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TO : Civil Affairs Section.

PREPARATION OF ELECTORAL LISTS

1. Directives. A directive on the preparation of electoral lists was issued to RCGs and PCs on 13 June. On 1 July a schedule giving a brief description of the procedure for the preparation of electoral lists was issued under cover of Executive Memorandum No. 2.
2. Commencement Date. 15 July. At the Regional Commissioner's Conference held at AC HQ on 27 and 28 June the date for the commencement of the compilation of electoral registers in the Northern provinces under Allied Military Government, excluding Venezia Giulia, was fixed by C740 as of 15 July 1945. Under Italian Law, 100 days are required, from the date of commencement, for the completion of those electoral lists. An extension of this time-limit will be granted to counties which show proof that, because of war damage and disruption, they are absolutely unable to complete their lists within the time-limit set. It was calculated that preparation of the registers would not be completed until December; and, because of winter conditions, this meant that the actual elections, both local and national, might not take place until the Spring of 1946.
3. Printed Forms. Printed forms and stationery prepared by the Italian Government for the compilation of electoral lists have been delivered to Regional Headquarters in ASG territory; distribution to provinces and thence to counties is in progress.
4. Appointment of local government bodies. The importance of the setting up of local government bodies, such as the Delegazioni Provinciali, and the adequate staffing of Prefectural and Communal offices is stressed in a directive dated 30 June (AC/27/3/19). The compilation of electoral lists is dependent on the efficient functioning of these bodies, e.g. an electoral Commission must be established for each judicial district, and of its 4 members 1 is appointed by the Prefect and 3 by the Deputazioni Provinciali.
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6. A letter to Signore Ruffi. A draft letter which was prepared by the Italian Government for a revision of the existing electoral laws, which were passed in 1915, is being prepared in the Headquarters and will shortly be addressed to Signore Ruffi. The efforts of the Allied Commission previously in this direction resulted in a reply from the Indo President of the Council, U. S. AMBROSIO, to the effect that no reform was required since, in his personal opinion, the laws are "adequate".

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Monthly Report for June, 1945

1. The Ministry.

a. The Education Subcommittee was fortunate in not having to break in a new Minister of Public Instruction when the Italian Government was reconstituted. The incumbent Minister, Arangio Ruiz, formerly a professor of Roman Law at the University of Naples and in Cairo, continues in office. He has become a personal friend of the Director of the Education Subcommittee, is intelligent, right-minded, cooperative in a high degree, and resoundingly efficient.

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(2) As reported previously, the Education Subcommittee, in consultation with the Minister of Public Instruction, decided that it was very desirable to make available to the children of Italy translations of some of the best juvenile literature which would give them an understanding of life in other lands, elementary science, and literature. The Education Subcommittee accordingly got experts in this field in the United States to select the forty best juvenile books for this purpose, outlining fully the purpose and the criteria for selection. Sample copies of the books were then obtained and turned over to UNICEF. It, in turn, bought the translation rights from the original publishers and arranged for commercial publication by various Italian publishers, providing them with American paper. Rights have now been procured for thirty-four of the forty books, most of these have been assigned to Italian publishers, and translation has begun.

b. British Council.

Relations with the British Council are less clearly defined and less continuous. There is, however, cooperation between it and the Education Subcommittee. The publications of British origin needed by Italian universities and libraries, for example, have been handled between the Education Subcommittee and British Council in a manner analogous to that described in paragraph 2 b(1) above, and the British Council is attempting to secure them. (Note: Publications desired from Holland, Russia, Switzerland, etc., are being sought direct by the Education Subcommittee).

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- b. More school supplies have arrived from the United States, including thousands of erasers.
- c. Text book commissions to pass on manuscripts for new elementary text books have been appointed in the Ministry and in each Northern Region. Books are being approved for printing this summer.
- d. Commissions on evaluation of secondary school textbooks have been set up in each Northern Region to examine books found there and not previously included among the 7000 examined in Rome, Florence, etc. As before, such books are designated for confiscation, for expurgation, or for approval, according to the amount of Fascist propaganda contained.
4. Survey of Venezia Giulia.
- The Director of Education made a study of the educational situation in Venezia Giulia in early July. His report to the Vice-President is attached hereto as Annex 2.
5. Expurgation.
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special courses to prepare students for the examinations are being organized.

c. University students who fought or worked on the side of the Germans are not being allowed to take the summer examinations. This decree by the CIN has been approved by the REG's and by the Minister of Public Instruction. On the other hand, students who fought with the Partisans, or whose fathers did so, are exempted from tuition fees.

f. Five of the nine provveditori in Lombardia, and three of the five in Liguria and Apulia, appointed by the CIN to replace expropriated provveditori, have been confirmed by the Regional Commissioner on recommendation of the REG. In the remaining cases, the CIN appointees were found unsuitable and had to be replaced.

g. Lombardia probably had the largest concentration of Fascists in school jobs. The province of Cremona, home of Puzoschi, notorious Fascist Minister and leader, was a hot bed of Fascists. 53% of the teachers there (as against 4% to 7% in most of Italy) had to be removed, and in one school seventeen out of eighteen had to be replaced.

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b. Optimal summer schools have been opened in Rome with vacation courses in physical education, poetry and stories, and systematic review. Fifty such schools are now in operation and it is planned to open about a hundred more. In Genoa, too, there are summer schools on a voluntary basis: 5499 students are enrolled.

c. A thousand elementary and secondary school teachers from urban and environs had an educational meeting addressed by the provveditori in the RFO (the schools perfect Italian). Topics discussed included the academic status of teachers, the new school courses of study, and the establishment of re-trainer

courses for teachers. (One old timer remarked "I have been teaching school for thirty years, and am therefore prepared to meet any contemporary educational contingencies and have no need for a refresher course").

d. A teachers' syndicate is being organized in Liguria. Such syndicates already exist in a number of other places.

e. Lieutenant SIMONI, REO Liguria, tells of a combined secondary school run clandestinely by the Partisans in Apuania under German occupation; the non-provveditoro has sent a committee to give examinations and regularize the work done. Captain PIATTI, REO Emilia, found that the Partisans in Piacenza province had operated many schools in scattered Communes during the German occupation. Buildings were prepared, teachers employed, and text books defaced. When the Germans took the communes they closed the schools, but as soon as the Partisans regained control the schools were reopened. The REO is now arranging to pay the teachers and accredit the schools. As will be seen in Appendix 2, a similar situation existed in Venezia Giulia, where Slav Partisans opened schools in the Slovene language.

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9. Youth activities.

a. The stimulus to the Girl Guides Movement, resulting from the visit of Helen-Swoll and Mrs. Leigh-White, continues, but the re-formation of Girl Guides has not yet been fully consummated - the non-sectarian organization, composed, of course, mostly of Catholics, objects to the Church organization which the new "Catholic".

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b. The Boy Scout Movement is spreading rapidly. It is being encouraged by all HSO's, sometimes in cooperation with the Welfare Division. British and American soldiers, former Scouts, often help local troops. In Bologna and four other Emilia communes there are now thirty troops, and 210 leaders are being trained. Training courses for leaders are also functioning in Livorno, Lombardina and elsewhere. In Venezia the Catholic Scouts reported finding a large cache of cloth. The HSO, Major CHESTY, turned it over to Industry and Commerce, but got back 20 meters to divide between the two Scout organizations for uniforms. In Piemonte, Captain NOY is working with Welfare in fostering summer camps. Captain CHESTY, 20 in Lombardina, is working closely with both Scout organizations and states that there is harmonious cooperation between the competing associations.

c. A youth organization known as the Fronte della Gioventu' was set up under the Partisan regime and is still functioning in all northern regions. Its charter makes it a non-political federation of the youth of all party groups, with leasable aims. HSO's get reports, not documented, that despite its charter it is a Communist, or Communist-controlled organization. Lieutenant SEAGNI, HSO in Liguria, has, however, obtained more definite information from different provveditori. The provveditore in La Spezia, a socialist, describes it as follows:

"The 'Fronte della Gioventu' is an organization of the masses born during the conspiratory period with the objective of bringing together in one group all youth of no matter what political tendencies with the purpose of fighting against the Nazi-fascist.

"The 'Fronte della Gioventu' is continuing its work with the purpose of orienting the masses of students and workers toward the ideals of a true democracy.

"Its present activities are cultural, welfare, and recreational."

Imperia's provveditore (Independent) states that in his province all the leaders of the Fronte della Gioventu' are members of the Communist Party, other parties being represented only figuratively.

