts.....	\$280,804	\$551,684	\$1,111,927	\$1,850,583
Expenditures.....	213,994	495,969	1,160,926	1,932,708
Excess of receipts.....	66,810	55,715		
Excess of expenditures.....			48,999	82,125
Item	1840	1850	1860	1870
Receipts.....	\$4,543,522	\$5,499,984	\$8,518,067	\$19,772,221
Expenditures.....	4,718,236	5,212,953	19,170,610	23,998,837
Excess of receipts.....		287,031		
Excess of expenditures.....	174,714		10,652,543	4,226,616

TABLE 4.—Growth of the Postal Service—Receipts and expenditures for certain years from 1899 to 1934—Continued

Item	1880	1890	1900	1910
Receipts	\$33,315,479	\$60,882,098	\$102,354,579	\$224,128,657
Expenditures	36,542,804	66,259,548	107,740,267	229,977,224
Excess of expenditures	3,227,325	5,377,450	5,385,688	5,848,567
Item	1920	1928	1929	1930
Receipts	\$437,150,212	\$693,633,921	\$696,947,578	\$705,484,098
Expenditures	454,322,609	725,699,765	782,343,648	803,667,219
Excess of expenditures	17,172,397	32,065,844	85,396,070	98,183,121
Item	1931	1932	1933	1934
Receipts	\$656,463,383	\$588,171,923	\$587,631,364	\$586,733,165
Expenditures	802,484,457	793,684,323	699,887,186	630,732,933
Excess of expenditures	146,021,840	205,512,400	112,255,822	43,999,768

TABLE 5.—Annual expenditures, by items, for years 1925 to 1934, inclusive

Item	1925	1926	1927
Service in post offices:			
Salaries of postmasters	\$47,561,946.70	\$49,806,519.97	\$50,741,472.37
Salaries of clerks, etc.	153,335,526.87	172,322,702.22	182,777,972.83
City Delivery Service	95,161,028.85	107,134,429.79	114,794,809.94
All other expenditures	41,987,367.56	41,863,670.32	43,826,605.86
Total	338,045,869.98	371,127,322.30	392,140,861.00
Railway Mail Service	52,906,384.77	56,236,471.85	58,040,510.71
Rural Delivery Service	93,163,493.89	101,689,606.75	104,444,953.16
Transportation of domestic mail:			
By railroads	99,719,947.16	95,320,094.97	99,349,878.71
By other means of transportation	42,420,678.43	44,108,376.02	46,050,410.96
Total	142,140,625.59	139,428,470.99	145,400,289.67
Transportation of foreign mail	9,174,833.61	7,384,696.95	10,533,842.51
Payment on account of invalid money orders	138,041.38	136,290.71	127,191.10
Item	1928	1929	1930
Service in post offices:			
Salaries of postmasters	\$50,625,898.43	\$53,176,747.97	\$52,850,087.45
Salaries of clerks, etc.	187,824,281.75	197,458,758.26	201,971,546.47
City Delivery Service	118,855,844.70	123,936,415.65	127,889,883.23
All other expenditures	44,904,307.95	46,654,368.26	46,859,888.35
Total	402,210,332.83	421,226,290.14	429,571,405.50
Railway Mail Service	58,681,254.06	61,368,215.08	61,887,803.65
Rural Delivery Service	105,013,904.60	105,904,060.62	106,346,568.23
Transportation of domestic mail:			
By railroads	98,935,100.96	117,499,695.24	117,264,637.39
By other means of transportation	47,218,641.96	55,456,808.74	59,719,743.98
Total	146,153,742.92	172,956,503.98	176,984,381.37
Transportation of foreign mail	9,623,858.78	16,662,528.19	24,448,741.93
Payment on account of invalid money orders	145,900.51	149,091.07	130,666.17

TABLE 5.—Annual expenditures, by items, for years 1925 to 1934, inclusive—Con.

Item	1931	1932	1933	1934
Service in post offices:				
Salaries of postmasters.....	\$52, 138, 128.98	\$50, 629, 340.25	\$44, 349, 519.03	\$39, 621, 016.68
Salaries of clerks, etc.....	200, 612, 639.01	198, 584, 844.37	168, 855, 389.45	151, 622, 419.96
City Delivery Service.....	127, 684, 976.38	127, 289, 634.87	108, 835, 395.38	98, 265, 692.90
All other expenditures.....	45, 763, 484.46	42, 421, 717.07	35, 909, 074.57	31, 611, 300.86
Total.....	426, 199, 228.83	418, 925, 536.56	357, 949, 378.43	321, 120, 430.40
Railway Mail Service.....	61, 114, 898.31	62, 932, 424.88	52, 096, 698.54	47, 450, 921.78
Rural Delivery Service.....	106, 486, 961.81	106, 343, 496.37	93, 802, 396.45	81, 673, 966.17
Transportation of domestic mail:				
By railroads.....	111, 720, 088.96	103, 813, 022.92	95, 435, 303.55	92, 518, 212.69
By other means of transportation.....	61, 588, 923.74	64, 367, 607.60	60, 950, 666.27	47, 641, 163.70
Total.....	173, 309, 012.70	168, 180, 630.52	156, 385, 969.82	140, 159, 376.39
Transportation of foreign mail.....	30, 978, 783.04	32, 955, 964.89	35, 649, 914.24	36, 966, 347.22
Payment on account of invalid money orders.....	134, 897.46	139, 690.69	201, 101.37	252, 471.76

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Item	1923	1924	1925	1926
Salaries.....	\$2, 026, 347.96	\$2, 119, 395.39	\$2, 301, 134.85	\$2, 339, 517.52
Other expenses.....	951, 606.81	1, 310, 669.78	1, 411, 263.92	1, 361, 676.18
Item	1927	1928	1929	1930
Salaries.....	\$2, 540, 036.01	\$2, 511, 582.49	\$2, 779, 689.09	\$2, 788, 695.25
Other expenses.....	1, 339, 807.63	1, 359, 189.71	1, 297, 270.14	1, 508, 957.29
Item	1931	1932	1933	1934
Salaries.....	\$2, 908, 833.10	\$2, 974, 680.31	\$2, 623, 203.63	\$2, 361, 408.61
Other expenses.....	1, 352, 225.19	1, 231, 899.02	1, 178, 523.88	748, 011.49

TABLE 6.—Statement showing receipt and disposition of funds coming directly to the Department during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934

Dead letter fund: Amount in current funds deposited in the Treasury.....	\$35, 363.53
Other funds:	
Amount deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the postal revenues, including erroneous remittances by postmasters to the Department and to the Comptroller; the proceeds of the sale of bills of exchange received from foreign governments in payment of postal balances; and the amount received from sales of stamps by the philatelic stamp agency and interest and profits from postal savings.....	\$10, 156, 563.69
Remittances on money-order account received from foreign postal administrations and deposited for credit to their respective accounts.....	4, 285, 963.49
Remittances on money-order account made by postmasters to the Department deposited to the credit of the money-order account.....	131, 639.45
Total other funds.....	14, 574, 166.63
Total received during year.....	14, 609, 530.16

STATEMENT SHOWING RECEIPT AND DISBURSEMENT OF POST-OFFICE INSPECTORS' COLLECTIONS FOR LOSSES IN THE MAILS, ETC., AND OTHER COLLECTIONS DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1934

Balance on hand June 30, 1933.....	\$76, 616.93
Deposits.....	277, 893.31
Total to be accounted for.....	354, 510.24
Disbursements as per schedules approved by the Postmaster General.....	266, 322.25
Balance on hand June 30, 1934.....	88, 187.99

TABLE 7.—Financial statements
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET FOR JUNE 30, 1934, AND JUNE 30, 1933

Item		June 30, 1934	June 30, 1933	Increase	Decrease
RESOURCES					
Working cash:					
Depository banks.....		\$695,281,038.03	\$977,214,074.44	-----	\$281,933,036.41
Postmasters.....		4,576,449.85	4,097,585.53	\$478,864.32	-----
		\$699,857,487.88	\$981,311,659.97	-----	281,454,172.09
Special funds, Treasurer of the United States:					
Reserve fund.....		60,700,678.70	58,917,100.54	1,783,578.16	-----
Miscellaneous (working) funds.....		8,268,762.04	33,528,952.77	-----	25,260,190.73
		68,969,440.74	92,446,053.31	-----	23,476,612.57
Accounts receivable:					
Accrued interest on bond investments.....		2,699,666.02	1,091,745.82	1,607,920.20	-----
Due from late postmasters.....		190,687.83	1,401,379.29	-----	1,210,691.46
		2,890,353.85	2,493,125.11	397,228.74	-----
Investments, United States securities:	<i>Par value</i>				
Postal Savings 2½-percent bonds.....	\$15,094,960	15,094,960.00	13,546,480.00	1,548,480.00	-----
Fourth Liberty 4¼-percent bonds.....	12,440,600	10,937,132.80	15,540,485.38	-----	4,603,352.58
U. S. Treasury:					
3-percent bonds 1946-48.....	65,000,000	65,297,923.88	-----	65,297,923.88	-----
3-percent bonds 1951-55.....	51,341,000	50,357,208.07	39,209,443.58	11,147,764.49	-----
3½-percent bonds 1946-49.....	14,665,000	14,481,229.47	2,865,562.54	11,615,666.93	-----
3¼-percent bonds 1941.....	23,800,000	23,940,025.52	-----	23,940,025.52	-----
3¼-percent bonds 1944-46.....	35,236,150	35,536,299.12	-----	35,536,299.12	-----
3½-percent bonds 1940-43.....	4,941,000	5,063,775.17	-----	5,063,775.17	-----
3½-percent bonds 1941-43.....	7,391,000	7,554,789.60	-----	7,554,789.60	-----
3½-percent bonds 1943-47.....	4,898,000	5,017,366.61	-----	5,017,366.61	-----
3¾-percent bonds 1946-56.....	19,589,000	20,438,983.05	8,061,391.71	12,377,591.35	-----
4-percent bonds 1944-54.....	33,002,000	34,901,286.01	11,818,624.44	23,082,661.57	-----
4¼-percent bonds 1947-52.....	18,161,000	19,870,000.12	9,034,753.54	10,835,246.58	-----
4¼-3¼-bonds 1943-45.....	37,799,000	38,018,930.28	-----	38,018,930.28	-----
2-percent notes 1939.....	35,000,000	35,000,000.00	-----	35,000,000.00	-----
2½-percent notes A 1938.....	3,383,000	3,317,954.06	2,980,687.50	337,266.56	-----
2¾-percent notes B 1936.....	1,550,000	1,531,625.00	1,531,625.00	-----	-----
2½-percent notes B 1938.....	167,000	169,454.84	-----	169,454.84	-----
2½-percent notes C 1936.....	8,750,000	8,745,546.88	-----	8,745,546.88	-----
3-percent notes B 1937.....	4,850,000	4,867,940.14	4,874,366.46	-----	6,426.32
3-percent notes C 1937.....	5,000,000	5,000,000.00	-----	5,000,000.00	-----
3-percent notes C 1938.....	167,000	170,064.54	-----	170,064.54	-----
3¼-percent notes A 1936.....	2,250,000	2,268,028.86	2,276,682.70	-----	8,653.84
3¼-percent notes A 1937.....	10,550,000	10,564,563.54	10,569,102.82	-----	4,539.28
Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation 3-percent bonds 1944-49.....	35,000,000	35,195,227.51	-----	35,195,227.51	-----
	450,025,710	453,340,315.08	131,054,752.55	322,285,562.53	-----
Total resources.....		1,225,057,597.55	1,207,305,590.94	17,752,006.61	-----

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS FUNDS				
Due depositors:				
Outstanding principal, represented by certificates of deposit.....	1,197,907,773.00		1,187,183,373.00	10,724,400.00
Accrued interest on certificates of deposit.....	22,562,687.09		16,592,663.70	5,970,023.39
Outstanding savings stamps.....	66,573.90		63,887.60	2,686.30
Unclaimed deposits.....	12,415.00		2,835.00	9,580.00
		1,220,549,448.99		1,203,842,759.30
Accounts payable:				
Due Postal Service—interest and profits.....	2,526,900.68		1,724,805.89	802,094.79
Due discontinued depository banks.....	166,277.29		112,969.34	53,307.95
		2,693,177.97		1,837,775.23
Total liabilities.....		1,223,242,626.96		1,205,680,534.53
Surplus funds:				
Interest and profits (undistributed earnings) subject to future allocation of maturing interest charges.....		1,814,970.59		189,914.18
		1,225,057,597.55		1,207,305,590.94

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INTEREST-EARNING RESOURCES AND INTEREST-BEARING LIABILITIES FOR JUNE 30, 1934, AND JUNE 30, 1933

Item	June 30, 1934	June 30, 1933	Increase	Decrease
RESOURCES, INTEREST-EARNING				
Working cash:				
Depository banks, per balance sheet.....	\$695,281,038.03	\$977,214,074.44		\$281,933,036.41
Investments, per balance sheet.....	453,340,315.08	131,054,752.55	\$322,285,562.53	
	\$1,148,621,353.11	\$1,108,268,826.99	40,352,526.12	
LIABILITIES, INTEREST-BEARING				
Due depositors:				
Outstanding principal, represented by certificates of deposit, per balance sheet.....	1,197,907,773.00	1,187,183,373.00	10,724,400.00	
Excess of interest-bearing liabilities.....	49,286,419.89	78,914,546.01		29,628,126.12

TABLE 7.—*Financial statements*—Continued

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INTEREST AND PROFITS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1934, AND JUNE 30, 1933

Item	Fiscal year 1934	Fiscal year 1933	Increase	Decrease
Credits:				
Interest on bank deposits.....	\$21,829,303.11	\$20,759,210.29	\$1,070,092.82	-----
Interest on bond investments, less amortization charges.....	7,340,396.08	2,778,467.04	4,561,929.04	-----
Miscellaneous receipts.....	2,392.60	70.17	2,322.43	-----
Profit realized on investments.....	632,797.42	-----	632,797.42	-----
	\$29,804,889.21	\$23,537,747.50	6,267,141.71	-----
Debits:				
Interest credited to depositors.....	21,564,713.95	16,913,016.60	4,651,697.35	-----
Allowances to postmasters:				
Losses by fire, burglary, etc.....	847.83	—4,056.03	4,903.86	-----
Erroneous payments, uncollectible items, etc.....	-----	2,209.75	-----	\$2,209.75
Final closing, previous year.....	136,702.78	67,824.03	68,878.75	-----
	21,702,264.56	16,978,994.35	4,723,270.21	-----
Excess of income.....	8,102,624.65	6,558,753.15	1,543,871.50	-----

TABLE 8.—Summary of postal savings business since the establishment of the system, by fiscal years

Fiscal year	In operation			Deposits	Withdrawals	Balance to credit of depositors	Increase ¹		Number of depositors	Average principal per depositor	Savings stamps			Balance on deposit in banks ²
	Of-fices	Branches and stations	Total depositories				Amount	Per-cent			Sold	Redeemed	Out-standing	
1911	400		400	\$778,129	\$100,984	\$677,145			11,918	\$56.82	\$4,825.70	\$2,938.00	\$1,887.70	\$571,670.90
1912	9,907	263	10,170	30,732,357	11,172,418	20,237,084	\$19,559,939	2,888.6	243,801	83.01	166,479.00	134,346.00	34,020.70	18,586,042.32
1913	12,158	662	12,820	41,701,383	28,119,597	33,818,870	13,581,786	67.1	331,006	102.00	161,291.00	154,784.00	40,527.70	31,512,337.46
1914	9,639	708	10,347	47,815,249	38,189,848	43,444,271	9,625,401	28.5	388,511	111.82	150,390.10	141,904.00	49,013.80	49,919,673.31
1915	8,832	714	9,546	70,314,858	48,074,421	65,684,708	65,684,708	51.2	525,414	125.02	157,423.30	150,232.00	56,206.10	60,086,318.94
1916	7,701	720	8,421	76,775,868	56,440,691	86,019,885	86,019,885	31.0	602,937	142.67	181,172.50	168,833.00	68,545.60	80,775,586.36
1917	6,423	738	7,161	132,112,217	86,177,406	131,954,696	45,934,811	53.4	674,728	195.57	171,392.30	168,600.00	71,337.90	126,840,819.83
1918	5,926	730	6,656	116,893,259	100,376,456	148,471,499	16,516,803	12.5	612,188	242.53	117,863.60	130,133.20	59,068.30	140,658,608.42
1919	5,715	724	6,439	136,690,122	117,838,361	167,323,260	18,851,761	10.7	565,509	295.88	67,765.60	70,767.00	56,096.90	135,942,981.09
1920	5,583	731	6,314	139,208,954	149,255,892	157,276,322	-10,046,938	-6.0	508,508	309.29	72,066.00	69,043.00	59,119.90	126,426,019.31
1921	5,554	746	6,300	133,574,840	138,461,259	152,389,903	-4,886,419	-3.1	466,109	326.94	60,023.60	62,923.00	56,220.50	48,668,107.78
1922	6,020	754	6,774	96,507,746	111,161,210	137,736,439	-14,653,464	-9.6	420,242	327.76	73,671.70	68,188.00	61,794.20	44,160,416.74
1923	6,047	755	6,802	88,008,160	94,073,299	131,671,300	-6,065,139	-4.4	417,902	315.08	78,197.00	76,671.00	63,230.20	61,844,061.72
1924	5,995	763	6,758	94,932,836	93,790,011	132,814,135	1,142,835	0.9	412,584	321.91	68,605.60	68,945.00	62,890.80	96,369,973.80
1925	5,896	759	6,655	89,707,991	90,348,915	132,173,211	-640,924	-0.5	402,325	328.52	51,888.10	53,547.00	61,231.90	97,898,485.83
1926	5,853	770	6,623	90,751,051	88,745,704	134,178,538	2,005,347	1.5	399,305	336.03	44,550.00	46,654.50	58,627.90	101,175,540.72
1927	5,896	776	6,672	103,608,868	90,426,172	147,350,254	13,180,696	9.8	411,394	338.19	37,563.00	37,790.50	58,400.90	114,597,400.18
1928	5,897	786	6,683	96,386,499	91,602,404	152,143,349	4,784,995	3.2	412,250	369.06	34,145.10	34,874.00	57,672.00	118,714,518.70
1929	5,976	794	6,770	112,446,412	110,945,232	153,644,529	1,501,188	1.0	416,584	368.82	27,529.50	27,763.00	57,438.50	127,639,412.52
1930	5,998	797	6,795	159,959,071	138,331,914	175,271,686	21,627,157	14.1	466,401	375.80	26,104.90	25,946.10	57,597.30	148,255,213.01
1931	6,665	794	7,459	366,900,908	194,755,724	347,416,870	172,145,184	98.2	770,859	450.69	28,168.30	27,319.00	58,446.60	306,119,698.34
1932	6,743	806	7,549	860,195,852	422,792,099	784,820,623	437,403,753	125.9	1,545,190	507.91	36,355.70	34,455.00	60,347.30	681,728,890.60
1933	7,071	817	7,888	1,166,326,647	763,961,062	1,187,186,208	402,365,585	51.3	2,342,133	506.88	45,248.30	41,708.00	63,887.60	976,377,147.32
1934	7,247	812	8,059	966,650,799	655,916,819	1,197,920,188	10,733,980	0.9	2,562,082	467.56	56,308.80	53,622.00	66,573.90	694,575,368.74
Details for 1934:														
July	7,084	816	7,900	89,260,510	98,064,810	1,178,381,908	-8,804,300	-0.7			3,809.40	3,944.00	63,753.00	960,169,504.41
August	7,114	816	7,930	85,279,439	84,274,701	1,179,386,646	1,004,738	0.1			4,021.20	4,012.10	63,762.10	947,822,105.49
September	7,129	814	7,943	74,488,606	72,550,602	1,181,524,650	2,198,004	0.2			3,854.90	3,884.00	64,030.00	937,408,729.87
October	7,150	812	7,962	77,127,132	69,667,671	1,188,984,111	7,459,641	0.6			4,606.20	4,253.00	64,383.20	918,643,700.37
November	7,168	811	7,979	78,608,956	68,877,885	1,198,715,182	9,731,071	0.8			4,376.10	3,902.10	64,857.20	910,135,638.90
December	7,181	811	7,992	73,768,932	63,597,099	1,208,887,015	10,171,833	0.8	2,493,204	484.87	4,818.90	4,124.00	64,232.90	902,224,587.46
January	7,185	811	7,996	81,513,155	89,598,355	1,200,801,815	-8,085,200	-0.7			5,111.70	3,797.00	65,547.60	883,704,533.56
February	7,193	812	8,005	83,870,380	84,623,533	1,200,048,962	-753,153	-0.1			5,230.00	5,230.00	63,538.00	856,632,907.50
March	7,208	814	8,022	79,577,195	79,640,597	1,199,985,200	-63,402	-0.0			5,460.40	4,662.30	66,275.90	806,163,151.89
April	7,215	811	8,026	88,285,033	90,780,764	1,197,487,529	-2,497,731	-0.2			5,496.10	5,172.30	67,398.10	730,050,526.74
May	7,220	811	8,040	81,720,552	82,301,134	1,196,906,947	-580,582	-0.1			5,496.10	5,172.30	67,398.10	694,575,368.74
June	7,247	812	8,059	73,152,909	72,139,668	1,197,920,188	1,013,241	0.1			5,644.00	5,644.00	66,573.90	

¹ A minus sign (-) denotes decrease. ² Actually on deposit, while the corresponding balance sheet item is net, reflecting the merging of ledger balances.

NOTE.—Balance to credit of depositors includes item shown on balance-sheet as unclaimed.

TABLE 9.—Comparative statement of money-order business for the fiscal years 1934 and 1933

Item	1934	1933	Increase (+) or decrease (-)
DOMESTIC			
Orders issued:			
Number.....	198,080,690	170,931,996	+27,148,694
Amount.....	\$1,776,739,696.81	\$1,647,420,645.26	+\$129,319,051.55
Orders paid:			
Number.....	196,624,030	171,551,637	+25,072,393
Amount.....	\$1,776,361,439.20	\$1,642,616,925.79	+\$133,744,513.41
Excess of issues over payments:			
Number.....	1,456,660	-619,641	+2,076,301
Amount.....	\$378,257.61	\$4,803,719.47	-\$4,425,461.86
Fees received ¹	18,443,769.84	16,063,820.26	+2,379,949.58
Average amount of orders issued ²	8.97	9.638	-.668
Average amount of fees ³.....	.09311	.09398	-.00087
INTERNATIONAL			
Orders issued:			
Number.....	2,359,742	2,640,174	-280,432
Amount.....	\$30,040,903.46	\$35,115,947.42	-\$5,075,043.96
Orders paid:			
Number.....	1,082,011	949,493	+132,518
Amount.....	\$13,145,491.66	\$11,012,067.97	+\$2,133,423.69
Excess of issues over payments:			
Number.....	1,277,731	1,690,681	-412,950
Amount.....	\$16,895,411.80	\$24,103,879.45	-\$7,208,467.65
Fees received ²	305,514.02	365,422.68	-59,908.66
Exchange charge received for money orders payable in Canada.....	9,249.29	-----	+9,249.29
Average amount of orders issued ⁴	12.731	13.301	-.57
Average amount of orders paid.....	12.149	11.598	+1.551
Average of fees ³.....	.129	.138	-.009

¹ Including fees for orders on British Guiana, Canada, Canal Zone, Cuba, the Philippine Islands, and other countries with which business is transacted on the domestic basis.

² Not including orders drawn on countries named in footnote 1.

³ Not including fees for orders drawn on countries named in footnote 1.

⁴ Including amounts of orders drawn on countries named in footnote 1.

TABLE 10.—Statement showing volume of money-order business and percentage of increase or decrease for the fiscal years 1934 and 1933

Item	1934	1933	Increase (+) or decrease (-)	
			Amount	Percent
Fees received for domestic money orders issued ¹	\$18,443,769.84	\$16,063,820.26	+\$2,379,949.58	+14.82
Fees received for international money orders issued ²	305,514.02	365,422.68	-59,908.66	-16.39
Exchange charge received for money orders payable in Canada.....	9,249.29	-----	+9,249.29	+100.00
Gain on exchange.....	104,410.64	99,031.35	+5,379.29	+5.43
Total receipts from above operations.....	18,862,943.79	16,528,274.29	+2,334,669.50	+14.13
Number of domestic money orders issued.....	198,080,689	170,931,996	+27,148,693	+15.88
Number of domestic money orders paid.....	196,624,030	171,551,637	+25,072,393	+14.02
Number of international money orders issued.....	2,359,742	2,640,174	-280,432	-10.62
Number of international money orders paid.....	1,082,011	949,493	+132,518	+13.96
Amount of domestic money orders issued.....	\$1,776,739,696.81	\$1,647,420,645.26	+\$129,319,051.55	+7.85
Amount of domestic money orders paid.....	1,776,361,439.20	1,642,616,925.79	+133,744,513.41	+8.14
Amount of international money orders issued.....	30,040,903.46	35,115,947.42	-5,075,043.96	-14.45
Amount of international money orders paid.....	13,145,491.66	11,012,067.97	+2,133,423.69	+19.37
Payments received from foreign countries.....	4,820,360.52	2,428,448.60	+2,391,911.92	+98.50
Payments sent to foreign countries.....	20,956,361.94	26,425,522.83	-5,469,160.89	-20.70

¹ Includes fees for orders drawn on British Guiana, Canada, Canal Zone, Cuba, the Philippine Islands and other countries (20 in all) with which the international money-order business is transacted on the domestic basis—that is, the orders are issued on domestic forms for which domestic fees are charged.

² Not including fees for orders drawn on countries named in footnote 1.

TABLE 11.—Statistics relating to money-order duplicates and repayments

	Year ended June 30—		Increase (+) or decrease (—)
	1934	1933	
Number of duplicates issued by the Department:			
1. Of orders issued and payable in the United States.....	100,700	88,450	+12,250
2. Of orders issued in the United States payable in British Guiana, Canada, Canal Zone, Cuba, Philippine Islands, and other countries with which business is transacted on the domestic basis.....	1,131	1,242	-111
3. Of orders payable in the United States issued in foreign countries.....	791	834	-43
Number of repayments authorized by the Department:			
4. Of orders payable in the United States issued in foreign countries not named in 2.....	2,720	3,135	-415
5. Of orders issued in the United States payable in foreign countries not named in 2.....	7,256	9,886	-2,630
Invalid domestic money orders: Applications for warrants certified to the General Accounting Office.....	14,379	16,580	-2,201

TABLE 12.—Results of investigation of alleged improper payment of money orders

	Number	Amount
Alleged improper payments reported to Department.....	1,568	\$20,413.84
Orders properly paid; no cause for complaint.....	84	1,392.39
Recoveries from persons to whom paid.....	1,058	13,521.06
Charged to paying postmaster for lack of proper caution.....	328	3,830.06
Contributory negligence of remitter or payee, collection not made.....	93	1,542.04
Department assumed loss.....	5	127.69

TABLE 13.—Statement showing the number of pounds of second-class matter mailed at pound rates and free in county, together with the postage collected thereon, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934

	Subscribers' copies		Sample copies at pound rates	Total at pound rates	Total mailings at pound rates and free in county	Total postage collected
	Free in county	At pound rates				
	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	
Alabama.....	533,968	8,808,541	43,033	8,851,574	9,385,542	\$173,517.82
Alaska.....	31,784	17,274	-----	17,274	49,058	937.61
Arizona.....	101,522	895,268	1,581	896,849	998,371	18,750.75
Arkansas.....	330,819	4,409,212	18,267	4,427,479	4,758,298	77,778.94
California.....	1,341,770	27,709,693	64,860	27,774,553	29,116,323	543,529.28
Colorado.....	482,046	9,196,729	35,622	9,232,351	9,714,397	181,708.81
Connecticut.....	201,033	10,345,674	11,220	10,356,894	10,557,927	258,714.37
Delaware.....	61,155	537,222	528	537,750	598,903	9,123.83
District of Columbia.....	1,331	23,718,209	73,578	23,791,787	23,793,118	420,614.80
Florida.....	195,077	3,824,054	8,854	3,832,908	4,027,985	83,320.96
Georgia.....	372,944	18,329,627	20,522	18,350,149	18,723,093	336,234.51
Guam.....	-----	176	-----	176	176	6.34
Hawaii.....	143,601	1,164,639	-----	1,164,639	1,208,240	21,145.91
Idaho.....	305,290	1,486,511	7,599	1,494,110	1,799,409	25,390.43
Illinois.....	3,933,377	131,765,357	625,937	132,391,294	136,324,671	2,841,204.88
Indiana.....	2,016,299	23,876,186	144,572	24,020,758	26,037,057	400,046.39
Iowa.....	3,883,065	33,870,399	211,802	34,082,201	37,968,296	620,710.90
Kansas.....	1,829,820	22,201,130	99,497	22,300,627	24,130,447	477,429.22
Kentucky.....	597,101	11,715,277	74,963	11,790,240	12,387,341	234,226.60
Louisiana.....	196,251	5,060,655	2,026	5,062,681	5,258,932	104,778.22
Maine.....	616,127	9,466,450	28,724	9,495,174	6,292,663	104,115.99
Maryland.....	440,831	5,842,494	9,338	5,851,832	31,414,929	552,731.17
Massachusetts.....	342,586	31,066,576	25,767	31,072,343	22,398,107	346,928.75
Michigan.....	2,807,746	19,437,895	152,466	19,590,361	34,129,467	630,642.22
Minnesota.....	2,414,151	31,589,287	125,999	31,715,286	3,081,558	44,704.31
Mississippi.....	358,243	2,711,695	11,620	2,723,315	40,116,550	730,821.18
Missouri.....	1,655,548	38,263,268	197,734	38,461,002	3,856,376	65,822.90
Montana.....	413,885	3,435,787	6,704	3,442,491	18,251,230	308,854.85
Nebraska.....	1,401,646	16,791,018	58,566	16,849,584	418,941	7,465.78
Nevada.....	33,094	385,123	724	385,847	6,835,160	134,994.86
New Hampshire.....	103,151	6,704,358	27,651	6,732,009	17,281,719	373,685.92
New Jersey.....	389,068	16,865,274	27,377	16,892,651	-----	-----

TABLE 13.—Statement showing the number of pounds of second-class matter mailed at pound rates and free in county, together with the postage collected thereon, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934—Continued

	Subscribers' copies		Sample copies at pound rates	Total at pound rates	Total mailings at pound rates and free in county	Total postage collected
	Free in county	At pound rates				
	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	
New Mexico.....	80,676	770,178	3,846	774,024	854,700	\$15,752.33
New York.....	4,756,315	131,787,172	595,249	132,382,421	137,138,736	2,897,475.20
North Carolina.....	982,116	7,288,701	22,365	7,291,066	8,273,182	121,610.11
North Dakota.....	798,143	2,861,701	28,294	2,889,995	3,688,138	50,629.90
Ohio.....	3,498,958	83,549,835	435,021	83,984,856	87,483,814	1,775,320.30
Oklahoma.....	1,471,747	12,283,860	76,554	12,360,414	13,832,161	216,076.93
Oregon.....	726,901	6,655,798	27,800	6,683,598	7,410,499	121,387.80
Pennsylvania.....	4,101,208	89,451,291	363,752	89,815,043	93,916,251	1,810,154.93
Puerto Rico.....	155,719	214,786	-----	214,786	370,505	3,673.86
Rhode Island.....	37,357	1,110,161	256	1,110,417	1,147,774	18,830.34
South Carolina.....	475,792	2,708,469	13,813	2,722,282	3,198,074	44,415.41
South Dakota.....	821,660	4,551,212	28,730	4,579,951	5,401,941	79,835.64
Tennessee.....	498,423	17,439,177	60,130	17,499,307	17,997,730	309,336.65
Texas.....	1,926,618	28,485,459	122,404	28,607,863	30,534,481	552,278.93
Utah.....	121,843	2,142,300	1,837	2,144,137	2,265,980	41,291.02
Vermont.....	372,734	1,604,419	7,412	1,611,831	1,984,565	27,209.74
Virginia.....	793,837	11,577,479	28,576	11,606,055	12,399,892	210,764.27
Virgin Islands.....	1,203	951	-----	951	2,154	13.74
Washington.....	1,395,594	11,386,400	50,510	11,436,910	12,832,504	213,085.62
West Virginia.....	765,278	3,190,652	4,796	3,195,448	3,960,726	53,836.82
Wisconsin.....	3,020,357	22,777,915	169,897	22,947,812	25,968,169	414,955.25
Wyoming.....	185,531	705,196	717	705,913	891,444	13,392.80
Total.....	54,522,708	963,994,170	4,150,097	968,153,267	1,022,675,975	19,355,415.91

TABLE 14.—Summary of transactions in stamped paper and internal revenue-stamps during the fiscal year 1934

Item	Postage stamps	Internal-revenue stamps
Stamp stock on hand in post offices July 1, 1933.....	\$284,179,088.85	\$2,820,594.91
Stamp stock charged to postmasters.....	461,137,136.29	2,661,640.00
Stamp stock transferred from post offices.....	4,099,117.21	33,201.00
Total.....	749,415,342.35	5,515,435.91
Stamp stock sold by postmasters July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934 ¹	449,854,405.37	2,349,095.78
Stamp stock redeemed by Department from postmasters.....	4,442,217.27	2,282.46
International reply coupons redeemed.....	1,768.74	-----
Dead-letter bills.....	3,367.95	-----
Stamp stock transferred to post offices.....	4,106,117.21	33,201.00
Decrease in price of stamped envelopes.....	34.55	-----
Miscellaneous adjustments.....	4,975.69	-----
Stamp stock on hand in post offices June 30, 1934.....	291,002,455.57	3,130,856.67
Total.....	749,415,342.35	5,515,435.91

¹ The difference between the postage-stamp sales reported above and those reported by the General Accounting Office is due to the excess revenue gained from the sale of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers, credits on account of losses by fire, burglary, etc., and to miscellaneous adjustments, which are included in postmasters' postal accounts and not in their stamp accounts.

