84.—Numbers and Values of Postal Notes, fiscal years ended Mar. 31, 1922-1927.

| Values, | 1922. | 1923. | 1924. | 1925. | 1926. | 1927. |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------|---------------------|--------------|
| \$ | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. |
| 0.20 | 158,108 | 173,210 | 165,622 | 177,972 | 192,093 | 194,117 |
| 0.25 | 281,679 | 340,713 | 242,477 | 247,507 | 263,468 | 288,672 |
| 0-30 | 190,364 | 208,251 | 215,742 | 226,425 | 2 50 ,322 | 277,704 |
| 0-40 | 225,044 | 210,129 | 219,406 | 232,100 | 256,379 | 278,258 |
| 0 ·50 | 425,943 | 465,787 | 394,5 78 | 411,247 | 454,817 | 476.601 |
| 0-60 | 213,320 | 201,455 | 203,687 | 210,849 | 235,464 | 251,738 |
| 0-70 | 124,558 | 108,925 | 109,292 | 116,454 | 131,553 | 138,288 |
| 0-75 | 190,413 | 206,833 | 190,787 | 201,805 | 234,846 | 247,895 |
| 0-80 | 175,443 | 171,749 | 172,928 | 181,707 | 204,132 | 221,374 |
| 0-90 | 186,400 | 179,231 | 184,015 | 198,104 | 222,324 | 232,995 |
| 1.00 | 837,437 | 1,006,036 | 891,216 | 920,318 | 1,014,448 | 1,071,729 |
| 1.50 | 393,725 | 386.663 | 360,476 | 366,938 | 374,772 | 379,467 |
| 2.00 | 578,35 3 | 607,115 | 609,269 | 652,367 | 707,265 | 735, 244 |
| 2.50 | 240,269 | 239,930 | 250,261 | 276,596 | 294,064 | 297,320 |
| 3-00 | 419,969 | 425,173 | 448,917 | 497,599 | 542,082 | 675,830 |
| 4.00 | 293,936 | 290,896 | 311,002 | 352,482 | 873,852 | 390,329 |
| 5-00 | 477,460 | 492,080 | 539,877 | 624,988 | 707,225 | 757,707 |
| 10.00 | 266,953 | 270,063 | 296,577 | 324,162 | 362,277 | 382,636 |
| Total notes received No. | 5,679,374 | 5,984,239 | 5,806,129 | 6,219,630 | 6,821,378 | 7,197,896 |
| Total value, including postage stamps affixed \$ | 11,827,896 | 12, 179 . 920 | 12,657,724 | 13,926,654 | 15,340, 0 56 | 16, 183, 119 |
| Commission received \$ | 124,957 | 180,545 | 135,353 | 149,317 | 163,918 | 176,440 |
| Postal notes issued to postmastersNo. | 5,580,475 | 6,143.040 | 5,747,410 | 6,305,500 | 7,077,450 | 7,195,140 |
| Value of notes issued \$ | 11,598,881 | 12,696,889 | 12,570,690 | 14,263,972 | 16,022,964 | 16,285,490 |

Table 85 shows the number of the various types and denominations of postage stamps issued during each of the fiscal years ended Mar. 31, 1924-1927. The value of the issue during these years was \$31,063,161 in 1924, \$29,741,426 in 1925, \$30,801,-110 in 1926 and \$25,599,640 in 1927. In the last fiscal year the value of the issue decreased by \$5,201,470 from that of 1926, but the reduction in postage rates during the last year no doubt partly accounts for the drop, while another factor is the rapidly increasing use of devices for prepaying postage in cash. Receipts from this source increased from \$3,895,185 in 1926 to \$6,068,722 in 1927.