Genoa, on the other hand, describes the organization as representative of all parties, and interested mainly in youth activities of a non-political character. In this province the organization is opening summer courses to prepare Partisan students, ex-interns, political victims, etc., for the future examinations, the professors limiting their time.

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b. The city of Rome is continuing school lunches through the summer in 1946 schools, for 30,000 children.

11. Miscellany.

On hearing that Tito was refusing recognition to Italian Universities, Italian students at the University of Padua wanted to retaliate by refusing recognition to the Yugoslav universities - there are a number of students of Yugoslav origin at Padua. Major ZEPHYR, RSO, denounced them, showing that serious restraint would be a better ground for recognition than would reprisal. --- How can a doctor be elected for the Institute of Architecture in Venice, with only two titular professors eligible to vote? If each votes for the other, there will be a tie. The RSO is simply appointing one of them as doctor --- Students have always been given reduced rates to concerts, operas, lectures, etc. PWE has ordered that no cut rates shall be allowed for anyone. The RSO is attempting to get PWE to modify this edict and not create a desirable and time-honored custom of making culture readily available to students.

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12. Personnel.

- a. A meeting of all Education Officers was held in Milan, 29-30 June. As usual, a great many problems were discussed and procedures were clarified and coordinated.
- b. The shortage of personnel is still acute. The most urgent need is an assistant for Major GEBORZ, who is handling ten provinces all alone. His chief clerk, T-5 John Apicella, is, fortunately, able and energetic to a high degree and is practically acting as an Education Officer as well as chief clerk. But there is more work of an urgent nature to be handled without more help.
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2. Will the Minister please reply to our letter regarding discrepancies between his figures on personnel defascized under D.L. 159 and those of the high commissioner?
3. What steps can the Minister take to speed up the defascism procedure under D.L. 159?
4. Will the Minister examine the question of continuing the much-needed technical school on the Island of Lipari, established by the AMI?
5. A request from the teachers' syndicate in Bologna is presented for the Minister's consideration.
6. The University of Pavia wishes to establish a faculty of Economics and Commerce to replace the faculty of Political Science. The Rector of Bocconi University in Milan objects because his faculty of Economics and Commerce is a short distance from Pavia. The Education Subcommission does not recommend the granting of Pavia's request, but desires the Minister's opinion.
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10. He is asked how the special examination for admission to Ferrareso College shall be held so as to give equal opportunities to students in all parts of Italy, and is informed that if he will issue an order he will validate it in the North.
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13. The Minister is informed that the buildings he listed at our request must vital to keep free from requisition in the North have all been posted against requisition and, except in Bologna, none have been requisitioned.

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14. Advice is sought on the way to handle students in the Political Science Faculties which are being suppressed. Past examinations may still be given, what ones should be revised, what ones should be abolished. How to avoid loss of all the time spent to date in those faculties?
15. The Minister is informed of the turn-over of Toscana and Marche to the Italian Government and is given jurisdiction even in the cities (Lia, Livorno, Arezzo, etc.) which are retained by AMG.
16. The Minister is informed as to provveditori appointed in the North to date.
17. A memorial from the Conservatory of Music in Florence is presented to the Minister for action.
18. The Minister's advice is requested regarding the proposed action of the provveditori in Trento in putting certain teachers who passed a civil service examination in 1942 on the permanent list.
19. A report on the Scout movement is given to the Minister.
20. The list of school officials in Southern Italy, formerly suspended by AMG and now proposed by the Minister for reinstatement without a hearing under DL 159, will be considered if the Minister will give, in regard to each, the reasons for assuming that the AMG suspension was not justifiable.
21. A request from the provveditore in Florence for local recognition of a private school is presented for the Minister's decision.
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30. The ASG of Lombardia presents the documents concerning certain transfers of professors at the Polytechnic Institute in Milan and asks the Minister's advice.

31. Proposals of the Sector for reorganizing staffs of architecture and engineering in the Polytechnic Institute in Milan are presented to the Minister for advice.
32. The British Ambassador, through the Executive Commissioner, A.C., has requested a set of the Enciclopedia Italiana for the Library of the House of Commons. Could the Minister secure a set?
33. The RSO in Lombardia desires information as to whether reduction in tuitions for students from large families is still in force in Italian Government Territory.
34. The RSO in Lombardia would like to know if exemption from tuition for university students who fought with the Partisans or whose fathers did so, applies also to secondary students.
35. The Minister is informed that RSO's have been authorized by the Education Subcommission to nullify transfers of teachers and professors made by the Fascist Republicans in the North.
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45. The Vice President, CA Section, has been asked why Prof. Bussaluti, removed from his post by the Fascists for anti-Fascist activities, has not been reemployed. Will the Minister explain? (Note: the explanation was simple - Prof. Bussaluti was an unfringed priest and the Concordat with the Vatican forbids such persons to teach).

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46. A request from the University of Bologna for the reversion of three professors who are prisoners of war is presented. Will the Minister take the necessary steps to secure their release?
47. If the Minister will prepare a circular letter urging private schools to grant the same salary increases to teachers as are granted in public schools, it will be issued in the territory and help alleviate a difficult financial situation for such teachers.
48. The Education Subcommission is glad to put into effect in the North the Minister's provisions for invalidating transfers of university professors by the Fascist Government without election by the faculties of the universities which received them. A circular from the Minister describing exact procedure to be followed will, if prepared, be issued to all northern universities.
49. A series of elementary text books for 1945-6 has been approved by the Regional Commission in Emilia. Will the Minister give his approval, subject to the right to recommend changes when proof-sheets are submitted?
50. The DDO in Piemonte requests a list of elementary school text books approved by the Minister's commission for 1945-6, for possible publication in Piemonte.
51. The Minister is informed that the eight badly needed rooms in the Veterinary School of the University of Perugia have been made available by the requisitioning unit.

ANNEX II

REPORT ON EDUCATION IN VENEZIA GIULIA

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TO : V.P., Civil Affairs Section

9 July 1945

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This Austrian liberalism continued for a few years after the Peace treaty. In 1922 there were 212 elementary schools in the Slovene language in Venezia Giulia, with 708 teachers and 39,892 pupils. There were also about one-fifth as many Croat schools. But then Mussolini decreed that there were no minority groups in Italy, and his Minister of Education (Gentile) required that all schools should be in the Italian language. This took effect finally in 1924. All cultural societies in other than the Italian language were also suppressed -- the Slovene theater in Trieste had already been burned by the Fascists.

In September, 1943, Slav Partisans became active in the region. The Germans took control of the cities and main highways, but their government of the mountainous hinterland was confined largely to patrol raids. These parts were, therefore, largely under Partisan control, and the Partisans began at once to organize Slovene language schools, especially in Trieste and Gorizia provinces, the Istrian peninsula being more effectively controlled by the Germans. Teachers who fled from Venezia Giulia in 1924 or earlier, came back as organizers of schools. Secondary school students were brought in from Yugoslavia as teachers. The schools were primitive, teaching the children the Slovene ABC's and a few other elementary things, and were, of course, illegal. But even in the cities a few clandestine classes were organized.

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of Venezia Giulia, they are all going to have to live there together and that the schools should take a lead in developing mutual understanding, tolerance, and good will.

The immediate school problems are, I believe, more administrative than political. The long-range problems are educational. A competent education officer assigned to the Region should be able to set the house in order in a relatively short time and can be a lasting influence toward intercultural understanding and harmony.

3. School Administrative Needs.

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A Professor Loandri was also suggested, but I did not see him. He is professor of letters in the Scuola Industriale, and may not be a university graduate. Villa says he is very conscientious, orderly, seemingly intelligent.

A more thorough investigation by the Education Officer will have to be made, but it is evident that there is good and acceptable material available for a good choice of provveditore for the schools of Pola.