TABLE 14.—*Summary of transactions in stamped paper and internal revenue-stamps during the fiscal year 1934—Continued*

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF POSTAGE STAMPS, POSTAL CARDS, STAMPED ENVELOPS, AND OTHER STAMPED PAPER ISSUED TO POSTMASTERS DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 1934

Kind	Number	Value
Adhesive postage stamps ¹	12,525,716,839	\$389,927,536.40
Special-delivery stamps.....	47,045,050	4,954,620.00
Special-handling stamps.....	1,028,475	159,870.00
Postage-due stamps.....	124,361,215	5,966,130.00
Postal cards.....	1,590,257,450	16,292,228.00
Stamped envelopes ²	1,571,889,463	42,857,899.22
Newspaper wrappers.....	8,930,250	143,478.95
Internal-revenue stamps.....	2,816,656	2,717,925.00
International reply coupons.....	96,559	8,690.31
Postal-savings stamps.....	588,200	58,820.00
Total.....	15,872,730,157	463,087,197.88

¹ Included in these amounts are stamps in 16,760,910 books and 3,274,066 stamp coils having a selling value of \$167,609.10 and \$110,504.52, respectively, over the value of stamps therein.

² Included in the stamped envelopes issued were 945,940,035 printed and 625,949,425 plain envelopes.

Number of post office requisitions filed: 897,805.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE VALUE OF STAMPED PAPER REDEEMED FROM POSTMASTERS DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 1934

Postage-stamped paper.....	\$4,442,219.72
Internal-revenue stamps.....	2,281.34
International reply coupons.....	1,768.74
Postal-savings stamps.....	157.70
Postal-savings certificates.....	1,182,460.00
Total.....	5,628,887.50

TABLE 15.—Statistics covering domestic registered, insured, and collect-on-delivery mail, surcharges on registered mail and insured mail treated as registered mail, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934, including that sent as air mail, senders' return receipts, certificates of mailing, commissions for sale of perishable insured and collect-on-delivery mail, and requests for service on domestic collect-on-delivery mail not contemplated at time of mailing

Description	Total number of articles				Total amount of fees or surcharges paid			
	Fiscal year 1934	Fiscal year 1933	Increase		Fiscal year 1934	Fiscal year 1933	Increase	
			Number	Percent			Amount	Percent
DOMESTIC REGISTERED								
Paid, exclusive of registered c. o. d.	41,432,977	43,739,927	1 2,306,950	1 5.27	\$6,581,087.90	\$6,961,546.39	1 \$380,458.49	1 5.47
Free, official.....	9,898,272	9,190,387	707,885	7.70	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total.....	51,331,249	52,930,314	1 1,599,065	1 3.02	6,581,087.90	6,961,546.39	1 380,458.49	1 5.47
DOMESTIC INSURED								
Total.....	67,561,030	69,362,144	1 1,801,114	1 2.60	4,932,782.45	5,021,896.00	1 89,113.55	1 1.77
SURCHARGES								
Domestic registered mail.....	6,602,930	6,190,412	412,518	6.66	2,721,476.51	2,625,638.94	95,837.57	3.65
Domestic insured mail treated as registered mail.....	434,873	407,080	27,793	6.83	138,090.01	198,657.78	1 60,567.77	1 30.49
Total.....	7,037,803	6,597,492	440,311	6.67	2,859,566.52	2,824,296.72	35,269.80	1.25
DOMESTIC COLLECT-ON-DELIVERY								
Unregistered, third- and fourth-class.....	30,467,843	28,290,637	2,177,206	7.70	4,187,924.31	3,819,887.41	368,036.90	9.63
Unregistered, first-class.....	152,501	135,175	17,326	12.82	24,448.87	20,280.96	4,167.91	20.55
Registered, first-class.....	22,904	19,673	3,231	16.42	6,829.05	5,995.35	833.70	13.91
Total.....	30,643,248	28,445,485	2,197,763	7.73	4,219,202.23	3,846,163.72	373,038.51	9.70
Total domestic registered (paid and free), insured and c. o. d. articles accepted and revenue received, including surcharges.	149,535,527	150,737,943	1 1,202,416	1 1.80	18,592,639.10	18,653,902.83	1 61,263.73	1 3.34
DOMESTIC AIR MAIL (INCLUDED IN THE FOREGOING)								
Registered, not sent c. o. d.....	424,005	448,193	1 24,188	1 5.40	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Insured.....	10,444	17,031	1 6,587	1 38.68	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
C. o. d. registered and unregistered.....	4,412	7,569	1 3,157	1 41.71	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Total.....	438,861	472,793	1 33,932	1 7.18	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)

DOMESTIC REGISTRY RETURN RECEIPTS								
Requested at the time of mailing at 3 cents each.....	17,545,229	18,397,463	¹ 852,234	¹ 4.63	526,356.87	551,923.89	¹ 25,567.02	¹ 4.63
Requested after mailing at 5 cents each.....	36,809	38,993	¹ 2,184	¹ 5.60	1,840.45	1,949.65	¹ 109.20	¹ 5.60
Requested to show address where article was delivered at 23 cents each.....	222,535	271,763	¹ 49,228	¹ 18.11	51,183.05	62,505.49	¹ 11,322.44	¹ 18.11
Total.....	17,804,573	18,708,219	¹ 903,646	¹ 4.83	579,380.37	616,379.03	¹ 36,998.66	¹ 6.00
DOMESTIC INSURANCE RETURN RECEIPTS								
Requested at the time of mailing at 3 cents each.....	391,725	427,794	¹ 36,069	¹ 8.43	11,751.75	12,833.82	¹ 1,082.07	¹ 8.43
Requested after mailing at 5 cents each.....	6,358	6,727	¹ 369	¹ 5.49	317.90	336.35	¹ 18.45	¹ 5.49
Requested to show address where article was delivered at 23 cents each.....	4,792	3,513	1,279	36.41	1,102.16	807.90	264.50	36.41
Total.....	402,875	438,034	¹ 35,159	¹ 8.03	13,171.81	13,978.16	¹ 806.35	¹ 5.77
COMMISSIONS FROM SALES OF PERISHABLE MATTER								
Domestic insured and c. o. d., total.....	2,459	2,427	32	1.32	929.05	767.28	161.77	21.08
REQUESTS FOR SERVICES ON DOMESTIC C. O. D. MAIL NOT CONTEMPLATED AT THE TIME OF MAILING								
Total.....	85,820	87,998	¹ 2,178	¹ 2.48	8,582.00	8,799.80	¹ 217.80	¹ 2.48
SENDERS' RECEIPTS (CERTIFICATES OF MAILING) FOR DOMESTIC ORDINARY, REGISTERED, INSURED, AND COLLECT-ON-DELIVERY MAIL								
Total.....	8,942,013	9,279,618	¹ 337,605	¹ 3.64	89,420.13	92,796.18	¹ 3,376.05	¹ 3.64

¹ Decrease.² Amount of fees received on domestic air mail not obtained. The fees collected on air mail are included in the totals stated in the figures shown covering domestic registered, insured and collect-on-delivery mail.

TABLE 16.—Statement showing number of domestic registry, insurance, and c. o. d. indemnity claims paid during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934, the amount of indemnity paid, and the average amount of indemnity paid per claim

Class of mail	Number of claims	Amount of indemnity	Average indemnity paid per claim
Domestic:			
Registered.....	981	\$15,140.51	\$15.43
Insured ¹	84,919	410,632.88	4.84
C. o. d. ¹	21,217	76,117.72	3.59
Total.....	107,117	501,891.11	4.69

¹ Includes claims paid by the department and by postmasters at designated offices.

TABLE 17.—Recapitulation of allocations and apportionments of postal revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year 1934 to the classes of mail and special services, not taking into account relative priority, degrees of preferment, and value of service in respect to expenditures

Classes of mail:	Revenues	Expenditures	Excess of apportioned expenditures over revenues	Excess of revenues over apportioned expenditures
First class:				
Other than local delivery letters.....	\$262,930,752.38	\$162,857,649.95	-----	\$100,073,102.43
Local delivery letters.....	62,545,550.67	42,977,833.92	-----	19,567,716.75
Air mail.....	5,737,536.00	15,290,032.86	99,552,496.86	-----
Total, first class, including air mail.....	331,213,839.05	221,125,516.73	-----	110,088,322.32
Second class:				
Publications exempt from zone rates on advertising under act of Oct. 13, 1917 (par. 4, sec. 538, P. L. and R.).....	1,600,792.30	15,005,639.01	13,404,846.71	-----
Zone-rate publications:				
Daily newspapers.....	7,944,479.33	34,218,224.20	26,273,744.87	-----
Newspapers, other than daily.....	1,762,981.11	10,258,039.26	8,495,058.15	-----
All other publications.....	8,600,241.71	30,694,318.51	22,094,076.80	-----
Free in county, all publications.....	-----	7,554,355.43	7,554,355.43	-----
Total, publishers' second class.....	¹ 19,972,754.45	97,730,576.41	77,757,821.96	-----
Transient.....	1,231,440.03	1,096,846.01	-----	134,594.02
Total, all second class.....	21,204,194.48	98,827,422.42	77,623,227.94	-----
Third class.....	50,146,716.69	67,445,439.95	17,298,723.26	-----
Fourth class:				
Local delivery.....	1,460,308.25	1,300,836.65	-----	159,471.60
Zones 1 and 2.....	32,680,162.03	46,904,173.92	14,224,011.89	-----
Zone 3.....	21,528,220.87	26,736,936.20	5,208,715.33	-----
Zone 4.....	20,082,936.70	20,774,944.19	692,007.49	-----
Zone 5.....	14,047,564.06	13,661,270.76	-----	386,293.30
Zone 6.....	4,850,630.15	4,808,694.63	-----	41,935.52
Zone 7.....	2,708,485.63	2,569,404.98	-----	139,080.65
Zone 8.....	4,222,084.10	3,954,681.37	-----	267,412.73
Library books.....	94,370.16	251,089.47	157,319.31	-----
Total, fourth class.....	² 101,904,677.10	120,962,632.17	19,057,955.07	-----
Foreign:				
Other than air mail.....	13,026,319.51	38,264,015.57	25,237,696.06	-----
Air mail:				
Postage revenues.....	584,126.52	-----	-----	-----
Service revenues.....	706,678.31	-----	-----	-----
Total, air mail.....	1,290,804.83	7,200,603.84	5,909,799.01	-----
Total, foreign.....	³ 14,317,124.34	45,464,619.41	31,147,495.07	-----

¹ Includes \$64,260.00 revenue from second-class application fees.

² Includes \$229,905.15 revenue from special-handling service.

³ Includes \$1,453,872.84 receipts from foreign countries for handling foreign mail in transit through the United States and \$171,830.48 revenue from miscellaneous special services in connection with foreign mail.

TABLE 17.—Recapitulation of allocations and apportionments of postal revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year 1934 to the classes of mail and special services, not taking into account relative priority, degrees of preferment, and value of service in respect to expenditures—Continued

	Revenues	Expenditures	Excess of apportioned expenditures over revenues	Excess of revenues over apportioned expenditures
Classes of mail—Continued.				
Penalty:				
For the Post Office Department.....		\$3,609,331.22	\$3,609,331.22	
For other branches of the Government.....		6,496,371.32	6,496,371.32	
Total, penalty.....		10,105,702.54	10,105,702.54	
Franked:				
By Members of Congress.....		633,503.66	633,503.66	
By others.....		136.82	136.82	
Total, franked.....		633,640.48	633,640.48	
Free for the blind.....		62,311.01	62,311.01	
Total, all mail.....	\$518,786,551.66	564,627,284.71	45,840,733.05	
Special services:				
Registry:				
Paid registrations.....	4 10,477,303.30	14,139,917.30	3,662,614.00	
Free registrations:				
For the Post Office Department.....		2,469,906.18	2,469,906.18	
For other branches of the Government.....		251,750.86	251,750.86	
Total, registry.....	10,477,303.30	16,861,574.34	6,384,271.04	
Insurance.....	5 5,103,442.83	5,757,846.03	654,403.20	
C. O. D.....	4,219,852.38	7,023,506.19	2,803,653.81	
Special delivery.....	7,801,984.10	7,211,737.45		\$590,246.65
Money order.....	18,845,072.69	23,705,137.17	4,860,064.48	
Postal savings.....	8,102,624.65	4,116,790.17		3,985,834.48
Total, special services.....	54,550,279.95	64,676,591.35	10,126,311.40	
Total, mail and special services.....	573,336,831.61	629,303,876.06	55,967,044.45	
Unassignable.....	11,782,871.09	2,202,204.01		9,580,667.08
Total, related.....	6 585,119,702.70	631,506,080.07	46,386,377.37	
Unrelated.....	2,417,365.97	1,928,104.57		489,261.40
Total, postal operations.....	587,537,068.67	633,434,184.64	45,897,115.97	
Expenditures from transferred funds:				
Shipping Board, ocean mail.....		2,567,927.50		
Public Buildings, custodial service.....		5,996,671.33		
Grand total, 1934.....	587,537,068.67	641,998,783.47	54,461,714.80	
Revenue credits (act of June 9, 1930):				
Penalty matter, other than that of Post Office Department, including registration.....				
	23,094,882.00			
Franked matter:				
By Members of Congress.....	775,785.00			
By others.....	215.00			
Second-class matter, free in country.....	545,227.00			
Free matter for the blind.....	103,552.00			
Publications exempt from zone rates.....	418,100.00			
Expense credits (act of June 9, 1930):				
Aircraft service.....				
		12,992,910.83		
Differential favoring vessels of American registry.....				
		28,692,458.00		
Grand total, 1934 (adjusted to the act of June 9, 1930).....	612,474,829.67	600,313,414.64		12,161,415.03

⁴ Includes \$607,912.17 revenue from return receipts for registered mail.

⁵ Includes \$13,201.12 revenue from return receipts for insured mail.

⁶ Service of the United States, exclusive of the Territories and island possessions.

NOTE.—The above segregation of the computed total expenditures chargeable to second-class, fourth-class, foreign, penalty, and franked matter and to registry service and of the revenues from fourth-class matter have been developed by processes of approximation.

TABLE 18.—Unit postal revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year 1934

MAIL MATTER—REVENUE AND EXPENSE PER PIECE AND PER POUND

Classes of mail	Revenue	Expense	Excess of apportioned expenditures over revenues	Excess of revenues over apportioned expenditures
First class (including air mail):	<i>Cents</i>	<i>Cents</i>	<i>Cents</i>	<i>Cents</i>
Per piece.....	2.85188	1.90398	-----	.94790
Per pound.....	112.27659	74.95827	-----	37.31832
Second class:				
Per piece.....	.53601	2.49822	1.96221	-----
Per pound.....	2.02429	9.43471	7.41042	-----
Third class:				
Per piece.....	1.38816	1.86702	.47886	-----
Per pound.....	19.37260	26.05541	6.68281	-----
Fourth class:				
Per piece.....	19.19688	22.78703	3.59015	-----
Per pound.....	3.86829	4.59173	.72344	-----
Penalty matter:				
Per piece.....	-----	1.51621	1.51621	-----
Per pound.....	-----	5.59745	5.59745	-----
Franked matter:				
Per piece.....	-----	3.26525	3.26525	-----
Per pound.....	-----	7.41151	7.41151	-----

SPECIAL SERVICES—REVENUE AND EXPENSE PER TRANSACTION

SPECIAL SERVICES	Revenue	Expense	Excess of revenues over expense
Registry:			
Paid.....	20.38957	27.51727	7.12770
Free.....	-----	27.51727	27.51727
Insurance.....	7.49838	8.45988	.96150
C. o. d.....	13.76417	22.90903	9.14486
Special delivery.....	11.43104	10.56624	0.86480
Money order.....	9.44547	11.88142	2.43595

TABLE 19.—Summary of postal revenues, showing allocations and apportionments of assignable revenues to the respective classes and subclasses of mail matter, total weight of mail matter, average revenue per pound, total number of pieces of each class and subclass, average revenue per piece, and average weight per piece, of all originating mails for the fiscal year 1934

Classes of mail matter	Revenues, 1934	Percent ¹	Weight	Percent	Average revenue per pound	Pieces	Percent	Average revenue per piece	Average weight per piece
			<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Cents</i>			<i>Cents</i>	<i>Ounces</i>
DOMESTIC									
First class.....	\$325,476,303.05	56.920	292,702,831	6.546	111.19684	11,556,756,394	56.031	2.81633	0.405
Air mail.....	5,737,536.00	1.003	2,235,309	.051	249.96791	57,109,845	.277	10.04649	.643
Second class, transient.....	1,231,440.03	.215	11,744,540	.262	10.48521	38,697,200	.188	3.18225	4.856
All other second class:									
Exempt.....	1,600,792.30	.280	101,884,980	2.279	1.57118	669,009,049	3.244	.23928	2.437
Newspapers, dailies.....	7,944,479.33	1.390	451,050,921	10.087	1.76133	1,582,201,572	7.671	.50212	4.561
Newspapers, other than dailies.....	1,762,981.11	.308	100,141,935	2.239	1.76048	617,193,354	2.992	.28564	2.596
All other publications.....	8,600,241.71	1.504	382,664,897	8.538	2.24740	1,048,816,903	5.085	.81999	5.838
Total (except transient).....	19,908,494.45	3.482	1,035,742,733	23.163	1.92215	3,917,220,878	18.992	.50823	4.231
Total, all second class.....	21,139,934.48	3.697	1,047,487,273	23.425	2.01816	3,955,918,078	19.180	.53439	4.237
Third class.....	50,146,716.69	8.770	258,855,858	5.789	19.37260	3,612,465,394	17.514	1.38816	1.146
Fourth class (parcel post).....	101,674,771.95	17.781	2,634,358,625	58.914	3.85956	530,839,834	2.574	19.16357	79.402
Penalty matter.....			180,541,168	4.038		666,512,098	3.231		4.334
Franked matter.....			7,693,559	.172		20,802,321	.101		5.917
Free for the blind.....			1,696,591	.038		511,539	.002		53.066
Total, domestic.....	504,175,262.17	88.171	4,425,629,214	98.973	11.39217	20,400,916,073	98.910	2.47134	3.471
FOREIGN									
Outgoing (originating):									
Miscellaneous.....	11,036,490.65	1.930	32,539,640	.728	33.91706	181,881,330	.882	6.06796	2.862
Air mail.....	584,126.52	.102	121,208	.002	481.92076	2,586,702	.012	22.58190	.750
Publishers' second class.....	1,070,803.85	.187	13,279,270	.297	8.06373	40,442,494	.196	2.64772	5.254
Total, foreign.....	12,691,421.02	2.219	45,940,118	1.027	27.62601	224,910,526	1.090	5.64288	3.288
Grand total.....	516,866,683.19	90.390	4,471,569,332	100.000	11.55895	20,625,826,599	100.000	2.50592	3.469

¹ Percent of total revenue from postage on mail matter and from fees for special services. (See table 20.)

TABLE 20.—Summary of postal revenues from special services, number of transactions, and average revenue per transaction for each of the special services for the fiscal year 1934

Special services	Revenues, 1934	Percent	Transactions	Average revenue per transaction
Registry:				<i>Cents</i>
Paid	\$10,477,303.30	1.832	51,385,604	20.38957
Free			9,890,722	
Insurance	5,103,442.83	.892	68,060,590	7.49838
C. o. d.	4,219,852.38	.738	30,658,244	13.76417
Special delivery	7,801,984.10	1.365	68,252,633	11.43104
Special handling	229,905.15	.040	1,704,932	13.48471
Miscellaneous services—Foreign mail	171,830.48	.030	1,486,457	11.55973
Money orders	18,845,072.69	3.296	190,514,320	9.44547
Postal savings	8,102,624.65	1.417	¹ 2,562,082	² 316.25157
Grand total, special services	54,952,015.58	9.610	433,515,584	12.67590
Grand total (mail matter and special services)	571,818,698.77	100.000		

¹ Depositors.² Per depositor.

TABLE 21.—Analysis of postal receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year 1934, based upon each \$100 expended

Item	Sources of revenue					Distribution of expenditures					
	Miscellaneous	Box rentals	Second class (pound rate)	Stamp and permit revenues	Grand total	Grand total	Post-office service	Transportation	Railway mail	Rural delivery	Miscellaneous
First class				\$52.29	\$52.29	\$34.91	\$21.59	\$6.04	\$2.59	\$4.51	\$0.18
Second class	\$0.01		\$3.02	.32	3.35	15.60	5.44	3.96	1.26	4.92	.02
Third class				7.92	7.92	10.65	5.90	1.07	.81	2.84	.03
Fourth class				16.09	16.09	19.10	6.43	10.18	2.07	.33	.09
Foreign .....	.23		.03	2.00	2.26	7.18	.71	6.31	.13	.03	
Penalty						1.59	.67	.48	.11	.33	
Franked ¹ .....						.11	.04	.03	.01	.03	
Registry				1.65	1.65	2.66	1.96	.10	.59	.01	
Insurance .....				.80	.80	.91	.83			.01	.07
C. o. d. ....				.67	.67	1.11	1.09			.01	.01
Special delivery				1.23	1.23	1.14	1.14				
Money order	2.97				2.97	3.74	3.69			.05	
Postal savings	1.28				1.28	.65	.65				
Unassignable .....	.18	\$1.01		.67	1.86	.35					.35
Unrelated .....	.02	.01		.35	.38	.30					.30
Deficiency	7.25				7.25						
Total	11.94	1.02	3.05	83.99	100.00	100.00	50.14	28.17	7.57	13.07	1.05

¹ Includes free-for-the-blind.

TABLE 22.—Post offices by classes in each State and Territory on July 1, 1934

States and Territories	Abbreviations	Presidential				Fourth class	Total offices
		First class	Second class	Third class	Total Presidential		
Alabama	Ala.	10	37	168	215	778	993
Alaska	Alaska		4	9	13	178	191
Arizona	Ariz.	3	16	40	59	218	277
Arkansas	Ark.	8	40	146	194	1,008	1,202
California	Calif.	55	168	308	531	998	1,529
Colorado	Colo.	8	35	126	169	514	683
Connecticut	Conn.	24	47	91	162	151	313
Delaware	Del.	2	12	20	34	44	78
District of Columbia	D. C.	1			1		1
Florida	Fla.	12	47	117	176	577	753
Georgia	Ga.	10	58	206	274	707	981
Guam	Guam				1		1
Hawaii	Hawaii	2	3	30	35	63	98
Idaho	Idaho	6	24	71	101	370	471
Illinois	Ill.	59	159	461	679	866	1,545
Indiana	Ind.	34	89	252	375	601	976
Iowa	Iowa	26	90	412	528	663	1,191
Kansas	Kans.	23	70	286	379	608	987
Kentucky	Ky.	11	51	108	230	2,262	2,492
Louisiana	La.	7	34	128	169	664	833
Maine	Maine	8	46	139	193	582	775
Maryland	Md.	7	28	98	133	498	631
Massachusetts	Mass.	40	81	192	313	308	621
Michigan	Mich.	35	99	322	456	643	1,099
Minnesota	Minn.	17	80	370	467	681	1,148
Mississippi	Miss.	10	39	157	206	592	798
Missouri	Mo.	16	78	336	430	1,225	1,655
Montana	Mont.	7	27	104	138	612	750
Nebraska	Nebr.	10	52	262	324	440	773
Nevada	Nev.	2	7	21	30	127	157
New Hampshire	N. H.	8	28	76	112	251	363
New Jersey	N. J.	49	97	201	347	294	641
New Mexico	N. Mex.	3	15	52	70	452	522
New York	N. Y.	90	223	546	859	1,240	2,099
North Carolina	N. C.	17	65	188	270	1,033	1,303
North Dakota	N. Dak.	5	22	218	245	413	658
Ohio	Ohio	52	119	339	510	948	1,458
Oklahoma	Okla.	15	59	214	288	689	977
Oregon	Oreg.	9	32	113	154	585	739
Pennsylvania	Pa.	71	234	488	793	1,898	2,691
Puerto Rico	P. R.	2	5	27	34	62	96
Rhode Island	R. I.	5	6	33	44	41	85
Samoa	Samoa			1	1	1	2
South Carolina	S. C.	8	32	119	159	393	552
South Dakota	S. Dak.	8	28	179	215	398	613
Tennessee	Tenn.	10	50	150	210	721	931
Texas	Tex.	33	165	468	666	1,484	2,150
Utah	Utah	4	7	55	66	268	334
Vermont	Vt.	7	25	80	112	257	369
Virginia	Va.	17	55	215	287	1,719	2,006
Virgin Islands	V. I.		1	2	3	2	5
Washington	Wash.	12	49	148	209	609	818
West Virginia	W. Va.	10	39	125	174	1,559	1,733
Wisconsin	Wis.	30	90	363	483	612	995
Wyoming	Wyo.	4	20	54	58	306	364
Little America	Little America					1	1
Total		922	2,987	9,475	13,384	33,123	46,507
OFFICES UNDER JURISDICTION OF CANAL ZONE							
Canal Zone	C. Z.						13
OFFICES UNDER JURISDICTION OF WAR DEPARTMENT							
Philippine Islands	P. I.						987

TABLE 23.—*Post offices by classes, July 1, 1929, to July 1, 1934*

	First class	Second class	Third class	Total	Fourth class	Total
1929.....	1, 169	3, 501	10, 957	15, 627	33, 795	49, 422
1930.....	1, 191	3, 525	10, 943	15, 659	33, 344	49, 003
1931.....	1, 192	3, 525	10, 939	15, 656	33, 017	48, 673
1932.....	1, 122	3, 425	10, 485	15, 032	33, 127	48, 159
1933.....	966	3, 123	10, 025	14, 113	33, 529	47, 642
1934.....	922	2, 987	9, 475	13, 384	33, 123	46, 507

TABLE 24.—*Readjustment of Presidential postmasters' salaries, July 1, 1934*

	First class	Second class	Third class	Total Presidential
Number of offices July 1, 1933.....	966	3, 123	10, 024	14, 113
Increase:				
Advanced from fourth class Oct. 1, 1933.....			1	1
Advanced from fourth class Apr. 1, 1934.....			1	1
Advanced from lower classes July 1, 1934.....	8	49	63	120
Established during year.....		2		2
Relegated from higher class during year.....			3	3
Relegated from higher class July 1, 1934.....			52	280
Total.....	974	3, 226	10, 320	14, 520
Decrease:				
Advanced to higher class July 1, 1934.....		8	49	57
Relegated to lower class during year.....		3		3
Discontinued prior to July 1, 1934.....			6	6
Relegated to lower class July 1, 1934.....	52	228	790	1, 070
Total.....	52	239	845	1, 136
Number of offices July 1, 1934.....	922	2, 987	9, 475	13, 384
Net decrease since July 1, 1933.....	44	136	549	729
Salaries of postmasters:				
July 1, 1934.....	\$3, 548, 300	\$7, 669, 500	\$15, 527, 000	\$26, 744, 800
Decrease from salaries on July 1, 1933.....	164, 200	281, 900	866, 800	1, 312, 900
Gross receipts:				
4 quarters ended Dec. 31, 1933.....	438, 562, 569	54, 653, 053	34, 580, 707	527, 796, 329
Increase or decrease as compared with 4 quarters ended Dec. 31, 1932.....	-19, 331, 511	+2, 280, 558	+2, 387, 322	-14, 663, 631

TABLE 25.—*Statement showing the number of assistant postmasters, clerks, and supervisory officers, city letter carriers, and watchmen, messengers and laborers, in first- and second-class post offices on June 30, 1934.*

Annual salaries	Assistant postmasters	Clerks and supervisory officers	City letter carriers	Watchmen, messengers, and laborers	Annual salaries	Assistant postmasters	Clerks and supervisory officers	City letter carriers	Watchmen, messengers, and laborers
\$1,500.....				136	\$3,400.....		15		
\$1,600.....				4, 323	\$3,500.....	12	147		
\$1,700.....		224	166		\$3,600.....		15		
\$1,800.....		658	291		\$3,700.....	28	48		
\$1,900.....		1, 223	809		\$3,800.....		24		
\$2,000.....		2, 385	1, 833		\$3,900.....	21	35		
\$2,100.....		45, 621	45, 080		\$4,000.....		6		
\$2,200.....	570	646			\$4,100.....	8	15		
\$2,300.....	485	7, 449			\$4,200.....				
\$2,400.....	430	785	6		\$4,300.....		8		
\$2,500.....	162	1, 781			\$4,400.....	4			
\$2,600.....	377	1, 324			\$4,500.....		6		
\$2,700.....	150	720			\$4,600.....	5			
\$2,800.....	60	420			\$4,700.....		3		
\$2,900.....	58	184			\$4,800.....	6			
\$3,000.....	34	119			\$4,900.....	1			
\$3,100.....	25	240							
\$3,200.....	46	27			Total.....	2, 501	64, 250	48, 275	4, 459
\$3,300.....	13	121							

TABLE 26.—*Clerical, city, and village delivery service (as of June 30) for the fiscal years 1910-34, inclusive*

Year	First- and second-class offices				City and village delivery service			
	Offices	Assistant post-masters	Clerks	Watchmen, messengers, and laborers	City delivery offices	City carriers	Village delivery offices ¹	Village carriers ¹
1910.....	2,105	2,095	31,825	1,200	1,492	28,715	-----	-----
1911.....	2,246	2,230	32,319	1,240	1,541	29,168	-----	-----
1912.....	2,351	2,329	33,714	1,330	1,621	29,962	-----	-----
1913.....	2,390	2,362	35,486	1,415	1,675	30,923	101	126
1914.....	2,465	2,422	37,993	1,559	1,759	32,292	124	164
1915.....	2,601	2,487	38,761	1,610	1,808	32,902	133	180
1916.....	2,674	2,329	40,127	1,731	1,864	34,114	175	241
1917.....	2,775	2,599	41,805	1,793	1,948	34,562	356	509
1918.....	2,898	2,556	42,699	1,755	1,992	34,593	522	755
1919.....	2,997	2,648	44,681	1,880	2,018	35,024	570	852
1920.....	3,205	2,846	47,598	2,058	2,089	36,142	643	943
1921.....	3,316	2,845	53,703	2,522	2,161	38,532	725	1,061
1922.....	3,577	2,725	56,029	3,115	2,229	39,485	756	1,120
1923.....	3,645	2,709	57,183	3,302	2,277	40,134	786	1,143
1924.....	3,825	2,729	63,182	3,911	2,325	43,829	829	1,220
1925.....	4,044	2,743	65,071	4,062	2,401	46,251	817	1,164
1926.....	4,183	2,723	67,071	4,071	2,522	48,238	859	1,143
1927.....	4,393	2,745	68,708	4,312	2,812	50,117	682	875
1928.....	4,546	2,756	69,818	4,536	2,899	51,293	705	886
1929.....	4,621	2,776	70,987	4,741	2,970	52,719	737	913
1930.....	4,667	2,781	72,015	4,890	3,050	53,762	763	943
1931.....	4,717	2,782	71,621	4,876	3,098	53,387	788	982
1932.....	4,687	2,769	70,527	4,803	3,111	52,767	820	1,012
1933.....	4,544	2,698	68,521	4,646	3,111	51,229	820	1,000
1934.....	4,087	2,501	64,250	4,459	3,111	48,275	820	969

¹ Second- and third-class offices.TABLE 27.—*Report of the Division of Dead Letters and Dead Parcel Post for fiscal year ended June 30, 1934*

DEAD LETTERS RECEIVED		
Domestic origin.....	-----	11,097,501
Foreign origin.....	-----	369,121
		11,466,622

Increase over last year, 7¼ percent.