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b. Trieste. The old provveditore in Trieste died last February. He was automatically succeeded by Dr. Favella, the Chief Secretary of the Provveditorato, who is still actually in charge. The NIC, however, appointed Professor Ferlan as "referente" for Italian schools, and an elementary teacher, Pahor, as "referente" for Slovene schools, Ferlan being put in charge of the office of the provveditore. The Area Commission has given de facto recognition, provisionally, to Favella, but has asked Ferlan and Pahor to work with him and has not, pending arrival of an Education Officer, defined their powers. Internally, the three men work harmoniously, but there is antagonism beneath the surface. The teachers don't recognize Ferlan's authority and most of them abstained from attending a meeting he called. Ferlan was a former secondary school teacher, discredited off by the fascists for his anti-fascist activities. He lacks administrative experience, and would not be a suitable provveditore. Favella is a career school administrator -- efficient, very well informed, thoroughly competent for the job. Unfortunately, he is a native of Calabria, although he has been in Trieste a number of years. He was enrolled in the Fascist party when that was obligatory, but is taken no part in Fascist activities. Recently he was the victim of a vehement attack in the Communist newspaper in Trieste; he was accused of being pro-Fascist and pro-Nazi on the ground that he had an important job although still young and had not exposed the Nazis and helped the Partisans. There may be enough antagonism to him by extreme elements to make his appointment as provveditore unwise, but it is too bad, because he is eminently qualified to do an unusually efficient job.

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A good alternate, apparently, is a Professor Desaro in the Ginnasio. He was praised equally highly and universally. He had even held out against ever enrolling in the Fascist party. But he lacks administrative experience. A third man, Professor Andri, Preside of the Liceo Scientifico, was also strongly recommended by several, but is said to be somewhat brusque and irascible and to get lost in details.

The NIC appoints as supervisor of Italian language schools is an old duffer named Clemente, formerly an elementary school director. Ill-informed, slow-witted.

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the GAO concurs in this recommendation. (The need is not in Italy by reference to the Italian Government; hence the Venezia Giulia situation is unique).

5. Operation of schools.

a. Italy. In Italy the schools did not close, but completed their school year on 7 July, and are now holding examinations according to special rules of their own, promulgated by the MEC Education Ministry, Rome, etc. The Area Commissioner, I believe wisely, has not interfered. The examinations will soon be over, and before the summer opening a procedure will be specified and there will be a Regional Education Officer to coordinate the work of the three provinces. Next year, this summer, the MEC is conducting a summer training course for teachers in the proposed Great-Language schools.

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until suitable transfers could be arranged directly to the part of Italy where they will be used next year; but Colonel KOWAL is opposed to such a policy, and I am therefore willing to recommend using Udine as a way-station for them instead.

c. Reintegration of teachers. An order has just been prepared for the reintegration of dismissed Jewish civil servants, including teachers, in their former posts. But there is a similar problem in regard to teachers (and other civil employees) dismissed, allegedly, for anti-fascism. I recommend that a civilian commission be set up to hear such cases and to reintegrate those who are found actually to have been dismissed solely on political grounds. The Regional Legal Officer and the SCAC concur in this recommendation. (The need is not in Italy by reference to the Italian Government; hence the Venezia Giulia situation is unique).

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upon as a standard -- tentatively, the Austrian rule of 40 children more than four kilometers from a school in their native language, may be used as a base. Obviously, however, where a community is almost wholly of one nationality the school, however small, in that community must be in the language of the community. It is also evident that an Istituto Magistrale, or teacher training school for elementary school teachers, will have to be established for Slovene teachers, and probably the same or another for Croat teachers. There were two such Slovene schools until 1923-4, but they were not well placed geographically. It is also quite possible that a few lower-grade schools (avvisamento professionale) for children 11 to 14 years of age should be opened in the Slovene language.

I personally question the desirability, for this next year, at least, of attempting to open lower or upper secondary schools with Slovene as the language of instruction. All children attending or ready to attend secondary schools have had five years of elementary schooling in the Italian language and speak it naturally. To find enough well-trained, competent teachers of mathematics, science, history, languages, etc., who speak Slovene will be extremely difficult and quite unnecessary. Father, Slovene referents in Trieste, however, urges that if the Slovenes can find enough students who want to go to secondary schools conducted in the Slovene language, and enough qualified teachers, and the necessary buildings, they should be allowed to open such schools. To this proposal I can see no serious objection -- I think it will fall of its own weight and that the permission may be politically expedient.

For the elementary schools and the teacher training school or schools in the Slovene language, I think we may have to consent to the use of teachers, temporarily, who are not fully qualified; and we should encourage the setting up of special training centers for such teachers.

7. Programs.

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I personally question the desirability, for this next year, at least, of attempting to open lower or upper secondary schools with Slovene as the language of instruction. All children attending or ready to attend secondary schools have had five years of elementary schooling in the Italian language and speak it naturally. To find enough well-trained, competent teachers of mathematics, science, history, languages, etc., who speak Slovene well would be extremely difficult and quite unnecessary. Pahor, Slovene representative in Trieste, however, urges that if the Slovenes can find enough students who want to go to secondary schools conducted in the Slovene language, and enough qualified teachers, and the necessary buildings, they should be allowed to open such schools. To this proposal I can see no serious objection -- I think it will fall of its own weight and that the permission may be politically expedient.

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It was likewise the unanimous consensus that for Italian-language schools the new text books from Italy should be imported or locally reprinted. Colonel BOWEN points out, however, that those which deal with history and geography should give equal emphasis to the Slavic people and the Italians, and he desires personally to examine any books

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brought in from Italy to see that such emphasis is given and that Italy is not over stressed. Practically, the refusal to use books from Italy that don't stress equally Slavic and Italian cultures would mean rejection of all text books dealing with history and geography. I therefore recommend that instead of trying to revise and reprint all such books, or get on without books in this field until new books can be written and printed, a commission be appointed to prepare a supplementary pamphlet giving the same amount of space to Slavic history, geography, and culture as the Italian text books give to Italy. By making this a part of the program, any criticism of the allies for supposed favoritism can be avoided.

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I did not make inquiry as to damage and occupancy of the school buildings in this province, but Trieste is not, relatively speaking, badly bombed.

c. Verona. In addition to a large number of elementary schools, Verona has a lower-trade school (avviamento professionale) (Commercial), four public and two private lower secondary schools (media inferiore), an industrial school, a technical institute ("geometri" -- i.e., surveying and construction -- and commercial courses), a teacher training school (magistrale), a liceo scientifico, and a classic secondary school

(ginnasio-liceo), with a girls ginnasio (lower classical school) apart. The school buildings in the city are not damaged, but some in the small townships are damaged or destroyed. The Area Commissioner has kept all schools free from occupancy by troops, etc.

11. University of Trieste.

This is a relatively recent institution, established under the Fascist regime after World War I. Until 1943 it had just two faculties -- Jurisprudence, and Economy and Commerce. In the autumn of 1943, however, a faculty of letters was added, which, of course, has no recognition by the present Italian Government. This past year there were about 700 students in Economy and Commerce. This past year there were about 250 and 300 in letters.

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- Slavic philology
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Examinations in the university have been postponed and will continue in absence until the titular professors have been expatriated, as has been done in all Italian universities.

Provision should be made for the return to Trieste from Italy of titular professors who belong to the University of Trieste.

I discussed the university affairs not only with the present pro-rector, Roletto, but also with the hold-over administrative director, Dr. Viola, and the regularly elected -- and continuing -- preside (dean) of the faculty of jurisprudence, Professor Manlio Umani. All were in agreement with the above plans.

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The available officer who most nearly meets these criteria is 1st Lieutenant JOHN F. SIMONI, now National Education Officer for Liguria. He can be replaced in Liguria by any in WAGSTAFF and called to headquarters for briefing. He can then be sent to Venezia Giulia immediately when requested by the SCAG, and Venezia Giulia. He should immediately select and appoint a civilian assistant who knows the Slovene language and is in rapport with the Slavs.

15. Summary of Recommendations.

- a. Send Lt. SIMONI to Venezia Giulia as Regional Education Officer.
- b. Reestablish school organization according to Italian Law prior to September 1943, in compliance with General ALEXANDER's order.
- c. Appoint a provveditore agli studi for the AMG section of each province, on nomination of the RGO.
- d. Announce approval in principle of schools in the mother tongue of the children, details to be worked out by the RGO in consultation with all concerned.
- e. Appoint, on RGO's nomination, supervisors in each province for schools of the different languages.
- f. Proceed with the summer training courses for Slav teachers.
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The above recommendations have been discussed with the Allied Officers directly concerned with each, with HLC representatives and with school authorities. All the major ones have been discussed with all three Area Commissioners and with both the out-going and incoming SCAC. There is substantial agreement among all as to the desirability of carrying them into immediate effect.

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Annex I

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- Colonel Montfort, outgoing SOAO
- Colonel Bowman, incoming SOAO
- Colonel Dawson, Legal
- Wing Commr. Leigh-Jones, Finance
- Major Albright, Labor
- Major Lardly, Commerce & Supply
- Lt. Colonel Robertson, G-1
- Major Fresse, Executive Officer
- Lieutenant Griggs, PWB

2. Provincial (Area) Officers.

- Brigadier Thorp-Elliott, CG, Pola
- Lt. Colonel Crumrod, Area Commissioner, Pola
- Major Marshall, GAC, Pola
- Lt. Colonel Armstrong, Area Commissioner, Trieste
- Lt. Colonel Simson, Area Commissioner, Gorizia
- Major Layforth, GAC, Gorizia
- Major Gold, Legal, Gorizia
- Major Stuart, Finance, Gorizia

3. National Liberation Committee representatives.

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- Jelenic, Director Educational Section, Regional, NLC
- Barbaccan, Education director, Pola
- Perlan, Education director, Trieste
- Faher, Referente for Slav schools, Trieste
- Bjersa, Sec. to President, NLC, Gorizia
- Venturini, Referente for Slav schools, Gorizia
- Clemente, Referente for Italian schools, Gorizia

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Prof. Baldovichi, Director Industrial School, Gorizia
Prof. Volani, Director Scuola di Avvicamento, Gorizia
Prof. Conzani, Vice Preside, Istituto Tecnico, Gorizia
Prof. Furnes, Preside Liceo Classico, Gorizia
Prof. Crudi, Vice Preside, Liceo Scientifico, Gorizia.

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5. Various difficulties and problems which have arisen in the working of these courts were discussed at a conference in Milan on 30 June between all the heads of the Courts of Appeal and Public Ministers concerned. The main problem was to reduce the delays in procedure and particularly the delay between the imposition of a sentence of death and its execution. This delay is causing considerable unrest and has been responsible for at least some of the outrages in which armed men have broken into jails and murdered prisoners awaiting trial or execution. Instructions were given at the conference which should reduce these delays.

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Arrangements were also made for the suspension of holidays of registrars in the north and for the formulation of a plan to air all large numbers of avocets into the Public Ministers for periods of service and thereby to reduce the time taken in pre-trial instruction procedure.

AMG ORDERS

6. The problem of operation in private industry in the north continued to press and in particular a scheme was required for the removal from the directing staffs of important industries of officials who were considered tainted. The Italian Government has been considering a scheme for this purpose, but owing to the Government crisis little progress was made, and a General Order (No. 47) along the lines of the scheme was accordingly prepared. The order was not actually issued as a General Order, as it was considered that it should only be used where definite need exists. The scheme will therefore be operated through Regional Orders where such are required.

7. General Order No. 48 was issued as a temporary measure to prevent mass discharges from industry in the north, where lack of raw materials makes it difficult for industrial firms to find employment for all the workers on their books. The scheme for the retention of these workers was agreed with the Italian Government, and as at present designed continues in operation until 31 July 1945.

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Southern Italy, Sicily and Sardinia.

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SUBJECT: - Report for the month of June 1945,
Public Health Sub-Commission.

THRU : - VT, CA Section.
TO : - Executive Commissioner, HQ AC.

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(2) In Sicily, no more cases have been reported from Carisai and no other cases have occurred in Palermo during the month of June. 2937

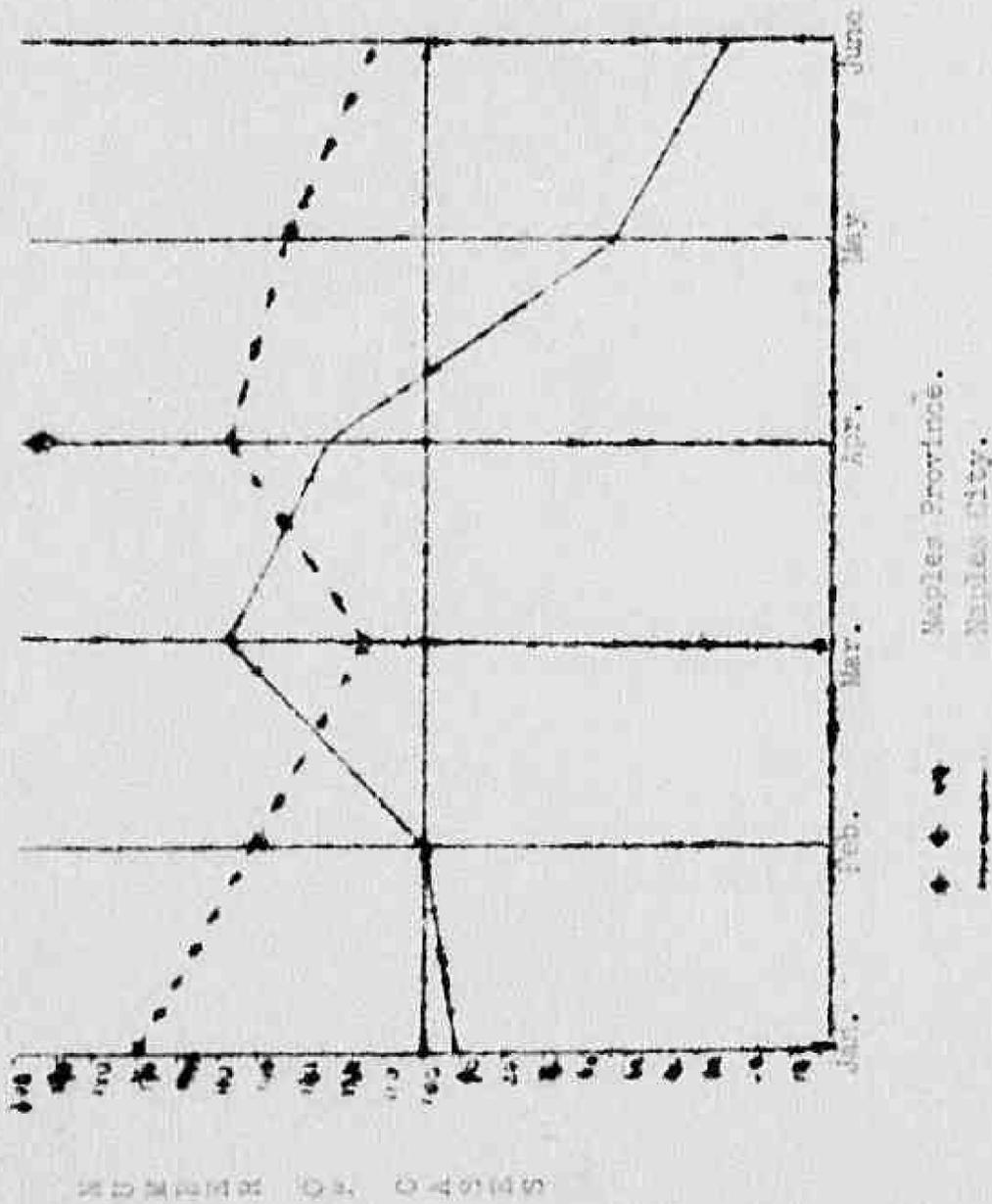
(3) AFHQ has agreed to utilize DDT and spray guns in whatever quantity is required for the purpose of dusting refugees and application for powder should be made to the 5th Army which will obtain the quantity desired from PSC through 5th Army Quartermaster, in accordance with AFHQ instructions.

(B) Smallpox:

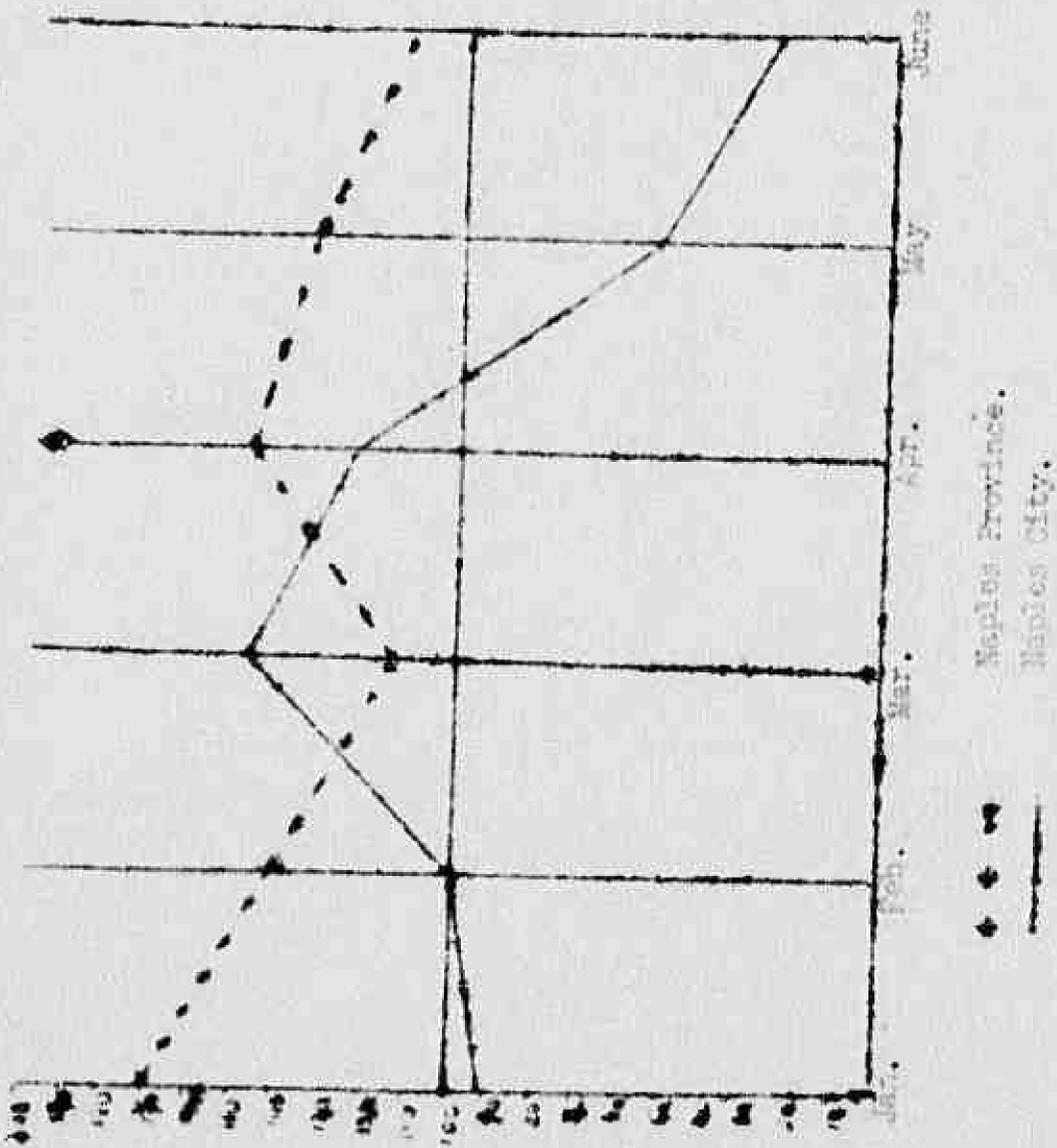
(a) The June figures from Naples show a further decrease as compared with those of last month, 22 cases being reported from Naples City and 117 from the Province as compared with 34 and 133 respectively in May. Avellino Province has reported 23 cases as against 28 in May; Salerno 9 as against 11 in May; Posenno and Littoria have had 6 and 4 respectively; Benevento 2 and Cosentino, Salerno and Fogia 1 each.

(b) The following graph shows the position to date in 1945 as regards the Naples outbreak:

SMALLPOX CASES IN NAPLES CITY AND PROVINCE - 1945.



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(C) Malaria:

(a) Spray bins and 20,000 liters of pyrethrum spray have been collected by Venetia Region while arrangements are being made for the delivery of a further 10,000 liters this month. When this is done, the existing stocks of pyrethrum spray will be exhausted.

(b) Surplus of Paris green are arriving satisfactorily. 30 tons have already been turned to the Army and a further 10 tons are being delivered to the Italian Government.

(c) Spraying in the Tiber Delta project was completed during the month of June and the adult and larval capture phase of the work was initiated. Early field reports, based on captures at a series of fixed inspection stations throughout the area, indicate that mosquito densities in the treated zone are exceedingly low. The capture program promptly revealed a few outbuildings that had either been built after the premises had been treated or missed at the time. These structures have now been sprayed. The chief trouble spot in the area was Lago Frazzese which produced large numbers of mosquitoes until the water level in the basin was raised. Collecting stations in the untreated periphery at the northern and southern extremities of the project show heavy breeding and an abundance of adults in the dwellings and animal shelters. A valuable by-product of the mosquito program in the Tiber Delta region is the corresponding marked reduction in flies in treated areas. Houses, stables and pig-pens are practically free of these insects.

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3. VETERINARY BRANCH:

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(C) Biological Production: Two of the five veterinary laboratories in the North were destroyed recently. Steps have been taken in an attempt to make funds available for the repair of these two institutions which are situated in Torino and Milano. The directors of the damaged laboratories have concentrated in Torino and are to continue production on a limited scale. The three additional laboratories were found to be functioning very well and they have situated stocks of all essential products. The only Saliva Cholera antiserum producing plant, located in Brescia, is producing on a small scale at present but stocks are sufficient for the whole of the Mainland, Sicily and Sardegna for a year. A circular letter to all RSPGs and Agriculture Officers stating the location of all available vaccines, antisera and diagnostic agents is now in print. This was done to aid provincial veterinarians in locating necessary supplies.

The laboratory in Torino has developed a satisfactory ~~concerned~~ vaccine for Foot-and-mouth disease which is believed to be of world-wide interest. C. Waldman dis. in 1913, perfect complement-fixation test for differentiating three strains of Foot-and-mouth Disease virus which has not been widely published by to the war. Information is being gathered so as to present this information for publication.

Kondo vaccine for Swine Erysipelas has been used most successfully in Piemonte region during the past year. 100,000 doses of vaccine for Foot-and-mouth Disease have been produced at the Rome Veterinary Laboratory since April 1, 1945.

At the present time local production of all necessary biologicals is most adequate thereby eliminating the necessity of requisitioning allied supplies.

(D) Veterinary Schools: The school in Bologna was found to be in fine condition and without doubt a very good school. In Milano and Torino the schools have been damaged considerably. Repairs will be made in the near future. At present the undamaged portions are being utilized to best advantage.

Report has been made for derequisition of a part of the Perugia School and Veterinary Laboratory. ARHQ has ruled that 8 additional rooms be made available to the School and Laboratory. This was accomplished through the fine co-operation and able assistance of the Education Sub-Commission.

Short courses of instruction on bovine sterility and artificial insemination for veterinarians have been conducted in Terni, Pescara, Naples and Salerno provinces during the month. These courses continue to attract much interest and are considered to be most valuable. Bovine, equine and ovine sterility and artificial insemination centers in all Northern Regions are excellent.

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(F) Communicable Diseases: There is detailed information regarding the incidence in ASG territory as follows:

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- (d) Laryngo-tracheitis is endemic in all four Northern Regions. Control measures are being employed efficiently in all Regions. At least 3 million birds have been vaccinated for Laryngo-Tracheitis and vaccinations continue.

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4. MEDICAL SUPPLY BRANCH:

(A) A 14 day trip in connection with the distribution of allied medical supplies was made by the Medical Supply Officer to all the Regions in ASG Territory of the North of Italy. This survey also included the possibilities of Italian manufactured drugs that are similar to CAS items which could be replaced to cut down the requirements of allied supplies.

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There is a large number of pharmaceutical and biological firms in the North that are in production to take care of most of the civilian requirements. These supplies are being released for sale through normal Italian channels to all the Regions as well as to all parts of liberated Italy.

These items include all biologicals, Italian specialities, drugs and also 20,000 dozens of X-ray film manufactured in Genoa as well as a great many U.S.S. and A.S. films.

Insulin is the only outstanding item that has been critically short in the North. Supplies of this item are being taken care of by the 266th COMB, Florence warehouse upon the request of the AFHQ.

The length of time and the amount of production of Italian drugs manufactured varies a great deal from 3 to 6 months depending on raw materials. There are sufficient finished stocks in manufacturers' warehouses to last at least for 3 to 4 months.

(F) Additional 100 tons of AT have been released (try to AM) Northern Regions to dust all refugee camps, including ship or being transferred to liberated Italy. This is a routine measure to protect against the outbreak of Typhus.

(G) 50,000 confederate have been turned over to the Ministry of Interior of the Italian Government for distribution by the Opera Nazionale Maternita' ad Infanzia which is a state institution and is distributing this item at cost.

(H) Acquaintance have been received by this office from the Ministry of Interior for several supplies for all of liberated Italy for the period June-July. These requisitions have been accepted on a population basis and forwarded to the 2655th OAD to be filled.