TABLE 28.—*Summary of dead letters received*

MANNER OF DISPOSAL		
	Letters	Increase or decrease
Unopened:		
Of domestic origin returned to senders.....	569,903	+56,402
Of foreign origin returned to country of origin.....	369,121	+138,144
Opened (all of domestic origin):		
Delivered to senders:		
Contents:		
Correspondence.....	1,409,719	+138,836
Valuable enclosures.....	256,046	
Filed awaiting reclamation: Valuable enclosures.....	47,784	+4,735
Destroyed.....	8,754,049	+437,220
Total.....	11,466,622	+775,337
RECAPITULATION		
Delivered.....	2,664,789	+333,382
Filed.....	47,784	+4,735
Destroyed.....	8,754,049	+437,220
Total.....	11,466,622	+775,337

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TABLE 29.—*Opened dead letters with valuable enclosures*

	Number	Increase or decrease
Money.....	42,844	+9,736
Other valuable enclosures.....	267,865	-139,692
Total.....	310,709	-129,956

AMOUNT OF MONEY ENCLOSED IN DEAD LETTERS

	Amount	Increase or decrease
Money enclosed in dead letters.....	\$69,596.29	+\$6,163.68

REVENUE DERIVED FROM DEAD LETTERS AND DEAD PARCEL POST

Money—		
Derived from sale of merchandise.....	\$46,687.44	+\$11,035.33
Derived from sale of magazines.....	7,405.08	-346.21
Derived from sale of perishable matter, etc.....	68.48	+68.48
Removed from dead letters.....	19,859.23	} +519.77
Found loose in the mails.....	14,025.82	
Received for postage.....	344.92	+48.78
Total.....	88,390.97	+11,326.15
Stamps—		
Removed from dead letters.....	1,634.09	} -385.01½
Found loose in the mails.....	15,411.12½	
Received for postage.....	4,979.60½	
3-cent fee for letters returned.....	49,689.03	+6,361.17
Total.....	71,713.85	+5,348.36½
Grand total.....	160,104.82	+16,674.51½

TABLE 30.—*Unclaimed parcel-post matter treated in the Division of Dead Letters and Dead Parcel Post and the various dead parcel-post branches during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934*

	Number received			Disposition		
	Addressed	Loose	Total	Delivered	Filed	Destroyed
Division of Dead Letters and Dead Parcel Post.....	57,916	3,558	61,474	6,182	10,721	44,571
Atlanta, Ga.....	8,925	3,740	12,665	1,764	7,322	3,579
Boston, Mass.....	6,810	5,514	12,324	1,913	7,931	2,480
Chicago, Ill.....	31,970	42,524	74,494	17,740	47,420	9,334
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	23,823	6,586	30,409	1,730	25,336	3,343
Fort Worth, Tex.....	9,430	3,341	12,771	1,709	7,670	3,392
New Orleans, La.....	2,412	563	2,975	257	2,171	547
New York, N. Y.....	41,837	21,170	63,007	9,673	35,031	18,303
Omaha, Nebr.....	14,669	2,240	16,909	7,077	9,769	63
St. Louis, Mo.....	13,187	14,277	27,464	9,983	9,223	8,258
St. Paul, Minn.....	4,271	2,320	6,591	713	5,263	615
San Francisco, Calif.....	17,308	4,015	21,323	2,005	18,021	1,297
Seattle, Wash.....	7,207	4,229	11,436	2,575	8,361	500
San Juan, P. R.....	329	9	338	73	262	3
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	140	62	202	25	129	38
Total.....	240,234	114,148	354,382	63,419	194,630	96,323

TABLE 31.—*Net proceeds from sale of unclaimed parcel-post matter*

	Proceeds	Increase or decrease
Division of Dead Letters and Dead Parcel Post.....	\$1,937.08	+\$610.98
Atlanta, Ga.....	1,898.66	-630.05
Boston, Mass.....	3,702.10	+816.32
Chicago, Ill.....	10,009.75	+6,148.28
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	1,097.25	-1,088.03
Fort Worth, Tex.....	1,323.36	+166.79
New Orleans, La.....	49.60	-418.45
New York, N. Y.....	22,089.70	+7,574.33
Omaha, Nebr.....	632.81	-49.76
St. Louis, Mo.....	2,081.90	-262.26
St. Paul, Minn.....	979.20	-127.93
San Francisco, Calif.....	.....	-1,849.95
Seattle, Wash.....	809.30	+282.95
San Juan, P. R.....	36.35	-32.30
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	40.38	-72.14
Total.....	46,687.44	+11,168.30

TABLE 32.—*Mail transportation by railroads, service in operation June 30, 1934*

Number of routes.....	.....	980
Length of routes.....	..... miles	201,200
Annual travel, regular space units.....	..... miles	453,846,658
Annual expenditure (regular authorizations).....	.....	\$86,303,301
Average rate of cost per mile of length.....	.....	\$428.81
Average rate of cost per unit mile traveled.....	..... cents	19.02
Number authorized units regular service (all classes).....	.....	22,012
Rate per 60-foot car-mile, all units equated.....	..... cents	45.50

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEAR

Decrease in number of routes.....	.....	77
Decrease in length of routes.....	..... miles	4,632
Decrease in annual travel.....	..... unit miles	1,830,713
Decrease in annual rate of expenditure.....	.....	\$2,653,138
Decrease in rate of cost per mile of length.....	.....	\$3.24
Decrease in rate of cost per unit mile traveled.....	..... cents	.50
Decrease in number of units.....	.....	37
Increase in cost per 60-foot car-mile equated.....	..... cents	.37

TABLE 33.—*Mail transportation by railroads, as authorized June 30, 1934*

SECTION A.—BY ALL RAILROADS EXCEPT AS SHOWN IN SECTIONS B, C, D, AND E

Units of service	By railroads over 100 miles in length		By railroads less than 50 miles in length, separately operated		By railroads 50 to 100 miles in length, separately operated	
	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay
60-foot full R. P. O. cars.....	34,715,933.22	\$13,539,212.12	.....	.....	.....	.....
60-foot full R. P. O. cars (land grant).....	4,620,338.60	1,441,545.21	.....	.....	.....	.....
30-foot apartment R. P. O. cars.....	88,626,361.02	19,054,660.78	.....	.....	.....	.....
30-foot apartment R. P. O. cars (land grant).....	12,609,326.42	2,168,802.57	.....	.....	.....	.....
15-foot apartment R. P. O. cars.....	81,947,876.16	11,882,429.52	259,023.04	\$88,067.68	652,152.24	\$176,081.00
15-foot apartment R. P. O. cars (land grant).....	4,291,826.78	497,850.70	.....	.....	.....	.....
70-foot storage cars.....	1,473,974.24	692,767.64	.....	.....	.....	.....
70-foot storage cars (land grant).....	136,185.26	51,205.56	.....	.....	.....	.....
60-foot storage cars.....	41,132,787.98	16,658,774.80	.....	.....	.....	.....
60-foot storage cars (land grant).....	5,218,649.88	1,690,841.47	.....	.....	.....	.....
30-foot storage space.....	2,142,822.00	460,706.31	.....	.....	.....	.....
30-foot storage space (land grant).....	332,558.79	57,200.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
27-foot storage space.....	2,621,284.27	524,256.50	.....	.....	.....	.....
27-foot storage space (land grant).....	671,662.03	107,465.73	.....	.....	.....	.....
24-foot storage space.....	3,141,986.93	581,266.56	.....	.....	.....	.....
24-foot storage space (land grant).....	449,069.01	66,462.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
21-foot storage space.....	4,498,200.91	753,447.20
21-foot storage space (land grant).....	649,496.22	87,032.06

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SECTION A.—BY ALL RAILROADS EXCEPT AS SHOWN IN SECTIONS B, C, D, AND E

Units of service	By railroads over 100 miles in length		By railroads less than 50 miles in length, separately operated		By railroads 50 to 100 miles in length, separately operated	
	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay
18-foot storage space.....	5,560,718.90	\$834,106.46				
18-foot storage space (land grant).....	1,168,885.68	140,265.87				
15-foot storage space.....	6,682,809.10	868,763.26				
15-foot storage space (land grant).....	1,158,912.75	120,526.48				
12-foot storage space.....	8,886,132.32	977,472.02				
12-foot storage space (land grant).....	1,484,303.50	130,618.17				
9-foot storage space.....	11,253,123.36	984,644.84				
9-foot storage space (land grant).....	1,450,097.67	101,506.25				
6-foot storage space.....	16,297,139.54	1,018,566.44			26,943.04	\$3,165.80
6-foot storage space (land grant).....	1,729,560.20	86,477.47				
3-foot storage space.....	17,766,501.86	621,819.32			64,256.08	4,497.89
3-foot storage space (land grant).....	1,889,901.77	52,916.25				
15-foot closed pouch.....	1,255,311.51	182,019.75				
15-foot closed pouch (land grant).....	108,791.31	12,619.74				
12-foot closed pouch.....	1,992,809.98	249,100.64			501.28	115.29
12-foot closed pouch (land grant).....	142,337.74	14,233.71				
9-foot closed pouch.....	3,694,748.45	378,710.26			2,949.84	538.34
9-foot closed pouch (land grant).....	372,461.80	30,541.73				
6-foot closed pouch.....	9,887,190.03	741,535.31	7,155.18	\$1,198.49	37,311.80	4,943.80
6-foot closed pouch (land grant).....	676,887.78	40,612.99				
3-foot closed pouch.....	40,235,804.25	1,810,587.74	2,555,726.26	255,571.25	1,645,372.92	131,629.06
3-foot closed pouch (land grant).....	2,443,180.26	87,953.17				
Total.....	425,417,949.48	79,801,524.60	2,821,904.48	344,837.42	2,429,487.20	320,971.18

SECTION B.—BY THE RAILROADS SHOWN BELOW

Bangor & Aroostock R. R. Co.	Central Vermont Ry., Inc.
Boston & Albany R. R. (New York Central R. R. Co. lessee).	Maine Central R. R. Co.
Boston & Maine R. R.	New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R. Co.
Canadian National Ry. Co. ¹	Quebec Central Ry. Co.
Canadian Pacific Ry. Co. ²	Rutland R. R. Co.

Units of service	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay	Units of service	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay
60-foot full R. P. O. cars.....	2,699,208.29	\$1,417,084.21	15-foot storage space...	180,443.96	\$32,028.68
30-foot apartment R. P. O. cars.....	2,645,612.31	780,455.20	12-foot storage space...	510,665.90	76,599.63
15-foot apartment R. P. O. cars.....	3,762,738.13	733,732.12	9-foot storage space...	808,021.74	96,962.21
70-foot storage cars.....	2,999,990.93	1,619,994.28	6-foot storage space...	883,726.07	72,906.93
60-foot storage cars.....	2,966,050.98	87,334.92	3-foot storage space...	630,001.53	28,349.62
30-foot storage space.....	155,456.50	42,361.80	15-foot closed pouch...	42,563.41	8,299.81
24-foot storage space.....	211,893.30	52,973.26	12-foot closed pouch...	144,208.13	24,515.28
21-foot storage space.....	283,270.48	64,443.80	9-foot closed pouch...	248,203.36	34,748.20
18-foot storage space.....	204,202.53	41,350.86	6-foot closed pouch...	891,920.39	89,191.55
			3-foot closed pouch...	3,660,058.97	219,599.90
			Total.....	21,258,231.90	5,522,932.26

¹ Canadian National Ry., route 101726, Portland, Maine, to Boundary Line (n. o.), Vt., and route 101791, Lewiston to Lewiston Junction (n. o.), Maine, receive the rates shown in this section. Route 101735, Canadian Boundary Line (n. o.) to Rouses Point, N. Y., route 102787, Suspension Bridge (n. o.) to Boundary Line (n. o.), N. Y., and Blackrock (n. o.) to Boundary Line (n. o.), N. Y., route 109726, Port Huron (Tunnel Station) to Boundary Line (n. o.), Mich., and Detroit to Boundary Line (n. o.), Mich., and route 110721, International Boundary Line (n. o.) (Warroad) to International Boundary Line (n. o.) (Spooner), Minn., receive the rates shown in section A.

² Canadian Pacific Ry., route 101716, Richford to Newport, Vt., and route 101797, Newport to Wells River, Vt., receive the rates shown in this section. Route 101788, Houlton, Maine, to Boundary Line (n. o.), route 101789, Onawa, Maine, to Boundary Line (n. o.), and route 101790, Fort Fairfield, Maine, to Boundary Line (n. o.), receive the rates shown in section D.

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SECTION C.—BY THE RAILROADS SHOWN BELOW

Alabama, Tennessee & Northern R. R. Corporation	Pacific & Idaho Northern Ry. Co.
California Western Railroad & Navigation Co.	Quincy R. R. Co.
Eureka Nevada Ry.	San Diego & Arizona Eastern Ry. Co.
Laramie, North Park & Western R. R. Co.	San Luis Valley Southern Ry. Co.
McCloud River R. R. Co.	Sierra Ry. Co. of California.
Magma-Arizona R. R. Co.	Spokane International Ry. Co.
Midland Terminal Ry. Co.	Sumpter Valley Ry. Co.
Montana, Wyoming & Southern R. R. Co.	Tonopah & Goldfield R. R. Co.
Nevada Central R. R. Co.	Trona Ry. Co.
Nevada Copper Belt R. R. Co.	Virginia & Truckee Ry.
Nevada County Narrow Gauge R. R. Co.	Washington, Idaho & Montana Ry. Co.
Nevada Northern Ry. Co.	Yosemite Valley R. R. Co.
	Yreka R. R. Co.

Units of service	By railroads over 100 miles in length		By railroads less than 50 miles in length separately operated		By railroads 50 to 100 miles in length separately operated	
	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay
60-foot full R. P. O. cars.....						
30-foot apartment R. P. O. cars.....						
15-foot apartment R. P. O. cars.....	370,694.00	\$92,673.48			221,707.28	\$66,512.16
70-foot storage cars.....						
60-foot storage cars.....						
30-foot storage space.....						
27-foot storage space.....						
24-foot storage space.....						
21-foot storage space.....						
18-foot storage space.....						
15-foot storage space.....						
12-foot storage space.....						
9-foot storage space.....						
6-foot storage space.....						
3-foot storage space.....					72,852.02	5,463.86
15-foot closed pouch.....						
12-foot closed pouch.....						
9-foot closed pouch.....	32,193.00	5,472.81				
6-foot closed pouch.....	36,985.42	4,623.16	34,649.24	\$6,496.72		
3-foot closed pouch.....	185,089.98	13,881.70	209,981.44	23,622.73	279,676.98	25,170.84
Total.....	624,962.40	116,651.15	244,630.68	30,119.45	574,236.28	97,146.86

SECTION D.—BY THE RAILROADS SHOWN BELOW

Canadian Pacific Ry. Co.¹
 Deep Creek R. R. Co.
 Houlton Inter-Urban Ry. Co.

Mount Hood R. R. Co.
 Tonopah & Tidewater R. R. Co., Ltd.

Units of service	By railroads over 100 miles in length		By railroads less than 50 miles in length separately operated		By railroads 50 to 100 miles in length separately operated	
	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay
3-foot closed pouch.....	116,956.65	\$4,385.82	44,153.94	\$2,538.80		
Total.....	116,956.65	4,385.82	44,153.94	2,538.80		

¹ Canadian Pacific Ry. Co., route 101788, Houlton, Maine to Boundary Line (n. o.); route 101789, Onawa, Maine to Boundary Line (n. o.), and route 101790, Fort Fairfield, Maine to Boundary Line (n. o.), receive the rates shown in this section. Route 101716, Richford to Newport, Vt. and route 101797, Newport to Wells River, Vt., receive the rates shown in section B.

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SECTION E.—BY THE DENVER & SALT LAKE RY. CO.

Units of service	Miles of service per annum	Annual pay
30-foot apartment R. P. O. cars.....	169, 119. 10	\$50, 735. 72
6-foot storage space.....	105, 174. 26	9, 465. 68
3-foot storage space.....	39, 851. 16	1, 992. 54
Total.....	314, 144. 52	62, 193. 94

RECAPITULATION (JUNE 30, 1934)

	Total miles of service per annum	Total annual pay
Section A:		
By railroads over 100 miles in length.....	425, 417, 949. 48	\$79, 801, 524. 60
By railroads less than 50 miles in length (separately operated).....	2, 821, 904. 48	344, 837. 42
By railroads 50 to 100 miles in length (separately operated).....	2, 429, 487. 20	320, 971. 18
Section B.....	21, 258, 231. 90	5, 522, 932. 26
Section C:		
By railroads over 100 miles in length.....	624, 962. 40	116, 651. 15
By railroads less than 50 miles in length (separately operated).....	244, 630. 68	30, 119. 45
By railroads 50 to 100 miles in length (separately operated).....	574, 236. 28	97, 146. 86
Section D:		
By railroads over 100 miles in length.....	116, 956. 65	4, 385. 82
By railroads less than 50 miles in length (separately operated).....	44, 153. 94	2, 538. 80
By railroads 50 to 100 miles in length (separately operated).....		
Section E.....	314, 144. 52	62, 193. 94
Total miles of service and annual pay at space rates.....	453, 846, 657. 53	86, 303, 301. 48

	Annual pay
Total annual pay at space rates.....	\$86, 303, 301. 48
Total amount authorized in excess of space rates, due to statement of minimum pay, all classes.....	681, 845. 82
Total amount special contracts.....	160, 995. 45
Total annual rate.....	87, 146, 142. 75
Total equalization deduction.....	275, 344. 64
Net total annual rate.....	186, 870, 798. 11

MILES OF SERVICE PER ANNUM PRORATED TO 60-FOOT CAR BASIS

	Miles
June 30, 1933.....	198, 513, 157. 92
June 30, 1934.....	190, 928, 900. 64
Decrease.....	7, 584, 257. 28
Percent of decrease.....	3. 82

TOTAL AUTHORIZED RATE OF COMPENSATION PER ANNUM

June 30, 1933.....	\$89, 595, 147. 30
June 30, 1934.....	86, 870, 798. 11
Decrease.....	2, 724, 349. 19
Percent of decrease.....	3. 04

RATE PER 60-FOOT CAR-MILE, ALL UNITS

	Cents
June 30, 1933.....	45. 13
June 30, 1934.....	45. 50
Increase.....	. 37
Percent of increase.....	0. 82

¹ This does not include emergency service. The total cost of railroad transportation, including emergency service, will be approximately \$92,766,145. for the year.

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TABLE 34.—Mail transportation by electric railroad service in operation June 30, 1934

Number of routes.....	153
Length of routes.....	miles 4,824
Annual travel.....	unit miles 6,387,323
Annual rate of expenditure.....	\$393,815
Average cost per mile of length.....	\$75.42
Average cost per mile (unit) traveled.....	cents 5.70

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEAR

Decrease in number of routes.....	15
Decrease in length of routes.....	miles 555
Decrease in annual travel.....	unit miles 854,070
Decrease in annual rate of expenditure.....	\$51,703
Decrease in cost per mile of length.....	\$1.83
Decrease in cost per unit mile traveled.....	cents 0.04

TABLE 35.—Mail transportation by electric railroads as authorized June 30, 1934

Units	Miles per annum	Pay per annum
10 bag units in passenger car without compartment.....	2,780,114.16	\$11,204.45
60 cubic feet in passenger car without compartment.....	915,114.61	45,755.54
90 cubic feet in passenger car without compartment.....	161,824.54	9,709.46
120 cubic feet in passenger car without compartment.....	44,983.40	3,148.81
150 cubic feet in passenger car without compartment.....	22,900.74	1,832.05
180 cubic feet in passenger car without compartment.....	12,046.62	1,084.20
210 cubic feet in passenger car without compartment.....	16,380.06	1,638.01
270 cubic feet in passenger car without compartment.....	877.76	105.33
30 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	1,365,073.53	40,952.16
60 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	412,728.38	16,509.19
90 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	166,362.19	8,318.11
120 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	57,915.67	3,474.96
150 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	32,117.50	2,248.20
180 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	19,105.64	1,528.45
210 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	16,213.05	1,459.17
240 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	19,068.85	1,905.88
270 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	2,023.84	222.62
300 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	2,129.94	255.60
330 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	1,320.28	171.64
390 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	2,640.56	396.08
420 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	1,320.28	211.24
450 cubic feet in baggage or express car.....	3,304.08	561.70
27 linear feet in independent car (company handling mail).....	124.32	46.62
30 linear feet in independent car (company handling mail).....	3,295.89	1,373.20
35 linear feet in independent car (company handling mail).....	2,269.14	1,103.06
9 linear feet in full or apartment R. P. O. car.....	47,857.70	8,014.38
12 linear feet in full or apartment R. P. O. car.....	19,841.04	4,761.84
14 linear feet in full or apartment R. P. O. car.....	64,553.12	18,074.88
15 linear feet in full or apartment R. P. O. car.....	251,466.36	75,439.92
Total amount in excess of space rates due to statement of minimum pay— all classes.....		1,708.45
Total.....	6,444,963.25	363,815.20

TABLE 36.—Power-boat service—Authorized service in operation June 30, 1934

Contract section	Number of routes	Length	Annual travel (miles)	Annual rate
First.....	63	2,149	1,014,483	\$286,064
Second.....	24	908	397,269	105,044
Third.....	31	792	172,491	40,025
Fourth.....	101	35,128	2,279,737	789,113
Total.....	219	38,977	3,863,980	1,220,246

Average cost per mile of length, \$31.31.
 Average cost per mile traveled 31.58 cents.

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEAR

Decrease in number of routes.....	20
Increase in length of routes.....	miles 767
Decrease in annual travel.....	do 72,115
Decrease in annual rate of expenditure.....	\$31,737
Decrease in cost per mile of length.....	\$1.45
Decrease in cost per unit mile traveled.....	cents 0.22

TABLE 37.—Star-route service in Alaska—Authorized service in operation June 30, 1934

Number of routes.....	63
Length of routes.....	miles 10,216
Annual travel.....	do. 221,691
Annual rate of expenditure.....	\$134,060
Average rate of cost per mile of length.....	\$13.12
Average rate of cost per mile traveled.....	cents 60.47

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEAR

Decrease in number of routes.....	10
Decrease in length of routes.....	miles 154
Decrease in annual travel.....	do. 10,457
Increase in annual rate of expenditure.....	\$1,799
Increase in cost per mile of length.....	\$0.37
Increase in average cost per mile traveled.....	cents 3.50

TABLE 38.—Statement showing the number of star routes in operation June 30, 1934, by contract sections, and the annual rate of cost for operating the service in each section

	Number of routes	Annual rate of cost of regular contract service
First contract section.....	3,050	\$2,556,693.15
Second contract section.....	2,381	1,647,388.86
Third contract section.....	2,008	2,049,684.94
Fourth contract section.....	4,798	6,534,217.77
Total.....	12,237	¹ 12,787,984.72

¹ Does not include the additional cost for the transportation of excess mail over 176 routes on a pound-rate basis, the total cost of which for the fiscal year 1934 was approximately \$21,920, nor of the Government-operated star-route service, which cost approximately \$90,000, nor for temporary star-route service, which cost approximately \$42,329 during the year.

The following statement shows cost of the service under old contracts in the fourth section as of June 30, 1934, and the annual rate of cost of the service in that section under the new contracts beginning July 1, 1934.

Annual rate of cost of service under old contracts.....	\$6,534,217.77
Annual rate of cost of service under new contracts.....	4,876,765.98
Decrease.....	1,657,451.79

The cost per mile of travel under the new contracts is 7.21 cents, or a decrease of 2.34 cents per mile of travel under the cost per mile for the old contract period.

TABLE 39.—Statement showing the growth of the Rural Delivery Service, by years since its inception, and the expenditure involved

Fiscal year	Routes ¹	Increase in routes	Appropriation	Expenditure
1897.....	82		\$40,000	\$14,840.00
1898.....	153	71	50,250	50,241.00
1899.....	412	259	150,432	150,012.00
1900.....	1,259	847	450,000	420,433.00
1901.....	3,761	2,502	1,750,796	1,750,321.00
1902.....	8,298	4,537	4,089,075	4,089,041.00
1903.....	15,119	6,821	8,580,364	8,051,599.00
1904.....	24,566	9,447	12,926,905	12,645,275.00
1905.....	32,110	7,544	21,116,600	² 20,864,885.00
1906.....	35,766	3,656	25,828,300	25,011,625.00
1907.....	37,728	1,962	28,200,000	26,661,555.00
1908.....	39,277	1,549	34,900,000	³ 34,371,939.00
1909.....	40,628	1,351	35,673,000	35,661,034.00
1910.....	41,079	451	37,260,000	36,914,769.00
1911.....	41,656	577	38,860,000	37,125,630.00
1912.....	42,199	543	42,790,000	⁴ 41,859,422.00
1913.....	42,805	606	47,000,000	⁵ 45,642,810.00
1914.....	43,652	847	47,500,000	47,380,959.00
1915.....	43,866	214	53,000,000	⁶ 52,565,811.00

¹ Apparent discrepancies between the figures in this column and in the corresponding column headed "Carriers" in previous annual reports are due to having been taken for periods other than fiscal years.

² Maximum salary of carriers increased from \$600 to \$720 per annum.

³ Maximum salary of carriers increased from \$720 to \$900 per annum.

⁴ Maximum salary of carriers increased from \$900 to \$1,000 per annum.

⁵ Maximum salary of carriers increased from \$1,000 to \$1,100 per annum.

⁶ Maximum salary of carriers increased from \$1,100 to \$1,200 per annum.

TABLE 39.—Statement showing the growth of the Rural Delivery Service, by years since its inception, and the expenditure involved—Continued

Fiscal year	Routes	Increase in routes	Appropriation	Expenditure
1916.....	42,927	7 939	\$53,000,000	7 \$51,952,326.00
1917.....	43,464	537	53,000,000	52,423,090.00
1918.....	43,453	7 11	53,000,000	52,552,996.00
1919.....	43,210	7 243	65,800,000	8 65,020,836.00
1920.....	43,445	235	9 68,800,000	10 75,795,110.00
1921.....	43,752	307	11 78,000,000	83,030,128.00
1922.....	44,186	434	86,800,000	12 84,738,595.00
1923.....	44,439	253	86,900,000	86,090,187.00
1924.....	44,760	321	86,900,000	86,339,093.00
1925.....	45,189	429	89,250,000	13 95,130,751.19
1926.....	45,315	126	14 88,350,000	103,445,973.26
1927.....	15 44,730	7 585	105,360,000	104,484,114.62
1928.....	44,288	7 442	105,506,000	104,958,439.44
1929.....	43,840	7 448	106,000,000	105,906,171.07
1930.....	43,278	7 562	107,000,000	106,338,341.28
1931.....	42,412	7 866	107,550,000	106,470,948.50
1932.....	41,602	7 810	107,550,000	106,857,327.28
1933.....	40,013	7 1,589	106,000,000	93,785,808.00
1934.....	37,108	7 2,905	95,000,000	81,675,000.00

⁷ Decrease.⁸ Increase of 20 percent in salary of carrier, plus allowance of \$24 a mile or major fraction thereof over 24 miles.⁹ Such additional appropriation as is necessary to cover increase to \$1,700 to be added to this amount.¹⁰ Includes additional allowance of \$200 per annum under Joint Resolution 151, approved Nov. 9, 1919, making salary for standard route of 24 miles \$1,700 per annum.¹¹ Such additional appropriation as is necessary to cover increase to \$1,800 to be added to this amount.¹² Salary for standard route of 24 miles increased to \$1,800 per annum.¹³ Additional sum of \$5,880,751.19 of appropriation for 1926 expended for equipment maintenance under provisions act of Feb. 28, 1925.¹⁴ Additional appropriation of \$20,977,402.73 for equipment maintenance, with \$350,000 of the appropriation for 1927, made available for use in the fiscal year 1926.¹⁵ Decrease in number of routes due to consolidations made as vacancies in the carrier force have occurred, but with no diminution in the facilities afforded patrons.

TABLE 40.—Statement showing the number and mileage of rural routes and annual rate of cost (including substitutes) at close of business, June 30, 1933, and June 30, 1934

State	Number of routes		Mileage of routes		Annual rate of cost (including substitutes)	
	June 30, 1933	June 30, 1934	June 30, 1933	June 30, 1934	June 30, 1933	June 30, 1934
	Alabama.....	1,004	961	37,848	37,749	\$2,770,561.90	$2,489,645.00
Arizona.....	43	43	1,548	1,543	112,824.71	103,134.80
Arkansas.....	721	698	25,343	25,307	1,890,023.56	1,704,831.10
California.....	498	491	20,777	20,869	1,459,430.77	1,329,144.96
Colorado.....	347	341	15,295	15,271	983,468.98	885,660.69
Connecticut.....	263	249	7,012	7,027	596,425.98	540,230.22
Delaware.....	95	81	3,085	3,040	240,371.17	205,682.58
District of Columbia.....	6	5	210	203	15,945.10	13,742.50
Florida.....	286	278	13,438	13,402	881,152.24	792,135.42
Georgia.....	1,381	1,244	53,874	53,716	3,906,855.29	3,435,614.12
Hawaii.....	2	2	55	55	4,024.03	4,319.97
Idaho.....	218	216	6,763	6,768	524,077.04	480,951.75
Illinois.....	2,280	2,076	72,428	72,089	5,752,927.15	5,080,604.69
Indiana.....	1,529	1,338	59,379	58,619	4,307,943.93	3,728,389.45
Iowa.....	1,898	1,743	63,981	63,823	4,934,028.00	4,365,069.86
Kansas.....	1,553	1,430	60,256	60,195	4,347,790.42	3,846,202.19
Kentucky.....	892	856	26,116	26,027	2,123,248.68	1,926,084.39
Louisiana.....	368	361	14,358	14,357	1,002,012.77	911,325.48
Maine.....	467	427	12,161	12,084	1,041,270.91	932,627.55
Maryland.....	365	318	11,488	11,406	904,445.33	783,633.22
Massachusetts.....	283	276	8,054	8,066	661,569.88	606,706.01
Michigan.....	1,590	1,352	53,068	52,840	3,998,882.71	3,518,912.48
Minnesota.....	1,503	1,417	53,925	53,668	4,034,033.04	3,575,589.98
Mississippi.....	895	868	34,321	34,196	2,494,758.94	2,248,271.34
Missouri.....	1,990	1,807	61,001	60,491	4,877,180.84	4,302,475.62
Montana.....	202	200	6,745	6,680	431,043.36	394,472.77
Nebraska.....	993	918	37,313	37,231	2,726,226.44	2,412,959.47
Nevada.....	4	4	160	160	11,458.09	10,435.12
New Hampshire.....	230	210	6,237	6,196	523,157.85	467,178.29

TABLE 40.—Statement showing the number and mileage of rural routes and annual rate of cost (including substitutes) at close of business, June 30, 1933, and June 30, 1934—Continued

State	Number of routes		Mileage of routes		Annual rate of cost (including substitutes)	
	June 30, 1933	June 30, 1934	June 30, 1933	June 30, 1934	June 30, 1933	June 30, 1934
New Jersey.....	282	254	8,733	8,624	\$694,835.38	\$611,122.84
New Mexico.....	65	65	2,823	2,820	172,153.43	156,506.32
New York.....	1,717	1,544	49,143	48,686	4,063,422.36	3,574,503.96
North Carolina.....	1,173	1,068	41,165	40,982	3,095,732.27	2,733,168.53
North Dakota.....	800	773	29,444	29,332	2,078,160.00	1,883,116.31
Ohio.....	2,130	1,876	69,229	68,933	5,398,379.11	4,715,194.99
Oklahoma.....	1,108	1,073	43,514	43,287	3,129,918.12	2,823,742.91
Oregon.....	251	242	10,171	10,108	721,655.69	649,894.90
Pennsylvania.....	1,923	1,833	56,428	56,413	4,803,518.84	4,173,827.03
Rhode Island.....	44	43	1,260	1,254	102,981.88	94,038.90
South Carolina.....	741	684	25,958	25,724	1,958,133.34	1,729,731.02
South Dakota.....	654	641	25,096	25,063	1,777,422.55	1,616,387.66
Tennessee.....	1,445	1,341	44,507	44,482	3,563,276.58	3,182,506.32
Texas.....	1,981	1,875	74,440	74,031	5,419,410.87	4,853,113.25
Utah.....	65	63	1,872	1,867	150,282.69	135,834.69
Vermont.....	325	309	8,164	8,153	706,734.01	646,978.85
Virginia.....	1,013	920	29,713	29,429	2,408,808.24	2,142,035.63
Washington.....	395	382	15,110	15,087	1,088,970.85	987,051.23
West Virginia.....	445	436	11,455	11,423	972,467.28	894,964.96
Wisconsin.....	1,569	1,444	50,039	49,879	3,049,054.52	3,511,520.15
Wyoming.....	32	32	1,209	1,210	79,193.64	73,610.78
Total.....	40,013	37,108	1,365,712	1,359,895	103,692,850.85	92,284,608.15

TABLE 41.—Railway Mail Service—Statement of mail cars owned by railroad companies and operated for the Postal Service on June 30, 1934

Type of construction	Full R. P. O. cars	Apartment mail cars	Total
Steel.....	743	2,449	3,192
Steel underframe.....		494	494
Wood, steel reinforced.....		543	543
Wood.....		10	10
Grand total.....	743	3,496	4,239

TABLE 42.—Railway Mail Service—Statement showing average annual salary of railway postal clerks, average annual travel allowance, and number of resignations during 1930 to 1934, inclusive

Fiscal year ended June 30	Number of employees on rolls ¹	Average annual salary of regular clerks	Percent of increase	Average annual travel allowance of regular clerks ²	Percent of increase	Average annual salary of regular laborers	Percent of increase	Resignations, regular clerks and laborers		Percent of resignations
								Clerks	Laborers	
1930.....	21,125	\$2,480	-----	\$279	0.72	\$1,589	0.06	60	26	0.41
1931.....	21,934	2,466	³ 0.56	274	³ 1.79	1,589	-----	40	15	.25
1932.....	21,517	2,473	.28	258	³ 5.84	1,591	.13	23	7	.14
1933.....	20,154	2,472	³ .04	⁴ 175	³ 32.17	1,591	-----	12	6	.09
1934.....	19,285	2,473	.04	175	-----	1,591	-----	32	9	.21

¹ Includes officials, clerks in charge of sections, regular clerks, laborers, joint employees, and acting clerks.² Based on number of clerks actually drawing travel allowance.³ Decrease.⁴ Travel allowance rate was reduced 33½ percent July 1, 1932

TABLE 43.—Air Mail Service—Statistical report showing by routes as of Feb. 19, 1934, the pounds of mail carried, the miles of service scheduled and actually flown, and the amounts due the carriers for the fiscal year 1934

Management group	Termini	Miles of service			Pounds dispatched		Cost of service	
		Scheduled	Actually flown	Percent flown	Total	Percent of whole	Total	Percent of whole
United Air Lines:								
Route 3.....	Chicago-Dallas.....	1,126,851	1,062,907	94.33	232,685	4.66	\$420,359.93	4.67
Route 5.....	Salt Lake City-Seattle.....	768,151	750,206	97.66	162,693	3.26	317,775.78	3.53
Route 8.....	Seattle-San Diego.....	1,289,340	1,239,574	96.14	277,609	5.56	458,215.94	5.09
Route 17.....	New York-Chicago.....	1,975,087	1,786,956	90.47	744,461	14.90	478,826.07	5.32
Route 18.....	Chicago-San Francisco.....	3,413,261	3,256,665	95.41	792,661	15.87	1,174,043.77	13.05
Route 30 ¹	Omaha-Kansas City.....	77,772	75,132	96.61	13,737	.27	32,794.99	.37
Total.....		8,650,462	8,171,440	94.46	2,223,816	44.52	2,882,016.48	32.03
American Airways:								
Route 1.....	Boston-New York.....	223,605	188,628	84.36	59,984	1.20	63,682.29	.71
Route 2.....	Chicago-Memphis.....	430,388	395,877	91.98	40,516	.81	136,292.93	1.51
Route 20.....	New York-Fort Worth.....	1,958,476	1,768,094	90.28	280,141	5.60	700,970.92	7.79
Route 21.....	Fort Worth-Galveston.....	145,145	135,663	93.47	19,939	4.40	57,242.24	.64
Route 22.....	Dallas-Brownsville.....	258,389	248,778	96.28	57,715	1.16	101,849.36	1.13
Route 23.....	Atlanta-New Orleans.....	200,956	194,841	96.96	39,116	.78	84,540.12	.94
Route 24.....	Chicago-Cincinnati.....	281,610	263,276	93.49	40,286	.81	84,083.78	.93
Route 27.....	Bay City-Chicago.....	910,270	797,923	87.66	92,905	1.86	273,462.51	3.04
Route 29.....	New Orleans-Houston.....	142,214	139,931	98.39	18,403	.37	60,441.67	.67
Route 30 ¹	Chicago-Atlanta.....	692,388	646,689	93.40	102,292	2.05	258,937.96	2.88
Route 33 ¹	Atlanta-Los Angeles.....	1,800,477	1,763,740	97.97	218,337	4.37	691,167.85	7.68
Total.....		7,043,918	6,543,440	92.89	969,634	19.41	2,512,671.33	27.92
Western Air Express:								
Route 4.....	Salt Lake City-San Diego.....	671,112	659,947	98.34	143,463	2.87	280,286.85	3.11
Route 12.....	Cheyenne-Albuquerque & Amarillo.....	318,100	313,085	98.42	72,637	1.46	123,799.07	1.38
Route 33 ¹	Albuquerque-El Paso.....	29,526	29,526	100.00	2,164	.04	8,464.86	.09
Total.....		1,018,738	1,002,558	98.41	218,264	4.37	412,550.78	4.58

¹ Part.