(I) ECUSA still continues to operate very slowly in the distribution of medical supplies. They have shipped supplies to their various warehouses from their main depot in Naples but they still have not made any distribution to the whole of the various provinces in the past month. This office has notified the Ministry of Interior of the slowness of ECUSA in their distribution, no improvement has been notified yet.

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5. WELFARE ITEMS:

(a) Personnel: - No change.

(b) Food and Clothing:

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(2) One of our closest allies has been the supply of clothing to the isolated individual. The only in various countries had in case of such distribution. In Rome area, no such outfit had been established. Now Congressman Carroll, cooperating with ECUSA, is making available to individuals clothing and other necessities at his residence in Caserta, 15, km.

(3) Flaminio. The 10,000 km. is assigned to the Chief, Welfare Branch for distribution about the same time as being officially handled by the Regional Welfare Officers. It is believed that this measure is a great burden on the Welfare Officers because of their limited transportation. Some what was used to be civilian grey to take to some army or government and cleaning bars. The distribution of the latter was confined to hospitals and other emergency institutions. The Director, Caserta Sub-Division took us a letter accusing us the right to distribute the Government issue blankets and sleeping bags as part of our aid program to prevent disease and other ailments. Copies of this Caserta sub-Division letter were sent to the Regional Welfare Officers.

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(1) Doctor Valenti of the Welfare Division of the Italian Ministry of Interior was invited in his attendance at our regular Friday meeting. He has been very cooperative in carrying to the Ministers any information that reaches him. He has been in cooperation in making all kinds of our welfare program in the Campania territory more and more to Italian Government problem. We feel that the Director continued to help in the manufacture of equipment for afflicted children and in the use of salvage program as well as in the other other activities inaugurated in that branch. It has been in the past few months that the distribution and

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(b) Meeting with Lanza as de Blasio, the assistant director of the Soldiers and Sailors and Airwards Family Association, to discuss the distribution of American Red Cross material to Italy in Naples and the advance of British subjects. Addition- al layettes are being shipped to the Naples of the aid in cooperation of that all Allied Soldiers' lives will have our consideration.

(c) Meeting with Dr. Corbelli and other officials of ONI (Opera Nazionale Assistenza) of the ONI in which he reported on their aid to the youth. An un- favorable condition exists in Milan where a separate group of officers, sailors themselves national in scope, has been set up to administer the ONI. It is hoped that after the new Government is in a position that unity in the working of all nation- ally administered welfare organizations will be secured.

6. PERSONNEL:

(a) Officers of this Sub-Commission are now being withdrawn at such frequent intervals that it becomes impossible to cite the excellent work which has been done by individuals. One can only say that any success achieved by this Sub-Commission has largely resulted from the untiring work of its representatives in the field, and their efforts are most sincerely appreciated.

(b) Those officers who have now left the Sub-Commission are good
are Lt.-Col D.C. MacDonald (B), Lt.-Col G.K. Marshall (B), Lt.-Col Robert I. Cherry (A), Major John A. Lewis (A) and Major S.W.F. Stewart (B).

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3. VETERINARY:

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4. MEDICAL SUPPLY:

A tour of the Northern Regions revealed a satisfactory position as regards medical supplies except for the scarcity of insulin, which is being delivered to the North by the Florence RHD. 56,000 confinement bags have been handed over to the Italian Government for distribution by ONMI. ENIAC is still extremely slow in its delivery of medical supplies and the Ministry of Interior has been informed of this fact.

5. WELFARE:

UNRRA is continuing its distribution of milk and vitamins. Machinery is now set up in Rome for the supply of clothing to isolated individuals. Work is done in the communes by ECA.

6. PERSONNEL:

Two Americans and three British Officers left the Sub-Commission for food during June.

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Observations on the Situation in the Camps of Northern Italy

At the request of the Allied Commission of the Surgeon's Office MOWSA the writers made a tour of the refugee camps in recently liberated Northern Italy. The purpose of the tour was twofold: to examine the needs and practicability of establishing a modern sanitary system from Lake Garda to the Adriatic and to inspect the facilities, supplies and practices employed in the disinfection of refugees in the Allied military hospitals coming out of Central Europe. Between May 1st and June 12th observations were made at the camps in 25 different localities between Lake Garda and Udine.

In general it may be said that the nutritional and physical state of the great bulk of refugees seen was far better than anticipated. Many, though by no means all of the transients, were raven-haired, many and free of malnutrition and missing dentures, but the raven-haired and lice-free women labor slaves of the recent past were conspicuously absent. Possibly there are many such unfortunates in Central Europe awaiting the opportunity to return to their homes, but the present problems appear to be created largely by the mass movement of unemployed farm and factory workers who are anxious to return to their normal places of residence and occupation.

From the view point of public health these people present few medical problems aside from the possibility of transmission of typhus fever by having close contact with verminous dogs and recent, unburned, straw concentration camps where typhus has been reported. At Desio, north-west of Brescia, we saw a typhus patient who was ill for three days after arriving from a Prison Camp at Mantua. He had to have slippers and the frontier barrier and returned ill to his camp. The last he saw, he said, was a flea in a truck. It is certain that the spread of typhus as this patient had proved true to the concern over the abundance of verminous garbage dumps throughout Italy - that verminous dogs and fleas are present in the camps. In the other hand, tuberculosis, smallpox, typhoid, diphtheria and communicable infectious diseases are not new to Italy and there is no evidence of typhus fever. The verminous dogs are definitely country have been more common to these localities than those who stayed at home.

In the light of these observations it is felt that no essential good is to be accomplished by establishing a sanitary bar for which would involve time consuming inspection and examination. The quarantine system is definitely contra-indicated because the necessary accommodations are not available at points where control posts would be most effective and because it would inevitably slow up movement and drive large numbers out of the main channels of traffic thus preventing the discovery of the obviously ill. Concurrence in this opinion has been expressed by practically every administrative officer contacted throughout Northern Italy. Typhus fever, therefore, remains as the

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The thorough systematic dusting of incoming refugees is a practical procedure which requires only proper organization and supervision and adequate supplies and equipment. In most of the camps visited, satisfactory facilities for dusting were present or under consideration. Practically all these camps however, were already from dusting everyone once or twice to no treatment at all. In order to carry out improve the procedures the following recommendations should be made:

1. All persons arriving at frontier camps such as Udine, Bolzano and Gorno (see also at Salsido, Udine) or others when they commence operations should be quarantined immediately upon arrival and before entering the camp. Only compulsory or involuntary returns.

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- 2. All persons who must be certified before or who are listed and certified as having such status may be admitted to frontier and other camps without dusting.
- 3. All persons, whether or not previously dusted and certified, are to be dusted before entering or embarking at rail and motor-head camps such as Bologna, Forli, Venice and Genoa.
- 4. Camps at intermediate, collecting or distributing points may dispose of dusting dusting but should maintain on hand a limited supply of dust (not to exceed 20 pounds) in order to treat lousy persons discovered in these camps.

SUPERVISION AND PERSONNEL:

Two of the points consist of good dusting and adequate supervision and personnel. The technique does not require skilled labor. Therefore, one can use camp or volunteer workers for the actual dusting. But, such workers, up to 12 or 13 per supervisor, must be under the close active supervision of a competent and experienced person. In a number of the camps Italian Red Cross nurses are being used to do the dusting. It is suggested that these nurses, who for the most part have given very excellent service, be utilized as supervisors and that they be given the necessary number of assistants to do the actual dusting. It is very hard to remove any of the clothing or for men to drop their trousers by themselves. A satisfactory job of dusting may be done. In setting the dusting machine, the dust of the nozzle of the pump can be passed into the dusting machine. This way the dusting can be speeded up without sacrificing efficiency. In periods of 3 to 4 hours, the work can be set up with an efficiency of 100% for dusting at the rate of 10 to 20 persons per hour. The number of workers required for any given camp will be determined by the normal rate of processing. If a camp is organized to process 20 persons per hour it should be staffed to dust at the same rate. Dusting should not be expected to maintain a rate of 40 to 50 persons per hour for extended periods of 4 hours, because the quality of work falls rapidly after this period. Dusting is a tiring, hard work and staff calculation should be made accordingly.

SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Exclusive of bedding and warm clothing, one pound of powder is sufficient to powder 15 adults. Camps should have a stock of powder on the basis of the expected volume per day and the rate at which stores of powder can be delivered at the points where it is to be used. Ample allowances must be made for the difficulties and uncertainties of transport and communications under existing conditions in the North. The entire stock of 10% DDT powder in the 14 camps visited (excluding Bologna which had dust from about 1,500 pounds from 1% at Bologna) was less than enough for one week's work. Being one of the key frontier points, had only 15 pounds of 10% and no DDT; the important rail-head camp at Forli had 40 pounds of 10% and one "Cadet" pump with which to dust the 1 or 2,000 refugees in the two crowded camps.

To be effective the DDT powder must be brought into contact with the insects. It is suggested that the powder be distributed in the clothing next to the skin where the insects are likely to be. Paper bags are essential to good distribution of powder. The small white paper bags are unsatisfactory for this purpose because it is difficult to fill and they are scarce. It is recommended that the powder be brought into contact with the insects from the points

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504 UNIT	Hours Present	No. of Persons	Place Facilities	Organization and Supervision	Date of Visit
Verona	60	1 Cadet	Fair	Good	June 2
S. Carolina	120	1 Admiral 1 Cadet	Fair	Not Operating	June 5
Palo Alto	120	1 Admiral 1 Cadet	Good	?	June 5
Brooklyn	42	3 Cadets	Good	Good	June 7
Osage	200	2 Files	Good	Not Operating	June 8
Greenwood	130	1 Cadet	Good	Good	June 9
Wagoner	120	5 Files Cadets	Good	Good	June 9
Madison	200	6 Cadets	Good	Fair	June 9
Bellevue	2700	60 Cadets	Good	Good	June 10
8th and Pawnee	0	0	Good	None	June 3
Proviso	520	20 Cadets	Good	Good	June 3
Hunter	200	7 Admiral 2 Cadets	Poor	None	June 3
Edina	15	4 Admiral	Good	?	June 4
Perth	80	1 Cadet	Good	None	June 10
Wagoner	10	1 Cadet	Good	Good	June 10

Bologna	120	1 Admiral 1 Cadet	Good	?	June 7
Brescia	42	3 Cadet	Good	Good	June 7
Como	200	2 Miss	Good	Not Operating	June 9
Cremona	130	1 Cadet	Good	Good	June 9
Foggia	120	5 Miss Cadet	Good	Good	June 9
Modena	200	6 Cadet	Good	Fair	June 9
Parma	2100	40 Cadet	Good	Good	June 10
8th Army Palma	0	0	Good	None	June 3
Treviso	520	10 Cadet	Good	Good	June 3
Verona	200	7 Admiral 2 Cadet	Poor	None	June 3
Vicenza	15	4 Admiral	Good	?	June 4
Forli	60	1 Cadet	Good	None	June 10
Mantova	40	2 Cadet	Good	Good	June 10

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SUBJECT : Monthly Report for June, 1945.

TO : Vice President, Civil Affairs Section.

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A. WOMEN

1. Carabinieri Strength.

(a) The ceiling of Carabinieri has been increased from 15,000 to 25,000 as from 1st July, 1945. Uniforms, clothing and arms will be supplied. This increase was first recommended in the spring of 1944. It was then realized that the force of 35,000 was inadequate to cope with the responsibility of policing the whole of Italy, but this would not occur. Correspondence on the subject continued, and when, early this year, the occupation of the north was completed, a vigorous application was made to the Chief Administrator for an increase in carabinieri ceiling. Comoret, Chief of Staff, refused to authorize the increase. Accordingly, the plan for the north included the transfer of 10,000 carabinieri from the north to the north. After 10,000 had been transferred, the British Government protested that the strength in the north was insufficient to ensure public order. The Chief Commissioner issued, and Major G. Williams issued, orders with the provision of Public Safety in the north with only half the authorized carabinieri strength. Orders were issued, but the carabinieri ceiling was not raised.

(b) Carabinieri who had been in hiding or working as spies reported for duty in large numbers, nearly 8000 in one month. It was all these men were urgently need on duty, not one could be left out of the regular force as the ceiling would not permit it. They could not be fed on carabinieri rations or draw salaries, clothing or arms. The conditions in the north made the employment of men essential. Despite the combined effort of the British and Italian Governments were unable to get special police vehicles and equipment issued on rations as issued to public safety units.

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(c) Carabinieri who were in the recuperated area were naturally objected to the feeding policy, and were unable to obtain food as they should be so badly in need of it. Every police station the nation would be raised and the complications. Every police station caused the types of carabinieri who were fed on different rations. The food was supplied from two different sources, one from the Italian

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Army Station Centre, the other from civilian supply. This important situation was handled personally on the scene by Public Safety Officers, who knowing full well how the problem could have been handled, were faced with the necessity of complying with directives based on the AFHQ rulings. The fact that the carabinieri were working during this difficult time is entirely due to the tact, patience, and discretion of these officers.

2. Mobile Battalions, Carabinieri.

Carabinieri Headquarters will now organize the 17 Mobile Battalions considered necessary to ensure public safety throughout Italy. Battalions have been formed in Sicily and Sardinia, and transport has been allotted for battalions in Liguria, Liguria, Liguria, and Padua. Fresh battalions will now be formed in Florence, Bologna, Ancona, Rome, Naples and Bari. At present, the transport of a battalion consists only of 18 trucks and 10 armored vehicles. Each of the new battalions includes 70 motor cycles and 14 motor cycles with sidecars carrying machine guns. The strength of each battalion will be 10 Officers, 34 CO's, 494 OR's, a total of 570. Headquarters companies will each have a strength of 47 and control 3 mobile battalions each. Accordingly the total strength for mobile battalions in Italy will be 7,100. As the needs of the Italian Army are less, it is anticipated that more transport will be available and that all mobile battalions will soon be properly re-equipped and operating.

2. Quartieri for the North.

(a) The passage of time has shown that O. N. appointments to positions in the North as Quartermasters are not proving successful. Very few have any real police experience and the difficulties of general police work are proving too much for them. Some are resigning at any pressure, many are being replaced. Thus the North has lost occupied officials from the South were not welcome, and officers of the in the North expected to find sufficient trained personnel on the scene to fill the position of responsibility.

(b) Experience has shown that career officers from the North are trustworthy and able and frequent requests are being made for all officers willing for the supply of officers and other ranks of the Safety Office in the North. The officers of the various concerned

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(3) Experience has shown that career officials from the south are trustworthy and able and frequent requests are being received from all Regions asking for the supply of Questore and other ranks of the Safety available to the north. Biographies of the persons concerned are forwarded to the Regions for approval before the official in each. Concerning is carried out by Security Division. In November, 1944 the Ministry of the Interior received applications for a course of instructions for Public Security Officials. After an examination 750 were selected and the course was completed at the end of May, 1945. These men have all been passed as Vice Commissario Assistant and will be to fill positions in the North.

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4. Thefts from trains.

Thefts from trains are reported from south and north. Armed gangs are operating throughout southern Brazil.

5. Assassination incident.

The thirteenth large airplane incident is reported under security.

6. Parasites in boat.

Reports in some papers set up a scenario in which they are reported to have perpetrated several holdups and assassinations at blockades. 20 of them entered Spain Club, some armed with pistols and revolvers. 20 agents arrested 14 including 1 woman. 1 American as 14 officers uniforms fled with loot valued at 1 million lire.

7. Train near Brindisi.

An Italian near Brindisi shot 2 American soldiers with who he had cancelled. No casualties.

8. Train at Lodi.

Near Lodi the train was killed and two wounded by two unknown persons.

9. Train on Milan-Lyon line.

Train on the Milan-Lyon line is to be held up by a bandit, only 1600 lire were reported from each train.

10. Train robbery and burglary.

Train robbery and burglary are reported as follows:
May 2. Northern regions.

11. Recovery of stolen goods.

Recovery of five persons, recovery of 1000 lire each of silver, 11 quantities of 1000 and 10 quantities of 1000 lire.

6. Partisans in Rome.

Partisans in Rome have set up branches of the "E" and reported to have perpetrated several actions and attacks in the city. 20 of them entered Spia Club, Rome, armed with machine guns and grenades. 3 agents arrested 14 including 1 woman. 1 man in civilian uniform fled with loot valued at 1 million lire.

7. Partisans near Brindisi.

An Italian near Brindisi shot at two German soldiers with the help of a rifle. He escaped.

8. Partisans in Italy.

Near Avellino one British SP killed and two wounded by two unknown persons.

9. Partisans and British services.

Partisans and British services in the area of the Adriatic, only a few reports were reported from each region.

10. Partisans, robbery and burglary.

Partisan robbery and burglary are reported in the area of the Northern Regions.