TABLE 43.—*Air Mail Service—Statistical report showing by routes as of Feb. 19, 1934, the pounds of mail carried, the miles of service scheduled and actually flown, and the amounts due the carriers for the fiscal year 1934—Continued*

Management group	Termini	Miles of service			Pounds dispatched		Cost of service	
		Scheduled	Actually flown	Percent flown	Total	Percent of whole	Total	Percent of whole
T. & W. A., route 34.....	New York-Los Angeles.....	4,303,700	4,133,674	96.05	721,557	14.44	\$1,512,660.49	16.81
Eastern Air, route 19.....	New York-Miami.....	2,333,183	2,194,410	94.05	503,663	10.08	798,510.90	8.87
Northwest, route 9 ¹	Chicago-Pembina.....	1,035,914	983,172	94.91	145,247	2.91	405,994.67	4.51
Kohler, route 9 ¹	Milwaukee-Detroit.....	219,166	199,040	90.82	13,665	.27	65,633.97	.73
Pennsylvania Air, route 11.....	Washington-Cleveland.....	664,061	558,130	84.05	151,550	3.03	181,625.90	2.02
National Parks, route 26.....	Great Falls-Salt Lake City.....	464,784	462,247	99.45	36,492	.73	156,525.26	1.74
U. S. Air, route 30 ¹	Kansas City-Denver.....	260,096	254,776	97.95	12,064	.24	70,595.22	.79
Grand total.....		25,994,022	24,502,887	94.26	4,995,952	100.00	² 8,998,785.00	100.00

¹ Part.

² Final adjustment pending.

Air Mail route 3. Tulsa-Ponca City discontinued Jan. 31, 1934.

Air Mail route 5. Service between Seattle and Portland discontinued, eastbound Aug. 15 and westbound Aug. 16, 1933.

Air Mail route 8. Service between Oakland and San Jose, Calif., suspended Aug. 31, 1933.

Air Mail route 9. Northwest Airways service between Milwaukee and Green Bay, Wis., discontinued July 31, 1933. St. Paul-Duluth suspended close of Sept. 14, 1933.

Air Mail route 12. Pueblo-Amarillo suspended, southbound Sept. 4 and northbound Sept. 5, 1933.

Air Mail route 19. New York-Atlantic City discontinued close of Sept. 5, 1933. Charlotte-Augusta suspended close of Sept. 9, 1933.

Air Mail route 21. Terminal changed from Dallas-Galveston to Fort Worth-Galveston, omitting Dallas, Oct. 1, 1933.

Air Mail route 27. Detroit-Columbus discontinued at the close of Sept. 9; Muskegon-Kalamazoo discontinued same date and Bay City-Kalamazoo discontinued close of Sept. 9, 1933.

Air Mail route 33. Fort-Worth Amarillo suspended at the close of Sept. 9, 1933 and El Paso-Albuquerque suspended, westbound Sept. 4, 1933, and eastbound Sept. 5, 1933.

AIR MAIL SERVICE, OPERATED BY U. S. ARMY FROM FEB. 19 TO MAY 31, 1934, INCLUSIVE, SHOWING THE POUNDS OF MAIL CARRIED, THE MILES OF SERVICE SCHEDULED AND ACTUALLY FLOWN, AND THE AMOUNT PAID THE ARMY FOR THAT PERIOD

Route	From—	To—	Miles of service			Pounds dispatched		Amount paid	
			Scheduled	Actually flown	Percent flown	Total	Percent of whole		
1	Boston, Mass.-----	New York, N. Y.----	38,190	25,443	66.62	5,199	0.83	\$2,249,004.31	
3	Chicago, Ill.-----	Dallas, Tex.-----	167,442	136,351	81.43	32,290	5.13		
4	Salt Lake City, Utah-----	San Diego, Calif.-----	137,256	122,187	89.02	84,313	13.40		
5	do-----	Seattle, Wash.-----	208,746	195,437	93.62	44,990	7.15		
9	Chicago, Ill.-----	St. Paul, Minn.-----	46,476	44,854	96.51	8,422	1.34		
11	Washington, D. C.-----	Cleveland, Ohio.-----	38,967	16,768	43.03	6,032	.96		
12	Cheyenne, Wyo.-----	Pueblo, Colo.-----	18,290	15,104	82.58	6,234	.99		
17	New York, N. Y.-----	Chicago, Ill.-----	376,208	220,255	58.55	141,140	22.43		
18	Chicago, Ill.-----	San Francisco, Calif.-----	842,373	667,376	79.23	229,192	36.43		
19	New York, N. Y.-----	Atlanta, Ga., and Miami, Fla.-----	263,669	191,469	72.62	49,935	7.94		
20	Cleveland, Ohio.-----	Fort Worth, Tex.-----	48,182	23,856	49.51	3,218	.51		
23	Atlanta, Ga.-----	New Orleans, La.-----	19,000	11,814	62.18	2,252	.36		
27	Toledo, Ohio.-----	Detroit, Mich.-----	5,103	2,709	53.09	1,507	.24		
30	Chicago, Ill.-----	Jacksonville, Fla.-----	38,766	19,971	51.52	8,247	1.31		
34	Newark, N. J.-----	Kansas City, Mo.-----	47,228	26,325	55.74	6,179	.98		
	Grand total-----	-----	2,295,896	1,719,919	74.91	629,150	100.00		

¹ Includes cost of transportation of personnel and equipment and other initial overhead costs necessary in setting up headquarters and inaugurating operation in various parts of the country.

Air-mail routes 11, 20, 23, 27, 30, and 34 discontinued Mar. 11, 1934.

Air-mail route 12. Changed Cheyenne, Wyo., to Denver, Colo., effective Mar. 19, 1934. Service discontinued May 7, 1934.

Air mail route 19. Changed New York to Atlanta and Jacksonville Mar. 19, 1934. Service discontinued, trips 2 and 3 May 15, trips 4 and 5, May 16, 1934.

Air-mail route 9. Service started Apr. 8, 1934; extended to Fargo, N. Dak., May 26 and discontinued close of May 31, 1934.

Air-mail route 1. Discontinued close of May 12, 1934.

Air-mail route 3. Discontinued close of May 16, 1934.

Air-mail route 4. Discontinued close of May 7, 1934.

Air-mail route 5. Discontinued close of May 7, 1934.

Air-mail route 17. Discontinued close of May 7, 1934, excepting trip 4, which was discontinued May 8, 1934.

Air-mail route 18. Discontinued close of May 7, 1934, excepting trip 4, which was discontinued May 8, 1934.

AIR MAIL SERVICE—STATISTICAL REPORT SHOWING BY ROUTES THE MILES OF SERVICE SCHEDULED AND ACTUALLY FLOWN, WEIGHT OF
MAILS DISPATCHED, AND THE AMOUNT PAID AIR-MAIL CONTRACTORS, UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM, FOR MAY AND JUNE, 1934

Contractor	Termini	Miles of service			Pounds dispatched		Amount paid contractor	
		Scheduled	Actually flown	Percent flown	Total	Percent of whole	Total	Percent of whole
United Air Lines:								
Route 1.....	Newark-Oakland.....	664,988	660,992	99.40	1,403,219	47.34	\$251,156.96	28.47
Route 11.....	Seattle-San Diego.....	168,816	168,718	99.94	57,095	6.70	66,643.61	7.55
Route 12.....	Salt Lake City-Seattle.....	188,664	188,664	100.00	37,799	4.44	74,522.28	8.45
Total.....		1,022,468	1,018,374	99.60	498,113	58.48	392,322.85	44.47
American Airlines:								
Route 4.....	Fort Worth-Los Angeles.....	130,242	130,242	100.00	13,644	1.60	51,445.58	5.83
Route 7.....	Newark-Chicago.....	98,270	94,118	95.77	11,248	1.32	37,176.60	4.22
Route 18.....	Boston-Newark.....	39,396	33,673	85.47	10,981	1.29	11,224.33	1.27
Route 21.....	Boston-Cleveland.....	25,704	24,086	93.71	2,136	.25	5,901.07	.67
Route 22.....	Cleveland-Nashville.....	19,740	19,740	100.00	3,712	.44	2,936.32	.33
Route 23.....	Newark-Fort Worth.....	28,182	27,976	99.27	4,664	.55	3,636.88	.41
Route 25.....	Washington-Chicago.....	28,602	26,704	93.36	2,285	.27	7,744.16	.88
Route 30.....	Chicago-Fort Worth.....	29,520	29,520	100.00	3,114	.36	2,361.60	.27
Total.....		399,656	386,059	96.60	51,784	6.08	122,426.54	13.88
Route 2, T. W. A.....	Newark-Los Angeles.....	511,364	505,323	98.82	80,287	9.43	121,277.52	13.75
Route 5, Eastern Air Lines.....	Newark-New Orleans.....	108,192	104,149	96.26	19,827	2.33	19,783.31	2.24
Route 6, Eastern Air Lines.....	Newark-Miami.....	220,800	214,394	97.10	44,839	5.26	62,174.26	7.05
Route 10, Eastern Air Lines.....	Chicago-Jacksonville.....	55,500	55,423	99.86	10,009	1.17	10,530.37	1.19
Route 13, General Air Lines.....	Salt Lake City-San Diego.....	84,024	84,024	100.00	45,477	5.34	20,165.76	2.29
Total.....		979,880	963,313	98.31	200,439	23.53	233,931.22	26.52
Wyoming Air Service:								
Route 17.....	Cheyenne-Pueblo.....	21,178	21,126	99.75	8,402	.98	7,394.10	.84
Route 28.....	Billings-Cheyenne.....	9,196	9,196	100.00	738	.09	2,620.86	.29
Total.....		30,374	30,322	99.83	9,140	1.07	10,014.96	1.13

Route 3, Northwest Air Lines	Fargo-Seattle	91,728	89,123	97.16	8,671	1.02	30,079.00	3.41
Route 8, Pacific Seaboard Air Lines	Chicago-New Orleans	50,380	48,578	96.42	3,986	.47	8,501.15	.96
Route 9, Braniff Airways	Chicago-Dallas	85,950	85,950	100.00	22,212	2.61	19,338.74	2.19
Route 14, Central Air Lines	Washington-Detroit	82,717	78,114	94.44	24,137	2.83	18,591.13	2.11
Route 15, Long and Harman Air Line	Amarillo-Brownsville	66,840	66,840	100.00	10,025	1.17	13,200.90	1.50
Route 16, Hanfords Tristate Air Line	Chicago-Pembina	70,740	69,005	97.55	16,678	1.96	13,514.98	1.53
Route 19, Alfred Frank	Salt Lake City-Great Falls	48,598	48,598	100.00	5,722	.67	18,953.22	2.15
Route 27, National Airways	Boston-Bangor-Burlington	4,392	4,392	100.00	910	.11	1,295.64	.15
Total		501,345	490,600	97.86	92,341	10.84	123,474.76	14.00
Grand total		2,933,723	2,888,668	98.46	851,817	100.00	882,170.33	100.00

¹ Duplication of weight due to reweighing at Salt Lake City and Chicago.

Air-mail routes 1, 11, 12, and 13, established May 8, 1934.

Air-mail routes 2, 4, 7, and 18, established May 13, 1934.

Air-mail routes 17 and 19, established May 15, 1934.

Air-mail route 17 started operation Cheyenne to Denver, extended to Pueblo, June 1, 1934.

Air-mail routes 5 and 6, established May 16, 1934. Air-mail route 5 started operation between Newark and Atlanta, extended to New Orleans, May 28, 1934.

Air-mail routes 9 and 14, established May 17, 1934.

Air-mail route 3, established May 26, 1934.

Air-mail routes 10, 15, and 16, established June 1, 1934.

Air-mail route 8 established June 3, 1934.

Air-mail routes 21, 22, 23, and 25, established June 10, 1934.

Air-mail route 23 operated between Nashville-Fort Worth only.

Air-mail route 30 established June 15, 1934.

Air-mail route 28 established June 20, 1934.

Air mail route 27 established June 25, Boston-Burlington; June 26, 1934, Boston-Bangor.

SUMMARY OF ALL SERVICES

	Miles of service			Pounds dispatched		Cost of service	
	Scheduled	Actually flown	Percent flown	Total	Percent of whole	Total	Percent of whole
Contract service, July 1 to February 19.....	25,994,022	24,502,887	94.26	4,995,952	77.14	\$8,998,785.00	72.44
Army Air Corps service.	2,295,896	1,719,919	74.91	629,150	9.71	2,249,004.31	20.46
Contract service May 8 to June 30, 1934.....	2,933,723	2,888,668	98.46	851,817	13.15	882,170.33	7.10
Grand total.....	31,223,641	29,111,474	93.24	6,476,919	100.00	12,129,959.64	100.00

¹ Final adjustment pending.

² Includes cost of transportation of personnel and equipment and other initial overhead costs necessary in setting up headquarters and inaugurating operation in various parts of the country.

TABLE 44.—*Air Mail Service*—Statistical report showing the miles of service scheduled and actually flown, weight of mails dispatched, and the amount paid air-mail carriers during the fiscal years 1926-34

Fiscal year	Route length (miles)	Miles of service		Total weight of mails dispatched	Cost of service
		Scheduled	Actually flown		
1926.....	3,597	411,070	396,345	13,000	\$89,753.71
1927.....	5,551	3,092,016	2,805,781	473,102	1,363,227.82
1928.....	10,932	5,999,948	5,585,224	1,861,800	4,042,777.16
1929.....	14,406	11,032,508	10,212,511	5,635,680	11,169,015.13
1930.....	14,907	16,228,453	14,939,468	7,719,698	14,618,231.50
1931.....	23,488	22,907,169	21,381,852	8,579,422	16,943,605.56
1932.....	26,745	34,509,483	32,202,170	8,845,967	19,938,122.61
1933.....	27,679	38,114,425	35,909,811	6,741,788	19,400,264.81
1934.....	² 28,820	31,223,641	29,111,474	6,476,919	12,129,959.64
Total.....		163,518,713	152,544,636	46,337,376	99,694,957.94

¹ All routes were on a count-of-postage basis, except routes 6 and 7, which were on a net-weight basis.

² Advertised mileage, new system.

³ Final adjustment pending.

TABLE 45.—*Cost of Air Mail Service and present rate*

GOVERNMENT OPERATION

Fiscal year	Miles flown	Cost of service	Average cost per mile	Fiscal year	Miles flown	Cost of service	Average cost per mile
1918.....	16,009	\$13,604.00	\$0.850	1922.....	1,537,927	\$1,418,146.00	\$0.922
1919.....	160,066	717,177.00	4.481	1923.....	1,590,637	1,897,151.00	1.193
1920.....	549,244	1,264,495.00	2.302	1924.....	1,522,763	1,498,674.00	.984
1921.....	1,554,985	2,653,882.00	1.707	1925.....	2,076,764	2,743,750.00	1.321

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1926.....	396,345	\$89,753.71	\$0.226	1931.....	21,381,852	\$16,943,605.56	\$0.792
1927.....	2,805,781	1,363,227.82	.486	1932.....	32,202,170	19,938,122.61	.619
1928.....	5,585,224	4,042,777.16	.724	1933.....	35,909,811	19,400,264.81	.540
1929.....	10,212,511	11,169,015.13	1.094	1934.....	29,111,474	12,129,959.64	.427
1930.....	14,939,468	14,618,231.50	.978				

Average rate per mile at the time of the annulment of contracts.....\$0.42658

Average rate per mile under new system......26802

TABLE 46.—Statement showing rate per mile on the various domestic air-mail routes advertised during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1934

Route no.	Termini	Rate per mile	Route no.	Termini	Rate per mile
1	Newark, N. J.-Oakland, Calif.....	\$0.38	18	Boston, Mass.-Newark, N. J.....	\$0.33½
2	Newark, N. J.-Los Angeles, Calif..	.24	19	Salt Lake City, Utah-Great Falls, Mont.	.39
3	Fargo, N. Dak.-Seattle, Wash.....	.33¾	20	New Orleans, La.-Houston, Tex....	.167
4	Fort Worth, Tex.-Los Angeles, Calif.	.395	21	Boston, Mass.-Cleveland, Ohio....	.245
5	Newark, N. J.-New Orleans, La....	.19	22	Cleveland, Ohio-Nashville, Tenn..	.147½
6	Newark, N. J.-Miami, Fla.....	.29	23	Newark, N. J.-Fort Worth, Tex....	.13
7	Newark, N. J.-Chicago, Ill.....	.395	24	Charleston, S. C.-Fort Worth, Tex.	.248
8	Chicago, Ill.-New Orleans, La.....	.17½	25	Washington, D. C.-Chicago, Ill....	.29
9	Chicago, Ill.-Dallas, Tex.....	.22½	26	St. Paul, Minn., to Kansas City, Mo.	.189
10	Chicago, Ill.-Jacksonville, Fla....	.19	27	Boston, Mass.-Bangor, Maine, and Burlington, Vt.	.295
11	Seattle, Wash.-San Diego, Calif....	.395	28	Billings, Mont.-Cheyenne, Wyo....	.285
12	Salt Lake City, Utah-Seattle, Wash.	.395	29	Pueblo, Colo.-El Paso, Tex.....	.24
13	Salt Lake City, Utah-San Diego, Calif.	.24	30	Chicago, Ill.-Fort Worth, Tex....	.08
14	Washington, D. C.-Detroit, Mich..	.238	31	Daytona Beach, Fla.-St. Petersburg, Fla.	.17
15	Amarillo, Tex.-Brownsville, Tex....	.19¾	32	Detroit, Mich.-Milwaukee, Wis....	.389
16	Chicago, Ill.-Pembina, N. Dak....	.196	33	Honolulu to Hilo and Lihue, T.H..	.195
17	Cheyenne, Wyo.-Pueblo, Colo.....	.35			

TABLE 47.—Contracts let under the Merchant Marine Act, 1928

Route	Class of vessels primarily required	Construction of vessels required				Construction of vessels required conditionally				Reconstruction of vessels required				Number of voyages a year	Approximate mail pay for the term
		Vessels		Approximate tonnage	Estimated cost	Vessels		Approximate tonnage	Estimated cost	Vessels		Approximate tonnage	Estimated cost		
		Number	Class			Number	Class			Number	Class				
4. New York to Buenos Aires; Munson Steamship Line.	3													26	\$13,086,822
5. New York to Mediterranean and Black Sea; Export Steamship Corporation.	6	4	4	56,000	\$14,200,000	2	5	18,600	\$5,000,000					122	16,904,288
6. New York to Capetown and Beira; American South African Line, Inc.	6	2	5	16,247	3,900,000									12	3,079,233
8. New York to Valparaiso; Grace Steamship Co.	5	2	3	18,775	7,829,241									52	12,509,940
10. (Expired June 30, 1932).	2, class 4														178,488
15. Boston to Yarmouth; Eastern Steamship Lines, Inc.	3													158	2,775,744
16. New York to Copenhagen, Helsinki, and Leningrad; New York to Murmansk; American Scantic Line, Inc.	6									11	5	55,600	\$2,529,480	52	7,712,004
17. New York to West Africa; American West African Line, Inc.	6									3	5	15,900	900,000	20	3,196,460
18. New York to Maracaibo; Atlantic & Caribbean Steam Navigation Co.	6									1	5	5,300	300,000	52	3,741,027
19. New York to Puerto Colombia; Colombian Steamship Co., Inc.	6	2	4	10,472	4,759,959									64	5,521,288
20. New York to Havana; New York & Cuba Mail Steamship Co.	4	2	2	22,600	9,815,179									52	6,217,012
21. New York to Vera Cruz; New York and Cuba Mail Steamship Co.	5													52	4,187,224
22. New Orleans to Progreso; Gulf Mail Steamship Co., Inc.	6									1	5	3,235	75,000	36	430,850
23. Galveston to Santo Domingo; Lykes Bros. Steamship Co., Inc.	6									1	5	3,537	229,564	76	3,888,057
24. San Francisco to Sydney; The Oceanic Steamship Co.	4	2	2	36,034	16,625,378	1	2	18,017	7,976,135					13	8,935,413
25. San Francisco to Manila; Dollar Steamship Line.	3													26	16,516,704
26. Seattle to Manila; Admiral Oriental Line.	3													26	12,331,662
27. San Francisco to Colombo; Dollar Steamship Line.	5	2	2	87,744	31,402,370									26	12,242,088
28. Portland to Manila; States Steamship Co.	6	2	5	9,464	228,000					2	5	4,732	112,000	24	4,929,126
29. Portland to Dairen; States Steamship Co.	6									1	5	4,732	112,000	12	1,859,420
30. Los Angeles to Auckland; Oceanic & Oriental Navigation Co.	6													12	1,230,615
31. Los Angeles to Melbourne; Oceanic & Oriental Navigation Co.	6													12	2,132,288

32. New York to Balboa; American Line Steamship Corporation.	5																	26	4,100,456
33. Savannah to Liverpool and Bremen; South Atlantic Steamship Co. of Delaware.	6																	36	3,579,450
34. San Francisco to Buenos Aires; Pacific Argentine Brazil Line, Inc.	6																	18	3,107,283
35. New Orleans to Bahia Blanca; Mississippi Shipping Co., Inc.	6	2	5	10,000	3,900,000													36-52	8,778,646
36. Tacoma to Manila and Dairen; Tacoma Oriental Steamship Co.	6																	24	3,634,041
37. San Francisco to Havana; Panama Mail Steamship Co.	5	2	3	18,270	8,935,811													26	8,822,897
38. Tacoma to Valparaiso; Grace Steamship Co.	6	1	3	9,135	4,345,664													17	2,416,800
39. San Francisco to Puerto Armuellas; United Fruit Co.	6	3	4	20,909	10,637,898													52	8,469,635
40. New York to Port Limon; United Fruit Co.	5	3	4	20,932	9,687,798													52	7,100,142
41. New Orleans to Puerto Columbia; United Fruit Co.	6	2	4	14,400	7,050,000													52	4,981,467
43. New York to Hamburg; United States Lines, Inc.	3, 4, 5	2	2	48,578	21,563,806													52	17,384,023
44. New York to London; United States Lines, Inc.	5						2	3	40,000	14,500,000								52	10,926,890
45. New Orleans to Spain; Tampa Inter-Ocean Steamship Co.	6	2	5	10,000	3,900,000													32	4,413,168
46. Baltimore to Hamburg; Roosevelt Steamship Co., Inc.	4						2	3	24,000	7,000,000								52	12,425,364
47. New Orleans to West Africa; American West African Line, Inc.	6						2	5	16,494	3,900,000								8	1,130,643
48. San Francisco to Dairen; Oceanic & Oriental Navigation Co.	6	2	5	16,000	3,000,000													14-19	2,834,299
49. San Francisco to Saigon; Oceanic & Oriental Navigation Co.	6	2	5	16,000	3,000,000													17-21	3,329,124
52. New York to Yarmouth; Boston to St. John; Eastern Steamship Lines, Inc.	2	2	2	12,370	6,285,298													92	3,028,740
53. New York and other North Atlantic ports to Rotterdam and Antwerp; American Diamond Lines, Inc.	6	5	4	25,000	10,000,000		3	4	15,000	6,000,000								72-108	11,523,547
54. Mobile or other East Gulf port to North European ports; Waterman Steamship Corporation.	6									1,000,000								52-72	10,411,035
55. Seattle to Tampico; Gulf Pacific Mail Line, Ltd.	6	1	5	4,500	1,250,000		2	5	6,400	2,500,000								12-24	2,567,610
56. New Orleans to Havana; Seatrain Lines, Inc.	5	2	5	16,890	3,172,500													50-100	2,128,529
57. New Orleans or other Gulf port to North European, Mediterranean, and trans-Pacific ports; Lykes Bros.-Ripley Steamship Co., Inc.	6									120,000,000								192-211	27,320,838
Total		51		490,856	185,260,902		14		138,511	67,876,135		60		304,662	19,831,659				308,020,320

¹ Construction and/or reconstruction and/or substitution at the aggregate costs indicated is required.

TABLE 48.—*Ship construction that has been completed under merchant marine act mail contracts*

Route	Construction of vessels				Reconstruction of vessels			
	Vessels		Ap- prox- imate ton- nage	Cost	Vessels		Ap- prox- imate ton- nage	Cost
	Num- ber	Class			Num- ber	Class		
5. New York to Mediterranean and Black Sea; Export Steamship Corporation.....	4	4	37,400	\$9,200,000				
6. New York to Capetown and Beira; American South African Line, Inc.....	1	5	8,247	1,900,000				
8. New York to Valparaiso; Grace Steamship Co.....	2	3	18,775	7,829,241				
16. New York to Copenhagen, Helsinki, and Leningrad; New York to Murmansk; American Scantic Line, Inc.....					9	5	45,451	\$1,662,068
19. New York to Puerto Colombia; Colombian Steamship Co., Inc.....	2	4	10,472	4,759,959				
20. New York to Havana; New York & Cuba Mail Steamship Co.....	2	2	22,600	9,815,179				
23. Galveston to Santo Domingo; Lykes Bros. Steamship Co., Inc.....					1	5	3,537	229,564
24. San Francisco to Sydney; The Oceanic Steamship Co.....	3	2	54,051	24,601,513				
27. San Francisco to Colombo; Dollar Steamship Line.....	2	2	43,872	15,701,185				
28. Portland to Manila; States Ship Co.....					2	5	9,464	228,000
29. Portland to Dairen; States Steamship Co.....					1	5	4,732	112,000
33. Savannah to Liverpool and Bremen; South Atlantic Steamship Co. of Delaware.....					3	6	15,157	288,715
34. San Francisco to Buenos Aires; Pacific Argentine Brazil Line, Inc.....					4	6	23,000	114,000
35. New Orleans to Bahia Blanca; Mississippi Shipping Co., Inc.....					4	5	20,028	1,040,000
37. San Francisco to Habana; Panama Mail Steamship Co.....	2	3	18,270	8,935,811				
38. Tacoma to Valparaiso; Grace Steamship Co.....	1	3	9,135	4,345,664				
39. San Francisco to Puerto Armuelas; United Fruit Co.....	3	4	20,909	10,637,898				
40. New York to Port Limon; United Fruit Co.....	3	4	20,932	9,687,798				
43. New York to Hamburg; United States Lines, Inc.....	2	2	48,578	21,563,806				
46. Baltimore to Hamburg; Roosevelt Steamship Co., Inc.....					5	4	42,120	9,145,307
52. New York to Yarmouth; Boston to St. John; Eastern Steamship Lines, Inc.....	2	2	12,370	6,285,298				
53. New York and other North Atlantic ports to Rotterdam and Antwerp; American Diamond Lines, Inc.....					6	5	30,224	1,035,000
54. Mobile or other east Gulf ports to north European ports; Waterman Steamship Corporation.....					{	5 14	{	5 6
55. Seattle to Tampico; Gulf Pacific Mail Line, Ltd.....					2	5	9,615	490,000
56. New Orleans to Habana; Seatrains Lines, Inc.....	2	5	16,890	3,172,500				
Total.....	31		342,501	138,435,852	42		235,673	15,673,591

¹ These 4 vessels were refrigerated before being reconditioned as vessels of class 5 and are not included in the total number of reconstructed vessels.

TABLE 49.—*Cost of merchant marine routes under contract awarded under the Merchant Marine Act, 1928, what the cost would have been at poundage rates paid vessels of American registry, and the net cost of the contract service*

Fiscal year	Cost of merchant marine routes	Cost on weight basis at rates paid American ships	Net cost of merchant marine routes	Fiscal year	Cost of merchant marine routes	Cost on weight basis at rates paid American ships	Net cost of merchant marine routes
1929...	\$9,304,217.82	\$1,685,159.97	\$7,619,057.85	1932...	\$22,402,761.54	\$3,266,544.92	\$19,136,216.62
1930...	13,066,440.87	2,272,738.36	10,793,702.51	1933...	26,054,590.35	3,000,457.17	23,054,133.18
1931...	18,818,263.76	2,710,645.82	16,107,617.94	1934...	29,611,481.99	2,598,962.86	27,012,519.13

TABLE 50.—*Statement showing the number of international registry, insurance, c. o. d., Pan American, and Americo-Spanish ordinary parcel-post indemnity claims paid during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1934, the amount of indemnity paid, and the average amount of indemnity paid per claim*

Class of mail	Number of claims	Amount of indemnity	Average indemnity per claim
Registered.....	930	\$6,100.71	\$6.56
Insured.....	536	4,261.52	7.95
C. o. d. ¹	36	566.14	15.73
Ordinary ²	32	173.26	5.41
Total.....	1,534	11,101.63	7.23

¹ Service in operation with only 7 countries, ^aAustria, Denmark (including Faroe Islands and Greenland), Finland, Germany, ^bHungary, Mexico, and Sweden.

² Limited to exchanges with the countries signatory to the Pan American Parcel Post Conventions and the Americo-Spanish Agreement Concerning Parcel Post.

^a Service to Austria suspended on Oct. 22, 1931.

^b Service with Hungary suspended on Nov. 21, 1931.

NOTE.—In addition to the above-stated expenditures, it is estimated that obligations of approximately \$2,500 will be expended from the 1934 appropriation for claims which are as yet unadjusted.

TABLE 51.—*Air mail service to foreign countries*

SERVICE DURING FISCAL YEAR 1934

Route	Service scheduled	Service performed	Compensation	Percentage of performance
	<i>Miles</i>	<i>Miles</i>		
1. New York to Montreal (1 way).....	104,876	94,096	\$90,332.16	89.72
2. Seattle to Victoria.....	21,433	21,433	11,431.38	100.00
3. New Orleans to Pilottown.....	31,500	31,500	10,411.15	100.00
5. Miami to Cristobal (direct).....	376,210	375,689.5	751,379.00	99.86
Miami to Cristobal (via Central America).....	233,992.5	233,992.5	467,985.00	100.00
Miami to Merida.....	77,823	77,823	155,646.00	100.00
Miami to Havana.....	71,906	71,219	142,438.00	99.04
San Salvador to Cristobal.....	95,524	95,524	191,048.00	100.00
Port of Spain to Paramaribo.....	65,730	65,730	131,460.00	100.00
Barranquilla to Port of Spain.....	212,368	212,368	424,736.00	100.00
6. Miami to San Juan.....	369,496.5	369,496.5	738,993.00	100.00
San Juan to Port of Spain.....	78,208	78,208	156,416.00	100.00
7. Miami to Nassau (1 way).....	32,336	32,336	40,420.00	100.00
8. Brownsville to Mexico City.....	361,715	358,220.5	716,441.00	99.03
Mexico City to San Salvador.....	199,710	199,412.5	398,825.00	99.85
9. Cristobal to Montevideo.....	951,263.5	946,941.5	1,609,753.00	99.51
10. Paramaribo to Buenos Aires.....	503,412	503,412	906,141.60	100.00
12. Bangor to Halifax (suspended).....				
Total.....	3,787,503.5	3,767,102	6,943,856.29	99.46

TABLE 51.—Air mail service to foreign countries—Continued
SERVICE AUTHORIZED JULY 1, 1934

Route	Length of route	Trips per annum	Rate per mile	Annual rate
	<i>Miles</i>			
1. New York to Montreal (1 way).....	334	312	\$0.96	\$100,039.68
2. Seattle to Victoria.....	74	144	.53	11,295.36
5. Miami to Habana.....	229	365	2.00	334,340.00
Habana to Cristobal (direct).....	1,573.5	104½	52	657,723.00
Habana to Cristobal (via Central America).....	1,999.5	52	2.00	415,896.00
Habana to Merida (521.5 miles).....		52	2.00	108,472.00
San Salvador to Cristobal (918.5 miles).....		52	2.00	191,048.00
Port of Spain to Paramaribo.....	625	52	2.00	130,208.00
Barranquilla to Port of Spain.....	1,021	104½	2.00	426,778.00
6. Miami to San Juan.....	1,180.5	156½	2.00	738,993.00
San Juan to Port of Spain.....	752	52	2.00	156,416.00
7. Miami to Nassau (1 way).....	188	173	1.25	40,655.00
8. Brownsville to Mexico City.....	495.5	365	2.00	723,430.00
Mexico City to San Salvador.....	951	104½	2.00	397,518.00
9. Cristobal to Montevideo.....	4,551.5	{	52	852,040.80
			1.60	757,369.60
10. Paramaribo to Buenos Aires.....	4,840.5	52½	1.80	914,854.50
12. Bangor to Halifax (suspended).....				
Total.....	18,816			6,957,076.94

¹ The distance on this branch of the route is included in the distance of 1,999.5 miles (Habana to Cristobal via Central America).

TABLE 52.—Statement showing the number of carloads and less-than-carload shipments, weight, and the amount expended for freight, express or motor transportation of equipment, etc., for the year ended June 30, 1934

	Number of carload shipments	Number of less-than-carload shipments	Weight	Expenditures for freight and express	Expenditures for drayage	Total expenditures for freight, express, and drayage
Shipments by freight:						
Postal cards and stamped paper.....	159		7,378,695	\$90,862.30	\$1,000.00	\$91,862.30
Envelopes.....	2	288	209,789	1,853.85		1,853.85
Fuel and light.....	111		11,956,100	11,640.44		11,640.44
Supplies for Railway Mail Service.....	4	42	79,248	860.44	189.07	1,049.51
Supplies for motor-vehicle service.....	15	1,239	996,950	6,664.96	1,195.14	7,860.10
Supplies for star-route service.....	4	4	266,358	2,071.92		2,071.92
Supplies from Washington, D. C.....		586	1,075,194	15,893.74	1,200.00	17,093.74
Miscellaneous supplies shipped direct from contractors.....	99	1,027	5,121,655	19,838.82	2,017.97	21,856.79
Gasoline.....	8	3	720,822	132.00		132.00
Letter boxes.....		287	118,773	1,278.89		1,278.89
Package boxes.....		464	242,496	2,713.59		2,713.59
Letter-box posts.....		456	390,088	2,674.28		2,674.28
Mail bags.....	3	4	144,913	1,890.81		1,890.81
Furniture (leased quarters).....	9	1,084	1,159,686	15,086.08	2,300.00	17,386.08
Total freight (postal).....	414	5,514	29,860,772	173,462.12	7,902.18	181,364.30
Shipments by express, including ammunition.....		601	6,322	401.86		401.86
Grand total (postal).....	414	6,115	29,867,094	173,863.98	7,902.18	181,766.16
Furniture and repair to same for public buildings.....						
Operating supplies for public buildings.....	71	3,262	3,479,240	50,022.90	1,091.33	51,114.23
Vaults and safes for public buildings.....	24	281	1,493,508	3,704.98	361.49	4,066.47
		82	120,879	1,881.13	83.92	1,965.05
Grand total (custodial).....	95	3,625	5,093,627	55,609.01	1,536.74	57,145.75
Grand total (postal and custodial).....	509	9,740	34,960,721	229,472.99	9,438.92	238,911.91

GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE—POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT DIVISION

AUDITED POSTAL REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

The revenues of the Post Office Department stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934, amounted to \$586,733,165.80, and the expenditures \$630,767,000.66, leaving a postal deficit of \$44,033,834.86.

TABLE 53.—Comparison of postal revenues and expenditures, fiscal years 1933 and 1934

Fiscal year	Postal revenues		
	Post Office Department Washington, D. C.	Field service, Post Office Department	Total
1934.....	\$3,602.40	\$586,729,563.40	\$586,733,165.80
1933.....	2,893.90	587,628,470.58	587,631,364.48
Increase.....	708.50		
Decrease.....		898,907.18	898,198.68
Rate of decrease (percent).....			0.15

Fiscal year	Postal expenditures			Postal deficit
	Post Office Department, Washington, D. C.	Field service, Post Office Department	Total	
1934.....	\$3,109,420.10	\$627,657,580.56	\$630,767,000.66	\$44,033,834.86
1933.....	3,801,727.51	696,204,529.02	700,006,256.53	112,374,892.05
Decrease.....	692,307.41	68,546,948.46	69,239,255.87	68,341,057.19
Rate of decrease (percent).....			9.89	

¹ Includes \$14,464,864.88 transferred to the "Civil-service retirement and disability fund."

² Savings through the impounding of vacancies and deductions from compensation and allowances, authorized by the act of June 30, 1932, as amended and continued by the acts of Mar. 3, 1933, Mar. 20, 1933, and Mar. 28, 1934, amounting to \$34,822,835.08, would increase the deficit to \$78,856,669.94. Savings through the impounding of vacancies and deductions from compensations and allowances, during the fiscal year 1933, amounting to \$64,030,918.30 would increase the deficit for the fiscal year 1933 to \$176,405,810.35.

³ See table 58 for classification of extraordinary expenditures contributing to the postal deficit and table 67 for impounded savings in detail.

⁴ Includes \$15,645,440.96 transferred to the "Civil-service retirement and disability fund."

Expenditures by the Post Office Department of \$10,537,305.91 were made from general fund appropriations during the period October 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934 as follows:

94351 Foreign mail transportation, general fund.....	\$2,308,334.17
94355 Salaries, public buildings, Post Office Department.....	29,466.23
94356 Furniture and repairs of same, public buildings, Post Office Department.....	442,983.05
94357 General expenses of public buildings, Post Office Department.....	8,078.47
94358 Operating force, public buildings, Post Office Department.....	5,913,259.65
94359 Operating supplies for public buildings, Post Office Department.....	1,814,957.31
94360 Vaults and safes for public buildings, Post Office Department.....	20,227.03
Total.....	10,537,305.91

MONEY ORDER BUSINESS

The number of domestic money orders issued, stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934, was 198,656,378, aggregating \$1,784,531,859.80; the number of international money orders issued payable in foreign countries, 1,784,053, aggregating \$22,248,740.47; the number of domestic money orders paid, 197,394,858, aggregating \$1,783,166,202.53; and the number of international money orders paid and repaid in the United States 311,183, aggregating \$6,340,728.33.

TABLE 54.—Comparison of money orders issued, fiscal years 1933 and 1934

Fiscal year	Domestic money orders issued ¹			International money orders issued in the United States		
	Number	Value	Average per order	Number	Value	Average per order
1934.....	198,656,378	\$1,784,531,859.80	\$8.98	1,784,053	\$22,248,740.47	\$12.47
1933.....	171,470,898	1,654,961,825.79	9.65	2,092,272	27,574,766.89	13.18
Increase.....	27,176,480	129,570,034.01	-----	-----	-----	-----
Decrease.....	-----	-----	-----	308,219	5,326,026.42	-----
Rate of increase (percent).....	15.85	7.83	-----	-----	-----	-----
Rate of decrease (percent).....	-----	-----	-----	14.73	19.32	-----

¹ Includes 575,689 orders aggregating \$7,792,162.99 payable in "domestic basis" countries.

TABLE 55.—Statement showing the growth of the money order service, 1865 to 1934

Fiscal year	Number of money-order offices	Domestic money orders issued ¹		International money orders issued in the United States ²		Postal notes issued ³	
		Number	Value	Number	Value	Number	Value
1865.....	419	74,277	\$1,360,122.52	-----	-----	-----	-----
1866.....	766	243,009	3,977,250.28	-----	-----	-----	-----
1867.....	1,224	474,496	9,229,327.72	-----	-----	-----	-----
1868.....	1,468	831,937	16,197,858.47	-----	-----	-----	-----
1869.....	1,466	1,264,143	24,848,058.93	-----	-----	-----	-----
1870.....	1,694	1,671,253	34,064,184.71	-----	\$22,189.70	-----	-----
1871.....	2,076	2,151,794	42,164,118.03	-----	38,489.56	-----	-----
1872.....	2,452	2,573,349	48,515,532.72	41,812	833,006.00	-----	-----
1873.....	2,775	3,355,686	57,516,214.69	91,847	1,863,512.37	-----	-----
1874.....	3,069	4,420,633	74,424,854.71	112,614	2,265,242.32	-----	-----
1875.....	3,404	5,006,323	77,431,251.58	102,250	1,964,574.88	-----	-----
1876.....	3,401	4,998,600	77,035,972.73	109,409	2,068,698.03	-----	-----
1877.....	3,697	4,925,931	72,820,500.70	104,816	1,844,053.98	-----	-----
1878.....	4,143	5,613,117	81,442,364.87	120,788	2,047,696.86	-----	-----
1879.....	4,512	6,372,243	88,254,541.02	137,088	2,240,454.95	-----	-----
1880.....	4,829	7,240,537	100,352,818.83	221,372	3,463,862.33	-----	-----
1881.....	5,163	7,663,232	105,075,769.35	291,098	4,683,926.38	-----	-----
1882.....	5,491	8,420,869	113,400,118.21	377,443	6,536,514.48	-----	-----
1883.....	5,927	8,807,556	117,329,406.31	406,326	7,717,832.11	-----	-----
1884.....	6,310	7,835,694	122,121,261.98	478,148	7,688,776.53	3,689,237	\$7,411,092.48
1885.....	7,056	7,725,893	117,858,921.27	448,921	6,840,358.47	5,088,287	9,906,274.37
1886.....	7,357	7,940,302	113,819,521.21	493,423	7,178,786.21	5,909,428	11,718,010.05
1887.....	7,853	9,232,177	117,462,660.89	615,405	9,035,530.31	6,307,552	11,768,824.81
1888.....	8,241	9,959,207	119,649,064.98	759,636	11,293,870.05	6,668,006	12,134,459.04
1889.....	8,727	10,130,140	115,081,845.79	824,427	12,280,516.67	6,802,720	12,082,190.73
1890.....	9,382	10,624,727	114,362,757.12	859,054	13,230,135.71	6,927,825	12,160,489.20
1891.....	10,070	11,451,274	119,122,236.50	923,896	14,443,667.47	6,802,558	11,753,849.28
1892.....	12,069	12,069,442	120,066,801.07	983,476	15,120,271.55	7,050,040	11,896,765.51
1893.....	18,434	13,309,735	127,576,433.65	1,055,969	16,541,837.86	7,050,040	11,753,849.28
1894.....	19,262	14,304,041	138,793,579.49	917,823	18,792,455.31	7,765,310	12,649,094.55
1895.....	19,691	22,031,120	156,796,089.77	909,278	12,906,485.67	-----	-----
1896.....	19,825	23,062,053	172,100,649.02	985,799	13,852,615.74	-----	-----
1897.....	20,031	25,169,055	174,482,676.94	944,185	13,588,379.33	-----	-----
1898.....	22,388	27,798,078	191,354,121.63	955,334	13,239,769.27	-----	-----
1899.....	26,784	29,007,870	211,213,592.84	968,501	13,744,770.37	-----	-----
1900.....	29,649	32,060,983	238,921,009.67	1,102,067	16,749,018.31	-----	-----
1901.....	30,529	35,586,379	274,546,067.34	1,247,888	20,072,613.65	-----	-----
1902.....	31,680	40,474,327	313,551,279.88	1,311,111	22,974,473.11	-----	-----

¹ Domestic money orders first issued Nov. 1, 1864, under act of Congress approved May 17, 1864.

² International money orders first issued Sept. 1, 1869, under Postal Convention of Oct. 12, 1867.

³ Postal notes first issued Sept. 3, 1883, under act of Congress approved Mar. 3, 1883.

TABLE 55.—Statement showing the growth of the money-order service, 1865 to 1934.—Continued

Fiscal year	Number of money-order offices	Domestic money orders issued		International money orders issued in the United States		Postal notes issued	
		Number	Value	Number	Value	Number	Value
1903	34,547	46,229,354	\$357,851,458.32	1,626,476	\$31,014,125.14		
1904	35,094	50,712,168	383,452,373.80	1,888,730	37,676,265.75		
1905	36,832	53,722,463	401,016,214.78	2,163,008	42,503,246.57		
1906	37,444	58,863,123	450,359,052.00	2,634,738	57,204,607.04		
1907	37,572	62,630,408	486,478,146.65	3,179,511	77,252,907.05		
1908	43,313	65,345,395	506,170,014.62	3,230,815	81,502,011.18		
1909	50,043	69,304,395	498,511,747.14	3,175,014	69,317,899.97		
1910	51,791	77,585,321	558,178,028.35	3,832,318	89,558,299.42		
1911	51,809	81,906,206	590,034,432.52	4,060,431	97,681,211.85		
1912	52,815	85,286,380	594,901,623.90	3,708,773	86,095,401.58		
1913	54,594	91,412,698	636,814,179.46	3,850,310	90,703,205.12		
1914	55,949	104,736,717	677,908,573.58	3,896,824	91,285,920.10		
1915	55,670	105,728,032	665,249,087.81	2,399,836	37,544,520.17		
1916	56,026	122,302,149	728,177,816.63	2,345,766	51,662,120.65		
1917	56,170	133,291,973	822,679,622.83	2,708,465	32,284,182.85		
1918	55,668	122,686,471	914,575,254.99	1,589,354	25,983,063.63		
1919	54,826	132,587,919	1,120,546,968.04	1,786,800	28,831,960.05		
1920	54,395	149,091,944	1,342,267,597.43	1,250,890	23,392,267.46		
1921	54,183	144,809,855	1,313,062,591.08	876,541	16,675,752.16		
1922	54,201	154,076,407	1,211,784,679.24	883,740	14,192,840.10		
1923	54,181	173,083,817	1,388,060,680.09	1,201,312	22,488,617.41		
1924	54,105	189,442,302	1,527,062,752.24	1,818,953	34,227,835.10		
1925	54,269	197,991,505	1,549,487,416.03	2,028,574	35,730,064.85		
1926	55,589	194,375,003	1,610,504,654.28	2,357,006	43,152,899.24		
1927	54,616	195,206,657	1,667,298,074.80	2,743,525	49,253,850.74		
1928	54,803	197,336,882	1,650,479,606.61	2,793,593	51,197,584.22		
1929	54,357	200,335,971	1,681,231,330.76	2,954,507	53,314,227.84		
1930	54,161	203,306,659	1,735,496,259.78	2,943,732	51,787,597.40		
1931	55,404	190,877,413	1,578,267,402.76	2,701,030	43,519,759.97		
1932	55,081	179,385,420	1,549,112,922.57	2,411,334	36,624,956.87		
1933	56,106	171,479,988	1,654,961,825.79	2,092,272	27,574,766.89		
1934	53,803	198,656,378	1,784,531,859.80	1,784,053	22,248,740.47		

TABLE 56.—Statement showing the growth of the Postal Service, 1837 to 1934

Fiscal year	Estimated population	Number of post offices	Audited postal revenues	Revenue per capita	Audited postal expenditures	Adjusted losses and contingencies—postal funds	Audited postal surplus	Audited postal deficit ²
1837	15,655,000	11,767	\$4,101,703.33	\$0.26	\$3,288,319.03	1 \$0.28	\$813,384.58	
1838	16,112,000	12,519	4,238,733.46	.26	4,430,662.21			\$191,928.75
1839	16,584,000	12,780	4,484,656.70	.27	4,636,536.31			151,879.61
1840	17,069,453	13,468	4,543,521.92	.27	4,718,235.64			174,713.72
1841	17,591,000	13,778	4,407,726.27	.25	4,499,686.73			91,960.46
1842	18,132,000	13,733	4,546,849.65	.25	5,672,751.76	1,688.87		1,124,213.30
1843	18,694,000	13,814	4,296,225.43	.23	4,374,753.71	90.56		78,618.84
1844	19,276,000	14,103	4,237,287.89	.22	4,208,512.70	115.25		61,340.12
1845	19,878,000	14,183	4,289,841.80	.22	4,320,731.99	5,939.94		36,850.13
1846	20,500,000	14,601	3,487,199.35	.17	4,076,036.91	44,480.66		633,718.22
1847	21,143,000	15,146	3,880,309.23	.18	3,979,542.10	101,586.29		200,819.16
1848	21,805,000	16,159	4,555,211.10	.21	4,326,850.27	53,609.36	174,751.47	
1849	22,489,000	16,749	4,705,176.28	.21	4,479,049.13	1,385.41	227,512.56	
1850	23,191,876	18,417	5,499,984.86	.20	5,212,953.43	291.49	286,739.94	
1851	23,995,000	19,796	6,410,604.33	.27	6,278,401.68	308.03	131,894.62	
1852	24,802,000	20,901	5,184,526.84	.21	7,108,439.04	1,909.36		1,923,022.85
1853	25,635,000	22,320	5,240,724.70	.20	7,982,756.59	332.78		2,742,364.67
1854	26,433,000	23,548	6,255,586.22	.24	8,577,424.12	30,862.08		2,352,699.98
1855	27,256,000	24,410	6,642,136.13	.24	9,908,342.29	649.99		3,326,856.15
1856	28,083,000	25,565	6,920,821.60	.25	10,405,286.36	2,581.82		3,487,046.52
1857	28,916,000	26,586	7,353,951.76	.25	11,508,057.93	387.77		4,153,718.40
1858	29,753,000	27,977	7,486,792.86	.25	12,722,470.01	1,835.45		5,234,843.70
1859	30,596,000	28,539	7,968,484.07	.26	11,458,083.63	1,571.36		3,489,028.26
1860	31,443,321	28,498	8,518,067.40	.27	19,170,609.99	1,398		10,652,538.66
1861	32,064,000	28,586	8,349,296.40	.26	13,606,759.11	5,495.73		5,251,966.98
1862	32,704,000	28,875	8,299,820.90	.25	11,125,364.13	601.12		2,826,144.35

¹ Amount of balances due late postmasters closed to "Suspense" in excess of losses.

² See table 58 for classification of extraordinary expenditures contributing to the deficiency in the postal revenues for the fiscal year 1934.

TABLE 56.—Statement showing the growth of the Postal Service, 1837 to 1934—Continued

Fiscal year	Estimated population	Number of post offices	Audited postal revenues	Revenue per capita	Audited postal expenditures	Adjusted losses and contingencies—postal funds	Audited postal surplus	Audited postal deficit ¹
1863..	33,365,000	29,047	\$11,163,789.59	\$0.33	\$11,314,206.84	\$7,792.11		\$142,625.14
1864..	34,046,000	28,878	12,438,253.78	.37	12,644,786.20	198,282.30		404,814.72
1865..	34,748,000	20,550	14,556,158.70	.42	13,694,728.28	55,819.08	\$917,249.50	
1866..	35,469,000	23,828	14,386,986.21	.40	15,352,079.30	37,241.98		933,851.10
1867..	36,211,000	25,163	15,287,026.87	.42	19,235,483.49	86,104.87		3,072,851.62
1868..	36,973,000	26,436	16,292,940.80	.44	22,730,792.65	107,156.35		6,545,348.20
1869..	37,736,000	27,106	17,314,175.72	.46	23,698,131.50	20,218.58		6,363,737.20
1870..	38,558,317	28,492	18,879,536.73	.49	23,998,837.63	21,446.79		5,097,854.11
1871..	39,550,000	30,045	20,037,045.42	.51	24,390,104.08	5,693.55		5,698,752.21
1872..	40,596,000	31,863	21,915,426.37	.54	26,658,192.31	6,328.17		4,749,094.11
1873..	41,677,000	33,244	22,996,741.57	.55	29,084,945.67	40,688.74		6,128,892.84
1874..	42,796,000	34,294	26,471,071.82	.62	32,126,414.58	102,565.31		5,757,908.07
1875..	43,951,000	35,547	26,791,313.54	.61	33,611,309.45	324.93		6,820,320.84
1876..	45,187,000	36,383	28,644,197.50	.63	33,263,487.58	27,992.96		4,647,253.04
1877..	46,353,000	37,345	27,531,585.26	.59	33,486,322.44	172,618.84		6,127,356.02
1878..	47,598,000	38,253	29,277,516.95	.62	34,165,084.49	17,461.74		4,905,029.28
1879..	48,866,000	40,558	30,041,982.86	.62	33,449,899.45	8,016.41		3,415,933.00
1880..	50,155,783	42,989	33,315,479.34	.66	36,542,803.68	1,370.86		3,221,953.48
1881..	51,316,000	44,512	36,785,397.97	.72	39,592,566.22	14,790.86		2,821,959.11
1882..	52,495,000	46,231	41,876,410.15	.80	40,482,021.23	140,465.35	1,253,923.57	
1883..	53,693,000	46,820	45,508,692.61	.85	43,282,944.43	44,395.61	2,181,352.57	
1884..	54,911,000	48,434	43,325,958.81	.79	47,224,560.27	8,455.83		3,907,057.29
1885..	56,148,000	51,252	42,560,843.83	.76	50,046,235.21	1,391.16		7,481,410.22
1886..	57,404,000	53,614	43,948,422.95	.77	51,004,743.80	12,174.25		7,068,495.10
1887..	58,680,000	55,157	48,837,009.39	.83	53,006,194.39	23,566.80		4,145,018.20
1888..	59,974,000	57,376	52,695,176.79	.88	56,488,315.20	672.38		3,772,466.03
1889..	61,288,000	58,999	56,175,611.18	.92	62,317,119.36	27,596.26		6,169,104.44
1890..	62,622,250	62,401	60,882,097.92	.97	66,259,547.84	23,314.52		5,500,764.44
1891..	63,947,000	64,329	65,931,785.72	1.03	73,059,519.49	22,876.36		7,150,610.13
1892..	65,191,000	67,119	70,930,475.98	1.09	76,980,846.16	60,605.79		6,110,975.97
1893..	66,456,000	68,403	75,896,933.16	1.14	81,581,681.33	32,040.58		5,716,788.75
1894..	67,740,000	69,805	75,080,479.04	1.11	84,994,111.62	63,882.74		9,977,615.32
1895..	69,043,000	70,064	76,983,128.19	1.12	87,179,551.28	34,019.04		10,280,442.13
1896..	70,365,000	70,390	82,499,208.40	1.17	90,932,669.50	10,740.21		11,431,579.41
1897..	71,704,000	71,022	82,665,462.73	1.15	94,077,242.38	19,799.76		9,054,551.75
1898..	73,060,000	73,570	89,012,618.55	1.22	98,033,523.61	33,646.69		6,630,135.60
1899..	74,433,000	75,000	95,021,384.17	1.28	101,632,160.92	19,358.85		5,410,358.10
1900..	76,126,000	76,688	102,354,579.29	1.34	107,740,267.99	24,669.40		3,981,520.71
1901..	77,708,000	76,945	111,631,193.39	1.43	115,554,920.87	57,793.23		2,962,169.91
1902..	79,298,000	75,924	121,848,047.26	1.53	124,785,697.07	23,520.10		4,886,977.16
1903..	80,897,000	74,169	134,224,443.24	1.66	138,784,487.97	26,932.43		8,812,769.17
1904..	82,503,000	71,131	143,582,624.34	1.74	152,362,116.70	33,276.81		14,594,387.12
1905..	84,118,000	68,131	152,826,585.10	1.81	167,399,169.23	21,802.99		10,542,941.76
1906..	85,742,000	65,600	167,932,782.95	1.96	178,449,778.89	25,945.82		6,692,031.47
1907..	87,373,000	62,638	183,385,005.57	2.11	190,238,228.34	38,748.70		16,910,278.99
1908..	89,013,000	60,704	191,478,663.41	2.15	208,351,886.15	37,056.25		17,479,770.47
1909..	90,662,000	60,144	203,562,383.07	2.24	221,004,102.89	38,050.65		5,881,481.95
1910..	92,318,000	59,580	224,128,657.62	2.43	229,977,224.50	32,915.07		1,785,523.10
1911..	93,983,000	59,237	237,879,823.60	2.53	237,648,926.68	11,778.80	219,118.12	
1912..	95,656,000	58,729	246,744,015.88	2.58	248,525,450.08	4,088.90		4,510,650.91
1913..	97,337,000	58,020	266,619,525.65	2.74	262,067,541.33	41,333.41	4,510,650.91	4,376,463.05
1914..	98,886,000	56,810	287,934,565.67	2.91	283,543,769.16	14,333.46		11,333,308.97
1915..	100,693,000	56,380	287,248,165.27	2.85	298,546,026.42	35,447.82		
1916..	102,276,000	55,935	312,057,688.83	3.05	306,204,033.14	24,619.62	5,829,236.07	
1917..	103,729,000	55,414	329,726,116.36	3.18	319,838,718.40	51,186.06	9,836,211.90	
1918..	105,021,000	54,347	388,975,962.24	3.70	324,833,728.47	15,459.69	64,126,774.08	
1919..	106,136,000	53,084	436,239,126.20	4.11	362,497,635.69	6,638.55	73,734,851.96	
1920..	106,414,000	52,641	437,150,212.33	4.10	454,322,609.21	98,085.84		17,270,482.72
1921..	108,087,000	52,168	463,491,274.70	4.28	620,993,673.65	15,289.16		157,517,688.11
1922..	109,743,000	51,950	484,853,540.71	4.41	645,644,208.54	24,732.53		60,815,400.36
1923..	111,268,000	51,613	532,827,925.09	4.78	656,850,966.41	42,162.49		24,065,203.81
1924..	112,686,000	51,296	572,948,778.41	5.08	687,376,915.89	35,838.76		14,463,976.24
1925..	113,494,000	50,957	599,591,477.59	5.28	630,281,647.99	54,856.89		39,745,027.29
1926..	117,136,000	50,601	659,819,801.08	5.63	679,704,033.25	88,127.25		19,972,379.42
1927..	118,628,000	50,266	683,121,988.66	5.76	714,577,491.79	50,697.41		31,506,200.54
1928..	120,013,000	49,944	693,633,921.45	5.78	725,699,765.90	55,251.35		32,121,095.80
1929..	121,713,000	49,482	696,947,577.69	5.73	782,343,648.31	65,105.62		85,461,176.24
1930..	122,698,000	49,063	705,484,098.15	5.75	803,667,219.39	32,866.19		98,215,987.43
1931..	124,070,000	48,733	656,463,383.29	5.29	802,484,840.44	44,732.51		146,066,189.66
1932..	124,822,000	48,159	588,171,922.94	4.71	793,684,323.24	38,210.79		205,550,611.09
1933..	125,663,000	47,641	587,631,364.48	4.67	899,887,186.36	119,070.17	(²)	112,374,892.05
1934..	126,425,000	46,506	586,733,165.80	4.64	630,732,933.82	34,066.84		44,033,834.86

¹ Amount of balances due last postmasters to "Suspense" in excess of losses.² See table 58 for classification of extraordinary expenditures contributing to the deficiency in the postal revenues for the fiscal year 1934.

TABLE 57.—*Financial condition of the Post Office Department as shown by the audit of accounts to June 30, 1934*

POSTAL SERVICE	
ASSETS	
Funds deposited in United States Treasury depositories.....	\$9,701,880.40
Balance due from money-order service on account of revenue from money-order business.....	9,272,069.86
Balance due from money-order service on unpaid money orders more than 1 year old.....	365,525.24
Balance due from the Postal Savings System.....	2,526,900.68
Funds in the custody of fiscal agents of the Post Office Department:	
Postmasters.....	21,213,903.40
Superintendent, Division of Finance.....	97,086.50
Disbursing clerk.....	147,691.51
Deposits for meters installed in post offices.....	159.25
Unavailable funds, act of Congress, approved Mar. 4, 1911:	
Assistant Treasurer of the United States, New Orleans, La., 1861.....	\$31,164.44
Depositories of the United States:	
Savannah, Ga., 1861.....	205.76
Galveston, Tex., 1861.....	83.36
Little Rock, Ark., 1861.....	5,823.50
	37,277.06
Adjustment items.....	147.59
Total.....	43,362,641.49
LIABILITIES	
Post Office Department warrants outstanding.....	\$2,377,487.46
Post Office Department warrants outstanding more than 3 years, transferred to account of "Outstanding liabilities".....	424,292.76
	\$2,801,780.22
Postmaster General's drafts outstanding.....	20,563.63
Outstanding liabilities, Postal Service checks.....	44,577.84
Balance due the United States Treasury for commissions, telephone calls, leased buildings.....	8,033.08
Balances due postmasters.....	443,845.52
Balance due the United States Treasury: General fund transfers.....	1,644,387.52
Balance due the United States Treasury on account of grants.....	31,900,471.60
Balance due the money-order service on account of transfer of funds.....	3,902,419.69
Collections—Suspense:	
Inspectors.....	88,187.99
Departmental.....	8,898.51
Meter deposits—Suspense.....	159.25
Balances July 1, 1908 (excess of assets over liabilities).....	1,066,352.98
Adjustment items.....	170.21
Special deposits—Control.....	1,180.00
Balances transferred from the Postal Savings System.....	1,431,613.45
Total.....	43,362,641.49

MONEY-ORDER SERVICE

ASSETS	
Funds deposited in United States Treasury depositories.....	\$22,525,229.00
Funds in custody of postmasters.....	16,817,096.52
Balance due from the Postal Service on account of transfers of funds.....	3,902,419.69
Balances due from foreign countries.....	562,498.79
Adjustment items.....	9,592.99
Total.....	43,816,836.99
LIABILITIES	
Drafts on Treasurer, United States, outstanding.....	\$10,238,083.44
Balances due foreign countries.....	2,734,637.36
Balances due the Postal Service on account of revenue from money-order business.....	9,272,069.86
Balances due the Postal Service on unpaid money orders more than 1 year old.....	365,525.24
Balances due from foreign countries.....	36,854.51
Domestic money orders outstanding.....	18,718,865.77
International money orders certified to the United States and not paid prior to July 1, 1934.....	883,083.42
International money orders issued in the United States and not certified prior to July 1, 1934.....	401,331.87
Amount due foreign countries on account of international money orders to be repaid.....	144,838.16
Postmaster General's checks on Treasurer, United States, outstanding.....	194,734.88
Balances, July 1, 1908 (excess of assets over liabilities).....	1,325,656.09
Adjustment items.....	1,201.39
Total.....	43,816,836.99

TABLE 58.—*The Post Office Department general account with the United States Treasury stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

Balance due the United States Treasury July 1, 1933.....	\$23,931,015.78
Grants from the United States Treasury:	
Deficiency in the postal revenues:	
Service of the fiscal year, 1934.....	\$52,000,000.00
Service of the fiscal year, 1926.....	296.25
(Certified claims).....	2,999.37
Total grants.....	52,003,295.62

TABLE 58.—*The Post Office Department general account with the United States Treasury stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934—Continued*

Statement of the postal deficiency, fiscal year, 1934:		
Audited revenues.....		\$586,733,165.80
Expenditures exclusive of adjusted losses and contingencies.....	\$630,732,833.82	
Adjusted losses and contingencies.....	34,066.84	
Total audited expenditures.....	630,767,000.66	
Vacancies and deductions from postal compensations and allowances impounded.....		
Fiscal year, 1933.....	\$51,811.01	
Fiscal year, 1934.....	34,666,539.57	
Deductions from commissions allowed postmasters for issuing money orders.....	104,484.50	
Total deductions.....	34,822,835.08	
Total normal expenditures.....		\$665,589,835.74
Total normal deficit.....		78,856,669.94
Less total deductions above.....		34,822,835.08
Net postal deficit.....		44,033,834.86
Due to operations as below:		
(a) Penalty matter for branches of the Government other than the Post Office Department.....	\$23,094,882.00	
(b) Franked matter for—		
1. Members of Congress.....	\$775,785.00	
2. Others than Members of Congress.....	215.00	
		776,000.00
(c) Publications going free in the county.....		545,227.00
(d) Free mail for the blind.....		103,552.00
(e) Differentials in second-class postage favoring religious, educational, scientific, philanthropic, agricultural, labor and fraternal organizations.....		418,100.00
(f) Excess cost of airplane service over the postage revenues derived from air mail.....		12,992,910.83
(g) Differentials favoring vessels of American registry.....	28,602,458.00	
(h) Ordinary operations..... (Surplus)	\$2,589,894.97	
Repayments, grants from United States Treasury fiscal year, 1930.....		4.94
Balance due the United States Treasury June 30, 1934.....		31,900,471.60
Total.....		75,934,311.40
		75,934,311.40

TABLE 59.—*The Post Office Department general account with the United States Treasury depositaries stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

POSTAL SERVICE		
Balance on deposit July 1, 1933.....	\$4,537,125.42	
Deposit of funds.....	699,182,489.38	
Post Office Department warrants and counter warrants.....	450,777,358.55	\$450,777,358.55
Transferred to the money order service by Postmaster General's orders.....		498,000,000.00
Post Office Department warrants paid.....		1,196,017,734.40
Balance on deposit June 30, 1934.....		9,701,880.40
Total.....	1,154,496,973.35	1,154,496,973.35

TABLE 60.—*The Post Office Department account with the Superintendent Division of Finance, stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

Balance due the United States July 1, 1933.....	\$77,871.76	
Receipts.....	14,887,423.57	
Disbursements.....		\$14,868,208.83
Balance due the United States June 30, 1934.....		97,086.50
Total.....	14,965,295.33	14,965,295.33

TABLE 61.—*The general Post Office Department warrant account stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

Outstanding July 1, 1933.....		\$3,071,812.93
Issued.....		195,324,905.17
Post Office Department warrants and counter warrants.....	\$450,777,358.55	450,777,358.55
Paid.....	196,017,116.89	
Canceled.....	2,113.75	
Outstanding more than 3 years transferred to account of outstanding liabilities.....		2,377,487.46
Outstanding June 30, 1934.....		649,174,076.65
Total.....	649,174,076.65	649,174,076.65

¹ Includes warrants transferred to outstanding liabilities amounting to \$617.51.

TABLE 62.—Audited revenues of the Post Office Department stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934

Source	Quarter ended—				Total for year
	Sept. 30, 1933	Dec. 31, 1933	Mar. 31, 1934	June 30, 1934	
Post Office Department, Washington, D. C.:					
Miscellaneous receipts (P. R. map sales).....	\$590.30	\$821.80	\$1,155.65	\$1,034.65	\$3,602.40
Field Service, Post Office Department:					
Sales of postage stamps and other stamped paper.....	102,856,713.04	125,020,224.02	112,154,768.75	109,741,618.05	449,773,323.86
Second-class postage paid in money.....	4,250,019.43	4,748,592.38	5,031,492.66	5,326,529.31	19,356,633.78
First, second, third, and fourth-class postage paid in money under permit.....	17,806,824.80	20,743,667.62	21,996,082.51	21,663,321.48	82,209,896.41
Box rents.....	1,619,653.90	1,620,606.01	1,631,063.87	1,644,087.33	6,515,411.11
Miscellaneous receipts.....	88,681.05	82,005.27	106,712.25	111,584.43	389,583.00
Foreign mail transit service.....	266,217.70	258,948.43	521,551.26	407,155.45	1,453,872.84
Fines and penalties.....	4,271.33	8,745.16	13,015.30	4,326.64	30,358.43
Dead letters.....	11,766.03	22,454.47	1,006.95	307.68	35,535.13
Second-class application fees, act of July 7, 1932.....	14,400.00	15,530.00	17,990.00	16,450.00	64,370.00
Nonmetered application fees, act of July 7, 1932.....	17,420.00	21,260.00	26,860.00	22,270.00	87,810.00
Revenue from money-order business.....	3,996,811.00	4,871,784.79	4,720,478.37	4,551,591.49	18,140,665.65
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old.....		203,953.30		365,525.24	569,478.54
Interest and profits, Postal Savings System.....	1,893,209.68	1,796,224.00	1,886,290.29	2,526,900.68	8,102,624.65
Total.....	132,826,578.26	159,415,417.25	148,108,467.86	146,382,702.43	586,733,165.80

TABLE 63.—Comparison of audited revenues of the Post Office Department fiscal years 1933 and 1934

Source	Fiscal year		Increase	Decrease
	1934	1933		
Post Office Department, Washington, D. C.:				
Miscellaneous receipts (P. R. map sales).....	\$3,602.40	\$2,893.90	\$708.50	
Field Service, Post Office Department:				
Sales of postage stamps and other stamped paper.....	449,773,323.86	456,406,991.63		\$6,633,667.77
Second-class postage paid in money.....	19,356,633.78	18,153,818.98	1,202,814.80	
First, second, third, and fourth-class postage paid in money under permit.....	82,209,896.41	81,485,365.58	724,530.83	
Box rents.....	6,515,411.11	6,859,996.63		344,585.52
Miscellaneous receipts.....	389,583.00	327,084.32	62,498.68	
Foreign mail transit service.....	1,453,872.84	810,935.24	642,937.60	
Fines and penalties.....	30,358.43	39,219.88		8,861.45
Dead letters.....	35,535.13	89,388.60		53,853.47
Second-class application fees, act of July 7, 1932.....	64,370.00	57,590.00	6,780.00	
Nonmetered application fees, act of July 7, 1932.....	87,810.00	92,100.00		4,290.00
Revenue from money-order business.....	18,140,665.65	15,835,124.57	2,305,541.08	
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old.....	569,478.54	730,628.35		211,149.81
Interest and profits, Postal Savings System.....	8,102,624.65	6,690,226.80	1,412,397.85	
Total.....	586,733,165.80	687,631,364.48	6,358,209.34	7,256,408.02
Net decrease.....				898,198.68

TABLE 64.—Losses and contingencies—Postal funds adjusted from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934

Losses:		
Burglary, fire and other unavoidable casualties.....		\$36,707.51
Compromise debts, late postmasters' accounts.....		136.77
Uncollectible balances late postmasters' accounts.....		860.39
		37,704.67
Contingencies:		
Balances, late postmasters' accounts, closed to "Suspense".....		3,637.83
Net.....		34,066.84

FIELD SERVICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Postmaster General

Electric power, light, etc.....	2,391.25	670.41			3,061.66	3,785.01		723.35
Freight, express, or motor transportation of equipment, etc.....	120,759.51	47,927.96	\$72.33	26.23	169,486.03	405,636.93		236,150.90
Personal or property damage claims.....	2,043.49	3,746.55	1,063.85		6,853.89	12,736.62		5,882.73
Post office inspectors, salaries.....	1,665,128.17	1,271.58			1,664,856.59	1,801,053.57		136,196.98
Post office inspectors, traveling expenses:								
Traveling expenses.....	407,808.94	35,181.15	8.50		442,998.59	399,060.74	43,937.85	
Chemical investigations, Department of Agriculture.....	4,958.25	1,264.16			6,222.41	23,603.92		17,381.51
Post office inspectors, miscellaneous expenses, Division headquarters.....	10,235.95	1,770.35			12,006.30	12,958.84		952.54
Post office inspectors, clerks, Division headquarters.....	268,093.24	90.19			268,183.43	284,475.04		16,291.61
Payment of rewards:								
Rewards.....	18,969.00	26,181.19	560.00		45,710.19	50,024.50		4,314.31
Information.....	9,027.58	1,232.38			7,795.20	2,773.79	5,021.41	
Travel expenses, etc., Postmaster General.....	21.25	18.75			40.00	87.75		47.75

Office of the First Assistant Postmaster General

Compensation to postmasters.....	39,542,055.01	90,729.90	1,079.68	2,311.45	39,621,016.68	44,349,519.03		4,728,502.35
Compensation to assistant postmasters.....	5,437,754.32	1,118.99	107.86	96.50	5,437,839.69	6,320,066.20		882,226.51
Clerks, first- and second-class post offices.....	138,247,793.30	1,204,243.01	3,286.00	2,533.59	138,253,370.48	152,653,549.70		14,420,179.28
Clerks, contract stations.....	1,520,388.68	1,214.77	1.95		1,521,605.40	1,747,420.66		225,815.26
Separating mails.....	378,066.66	2,529.74	299.50	120.00	380,955.90	403,071.22		22,115.32
Unusual conditions at post offices.....	34,684.16	3,047.41	17.69		37,723.88	34,035.58	3,688.30	
Clerks, third-class post offices.....	5,954,618.87	56,200.08	105.66		6,010,924.61	7,697,246.03		1,686,321.42
Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices.....	1,654,558.35	29,796.41	476.99	564.68	1,685,396.43	1,907,573.90		222,177.47
Village delivery service.....	1,312,227.97	6,507.49	1,464.09	300.37	1,318,571.74	1,425,790.33		107,218.59
Detroit River postal service.....	15,995.00				15,995.00	15,995.00		
Car fare and bicycle allowance.....	1,100,190.95	3,460.58			1,103,651.53	1,187,859.51		84,207.98
City delivery carriers.....	96,919,353.06	25,432.26	987.30	1,348.54	96,947,121.16	107,409,605.05		10,462,483.89
Special delivery fees.....	5,478,211.01	1,424.14	1,135.30	17.20	5,477,668.77	5,320,501.71	157,167.06	
Rural delivery service.....	81,659,370.71	14,107.13	446.09	42.24	81,673,966.17	93,802,396.45		12,128,430.28
Travel expenses, etc., First Assistant Postmaster General.....	183.90				183.90	538.95		355.05

¹ Repayments in excess of audited expenditures.

TABLE 65.—Audited expenditures—service of the Post Office Department—Continued

Appropriation title	Stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934, service of the fiscal year				Comparison, fiscal years 1933 and 1934			
	1934	1933	1932	Certified claims	Total expenditures audited during the fiscal year 1934	Total expenditures audited during the fiscal year 1933	Increase	Decrease
FIELD SERVICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT—Continued								
<i>Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General</i>								
Star-route service:								
Star-route service.....	\$11,783,053.65	\$1,204,764.58	\$226.81	\$44.76	\$12,988,089.80	\$14,163,220.40	-----	\$1,175,130.60
Government-operated service.....	87,591.64	1,095.95	22.50	-----	88,710.09	96,104.08	-----	7,393.99
Star-route service—Alaska.....	111,524.50	14,752.15	792.00	-----	125,484.65	134,950.43	-----	9,465.78
Power-boat service.....	1,026,686.38	162,039.95	655.00	-----	1,189,381.33	1,305,059.39	-----	115,678.06
Railroad transportation and mail-messenger service:								
Railroad service.....	81,955,132.81	10,509,703.99	2,220.29	10,262.97	92,477,320.06	95,358,969.26	-----	2,881,649.20
Mail messenger service.....	7,420,461.72	65,323.84	1,321.39	-----	7,487,106.95	9,560,607.10	-----	2,073,500.15
Space basis act, District of Columbia.....	19,431.14	7.25	-----	-----	19,438.39	43,273.75	-----	23,835.36
Cost ascertainment, District of Columbia.....	21,404.45	17.21	32.58	-----	21,454.24	33,060.54	-----	11,606.30
Contract Air Mail Service:								
Air Mail Service.....	10,687,712.33	1,689,524.19	-----	-----	12,377,236.52	18,815,742.24	-----	6,438,505.72
Assistant superintendents and clerks.....	13,791.93	19.23	-----	-----	13,811.16	13,795.81	\$15.35	-----
Personal services, District of Columbia.....	30,669.65	16.81	-----	-----	30,686.46	32,278.52	-----	1,592.06
Railway Mail Service—salaries.....	44,199,913.18	118,784.86	46.92	19.38	44,318,764.34	48,560,253.26	-----	4,241,488.92
Railway postal clerks—travel allowances.....	2,252,643.93	14,108.25	11.25	-----	2,266,740.93	2,415,329.50	-----	148,588.57
Railway Mail Service:								
Traveling expenses.....	41,987.96	3,355.08	-----	-----	45,343.04	48,530.07	-----	3,187.03
Miscellaneous expenses.....	733,298.16	86,775.31	-----	-----	820,073.47	1,072,585.71	-----	252,512.24
Electric-and cable-car service.....	349,771.76	41,976.04	2,855.26	-----	394,603.06	454,704.35	-----	60,101.29
Foreign mail transportation:								
Steamship service.....	25,506,758.89	3,307,872.63	86.76	-----	28,814,718.28	27,470,833.48	1,343,884.80	-----
Aircraft service.....	6,310,860.81	712,890.03	-----	-----	7,023,750.84	6,837,569.50	186,181.34	-----
Sea-post service (includes assistant director, Division of International Postal Service).....	134,203.93	1,098.64	-----	-----	135,302.57	145,066.70	-----	9,794.13
Delegates to Pan American Postal Congress, Madrid.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	3,718.90	3,718.90	-----
Balances due foreign countries.....	363,680.14	556,003.35	72,892.04	-----	992,575.53	1,196,414.56	-----	203,839.03
Indemnities, international mail.....	5,424.47	4,079.71	1,619.65	459.08	11,582.91	10,529.02	1,053.89	-----
Travel expenses, etc., Second Assistant Postmaster General.....	85.20	93.45	-----	-----	178.65	387.40	-----	208.75

<i>Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General</i>										
Manufacture of postage stamps and stamped paper:										
Manufacture of postage stamps	789,280.97	21,132.05				810,413.02	1,003,569.59			193,156.57
Manufacture of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers	1,468,642.65	250,320.46			1,718,963.11	2,371,071.00				652,107.89
Manufacture of postal cards	439,392.00	32,803.50			472,195.50	641,241.00				189,046.10
Distribution of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers	18,772.29				18,772.29	21,232.89				2,520.60
Indemnities, domestic mail	388,609.48	103,888.65	2,404.87	1,751.03	496,654.03	564,957.90				68,303.87
Travel expenses, etc., Third Assistant Postmaster General	998.77	16.90			1,015.67	686.45		329.22		
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old	252,471.76				252,471.76	201,101.37		51,370.39		
<i>Office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General</i>										
Stationery	423,095.18	22,563.13			445,658.31	546,943.63				101,285.32
Post-office equipment and supplies:										
Equipment and supplies	376,446.86	95,711.86	452.71	2.50	472,613.93	1,050,640.91				578,026.98
Technical works						68.10				68.10
Twine and tying devices	46,287.94	32,208.95			78,496.89	254,646.48				176,149.59
Shipment of supplies:										
Shipment of supplies	4,668.75	604.82			5,273.57	6,348.14				1,074.57
Personal services, District of Columbia	37,149.73				37,149.73	38,793.36				1,643.63
Labor-saving devices	240,261.35	95,443.62	7,157.67	48.51	342,911.15	469,285.34				126,374.19
Mail bags and equipment:										
Mail bags, etc.	151,087.33	16,445.47			167,532.80	275,388.82				107,856.02
Personal services, District of Columbia	463,892.78	1285.14			463,607.64	542,744.87				79,137.23
Rent, light, and fuel	14,925,446.66	214,111.88	14,818.75	2,829.35	15,157,206.64	16,083,211.97				1,526,005.33
Pneumatic tube service	515,938.46				515,938.46	615,931.73		6.73		
Pneumatic tube service, Boston	24,000.00				24,000.00					24,000.00
Vehicle service	12,308,279.21	91,806.82	5,901.57	127.62	12,406,115.22	15,834,272.22				3,428,157.00
Travel expenses, etc., Fourth Assistant Postmaster General	956.01	9.09			965.10	2,320.22				1,355.12
Adjusted losses and contingencies, postal funds	34,066.84				34,066.84	119,070.17				85,003.33
Total, field service	607,730,662.23	19,798,670.94	195,341.39	22,906.00	627,657,580.56	696,204,529.02	1,796,375.24			70,343,323.70
Net decrease, field service										68,546,948.46
Grand total	610,696,406.43	19,942,332.17	105,341.39	22,920.67	630,767,000.66	700,006,256.53	1,798,678.04			71,037,933.91
Grand total, net decrease										69,239,255.87

¹ Repayments in excess of audited expenditures.

TABLE 66—General appropriation and expenditure account, Post Office Department, stated to June 30, 1934

SERVICE OF THE FISCAL YEAR 1934	
(Detailed accounts, Table 67)	
Current annual appropriations:	
Postal Act approved Mar. 3, 1933.....	\$713, 033, 378. 00
Deficiency Appropriation Act, Feb. 1934, approved June 19, 1934.....	20, 235. 32
Permanent appropriations:	
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old.....	14, 119, 214. 98
Total.....	\$727, 172, 828. 30
Amount impounded under sec. 110, Economy Act of June 30, 1932, continued by acts Mar. 3 and Mar. 20, 1933.....	\$23, 030, 376. 29
Amount impounded under sec. 203, Economy Act of June 30, 1932, continued by acts of Mar. 3 and Mar. 20, 1933.....	11, 636, 163. 28
Audited expenditures from July 1 to June 30, 1934.....	610, 662, 339. 59
Balance unexpended, June 30, 1934.....	81, 843, 949. 14
Total.....	727, 172, 828. 30
SERVICE OF THE FISCAL YEAR 1933	
(Detailed accounts, Table 68)	
Current annual appropriations:	
Postal Act, approved July 5, 1932.....	\$805, 939, 675. 00
Second deficiency act 1932, approved July 1, 1932.....	16, 725. 68
First deficiency act 1933, approved Jan. 30, 1933.....	13, 532. 37
Second deficiency act 1933, approved Mar. 4, 1933.....	5, 196. 31
Fourth deficiency act 1933, approved June 16, 1933.....	3, 930. 47
Deficiency appropriation act 1934, approved June 19, 1934.....	4, 900. 00
Permanent appropriations:	
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old.....	13, 750, 837. 81
Total.....	\$19, 734, 797. 64
Amount impounded under sec. 110, Economy Act of June 30, 1932.....	\$134, 538, 820. 12
Amount impounded under sec. 203, Economy Act of June 30, 1932.....	9, 645, 208. 40
Authorized transfers to:	19, 734, 394. 50
Personal or property damage claims, 1932.....	5, 749. 49
Personal or property damage claims, 1931.....	987. 65
Personal or property damage claims, 1930.....	41. 50
Personal or property damage claims, 1926.....	296. 25
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old (1934).....	13, 549, 736. 44
Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, telegraphing, 1932.....	514. 53
Audited expenditures:	
From July 1, 1932, to June 30, 1933.....	676, 328, 923. 60
From July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934.....	19, 942, 332. 17
Balance unexpended, June 30, 1934.....	45, 987, 792. 99
Total.....	919, 734, 797. 64
SERVICE OF THE FISCAL YEAR 1932	
(Detailed accounts, Table 69)	
Current annual appropriations:	
Postal Act, approved Feb. 23, 1931.....	\$841, 283, 777. 00
First deficiency act 1932, approved Feb. 2, 1932.....	1, 628, 352. 86
First deficiency act 1933, approved Jan. 30, 1933.....	26, 500. 00
Permanent appropriations:	
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old.....	13, 109, 900. 15
Authorized transfers from:	
Personal or property damage claims, 1933.....	5, 749. 49
Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, telegraphing, 1933.....	514. 53
Total.....	\$856, 054, 794. 03
Authorized transfers to:	
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old.....	\$12, 970, 209. 46
Personal or property damage claims, 1931.....	9, 000. 38
Personal or property damage claims, 1930.....	243. 85
Audited expenditures:	
From July 1, 1931, to June 30, 1932.....	771, 461, 818. 62
From July 1, 1932, to June 30, 1933.....	23, 085, 793. 45
From July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934.....	105, 341. 39
Balance unexpended, June 30, 1934.....	48, 422, 386. 88
Total.....	856, 054, 794. 03

TABLE 66.—General appropriation and expenditure account, Post Office Department stated to June 30, 1934—Continued

SERVICE OF THE FISCAL YEAR 1931		
Balance unexpended, July 1, 1933.....		\$41,899,688.10
Appropriations lapsed by law, July 1, 1933.....	\$41,887,307.31	
Balance unexpended, June 30, 1934.....	12,380.79	
Total		41,899,688.10
DEFICIENCY IN THE POSTAL REVENUES (CERTIFIED CLAIMS)		
Balance unexpended, July 1, 1933.....	\$57,550.95	
Deficiency appropriation act 1934, approved June 19, 1934.....	24,181.07	
Total		81,732.02
Audited expenditures: From July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934.....	\$22,920.67	
Balance unexpended, June 30, 1934.....	58,811.35	
Total		81,732.02

¹ Includes reduction of \$200,000 by allotment under sec. 302, Economy Act of June 30, 1932, from the appropriation "Printing and Binding, Post Office Department, 1933."

TABLE 67.—Appropriation and expenditure accounts—Post Office Department, service of the fiscal year 1934

Appropriation	Amount appropriated, including special acts and deficiencies	Amount im- pounded, sec. 110, Economy Act of June 30, 1932, continued by acts of Mar. 3, 1933, and Mar. 20, 1933	Amount im- pounded, sec. 203, Economy Act of June 30, 1932, continued by acts of Mar. 3, 1933, and Mar. 20, 1933	Audited expenditures stated to June 30, 1934	Payments by warrants from July 1 to Sept. 30, 1934	Balance un- expended
POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.						
Salaries:						
Office of the Postmaster General (94100).....	\$214,463.00	\$9,522.00	\$7,787.00	\$192,949.38		\$4,204.62
Post Office Department buildings (94101).....	176,360.00	9,714.00	19,854.00	143,527.66		3,264.34
Office of the First Assistant Postmaster General (94102).....	471,000.00	21,935.00	17,140.00	416,679.52		15,185.48
Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General (94103).....	394,275.00	18,549.00	22,811.00	347,751.37		5,163.63
Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General (94104):						
Regular employees.....	702,492.00	32,711.00	47,016.63	622,764.37		
Temporary employees.....	23,040.00	741.00		¹ 13,273.40		9,025.60
Office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General (94105).....	328,638.00	15,496.00	18,348.00	290,976.94		3,817.06
Office of the Solicitor for the Post Office Department (94106).....	² 75,625.00	3,799.00	1,906.00	69,691.16		228.84
Office of the Chief Inspector (94107).....	188,045.00	8,424.00	17,762.00	158,533.59		3,325.41
Office of the Purchasing Agent (94108).....	35,411.00	1,650.00	2,858.00	30,610.41		292.59
Bureau of Accounts (94109):						
Regular employees.....	42,083.00	1,967.00	2,996.40	37,119.60		
Temporary employees.....	45,000.00	1,996.00		³ 37,516.54		5,487.46
Contingent expenses, Post Office Department:						
Stationery (94110).....	15,000.00			13,448.73		1,551.27
Fuel, repairs, etc. (94111).....	⁴ 38,500.00			32,441.77		6,058.23
Telegraphing (94112).....	⁵ 6,900.00			3,348.42		3,551.58
Miscellaneous items (94113):						
Miscellaneous items.....				14,786.86		
Street-car fare.....				⁶ 540.00		
Telephone service.....				⁸ 11,760.57		
Law books, etc.....	75,025.00			⁷ 5,556.92		20,360.28
Expenses, conventions.....				⁹ 230.20		
Traveling expenses, purchasing agent, et al.....				¹¹ 770.17		
Furniture and filing cabinets (94114).....	75,750.00			1,243.95		4,506.05
Printing and binding, Post Office Department (94115).....	⁷ 941,725.00			524,202.67	\$4,289.08	413,233.25
Claims for damages, act of Dec. 28, 1922 (9x17).....	20,235.32				20,180.47	54.85
Total, Post Office Department.....	3,774,567.32	126,564.00	158,479.03	2,965,744.20	24,469.55	499,310.54

FIELD SERVICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Postmaster General

Electric power, light, etc. (94140)	4,500.00			2,391.25	893.65	1,215.10	
Rewards to postal employees for inventions (94141)	1,500.00					1,500.00	
Freight, express, or motor transportation of equipment, etc. (94142)	349,100.00			120,759.51	33,722.98	194,617.51	
Personal or property damage claims (94143)	18,000.00			2,043.49	5,548.17	10,408.34	
Post office inspectors, salaries (94144)	1,878,750.00	93,931.00	50,952.00	1,665,128.17	1,665.71	67,075.12	
Post office inspectors, traveling expenses (94145):							
Traveling expenses	475,000.00			407,808.94	38,887.37	15,472.15	
Chemical investigations, et al.	14,000.00			14,958.25	7,873.29		
Post office inspectors, miscellaneous expenses, division headquarters (94146)	14,000.00			10,235.95	1,014.87	2,749.18	
Post office inspectors, clerks, division headquarters (94147)	300,700.00	15,032.00	9,126.00	268,093.24	374.99	8,073.77	
Payment of rewards (94148):							
Rewards	45,000.00			18,969.00	14,955.00	2,044.28	
Information				19,027.58	4.14	978.75	
Travel expenses, etc., Postmaster General (94150)	1,000.00			21.25			
<i>Office of the First Assistant Postmaster General</i>							
Compensation to postmasters (94170)	46,000,000.00	2,108,125.00		39,542,055.01		4,349,819.99	
Compensation to assistant postmasters (94171)	6,200,000.00	284,137.00	68,086.00	5,437,754.32	2,749.59	407,273.09	
Clerks, first- and second-class post offices (94173)	161,000,000.00	7,378,430.00	6,271,271.00	138,247,793.30	40,912.04	9,061,593.66	
Clerks, contract stations (94175)	1,800,000.00			1,520,388.68		279,611.32	
Separating mails (94176)	450,000.00	23,540.22		378,006.66		48,453.12	
Unusual conditions at post offices (94177)	50,000.00	5,156.00		34,684.16		10,159.84	
Clerks, third-class post offices (94178)	8,000,000.00	366,630.00		5,954,618.87		1,678,751.13	
Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices (94180)	2,000,000.00	91,665.00	24,288.00	1,654,538.35	1,665.59	227,823.06	
Village delivery service (94181)	1,430,000.00	64,164.00	2,159.25	1,312,227.97		51,448.78	
Detroit River postal service (94182)	15,995.00			15,995.00			
Car fare and bicycle allowance (94183)	1,250,000.00			1,100,190.95		149,809.05	
City delivery carriers (94184)	112,970,000.00	5,178,650.00	3,764,029.00	96,919,358.06		7,107,967.94	
Special delivery fees (94185)	7,450,000.00	341,422.00		5,478,211.01		1,630,366.99	
Rural delivery service (94278)	95,000,000.00	4,275,980.00		81,659,370.71	827.40	9,063,821.89	
Travel expenses, etc., First Assistant Postmaster General (94190)	1,000.00			183.90		816.10	

¹ \$23,040 available only for temporary employees.

² \$45,000 available only for temporary employees to carry out the provisions of section 15 of the act of May 29, 1930 (U. S. C. Supp. V, title 5, sec. 702a) for the maintenance of individual records of civil-service retirement and disability fund reductions so far as they relate to employees of the Postal Service.

³ No. 67, June 30, 1934. From "Printing and binding, Post Office Department, 1934" to "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, fuel repairs, etc., 1934", \$1,000.

⁴ No. 6, Oct. 2, 1933. From "Freight, express or motor transportation of equipment, etc., 1934" to "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, telegraphing, 1934", \$900.

⁵ Not exceeding \$540 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, 1934".

⁶ No. 26, Mar. 30, 1934. From "Printing and binding, Post Office Department, 1934", \$7,275, to "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, furniture and filing cabinets, 1934", \$750, and "Miscellaneous items, 1934", \$6,525.

⁷ Not exceeding \$14,500 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, 1934".

⁸ Not exceeding \$1,800 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, 1934".

⁹ Not exceeding \$2,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, 1934".

¹⁰ Not exceeding \$300 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, 1934".

¹¹ Not exceeding \$24,500 authorized out of the appropriation, "Post Office inspectors, traveling expenses, 1934".

¹² Not exceeding \$20,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Payment of rewards, 1934".

¹³ Not exceeding \$20,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Payment of rewards, 1934".

¹⁴ No. 62, June 26, 1934. From "City delivery carriers, 1934" to "Village delivery service, 1934", \$30,000.

TABLE 67.—Appropriation and expenditure accounts—Post Office Department, service of the fiscal year 1934—Continued

Appropriation	Amount appropriated, including special acts and deficiencies	Amount imposed, sec. 110, Economy Act of June 30, 1932, continued by acts of Mar. 3, 1933, and Mar. 20, 1933	Amount imposed, sec. 203, Economy Act of June 30, 1932, continued by acts of Mar. 3, 1933, and Mar. 20, 1933	Audited expenditures stated to June 30, 1934	Payments by warrants from July 1 to Sept. 30, 1934	Balance unexpended
FIELD SERVICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT—continued						
Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General						
Star-route service (94213):						
Government-operated service.....	15 \$13,827,000.00	\$3,920.87		\$11,783,053.65	\$1,090,625.33	\$859,805.03
Star-route service—Alaska (94210).....	135,000.00			18 87,591.64	2,003.48	
Power-boat service (94211).....	1,350,000.00			111,524.50	7,660.34	15,815.16
Railroad-transportation and mail-messenger service (94212):				1,026,686.38	104,943.79	218,369.83
Railroad service.....		5,506.20		81,955,132.81	10,244,430.29	
Mail-messenger service.....				7,420,461.72		
Blue-tag service.....	17 100,922,000.00			(15)		1,238,709.22
Space basis act, District of Columbia.....		1,391.00	\$4,957.00	19 19,431.14	2.35	
Cost ascertainment, District of Columbia.....		1,748.00	8,762.00	20 21,404.45	3.82	
Contract Air Mail Service (94225):						
Air Mail Service.....				10,687,712.33	620,787.69	
Assistant superintendents and clerks.....	15,000,000.00	748.00		21 13,791.93		3,644,601.94
Personal services, District of Columbia.....		1,627.00		22 30,669.65	61.46	
Railway Mail Service—Salaries (94216).....	17 50,071,125.00	2,252,596.00	1,106,660.00	44,199,913.18	6,657.39	2,505,298.43
Railway postal clerks—Travel allowances (94217).....	2,466,667.00			2,252,643.93	15,179.00	198,844.07
Railway Mail Service—Traveling expenses (94218).....	60,000.00			41,987.96	3,732.67	14,279.37
Railway Mail Service—Miscellaneous expenses (94219).....	975,000.00			733,298.16	83,461.28	158,240.56
Electric and cable car service (94220).....	450,000.00			349,771.76	43,161.07	57,067.17
Foreign mail transportation (94221):						
Steamship service.....		9.68		25 506,758.89	2,524,689.68	
Aircraft service.....	15 35,673,000.00	6,467.32	4,200.00	26 6,310,890.81	631,514.48	553,246.58
Sea-post service.....				24 134,203.93	1,048.63	
Balances due foreign countries (94222).....	1,000,000.00			363,680.14	91,217.96	545,101.90
Indemnities, international mail (94226).....	15,000.00			5,424.47	1,647.28	7,928.25
Travel expenses, etc., Second Assistant Postmaster General (94230).....	1,200.00			85.20	163.00	951.80
Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General						
Manufacture of postage stamps and stamped paper (94250).....	4,900,000.00			2,697,315.62	422,698.23	1,779,986.15
Distribution of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers (94251).....	21,775.00	973.00		18,772.29	4.67	2,025.04
Indemnities, domestic mail (94252).....	700,000.00			388,600.48	4,929.43	300,461.09
Travel expenses, etc., Third Assistant Postmaster General (94260).....	1,000.00			998.77		1.23
Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old (9x255).....	14,119,214.98			252,471.76		13,866,743.22

Office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General						
Stationery (94270).....	575,000.00			423,095.18	49,474.59	102,430.23
Post office equipment and supplies (94271):						
Equipment and supplies.....	1,200,000.00			376,446.86	53,239.54	770,313.60
Technical works.....				(25)		
Twine and tying devices (94273).....	310,000.00			46,287.94	74,591.18	189,120.88
Shipment of supplies (94274):						
Shipment of supplies.....	50,000.00			4,668.75	1,080.60	4,845.92
Personal services, District of Columbia.....		2,048.00	207.00	20	37,149.73	
Labor-saving devices (94275).....	500,000.00	1,129.00	3,377.00	240,261.35	35,830.12	219,402.53
Mail bags and equipment (94276):						
Mail bags, etc.....	900,000.00			151,087.33	23,139.31	199,500.58
Personal services, District of Columbia.....		25,791.00	36,589.00	27	463,892.78	
Distinctive equipment.....				(25)		
Rent, light, and fuel (94279).....	16,000,000.00			14,925,446.66	4,215.09	1,070,338.25
Pneumatic tube service (94281).....	524,000.00			515,938.46		8,061.54
Pneumatic tube service, Boston (94282).....	24,000.00			24,000.00		
Vehicle service (94187).....	14,918,734.00	372,935.00	123,021.00	12,308,279.21	19,657.49	2,094,841.30
Travel expenses, etc., Fourth Assistant Postmaster General (94280).....	4,000.00			956.01	14.50	3,029.49
Total field service.....	723,398,260.98	22,903,812.29	11,477,684.25	607,696,595.39	16,312,958.53	65,007,210.52
Grand total.....	727,172,828.30	23,030,376.29	11,636,163.28	610,662,339.59	16,337,428.08	65,506,521.06

As provided by sec. 317, act of June 30, 1932 (47 Stat. 411), and as amended by acts of Mar. 3, 1933 (47 Stat. 1513), and Mar. 20, 1933 (48 Stat. 13), transfer approvals have been authorized by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, as indicated in footnotes:

² No. 7, Oct. 2, 1933. From "Railroad-transportation and mail-messenger service, Space Basis Act, District of Columbia, 1934" to "Salaries, Office of Solicitor for the Post Office Department, 1934", \$6,875.

¹⁸ No. 66, June 30, 1934. From "Star-route service, 1934" to "Foreign mail transportation, 1934", \$173,000.

¹⁸ Not exceeding \$200,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Star-route service, 1934."

¹⁷ No. 65, June 30, 1934. From "Railway Mail Service, salaries, 1934" to "Railroad-transportation and mail-messenger service, 1934", \$928,875.

¹⁷ Not exceeding \$1,500,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Railroad-transportation and mail-messenger service, 1934."

¹⁸ Not exceeding \$68,875 authorized out of the appropriation, "Railroad-transportation and mail-messenger service, 1934."

¹⁸ Not exceeding \$37,250 authorized out of the appropriation, "Railroad-transportation and mail-messenger service, 1934."

²² Not exceeding \$27,500 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contract Air Mail Service, 1934."

²² Not exceeding \$34,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contract Air Mail Service, 1934."

²² Not exceeding \$7,000,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Foreign mail transportation, 1934."

²⁴ Not exceeding \$250,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Foreign mail transportation, 1934."

²⁵ Not exceeding \$1,500 authorized out of the appropriation, "Post office equipment and supplies, 1934."

²⁵ Not exceeding \$40,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Shipment of supplies, 1934."

²⁷ Not exceeding \$550,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Mail bags and equipment, 1934."

²⁷ Not exceeding \$15,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Mail bags and equipment, 1934."

TABLE 68.—Appropriation and expenditure accounts—Post Office Department, service of the fiscal year 1933

Appropriation	Amount appropriated including special acts and deficiencies	Amount im- pounded under sec. 110, Economy Act of June 30, 1932. For July 1, 1932, to Mar. 31, 1933	Amount im- pounded under sec. 203, Economy Act of June 30, 1932. For July 1, 1932, to June 30, 1933	Amount im- pounded under sec. 8, title II, act of Mar. 20, 1933. For Apr. 1 to June 30, 1933	Audited ex- penditures stated to June 30, 1934.	Payments by warrants from July 1 to Sept. 30, 1934	Balance un- expended
POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.							
Salaries:							
Office of the Postmaster General (93100).....	\$235,790.00	\$15,560.03	\$4,302.67	\$8,670.50	\$205,481.34	-----	\$1,775.46
Post Office Department buildings (93101).....	279,445.00	14,829.34	12,625.34	9,790.04	240,116.10	-----	2,084.18
Office of the First Assistant Postmaster General (93102).....	530,000.00	32,642.46	34,018.44	18,293.94	439,403.84	-----	5,641.32
Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General (93103).....	444,820.00	27,082.91	17,086.85	15,585.54	373,817.89	-----	11,246.81
Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General (93104):							
Regular employees.....	775,890.00	49,743.24	19,225.49	28,520.27	676,626.84	-----	1,774.16
Temporary employees.....	23,040.00	1,604.34	606.84	606.84	20,355.09	-----	473.73
Office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General (93105).....	369,150.00	21,589.52	31,304.96	12,860.87	302,606.10	-----	788.55
Office of the Solicitor for the Post Office Department (93106).....	1 ⁶ 76,458.33	4,877.96	97.21	2,978.72	68,408.01	-----	96.43
Office of the Chief Inspector (93107).....	207,140.00	13,406.10	2,938.09	7,613.92	182,700.76	-----	481.13
Office of the Purchasing Agent (93108).....	38,630.00	2,598.59	79.17	1,456.11	34,371.88	-----	124.25
Bureau of Accounts (93109):							
Regular employees.....	47,370.00	2,630.36	6,095.55	1,576.64	36,802.77	-----	264.68
Temporary employees.....	50,000.00	3,368.06	-----	1,673.11	2 ³ 42,513.01	-----	2,445.82
Contingent expenses, Post Office Department:							
Stationery (93110).....	18,000.00	-----	-----	-----	17,888.03	-----	111.97
Fuel, repairs, etc. (93111).....	45,000.00	-----	-----	-----	37,145.13	-----	7,854.87
Telegraphing (93112).....	4 ⁷ 985.47	-----	-----	-----	7,524.94	-----	460.63
Miscellaneous items (93113):							
Miscellaneous items.....					31,879.59		
Street-car fare.....					540.00		
Telephone service.....					13,472.94		
Law books, etc.....	48,000.00	-----	-----	-----	7 ¹ 1,435.47	-----	170.84
Expenses, conventions.....					8 ¹ 174.16		
Traveling expenses, purchasing agent, et al.....					327.00		
Furniture and filing cabinets (93114).....	7,500.00	-----	-----	-----	7,175.16	-----	324.84
Printing and binding, Post Office Department (93115).....	1,140,000.00	10 200,000.00	-----	-----	760,333.77	-----	179,666.23
Heat, light, and power, Post Office Building, Washington, D. C. (93116).....	40,000.00	-----	-----	-----	31,916.37	-----	8,083.63
Claims for damages, act of Dec. 28, 1922 (9x117).....	39,384.83	-----	-----	-----	39,384.83	-----	-----
Total, Post Office Department.....	4,423,603.63	389,932.91	127,773.77	109,626.50	3,572,401.02	-----	223,869.43

FIELD SERVICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Postmaster General

Electric power, light, etc. (93140)-----	5,500.00				3,403.22		2,096.78
Rewards to postal employees for inventions (93141)-----	1,500.00						1,500.00
Freight, express, or motor transportation of equipment, etc. (93142)---	425,000.00				336,406.73	\$11.48	88,581.79
Personal or property damage claims (93143)-----	11,025.11				6,267.08	330.22	4,327.81
Post-office inspectors, salaries (93144)-----	2,049,450.00	128,001.76	41,283.86	74,675.72	1,800,655.92		4,832.74
Post-office inspectors, traveling expenses (93145):							
Traveling expenses-----	510,000.00				408,459.99		80,415.68
Chemical investigations et al-----					12,124.33		
Post office inspectors, miscellaneous expenses, division headquarters (93146)-----	14,000.00				13,150.73		849.27
Post office inspectors, clerks, division headquarters (93147)-----	328,000.00	20,362.75	9,835.52	11,991.68	284,574.44		1,235.61
Payment of rewards (93148):							
Rewards-----	49,900.00				46,070.69	75.00	447.93
Information-----					3,285.38	21.00	
Travel expenses, etc., Postmaster General (93150)-----	1,000.00				106.50		893.50

Office of the First Assistant Postmaster General

Compensation to postmasters (93170)-----	50,800,000.00	1,426,615.47		1,744,768.37	44,326,230.07	16.70	3,302,369.39
Compensation to assistant postmasters (93171)-----	7,140,000.00	392,590.50	131,687.80	260,764.75	6,318,615.57	11.10	36,330.28
Clerks, first- and second-class post offices (93173)-----	182,225,000.00	11,705,235.85	4,265,720.82	6,243,859.78	152,597,762.25	60.22	7,412,361.08
Clerks, contract stations (93175)-----	1,900,000.00				1,747,722.31		152,277.69
Separating mails (93176)-----	480,000.00	1,047.41		14,044.88	404,326.56		60,681.15
Unusual conditions at post offices (93177)-----	75,000.00	711.31		1,544.07	34,759.03		37,985.29
Clerks, third-class post offices (93178)-----	8,500,000.00	58,148.32		299,436.29	7,721,861.43		420,553.96
Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices (93180)---	2,250,000.00	54,676.02	21,976.52	52,018.53	1,906,050.35		215,278.58
Village delivery service (93181)-----	14,600,000.00	100,706.64	14,984.64	58,662.62	1,422,592.88	11.80	3,041.42
Detroit River postal service (93182)-----	16,900.00				15,995.00		905.00
Car fare and bicycle allowance (93183)-----	1,380,000.00				1,186,084.71		193,915.29
City delivery carriers (93184)-----	127,000,000.00	8,725,764.05	2,611,757.82	4,328,332.43	107,424,812.27	14.61	3,909,318.82
Special-delivery fees (93185)-----	8,450,000.00	197,136.03		218,263.92	5,315,717.81		2,718,942.24
Rural-delivery service (93278)-----	106,000,000.00	6,949,998.05		3,948,428.12	93,786,227.78	20.02	1,315,326.03
Travel expenses, etc., First Assistant Postmaster General (93190)---	1,000.00				538.95		461.05

¹ \$23,040 available only for temporary employees.

² \$50,000 available only for temporary employees to carry out the provisions of sec. 15 of the act of May 29, 1930 (U. S. C., Supp. V, title 5, sec. 702a) for the maintenance of individual records of civil-service retirement and disability fund deductions so far as they relate to employees of the Postal Service.

³ Exclusive of \$514.53 transferred to fiscal year 1932.

⁴ Not exceeding \$540 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, 1933."

⁵ Not exceeding \$14,500 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, 1933."

⁶ Not exceeding \$1,800 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, 1933."

⁷ Not exceeding \$2,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, 1933."

⁸ Not exceeding \$800 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, 1933."

⁹ Reduction of \$20,000 by allotment under sec. 302, Economy Act, June 30, 1932.

¹⁰ Exclusive of \$7,074.89 transferred to prior fiscal years.

¹¹ Not exceeding \$26,440 authorized out of the appropriation, "Post office inspectors, traveling expenses, 1933."

¹² Not exceeding \$20,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Payment of rewards, 1933."

¹³ \$100,000 transferred from "Clerks, first- and second-class post offices" to "Village delivery service" under sec. 317, Economy Act, June 30, 1932.

TABLE 68.—Appropriation and expenditure accounts—Post Office Department, service of the fiscal year 1933—Continued

Appropriation	Amount appropriated including special acts and deficiencies	Amount im- pounded under sec. 110, Economy Act of June 30, 1932. For July 1, 1932, to Mar. 31, 1933	Amount im- pounded under sec. 203, Economy Act of June 30, 1932. For July 1, 1932, to June 30, 1933	Amount im- pounded under sec. 8, title II, act of Mar. 20, 1933. For Apr. 1 to June 30, 1933	Audited ex- penditures stated to June 30, 1934.	Payments by warrants from July 1 to Sept. 30, 1934	Balance un- expended
FIELD SERVICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT—Continued							
Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General							
Star-route service (93213):							
Star-route service.....	\$14,500,000.00	\$5,044.30		\$2,849.20	(\$14,123,806.42	}	\$274,738.53
Government-operated service.....							
Star-route service—Alaska (93210).....	150,000.00				18 93,561.55		
Power-boat service (93211).....	1,410,000.00				133,994.31		16,005.69
Railroad transportation and mail-messenger service (93212):					1,323,971.88		86,028.12
Railroad service.....		5,969.14		2,371.91	95,225,924.58		
Mail-messenger service.....					9,588,044.44		
Blue-tag service.....	16 14,998,541.67				(17)		
Space-basis act, District of Columbia.....		3,144.75	\$3,536.67	1,306.50	18 42,280.29		10,090,344.07
Cost ascertainment, District of Columbia.....		2,307.60		1,300.83	19 31,920.89		
Contract air-mail service (93225):							
Air-mail service.....					19,403,608.99		
Assistant superintendents and clerks.....	19,460,000.00	883.55		626.24	20 13,815.04		
Personal services, District of Columbia.....		2,320.36	188.00	1,332.00	21 32,266.49		4,959.33
Railway-mail service—Salaries (93216).....	58,430,000.00	3,717,422.51	2,269,729.97	2,011,980.22	48,518,922.72	\$3.83	1,911,940.75
Railway postal clerks—Travel allowances (93217).....	3,900,000.00				2,412,650.96		1,487,349.04
Railway-mail service—Traveling expenses (93218).....	60,000.00				48,388.43		11,611.57
Railway-mail service—Miscellaneous expenses (93219).....	1,100,000.00				1,057,703.54		42,296.46
Electric and cable-car service (93220).....	500,000.00				447,195.23		52,804.77
Foreign-mail transportation (93221):							
Steamship service.....		250.02		150.00	27,803,465.85		
Aircraft service.....	38,695,600.00				22 6,948,154.87		
Sea post service.....		8,900.78	7,028.49	5,247.50	23 142,296.11		3,776,506.38
Assistant Director, Division of International Postal Service.....		225.00		135.00	24 3,240.00		
Balances due foreign countries (93222).....	1,400,000.00				839,024.29	22,677.85	538,297.86
Indemnities, international mail (93226).....	20,000.00				7,188.44	205.19	12,606.37
Travel expenses, etc., Second Assistant Postmaster General (93230).....	1,200.00				362.40		837.60

Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General									
Manufacture of postage stamps and stamped paper (93250)	5,400,000.00				3,147,318.04				2,252,681.96
Distribution of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers (93251)	23,750.00	1,518.27		888.74	21,292.89				50.10
Indemnities, domestic mail (93252)	1,000,000.00				508,466.71	539.36			490,993.93
Travel expenses, etc., Third Assistant Postmaster General (93260)	1,000.00				672.60				327.40
Unpaid money orders more than 1-year old (9x255)	13,750,837.81				201,101.37				13,549,736.44
Office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General									
Stationery (93270)	650,000.00				516,992.16				133,007.84
Post-office equipment and supplies (93271):									
Equipment and supplies	1,700,000.00				686,393.05	593.52			1,013,012.93
Technical works									
Twine and tying devices (93273)	330,000.00				269,311.39				60,688.61
Shipment of supplies (93274):									
Shipment of supplies	65,000.00	2,796.29	7,596.00	1,579.56	6,226.35				8,008.44
Personal services, District of Columbia									
Labor-saving devices (93275)	550,000.00	6,014.10	20,706.12	2,448.79	448,178.39		1,361.69		71,290.91
Mail bags and equipment (93276):									
Mail bags, etc.	1,450,000.00	43,001.78	57,303.82	22,177.65	247,678.24				537,334.89
Personal services, District of Columbia									
Distinctive equipment	17,500,000.00				16,481,286.20				1,018,173.80
Rent, light, and fuel (93279)	516,000.00				515,931.73				68.27
Pneumatic-tube service (93281)	24,000.00				24,000.00				
Pneumatic-tube service, Boston (93282)	16,500,000.00	588,094.30	54,098.58	313,552.70	13,665,476.60				1,878,777.82
Vehicle service (93187)	4,500.00				2,101.85				2,398.15
Travel expenses, etc., Fourth Assistant Postmaster General (93280)									
Total, field service	815,303,604.59	34,148,887.21	9,517,434.63	19,624,768.00	692,698,854.75		25,953.59		59,287,706.41
Grand total	819,727,208.22	34,538,820.12	9,645,208.40	19,734,394.50	696,271,255.77		25,953.59		59,511,575.84

¹⁵ Not exceeding \$200,000 authorized out of the appropriation, Star Route Service, 1933.

¹⁶ \$1,458.33 transferred from Railroad Transportation and Mail Messenger Service (Space Basis Act) to Salaries, Office of the Solicitor for the Post Office Department, under sec. 317, Economy Act, June 30, 1932.

¹⁷ Not exceeding \$1,500,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Railroad Transportation and Mail Messenger Service, 1933."

¹⁸ Not exceeding \$80,541.67 authorized out of the appropriation, "Railroad Transportation and Mail Messenger Service, 1933."

¹⁹ Not exceeding \$40,400 authorized out of the appropriation, "Railroad Transportation and Mail Messenger Service, 1933."

²⁰ Not exceeding \$30,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contract Air Mail Service, 1933."

²¹ Not exceeding \$41,780 authorized out of the appropriation, "Foreign Mail Transportation, 1933."

²² Not exceeding \$7,000,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contract Air Mail Service, 1933."

²³ Not exceeding \$250,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Foreign Mail Transportation, 1933."

²⁴ Not exceeding \$3,600 authorized out of the appropriation, "Foreign Mail Transportation, 1933."

²⁵ Not exceeding \$1,500 authorized out of the appropriation, "Post Office Equipment and Supplies, 1933."

²⁶ Not exceeding \$54,100 authorized out of the appropriation, "Shipment of Supplies, 1933."

²⁷ Not exceeding \$875,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Mail Bags and Equipment, 1933."

²⁸ Not exceeding \$15,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Mail Bags and Equipment, 1933."

TABLE 69.—Appropriation and expenditure accounts—Post Office Department, service of the fiscal year 1932

Appropriation	Amount appropriated including special acts and deficiencies	Audited expenditures stated to June 30, 1934	Payments by warrants from July 1, 1934 to Sept. 30, 1934	Balance unexpended
POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.				
Salaries:				
Office of the Postmaster General (92100)	\$235,790.00	\$235,571.45	-----	\$218.55
Post Office Department buildings (92101)	279,445.00	278,389.36	-----	1,055.64
Office of the First Assistant Postmaster General (92102)	540,240.00	525,088.49	-----	15,151.51
Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General (92103)	444,820.00	443,015.01	-----	13,804.99
Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General (92104)	775,890.00	775,502.88	-----	387.12
Office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General (92105)	369,150.00	362,850.08	-----	6,299.92
Office of the Solicitor for the Post Office Department (92106)	80,640.00	78,394.04	-----	2,245.96
Office of the Chief Inspector (92107)	207,140.00	205,017.72	-----	2,122.28
Office of the Purchasing Agent (92108)	38,630.00	38,582.94	-----	47.06
Bureau of Accounts (92109)	47,370.00	44,268.34	-----	3,101.66
Contingent expenses, Post Office Department:				
Stationery (92110)	20,000.00	19,981.28	-----	18.72
Fuel, repairs, etc. (92111)	48,000.00	43,488.19	-----	4,511.81
Telegraphing (92112)	1 6,514.53	6,514.53	-----	-----
Miscellaneous items (92113):				
Miscellaneous items	-----	(36,196.32	-----	-----
Motor vehicles	-----	2 2,891.80	-----	-----
Street-car fare	-----	3 540.00	-----	-----
Telephone service	-----	4 12,855.34	-----	-----
Law books, etc.	56,000.00	5 1,709.79	-----	138.79
Expenses, conventions	-----	6 1,501.71	-----	-----
Traveling expenses, Purchasing Agent et al.	-----	7 166.25	-----	-----
Furniture and filing cabinets (92114)	7,500.00	7,493.73	-----	6.27
Printing and binding, Post Office Department (92115)	1,210,000.00	1,186,445.34	-----	23,554.66
Heat, light, and power, Post Office Building, Washington, D. C. (92116)	50,000.00	41,505.79	-----	8,494.21
Claims for damages, act of Dec. 28, 1922 (9X117)	28,352.86	28,348.86	-----	4.00
Total, Post Office Department	4,445,482.39	4,364,319.24	-----	81,163.15
FIELD SERVICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT				
<i>Office of the Postmaster General</i>				
Electric power, light, etc. (92140)	7,000.00	3,969.99	-----	3,030.01
Rewards to postal employees for inventions (92141)	1,500.00	100.00	-----	1,400.00
Freight, express, or motor transportation of equipment, etc. (92142)	500,000.00	402,412.22	-----	97,587.78
Personal or property damage claims (92143)	8 14,505.26	14,505.26	-----	-----
Post office inspectors, salaries (92144)	2,062,950.00	2,037,578.23	-----	25,371.77
Post office inspectors, traveling expenses (92145):	-----	-----	-----	-----
Traveling expenses	-----	{ 452,723.75	-----	-----
Chemical investigations et al.	520,000.00	{ 22,376.61	-----	44,899.64
Post office inspectors, miscellaneous expenses, Division Headquarters (92146)	14,000.00	13,026.80	-----	973.20

¹ Includes \$514.53 transferred from fiscal year 1933, as authorized by Postal Act for fiscal year 1933.

² Not exceeding \$3,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent Expenses, Post Office Department, Miscellaneous Items, 1932."

³ Not exceeding \$540 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent Expenses, Post Office Department, Miscellaneous Items, 1932."

⁴ Not exceeding \$14,500 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent Expenses, Post Office Department, Miscellaneous Items, 1932."

⁵ Not exceeding \$1,800 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent Expenses, Post Office Department, Miscellaneous Items, 1932."

⁶ Not exceeding \$2,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent Expenses, Post Office Department, Miscellaneous Items, 1932."

⁷ Not exceeding \$800 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contingent Expenses, Post Office Department, Miscellaneous Items, 1932."

⁸ Includes \$5,749.49 transferred from fiscal year 1933, and excludes \$9,244.23 transferred to prior fiscal years.

⁹ Not exceeding \$26,440 authorized out of the appropriation, "Post Office Inspectors, Traveling Expenses, 1932."

TABLE 69.—Appropriation and expenditure accounts—Post Office Department, service of the fiscal year 1932—Continued

Appropriation	Amount appropriated including special acts and deficiencies	Audited expenditures stated to June 30, 1934	Payments by warrants from July 1, 1934 to Sept. 30, 1934	Balance unexpended
FIELD SERVICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT—continued				
<i>Office of the Postmaster General—Continued</i>				
Post Office inspectors, clerks, Division Headquarters (92147).....	\$329,862.00	\$322,239.51	-----	\$7,622.49
Payment of rewards (92148):				
Rewards.....	71,500.00	{ 55,220.00	} -----	10,849.61
Information.....		{ 10 5,430.39		
Travel expenses, etc., Postmaster General (92150).....	1,000.00	-----	-----	1,000.00
<i>Office of the First Assistant Postmaster General</i>				
Compensation to postmasters (92170).....	53,000,000.00	50,585,122.73	-----	2,414,877.27
Compensation to assistant postmasters (92171).....	7,300,000.00	7,145,474.46	-----	154,525.54
Clerks, first- and second-class post offices (92173).....	190,000,000.00	180,434,006.49	-----	9,565,993.51
Clerks, contract stations (92175).....	2,100,000.00	1,868,639.78	-----	231,360.22
Separating mails (92176).....	500,000.00	468,689.27	-----	31,300.73
Unusual conditions at post offices (92177).....	100,000.00	94,502.00	-----	5,497.94
Clerks, third-class post offices (92178).....	8,800,000.00	8,559,405.71	-----	240,594.29
Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices (92180).....	2,500,000.00	2,123,795.91	-----	376,204.09
Village delivery service (92181).....	1,600,000.00	1,588,244.29	-----	11,755.71
Detroit River postal service (92182).....	16,900.00	16,900.00	-----	-----
Car-fare and bicycle allowance (92183).....	1,400,000.00	1,266,845.69	-----	133,154.31
City delivery carriers (92184).....	130,000,000.00	128,727,039.03	-----	4,272,960.97
Special delivery fees (92185).....	10,000,000.00	7,722,764.78	-----	2,277,235.22
Rural delivery service (92278).....	107,550,000.00	106,358,017.08	-----	1,191,982.92
Travel expenses, etc., First Assistant Postmaster General (92190).....	1,000.00	499.45	-----	500.55
<i>Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General</i>				
Star-route service (92213):				
Star-route service.....	15,400,000.00	{ 14,472,154.39	} -----	807,685.16
Government-operated service.....		{ 11 120,100.45		
Star-route service—Alaska (92210).....	165,000.00	128,586.05	-----	36,413.95
Power boat service (92211).....	1,450,000.00	1,338,191.14	-----	111,808.86
Railroad transportation and mail messenger service (92212):				
Railroad service.....		{ 103,424,315.62	} -----	13,567,833.24
Mail messenger service.....		{ 9,921,596.94		
Blue tag service.....		{ (1) 16 53,413.63		
Space basis act, District of Columbia.....	127,000,000.00	14 32,840.57	-----	-----
Cost ascertainment, District of Columbia.....			-----	-----
Contract air-mail service (92225):				
Air-mail service.....		{ 19,943,864.99	} -----	4,782.09
Assistant superintendents and clerks.....	20,000,000.00	{ 15 15,741.91		
Personal services, District of Columbia.....		{ 16 35,611.01		
Railway-mail service—Salaries (92216).....	58,500,000.00	57,846,834.04	-----	653,165.96
Railway postal clerks—Travel allowances (92217).....	4,100,000.00	3,764,736.40	-----	335,263.60
Railway-mail service—Traveling expenses (92218).....	70,000.00	54,472.41	-----	15,527.59
Railway-mail service—Miscellaneous expenses (92219).....	1,200,000.00	1,124,009.52	-----	75,990.48
Electric and cable-car service (92220).....	610,000.00	509,892.27	-----	100,107.73

¹⁰ Not exceeding \$20,000 authorized out of the appropriation "Payment of Rewards, 1932."

¹¹ Not exceeding \$200,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Star Route Service, 1932."

¹² Not exceeding \$1,500,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Railroad transportation and mail messenger service, 1932."

¹³ Not exceeding \$2,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Railroad transportation and mail messenger service, 1932."

¹⁴ Not exceeding \$40,400 authorized out of the appropriation, "Railroad transportation and mail messenger service, 1932."

¹⁵ Not exceeding \$30,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contract Air Mail Service, 1932."

¹⁶ Not exceeding \$46,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Contract Air Mail Service, 1932."

TABLE 69.—Appropriation and expenditure accounts—Post Office Department, service of the fiscal year 1932—Continued

Appropriation	Amount appropriated including special acts and deficiencies	Audited expenditures stated to June 30, 1934	Payments by warrants from July 1, 1934 to Sept. 30, 1934	Balance unexpended
FIELD SERVICE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT—continued				
<i>Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General—Continued</i>				
Foreign mail transportation (92221):				
Steamship service.....		\$25, 104, 711. 27		
Aircraft service.....		¹⁷ 6, 963, 627. 18		
Sea post service.....	\$36, 600, 000. 00	¹⁸ 165, 777. 84		\$4, 362, 283. 71
Assistant Director, Division of International Postal Service.....		¹⁹ 3, 600. 00		
Balances due foreign countries (92222).....	2, 100, 000. 00	963, 530. 72		1, 136, 469. 28
Indemnities, international mail (92226).....	30, 000. 00	10, 389. 34		19, 610. 66
Travel expenses, etc., Second Assistant Postmaster General (92230).....	1, 200. 00	657. 94		542. 06
<i>Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General</i>				
Manufacture of postage stamps and stamped paper (92250).....	6, 100, 000. 00	5, 676, 809. 26		423, 190. 74
Distribution of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers (92251).....	23, 750. 00	23, 699. 96		50. 04
Indemnities, domestic mail (92252).....	1, 500, 000. 00	719, 072. 81		780, 927. 19
Travel expenses, etc., Third Assistant Postmaster General (92260).....	1, 000. 00	405. 00		595. 00
Unpaid money orders more than one year old (9x255).....	13, 109, 900. 15	139, 690. 69		²⁰ 12, 970, 209. 46
<i>Office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General</i>				
Stationery (92270).....	770, 000. 00	676, 185. 72		93, 814. 28
Post Office equipment and supplies (92271):				
Equipment and supplies.....	2, 200, 000. 00	1, 728, 755. 92		471, 141. 48
Technical works.....		²¹ 102. 60		
Twine and tying devices (92273).....	450, 000. 00	323, 066. 95		126, 933. 05
Shipment of supplies (92274):				
Shipment of supplies.....	70, 000. 00	10, 009. 38		8, 783. 56
Personal services, District of Columbia.....	650, 000. 00	²² 51, 207. 06		
Labor-saving devices (92275).....		540, 512. 81		109, 487. 19
Mail bags and equipment (92276):				
Mail bags, etc.....		626, 280. 86		
Personal services, District of Columbia.....	2, 350, 000. 00	²³ 648, 836. 93		1, 074, 882. 21
Distinctive equipment.....		⁽²⁴⁾		
Rent, light, and fuel (92279).....	18, 500, 000. 00	17, 563, 482. 63		936, 517. 37
Pneumatic tube service (92281).....	530, 000. 00	518, 227. 56		11, 772. 44
Pneumatic tube service, Boston (92282).....	24, 000. 00	24, 000. 00		
Vehicle service (92187):				
Vehicle service.....	19, 700, 000. 00	17, 717, 009. 39		1, 972, 990. 61
Scientific investigations, Bureau of Standards.....		²⁵ 10, 000. 00		
Travel expenses, etc., Fourth Assistant Postmaster General (92280).....	5, 000. 00	3, 023. 57		1, 976. 43
Total, Field Service.....	851, 600, 067. 41	790, 288, 634. 22		61, 311, 433. 19
Grand total.....	856, 045, 549. 80	794, 652, 953. 46		61, 392, 596. 34

¹⁷ Not exceeding \$7,000,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Foreign Mail Transportation, 1932."¹⁸ Not exceeding \$250,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Foreign Mail Transportation, 1932."¹⁹ Not exceeding \$3,600 authorized out of the appropriation, "Foreign Mail Transportation, 1932."²⁰ Unavailable: Balance reappropriated for fiscal year 1933.²¹ Not exceeding \$1,500 authorized out of the appropriation, "Post Office Equipment and Supplies, 1932."²² Not exceeding \$54,100 authorized out of the appropriation, "Shipment of Supplies, 1932."²³ Not exceeding \$710,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Mail Bags and Equipment, 1932."²⁴ Not exceeding \$15,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Mail Bags and Equipment, 1932."²⁵ Not exceeding \$10,000 authorized out of the appropriation, "Vehicle Service, 1932."

TABLE 70.—Gross postal receipts and principal expenses at post offices, stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934

States, Territories, etc.	Number of post offices June 30, 1934	Gross postal receipts	Compensation to postmasters				City Delivery Service	Rural Delivery Service
			First- and second-class post offices	Third-class post offices	Fourth-class post offices	Total		
Maine.....	775	\$3,533,544.84	\$130,321.92	\$197,775.68	\$301,012.61	\$629,110.21	\$619,622.55	\$793,892.35
New Hampshire.....	363	2,157,294.35	87,094.07	104,481.47	154,258.05	346,433.59	430,325.36	396,593.90
Vermont.....	369	1,618,339.67	83,169.56	101,492.63	154,649.59	339,311.78	245,252.80	546,339.12
Massachusetts.....	621	25,247,141.26	309,323.38	263,507.82	201,332.51	774,164.01	6,860,019.64	510,676.90
Rhode Island.....	85	2,288,857.47	31,413.82	45,960.30	28,307.47	105,681.59	784,027.26	78,539.63
Connecticut.....	313	9,382,636.90	182,069.97	128,885.74	100,251.53	411,207.24	1,728,202.99	459,341.01
New England States.....	2,526	44,867,814.49	823,992.72	842,103.64	939,812.06	2,605,908.42	10,667,450.60	2,785,382.96
New York.....	2,099	99,238,997.10	814,228.92	761,048.41	738,482.26	2,313,759.59	17,829,386.23	3,080,410.41
New Jersey.....	641	17,722,575.87	377,233.18	296,026.22	187,755.65	861,015.05	4,386,599.34	526,815.37
Pennsylvania.....	2,691	41,021,053.06	751,761.78	719,901.90	1,035,306.72	2,506,970.40	8,905,312.33	3,556,212.72
Delaware.....	78	1,152,800.41	33,046.86	29,734.74	26,667.09	80,448.69	212,912.45	180,401.91
Maryland.....	631	7,203,756.06	81,642.03	144,525.59	237,592.38	463,760.00	1,484,697.86	679,931.21
District of Columbia.....	1	5,632,147.08	7,226.20			7,226.20	1,060,126.94	12,278.82
Eastern States.....	6,141	171,971,329.58	2,065,138.97	1,951,236.86	2,225,804.10	6,242,179.93	33,879,035.15	8,036,050.44
Virginia.....	2,006	7,210,953.52	173,062.95	314,400.90	677,253.02	1,164,716.87	1,165,972.21	1,838,455.43
West Virginia.....	1,733	3,998,897.24	121,720.33	182,935.07	598,225.05	902,880.45	635,750.93	764,171.14
North Carolina.....	1,303	6,669,518.05	198,964.15	269,059.40	447,981.98	916,005.53	891,798.33	2,363,076.67
South Carolina.....	552	1,862,116.64	91,014.54	165,021.58	364,948.32	608,797.31	1,056,995.92	2,937,318.17
Georgia.....	981	7,811,080.39	160,096.81	283,706.18	274,351.85	602,986.30	1,150,744.31	668,966.02
Florida.....	753	5,293,285.15	153,315.32	175,319.13	273,755.51	551,241.27	787,107.33	1,901,349.03
Alabama.....	993	4,126,525.63	109,932.98	229,480.69	352,616.06	692,029.73	787,107.33	2,108,560.97
Mississippi.....	798	2,651,590.36	110,018.83	225,434.30	292,199.18	573,048.01	760,809.26	768,244.29
Louisiana.....	833	4,710,034.26	96,993.98	183,854.85	292,199.18	573,048.01	760,809.26	768,244.29
Texas.....	2,150	17,544,440.15	480,790.78	664,107.68	711,430.74	1,856,329.20	2,566,645.50	4,123,639.88
Arkansas.....	1,202	3,016,599.09	115,217.66	204,557.79	387,784.14	707,559.59	532,218.64	1,442,203.31
Kentucky.....	2,492	5,766,169.91	154,041.17	234,600.74	656,250.91	1,044,892.82	1,044,094.20	1,630,794.39
Tennessee.....	931	7,055,797.02	143,045.86	219,508.61	327,615.48	690,169.95	1,242,287.14	2,707,789.24
Southern States.....	16,727	77,717,507.41	2,108,215.36	3,351,985.92	5,660,034.41	11,020,235.69	12,652,875.95	24,706,657.66
Ohio.....	1,458	31,649,460.97	438,804.21	495,173.86	518,550.12	1,452,528.19	6,753,054.91	4,072,908.14
Indiana.....	976	12,568,823.10	314,601.10	351,183.93	315,168.62	980,933.65	2,611,585.03	3,244,556.97
Illinois.....	1,545	58,015,106.55	540,125.19	673,363.81	478,291.47	1,691,780.47	9,877,422.39	4,356,997.69
Michigan.....	1,099	18,778,204.95	335,026.78	463,367.29	371,684.60	1,170,078.67	4,450,926.15	3,019,654.60
Wisconsin.....	995	12,383,583.92	307,174.32	518,229.84	307,815.55	1,133,219.71	2,391,955.29	3,018,150.75
Minnesota.....	1,148	14,212,225.35	242,598.94	531,095.35	383,525.27	1,157,219.56	2,246,760.81	3,048,635.08
Iowa.....	1,191	10,320,141.82	293,580.26	598,026.03	368,380.01	1,259,986.30	1,673,685.24	3,733,180.35
Missouri.....	1,655	21,789,276.16	243,267.59	476,859.59	529,014.05	1,249,131.23	3,294,074.58	3,712,326.84
Middle Western States.....	10,067	179,716,822.82	2,715,168.39	4,107,279.70	3,272,429.69	10,094,877.78	33,299,454.41	28,206,410.42

TABLE 70.—Gross postal receipts and principal expenses at post offices, stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934—Continued

States, Territories, etc.	Number of post offices June 30, 1934	Gross postal receipts	Compensation to postmasters				City Delivery Service	Rural Delivery Service
			First- and second-class post offices	Third-class post offices	Fourth-class post offices	Total		
North Dakota.....	658	\$2,475,038.14	\$66,771.47	\$303,303.87	\$229,502.37	\$599,577.71	\$169,930.99	\$1,593,378.87
South Dakota.....	613	2,252,966.02	84,141.81	256,024.11	194,540.78	534,706.70	226,736.73	1,362,945.79
Nebraska.....	773	5,984,477.03	146,568.48	388,232.46	236,879.23	771,680.17	951,460.51	2,059,993.72
Kansas.....	987	6,452,591.02	228,256.07	420,369.99	334,638.51	983,264.57	1,255,963.96	3,278,227.26
Montana.....	750	2,190,594.96	84,450.21	144,096.21	247,988.80	476,535.22	284,558.91	332,106.02
Wyoming.....	364	883,584.78	54,882.60	44,933.23	123,749.43	223,565.26	110,862.24	61,158.32
Colorado.....	683	5,433,125.37	111,781.63	176,930.85	240,408.34	529,120.82	965,376.00	749,125.53
New Mexico.....	522	1,037,290.61	39,296.95	72,582.44	179,166.86	291,046.25	126,061.98	131,525.47
Oklahoma.....	977	5,835,323.57	181,953.51	314,237.93	325,479.61	821,671.05	967,756.49	2,382,800.60
Western States.....	6,327	32,544,991.50	998,102.73	2,120,711.09	2,112,353.93	5,231,167.75	5,058,707.81	11,951,261.58
Washington.....	818	7,343,983.45	152,225.36	204,227.28	306,170.94	662,623.58	1,470,208.46	839,514.57
Oregon.....	739	4,569,680.32	95,850.89	162,282.29	266,550.24	524,683.42	975,029.37	550,558.72
California.....	1,528	32,430,257.02	564,312.79	416,733.29	538,877.93	1,519,924.01	7,197,854.32	1,126,363.67
Idaho.....	471	1,340,583.55	68,253.20	100,345.31	164,558.79	333,157.30	195,250.00	403,262.20
Utah.....	334	1,811,964.99	25,848.49	81,641.23	119,428.95	226,918.67	391,889.65	113,989.29
Nevada.....	157	485,734.70	21,794.41	29,428.74	52,144.69	103,367.84	53,420.42	8,760.02
Arizona.....	277	1,294,907.50	43,897.68	56,237.19	103,857.19	203,992.06	199,747.98	87,420.54
Alaska.....	191	89,575.09	8,786.74	11,678.50	30,818.23	51,283.47	.....	.....
Pacific States.....	4,515	49,366,686.62	980,969.56	1,062,573.83	1,582,406.96	3,625,950.35	10,483,400.20	3,129,869.01
Guam.....	1	2,130.22	.....	1,278.75	.....	1,278.75	.....	.....
Hawaii.....	98	775,088.30	15,085.06	41,434.23	38,714.64	95,233.93	72,108.14	3,515.90
Puerto Rico.....	96	539,075.65	17,790.97	39,334.23	37,089.26	94,214.46	46,509.35	.....
Samoa (Tutuila).....	2	154.10	.....	1,254.39	194.71	1,449.10	.....	.....
Virgin Islands.....	5	14,107.38	1,931.90	3,093.50	439.81	5,465.21	.....	.....
Philatelic Agent.....	.....	811,723.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Little America.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Insular possessions, etc.....	203	2,142,278.65	34,807.93	86,395.10	76,438.42	197,641.45	118,617.49	3,515.90
Total, United States.....	46,506	558,327,431.07	9,726,395.66	13,522,286.14	15,769,279.57	39,017,961.37	106,159,541.61	78,819,147.97

TABLE 71.—Money orders issued and paid from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934

States, Territories, etc.	Domestic money orders issued		International money orders issued in United States		Domestic money orders paid		International money orders paid and repaid in United States	
	Number	Value	Number	Value	Number	Value	Number	Value
Maine.....	2,317,292	\$18,608,277.14	5,421	\$68,810.84	1,103,525	\$9,882,142.20	627	\$22,982.46
New Hampshire.....	1,222,116	10,082,996.36	5,149	66,105.26	526,519	5,421,069.59	369	11,333.44
Vermont.....	1,015,167	7,536,440.21	2,364	28,617.34	378,126	3,859,280.69	360	12,548.61
Massachusetts.....	7,486,692	67,878,581.58	129,611	1,692,868.72	9,022,845	80,881,615.45	19,283	282,915.09
Rhode Island.....	789,654	7,210,381.11	14,872	174,807.18	631,193	6,164,882.18	1,408	36,155.41
Connecticut.....	2,504,415	25,692,653.99	57,662	731,679.97	1,731,336	16,604,364.55	6,194	192,907.86
New England States.....	15,335,336	137,009,330.39	215,079	2,762,889.31	13,393,544	122,814,254.66	28,241	558,842.87
New York.....	21,809,435	206,539,370.11	607,110	7,853,532.50	26,250,736	241,916,663.28	86,680	1,750,214.55
New Jersey.....	5,199,547	51,255,532.25	120,744	1,597,368.89	3,776,050	38,478,055.34	16,062	392,787.24
Pennsylvania.....	14,524,440	121,228,884.63	126,757	1,666,204.81	15,071,971	128,474,502.75	22,952	686,602.95
Delaware.....	342,087	3,000,357.38	2,489	32,212.17	140,067	1,291,523.94	409	21,787.35
Maryland.....	2,238,659	19,425,128.20	11,147	151,744.56	3,742,391	28,636,913.49	1,756	41,214.52
District of Columbia.....	1,223,338	13,392,281.09	11,834	174,008.65	3,127,424	39,312,009.13	16,860	97,353.51
Eastern States.....	45,337,506	414,841,553.56	880,081	11,475,071.58	52,108,639	478,109,667.93	144,219	2,989,960.12
Virginia.....	3,115,241	23,699,254.08	4,249	61,904.95	1,705,716	17,788,949.63	713	16,503.91
West Virginia.....	3,285,484	27,490,469.89	3,209	56,376.44	1,114,213	13,176,932.63	702	32,910.16
North Carolina.....	3,503,589	37,375,075.09	4,445	54,909.48	1,529,947	23,219,909.42	419	7,602.41
South Carolina.....	2,089,264	24,549,856.60	1,451	24,697.14	1,025,684	10,243,350.79	153	3,184.95
Georgia.....	3,410,886	29,635,389.37	2,303	27,976.79	4,686,590	35,551,787.44	588	7,769.24
Florida.....	3,213,349	33,500,654.38	7,927	117,512.39	1,366,944	23,887,800.27	1,797	46,226.36
Alabama.....	2,733,702	20,625,721.09	1,804	24,637.51	1,002,969	10,946,148.91	678	13,555.98
Mississippi.....	2,540,437	18,881,752.81	399	6,307.76	585,525	6,763,050.01	102	2,523.11
Louisiana.....	2,727,187	23,587,371.37	3,156	51,251.81	1,358,006	15,358,604.32	937	34,469.62
Texas.....	7,714,052	58,919,554.87	43,212	328,117.04	6,301,603	51,828,572.81	6,029	70,212.25
Arkansas.....	2,739,151	23,096,853.67	623	7,625.07	892,225	9,360,918.42	274	4,602.08
Kentucky.....	2,455,128	18,543,877.24	2,257	31,310.03	1,184,478	12,519,757.15	370	7,919.46
Tennessee.....	2,523,627	19,283,290.35	5,244	29,587.50	4,227,644	33,802,836.09	400	9,489.92
Southern States.....	42,061,097	359,189,120.81	80,279	821,213.91	26,981,544	267,448,597.89	13,162	256,969.45
Ohio.....	9,353,753	81,581,724.54	59,893	700,399.33	9,111,252	86,120,164.10	11,653	273,081.49
Indiana.....	5,310,763	52,096,929.59	17,109	240,193.33	5,136,004	49,789,640.68	3,796	84,240.02
Illinois.....	13,834,062	141,575,806.59	144,854	1,840,922.42	34,598,446	239,281,737.55	30,237	617,618.32
Michigan.....	9,506,081	97,588,503.25	63,020	753,042.88	6,240,499	72,347,287.50	10,911	304,416.24
Wisconsin.....	5,726,903	46,407,767.19	22,480	269,224.64	3,378,981	34,343,079.11	5,595	123,152.33
Minnesota.....	4,904,457	38,916,636.33	16,371	177,174.29	7,628,158	59,775,651.70	3,238	78,962.23
Iowa.....	4,926,415	49,801,174.95	8,049	98,523.04	3,228,880	37,141,915.84	1,916	48,357.09
Missouri.....	5,476,268	44,285,787.40	14,306	167,672.92	10,348,869	78,994,913.82	6,900	83,911.96
Middle Western States.....	59,038,652	552,344,329.84	346,082	4,247,152.85	79,671,089	657,803,390.30	74,246	1,623,739.68

TABLE 71.—Money orders issued and paid from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934—Continued

States, Territories, etc.	Domestic money orders issued		International money orders issued in United States		Domestic money orders paid		International money orders paid and repaid in United States	
	Number	Value	Number	Value	Number	Value	Number	Value
North Dakota.....	1,954,792	\$16,640,127.89	1,996	\$24,624.01	604,175	\$7,171,230.25	425	\$10,273.13
South Dakota.....	1,809,725	15,195,647.04	4,043	21,769.05	621,073	6,823,551.27	508	11,233.12
Nebraska.....	2,409,879	20,601,759.16	5,661	61,347.06	1,579,151	17,973,966.50	1,397	55,900.67
Kansas.....	2,682,973	19,399,897.94	6,270	64,036.86	1,297,329	13,199,920.89	1,159	23,585.25
Montana.....	1,647,388	14,008,731.16	4,330	62,552.57	565,264	6,869,582.20	700	23,499.81
Wyoming.....	817,535	5,984,670.12	1,896	29,957.99	136,275	1,593,102.28	191	7,587.20
Colorado.....	1,933,241	16,827,990.27	9,502	107,055.40	2,505,320	21,171,479.07	1,712	52,957.39
New Mexico.....	945,937	7,990,376.26	2,813	27,711.22	243,316	3,126,366.28	237	5,613.75
Oklahoma.....	3,191,510	24,336,153.51	4,183	29,515.62	1,390,904	15,067,927.80	1,116	24,184.97
Western States.....	17,392,980	140,985,353.35	40,694	428,569.78	8,942,807	92,997,126.52	7,445	214,895.29
Washington.....	3,415,019	28,645,810.90	21,765	259,326.67	2,844,347	25,553,671.15	3,694	78,580.71
Oregon.....	1,909,238	16,677,474.31	8,747	105,283.31	2,039,540	17,082,723.92	1,708	37,791.35
California.....	10,020,807	91,148,125.08	156,669	1,644,830.23	9,388,989	96,787,933.85	35,236	513,172.91
Idaho.....	1,102,579	9,763,932.96	1,997	28,615.52	379,315	3,772,104.85	506	7,866.88
Utah.....	765,522	6,823,422.30	4,969	55,474.24	650,482	8,110,340.86	1,106	28,427.19
Nevada.....	498,167	5,437,179.54	1,860	36,449.48	132,755	1,799,824.06	128	5,638.68
Arizona.....	902,492	9,699,212.98	6,703	57,320.56	374,068	5,209,734.92	736	11,488.63
Alaska.....	126,662	2,219,148.21	1,394	32,358.47	18,080	389,133.51	58	1,381.36
Pacific States.....	18,710,486	170,414,306.28	204,104	2,219,658.48	15,825,576	168,705,467.12	43,172	684,347.71
Guam.....	3,168	41,383.84	51	1,280.76	261	5,138.44	2	45.78
Hawaii.....	340,515	4,996,988.10	14,774	224,955.54	105,630	1,726,226.51	422	7,085.24
Porto Rico.....	408,309	4,401,383.49	2,168	39,922.54	358,400	3,490,690.19	241	3,952.44
Samoa (Tutuila).....	1,645	30,448.43	506	24,868.79	114	2,210.12	19	252.97
Virgin Islands.....	26,684	277,661.71	235	3,156.93	7,254	63,432.85	14	36.78
Insular possessions.....	780,321	9,747,865.57	17,734	294,184.56	471,659	5,287,698.11	698	11,973.21
Total United States.....	198,656,378	1,784,531,859.80	1,784,053	22,248,740.47	197,394,858	1,783,166,202.53	311,183	6,340,728.33

TABLE 72.—Money orders exchanged between the United States and domestic-basis foreign countries as audited and stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934

Countries	United States domestic orders paid in foreign countries		Foreign domestic orders paid in the United States		Excess paid in foreign countries	Excess paid in United States
	Number	Value	Number	Value		
Antigua.....	702	\$4,791.18	525	\$2,198.76	\$2,592.42	
Bahamas.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)		
Barbados.....	8,976	89,668.94	1,356	7,910.36	81,758.58	
Bermuda.....	75	1,195.80	4,103	21,886.47		\$20,390.67
British Guiana.....	1,577	13,787.88	1,754	9,676.88	4,111.00	
British Honduras.....	442	4,008.10	3,774	23,480.74		18,872.64
Canada.....	395,958	4,218,640.62	520,170	3,181,794.94	1,036,846.28	
Canal Zone.....	13,335	250,258.68	119,489	2,192,727.56		1,942,468.88
Cuba.....	46,111	526,212.27	36,229	518,550.92	7,661.35	
Dominica.....	288	2,800.13	178	1,022.69	1,777.44	
Grenada.....	1,738	15,141.66	568	3,021.49	12,120.17	
Jamaica.....	15,011	133,313.26	1,614	25,036.28	108,276.98	
Martinique.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)		
Montserrat.....	681	3,625.76	88	521.88	3,103.88	
Newfoundland.....	15,103	179,173.52	8,853	69,255.99	109,923.53	
Philippine Islands.....	70,137	2,287,607.07	67,914	732,287.01	1,555,320.06	
St. Kitts.....	1,016	10,339.73	287	1,317.80	9,021.93	
St. Lucia.....	1,449	4,362.41	254	932.14	3,430.27	
St. Vincent.....	1,175	12,190.39	256	1,242.03	10,948.36	
Trinidad.....	3,580	34,221.83	3,401	12,054.61	22,167.22	
Virgin Islands.....	35	217.76	15	145.38	72.38	
Total domestic basis.....	575,689	7,792,162.99	770,828	6,804,763.33	2,960,131.85	1,981,732.19

1 No business.

TABLE 73.—Money orders exchanged between the United States and international-basis foreign countries as audited and stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934

Countries	United States International orders certified for payment in foreign countries		Foreign international orders certified for payment in the United States		Excess certified by United States	Excess certified by foreign country
	Number	Value	Number	Value		
Albania.....	8	\$648.70	(1)	(1)	\$648.70	
Argentina.....	1,568	24,021.66	3,351	\$17,549.53	6,472.13	
Australia, Commonwealth of.....	3,633	39,316.37	11,191	85,685.71		\$46,369.34
Austria.....	31,166	389,478.57			389,478.57	
Belgium.....	8,083	136,981.51	4,557	115,758.45	21,223.06	
Bolivia.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)		
Brazil.....	940	12,973.18	(1)	(1)	12,973.18	
Bulgaria.....	1,269	20,944.18	(1)	(1)	20,944.18	
Cape Verde Islands.....	152	2,054.40	(1)	(1)	2,054.40	
Chile.....	214	1,981.19	(1)	(1)	1,981.19	
China.....	8,189	97,503.27	3,351	27,176.81	70,326.46	
Costa Rica.....	671	7,852.93	(1)	(1)	7,852.93	
Czechoslovakia.....	49,611	674,391.87	11,964	88,712.36	585,679.51	
Denmark.....	13,323	181,711.31	2,440	55,218.74	126,492.57	
Dutch Guiana.....	23	262.86	394	3,443.54		3,180.68
Estonia.....	2,030	30,022.34	81	169.22	29,853.12	
Finland.....	10,293	153,011.76	192	4,512.63	148,499.13	
France.....	38,116	552,581.95	11,658	261,343.09	291,238.86	
Free City of Danzig.....	1,711	20,697.92	218	4,531.93	16,165.99	
French Levant.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)		
Germany.....	219,970	2,683,141.53	49,239	1,162,234.70	1,520,906.74	
Great Britain.....	346,113	3,629,909.86	78,177	1,054,985.56	2,574,924.30	
Greece.....	9,987	139,852.38	(1)	(1)	139,852.38	
Guatemala.....	494	5,492.33	2,456	25,020.15		19,527.82
Honduras, Republic of.....	136	1,539.24	173	1,594.72		55.48
Hong Kong.....	612	6,181.72	923	3,718.99	2,462.73	
Hungary.....	20,880	216,833.46	99	2,561.68	214,291.78	
Iceland.....	103	1,943.36	70	376.45	1,566.91	
Ireland.....	240,288	3,687,286.63	11,564	127,622.45	3,569,764.18	
Irish Free State.....	134,782	1,693,348.69	26,810	2,085,272.10		391,923.41
Italy.....	33,901	558,629.53	5,005	52,563.17	506,066.36	

1 No business.

TABLE 73.—Money orders exchanged between the United States and international-basis foreign countries as audited and stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934—Continued

Countries	United States International orders certified for payment in foreign countries		Foreign international orders certified for payment in the United States		Excess certified by United States	Excess certified by foreign country
	Number	Value	Number	Value		
Jugoslavia.....	22,280	\$316,601.82	321	\$27,349.16	\$289,252.66	
Latvia.....	7,446	89,095.79	21	291.95	88,803.84	
Liberia.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)		
Lithuania.....	43,652	685,418.07	474	15,912.58	669,505.49	
Luxemburg.....	411	9,911.78	95	3,978.33	5,933.45	
Mexico.....	132,207	1,082,585.40	18,528	186,094.75	896,490.65	
Netherlands.....	12,855	168,680.29	6,673	93,657.09	75,023.20	
Netherlands Indies.....	373	4,786.77	3,187	25,192.83		\$20,406.06
New Zealand.....	2,234	45,667.16	7,158	34,510.31	11,156.85	
Norway.....	27,734	432,641.86	1,686	12,520.06	420,121.80	
Palestine.....	10,050	111,700.13	197	2,911.09	108,789.04	
Peru.....	419	4,876.58	(1)	(1)	4,876.58	
Poland.....	232,806	2,721,929.76	3,828	144,447.92	2,577,481.84	
Rumania.....	13,092	155,611.58	262	1,473.15	154,138.43	
Salvador.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)		
Siam.....	82	1,072.44	369	1,260.90		188.55
Spain.....	7,422	131,678.62	11,380	123,934.16	7,744.46	
Straits Settlements.....	139	1,593.41	1,279	6,914.91		5,321.50
Sweden.....	69,516	956,249.99	6,622	249,095.34	707,154.65	
Switzerland.....	16,220	251,153.27	6,457	181,411.59	69,741.68	
Tunis.....	251	3,474.78	40	954.83	2,519.95	
Union of South Africa.....	2,593	40,014.77	12,488	94,822.15		\$4,807.38
Uruguay.....	169	1,612.30	67	2,078.43		466.13
Total international basis.....	1,780,217	22,186,971.27	305,045	6,388,772.69	16,340,453.93	542,255.35

¹ No business.

TABLE 74.—The Post Office Department general account with postmasters stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934

MONEY-ORDER SERVICE

Balances due the United States July 1, 1933.....		\$13,106,428.92
Domestic money orders issued.....		\$1,784,531,859.80
International money orders issued.....	\$22,248,740.47	
Less repaid and void.....	80,238.51	
		22,168,501.96
Fees collected for issuing domestic money orders.....		18,443,769.84
Fees collected for issuing international money orders.....		305,514.02
Exchange charges received.....		9,240.29
Balances, late postmaster accounts, closed to "suspense".....		
Amounts received for postal balances transferred to money-order accounts with foreign countries.....		13,495.22
Deposits of surplus funds received from postmasters.....		428,358,467.20
Drafts drawn on the Treasurer of the United States.....		1,211,690,581.99
Funds transferred from the postal account:		
By adjustment of district postmasters' accounts.....		3,482,068.31
By postmasters.....		36,648,975.38
Miscellaneous receipts.....		413.06
Adjustment transfers.....		102,405.45
		3,505,755,301.52
Balance due postmasters June 30, 1934.....		36,854.51
Total.....		3,518,898,584.95
Balances due postmasters July 1, 1933.....		1,364,347.67
Domestic money orders paid.....		\$1,783,166,202.53
Certified international money orders paid and repaid.....	\$6,340,728.33	
Certified orders repaid.....	\$67,734.09	
Uncertified orders repaid.....	12,504.42	
	80,238.51	
		6,260,489.82
Commissions allowed postmasters for issuing money orders.....		1,708,654.31
Exchange charges refunded.....		84.26
Losses by burglary, fire, and other unavoidable casualties.....		15,485.32
Exchange purchased and remitted to foreign countries as payments on accounts.....		9,328,842.63

¹ The commissions were reduced under the act of Mar. 20, 1933, and as amended, the amount of the reduction being \$104,484.50.

TABLE 74.—*The Post Office Department general account with postmasters stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934—Continued*

MONEY-ORDER SERVICE—Continued	
Funds transferred to the postal account:	
By adjustment of district postmasters' accounts.....	\$524,488,186.26
By postmasters.....	10,525,024.84
Deposits of surplus funds made by postmasters.....	1,166,121,764.34
Adjustment transfers.....	102,405.45
Balance due the United States June 30, 1934.....	\$3,500,717,139.76
Total.....	16,817,096.52
	3,518,898,583.95

TABLE 75.—*The Post Office Department general account with the United States Treasury depositaries stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

MONEY-ORDER SERVICE	
Balance on deposit July 1, 1933.....	\$20,143,413.54
Deposit of funds.....	742,566,807.98
Transferred from Postal Service.....	498,000,000.00
Postmaster General's checks paid.....	\$1,238,184,992.52
Balance on deposit June 30, 1934.....	22,525,229.00
Total.....	1,260,710,221.52
	1,260,710,221.52

TABLE 76.—*The general transfer account, postal and money-order funds stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

Balance due the money-order service July 1, 1933.....	\$7,020,252.28
Transferred from postal to money-order service:	
By Postmaster General's orders.....	\$498,000,000.00
By postmasters.....	36,648,975.38
Transferred from money order to postal service:	
By adjustment of district postmaster's accounts.....	521,006,117.95
By postmasters.....	10,525,024.84
Balance due the money-order service June 30, 1934.....	3,902,419.69
Total.....	538,551,395.07
	538,551,395.07

TABLE 77.—*The Post Office Department general account with foreign countries stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

MONEY-ORDER SERVICE	
Balance due the United States July 1, 1933.....	\$508,627.16
Credit allowed the United States for payment of money orders issued in "Domestic basis" foreign countries.....	\$6,804,763.33
Credit allowed the United States for international money orders certified by foreign countries, less repaid and void.....	6,359,556.65
Credit allowed the United States for repaid and void international money orders.....	71,959.50
Credit allowed the United States for remittance on account.....	20,956,361.94
Commissions allowed the United States for payment of foreign money orders.....	24,278.72
Gain on foreign exchange.....	104,410.64
Gain on conversion of funds.....	56,932.95
Balance due foreign countries June 30, 1934.....	34,378,263.73
Total.....	2,734,637.36
	37,621,528.25
Balances due foreign countries July 1, 1933.....	2,179,855.70
Credit allowed foreign countries for payment of United States domestic orders.....	\$7,792,162.99
Credit allowed foreign countries for United States international money orders certified for payment.....	22,186,971.27
Credit allowed foreign countries for remittances on account.....	4,820,360.52
Commissions allowed foreign countries for payment of United States money orders.....	79,648.98
Incidental expenses.....	30.00
Balance due the United States June 30, 1934.....	34,879,173.76
Total.....	362,498.79
	37,621,528.25

TABLE 78.—*The general domestic money-order account stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

Outstanding July 1, 1933.....	\$18,907,975.63
Issued in the United States.....	1,784,531,859.80
Credit allowed the United States for payment of money orders issued in "Domestic basis" foreign countries.....	6,804,763.33
Paid in the United States.....	¹ \$1,783,164,001.46
Credit allowed foreign countries for payment of United States domestic money orders.....	7,792,162.99
"Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old" transferred to postal revenue.....	569,478.54
Outstanding June 30, 1934.....	18,718,865.77
Total.....	1,810,244,598.76

TABLE 79.—*The general international money-order account, foreign countries issued, stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

Outstanding July 1, 1933.....	\$284,016.59
Credit allowed the United States for money orders certified by foreign countries.....	6,359,556.65
Repaid and void.....	80,238.51
Paid in the United States.....	\$6,340,728.33
Outstanding June 30, 1934.....	383,083.42
Total.....	6,723,811.75

TABLE 80.—*The general international money-order account, United States issued, stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

Outstanding July 1, 1933.....	\$352,067.09
Issued.....	22,248,740.47
Credit allowed foreign countries for United States international money orders certified for payment.....	\$22,186,971.27
Uncertified orders repaid.....	12,504.42
Outstanding June 30, 1934.....	401,331.87
Total.....	22,600,807.56

TABLE 81.—*The general money-order revenue account stated from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1934*

Audited revenues:	
Fees collected for issuing domestic money orders.....	\$18,443,769.84
Fees collected for issuing international money orders.....	305,514.02
Miscellaneous receipts.....	413.06
Commissions allowed the United States for the payment of money orders issued in foreign countries.....	24,278.72
Gain on foreign exchange.....	104,410.64
Gain on conversion of funds.....	56,932.95
Exchange charges received.....	9,249.29
	\$18,944,568.52
Audited expenditures:	
Commissions allowed postmasters for issuing money orders.....	² 708,654.31
Commissions allowed foreign countries for payment of money orders issued in the United States.....	79,648.98
Incidental expenses.....	30.00
Exchange charges refunded.....	84.26
Loss on conversion.....	788,417.55
Losses:	
Burglary, fire and other unavoidable casualties.....	15,485.32
Uncollectible balances, late postmasters' accounts.....	
Compromise debts, late postmasters' accounts.....	
	803,902.87
Contingencies: Balances, late postmasters' accounts, closed to suspense.....	
Revenue from money-order business ³	18,140,665.65

¹ Exclusive of adjustment of \$2,111.07 for "Unpaid money orders more than 1 year old" paid by postmasters.

² The commissions were reduced under the act of Mar. 20, 1933, and as amended, the amount of the reduction being \$104,484.50.

³ This item does not represent the net revenue as all expenses for the maintenance and operation of the money-order service, except those shown above, are by requirement of law paid directly from the postal revenues.

TABLE 82.—Statement of terminal and transit charges on parcel-post transactions between the United States and foreign countries during the year July 1, 1933 to June 30, 1934

Country	Fiscal year, 1934		Fiscal year, 1933		Fiscal year, 1932 and prior		Excess paid to foreign countries	Excess received from foreign countries
	Received	Dis-patched	Received	Dis-patched	Received	Dis-patched		
Albania	\$14.54	\$106.49	\$90.35	\$510.34			\$511.94	
Angola				35.85		\$31.62	67.47	
Antigua			158.85	535.18	\$191.50	1,042.75	1,227.58	
Argentina	785.60	1,483.18	774.41	531.80			4,043.08	
Australia				531.80			531.80	
Austria	5,281.27	5,727.11	10,838.13	10,046.88				\$945.41
Bahamas	255.39	1,921.26	152.35	954.74			2,468.26	
Barbados	577.80	1,650.00	595.47	1,045.20			1,521.93	
Belgium	2,929.41	3,928.13	3,308.88	2,968.70			658.54	
Bermuda	576.54	4,393.83	448.11	2,019.69			5,388.87	
Brazil			361.58	3,727.91			3,366.33	
British Guiana	189.53	506.90	258.46	575.01			633.92	
British Honduras	141.14	919.87	133.21	755.54			1,401.06	
Canada			30,092.40	125,346.00			95,253.60	
Cape Verde Islands				54.50		248.49	302.99	
China	29.94		154.70					184.64
Colombia			831.64	36,579.29	1,014.00	42,659.71	77,393.36	
Czechoslovakia	3,244.36	1,277.09	10,996.05	4,679.49				8,283.83
Denmark	935.77	1,547.51	8,196.46	8,230.30				
Dominica	14.22	138.71	21.94	146.51	7.36	73.90	651.68	
Dominican Republic	64.34	1,482.67	131.29	3,133.63			315.60	
Dutch Guiana	32.08	274.52	33.89	204.54			4,420.67	
Egypt	1,271.46	1,905.82	1,422.29	2,398.44			412.19	
Fiji Islands	80.62	81.04	24.89	154.95			1,570.54	
Finland	210.64	4,396.78	1,007.33	5,777.12			190.48	
France	14,399.59	4,139.43	69,103.20	22,244.19	6,270.60	5,415.36	8,355.93	
French Settlements of Oceania			230.05	430.58			200.53	
Germany	103,807.19	65,187.33	212,534.80	91,093.72	5,488.32		165,549.26	
Gibraltar	415.78	129.20	155.69	103.00			339.27	
Gold Coast Colony		202.79	14.72	140.37			328.44	
Great Britain	20,521.77	28,238.44	133,377.45	155,833.42			30,172.63	
Greece	531.62	2,761.30	39.47	271.29			2,461.50	
Grenada			202.16	602.49			400.33	
Guatemala	125.35	2,891.18	106.14	2,498.02			5,157.71	
Hong Kong		649.07		1,148.32			1,797.39	
Hungary	1,913.82	3,169.97	2,056.46	2,505.37			1,705.06	
Irish Free State	2,281.36	19,918.03	3,727.19	36,842.34			50,751.82	
Italy	10,327.06	16,588.96	54,873.66	60,757.80	736.85	1,623.90	13,033.09	
Jamaica	1,630.00	7,754.57	2,392.29	7,882.94			11,615.22	
Latvia	202.01	462.69	396.13	1,118.01			983.46	
Lithuania	144.01	2,843.14	759.37	9,775.13			11,714.39	
Macao	18	9.57	3.47	39.86			45.78	
Mexico	1,225.86	14,785.91	5,206.96	36,402.87	387.87		44,368.09	
Montserrat			64.46	339.59			275.13	
Morocco		266.23		314.34			580.57	
Netherlands	2,186.84	2,087.85	10,800.56	8,140.51				2,760.04
Netherlands Indies	267.94	2,599.31	545.29	2,875.11			4,661.19	
Newfoundland	1,178.40	4,574.40	1,907.70	6,499.50			8,287.80	
New Zealand	118.78	1,444.20	420.13	3,869.80		10.08	4,775.17	
Norway	1,700.24	4,599.55	14,239.71	18,008.42			6,608.02	
Palestine	660.04	1,585.93	504.58	1,034.19			1,455.50	
Paraguay			9.08	210.65			201.57	
Philippine Islands			85.66					85.66
Poland			8,181.02	66,992.12			58,811.10	
Portugal	2.29	332.90		418.38		47.48	796.47	
Portuguese Guinea				3.89		6.34	10.23	
St. Kitts	26.60	181.87	197.29	914.39			872.47	
St. Lucia			15.38	98.68			83.30	
St. Vincent			223.60	628.47			402.87	
Salvador			50.32	1,020.20	132.82	3,944.00	4,781.06	
Siam			31.60	775.80	17.60	348.34	1,074.94	
Sierra Leone	7.08	383.28	61.94	166.26			480.52	
Straits Settlements	369.38	1,596.34	386.25	1,072.40			1,913.11	
Sweden	2,207.24	4,328.40	11,305.58	17,088.94			7,904.52	
Switzerland	11,824.93	6,023.18	7,449.03	4,064.36				9,186.42
Syria		99.69		108.23			207.92	
Tortola, Virgin Islands								
Union of Socialist Soviet Republics	3.33	20.33	3.17	44.40			58.32	
Union of South Africa	894.35	1,263.94	801.54	1,093.33			661.38	
	85.20	2,727.55	223.68	2,787.53	1.50	73.03	5,277.73	
Uruguay	52.94	677.33	136.90	1,164.74			1,652.23	
Total	196,286.63	236,324.77	612,566.34	783,869.46	14,248.42	55,525.00	497,316.78	244,698.94

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