11. Recovery of stolen goods.

Reports reports arrest of five persons, recovery of a truck 101 sacks of sugar, 14 quintals of iron and 10 quintals of lubricating oil.

12. Counterfeiting.

Increased activity in counterfeiting currency in the area of the Northern Regions. 2 districts are reported to have issued 1000 lire notes in the area due to production of counterfeit. Hence a group of 500 lire notes has appeared.

13. Strikes.

Strikes were reported from Sicily, Naples and Northern Regions. Some demonstrations were held without serious consequences reported.

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14. Demonstrations.

Demonstrations against light court sentences were held in Milan. No incidents reported.

15. Released Prisoners.

Attempts to release prisoners (artisans) from jail were unsuccessful at final figure where 10 were released under false order.

In La Spezia Province where these prisoners were released to armed partisans, the prisoners were found shot in the head a few miles away.

Two bombs or grenades were thrown into a prison yard at Sant Agostino prison killing two and wounding 10.

Some soldiers, a band of unknown persons, armed with automatic weapons forced entrance to the local prison and shot 15 Fascist prisoners. To gain entrance past the partisan guard a partisan password was given.

At Lerici a number of armed men wearing British battle dress, with one of the party acting as a prisoner, entered the prison and shot the Chief Guard and 17 prisoners. 3 of the were injured.

B. SUMMARY

16. General Security.

(a) The results of the United Nations Conference have begun to crystallize the general situation, and to influence the peaceful settlement of the disputes in Trieste and Piemonte which affect the security in this country.

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At Luzzara a number of armed men wearing British battle dress, with one of the party acting as a prisoner, entered the prison and shot the Chief Guard and 17 prisoners. 5 persons were injured.

C. SECURITY

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(c) On the eastern side of Italy the French are withdrawing their troops gradually, withdrawing that claims for frontier adjustments will be made at the Peace Conference.

17. Italian Government.

(e) The reaction to the Italian Government's crisis was found during the month, and the general feeling of relief was so great that it outweighed any minor disappointments over the

Commission of the cabinet. The main political parties have expressed their opinion, but the outcome is hardly what the desires of the party and those of the cabinet. The "worth" could have been the same. The cabinet of ministers have been in the same government, but for not and the success it is in "justice" the work which has not quality, and the course of the C.I. have been defined in any way, however some than their objectives anticipated.

(b) The minister in which the cabinet will act is commonly omitted, and the most important in each function will be the preparation of the machinery for the general elections. The creation of new ministries indicates that the work of reconstruction is to be checked more thoroughly than hitherto, but from a country point of view the minister contacted office of Ministry of the Interior is the key to the situation for the next few months. The minister solved the problem by taking the office himself, assisted by a Communist and Labor deputy. The efficiency of the office services is a rock upon which the new Government may well count to place, in the position of public order is rather delicate at the moment.

(c) In some political meetings have been held. As no details need further mention have occurred. The last meeting and historicism have tended to produce public apathy, not interest.

15. Activities in Public.

(a) A series of disorders in Public, South Vietnam, Italy, which started at Chervino Borgo and spread to other parts of the country, led to the troubles of Italy last January. In public itself these disorders have nearly been driven underground, and not been publicized.

(b) On 15th day a party of all armed Communist attacked on the 15th. Hundreds of Chervino Borgo and scattered the release of these Communist who had been arrested with others (Lacore, etc). Seven prisoners were released and the 15th were dispersed and located in their own program. They were followed after a rescue party of 500 (B. H.) had arrived on the scene the following day. 100... and 2 civilian were killed; several others wounded. On 27th day armed Communist remained in prison, including 4 held at the disposition of the Ministry from which they were withdrawn. They were around the town. In addition with the 15th civilian from the 15th and the 16th were arrested.

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was taken steps to restore order by sending the Minister of Interior personally to intervene. Although allied intervention has been refused, and adequate number of well armed Italian military personnel have been made available on the spot.

(a) Although these incidents are not to be in direct threat to allied military security, the resumption of political intervention develops to be the object beyond in in civil life, until organized malcontents are powerful enough to take the initiative for the time being from recognized forces of law and order. The matter for concern is the spreading of such incidents to territories administered by the Allies, and it will take very little success in the South to encourage similar action in other parts of Italy. Speaking from a security and public safety point of view, in addition from the purely political, the Italians have a real heavy role to fulfill their obligations to maintain order in the territories handed over to them, and in the present trend of criminal violence and from incarceration because they have to allow to a certain political party is to be tolerated, then there will not be any and either in Italian Government territory or under allied military Government.

19. Civilian Internments.

An increased number of reports has been received, as the relatives of many interned persons are that they should continue to be detained now that the fighting has ceased. It has been possible to recommend that many of the persons whose cases were reported at the time should be released, in fact 16 out of 100 cases considered have been so recommended. The population of the area is 112 males and 160 females.

20. Police Forces.

The need for a non-political and independent police force has been stressed many times. Cases are being reported in Rome and elsewhere of "squadrismo" of various political parties, usually fascist, carrying out arrests on their own account. The squads usually take a policeman along with them as a formality. The police have to commence these highly irregular arrests as they fear political reprisals. It is obvious that the system of police being at the moment and call of any political party is open to the gravest abuses and should not be tolerated. It is not too much to say that the same rights and liberties of all Italian citizens should be maintained in independent Italy which would be maintained in Italy.

...the spreading of such incidents to territories administered by the allies, or it will take very little success in the South to encourage similar action in other parts of Italy. ...from one purely political, the Italian have hardly been able to fulfill their obligations to maintain order in the territory handed over to them, and in the present trend of opinion in their liberal and from intervention because they appear to belong to a certain political party is to be tolerated, then there will not be law and order, either in Italian Government territory or under their administration.

19. Civilian Interference.

An increased number of appeals has been received, in the relatives of army internees to meet and they should continue to be examined now that the fighting has ceased. It has been possible to recover that many of the persons whose cases have been reviewed at the Army should be released, in fact 16 out of 110 cases considered have been so recommended. The population of the Army is 912 males and 160 females.

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21. George de Prevaling.

Prevaling, a former officer of the German Army recently arrived in Italy from Switzerland. Attention was drawn to him by the fact that he applied for a travel permit to go to Italy, for the alleged purpose of looking for treasure omitted there in 1918. It has been ascertained that during the war he travelled extensively in Europe at that time enemy occupied. Inquiries are continuing.

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25. Continuing.

been carried out on a large scale in the past in the number of persons. Among the persons named are the following: ...

26. British ...

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27. Security Conditions in the North.

(a) During the month of gradual improvement in security conditions has been shown, and the situation and stability of the participants has now been placed.

(b) Of the subjects of the main, the percentage of substandard in can only be considered. From September 1962 to the considered date to say that it is the and especially in the (from police) have worked in the or more of these arms. The left wing media have only handed in their "weapons" but "weapons" it is probable that the individuals and to a leader in the, the substandard have retained sufficient weapons to the government. These weapons are most available light weapons and in the arms of fire and certainly are superior to the arms of the police.

(c) The change over from party to non party to the 22 has been skillfully done without serious incident or friction, and the C.I. in the on ability, has been excellent. It is noted that this will close in September, and this will be the tendency of course. The existing subscription to "22" for their in their feelings with it.

(d) The change in the party to non party to the 22 has been rather less than one day, and hardly any in the province. Some of the victims are former party, in other cases the party is robbery. There is much bloodshed, mainly committed in the of the C.I. or other unit. It is noted that in the Communist Party which were able to get a lot of the sources of whole funds, it is noted that the party has in their worse days would be had difficulty in being.

(e) The 22 of coal and other material which taken in the past, is most serious and the Communist Party has taken the most. It is noted that the party has given more credit to those who which support thousands of people but produce nothing.

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(f) The new government is popular in the North. Peasants' record in the resistance movement is first class and he has following. The majority are only a small following in the general desire in for a republic.

(g) The U.S.A., though joining throughout the region, the un-cowled, and Quintero are insufficient and ineffect. The U.S.A. have been operated in a large scale and the resulting defilement are made good with partisans. Difficulty is being experienced in preventing the complete domination of the Quintero by Communists. A complete reorganization of the police is required.

(h) The following classification of partisans is considered apt:-

- (i) The true partisans who sacrificed themselves for their country.
- (ii) The respectable young men who joined the movement to escape deportation or conscription in the U.S.A.
- (iii) Theurchists, criminals, adventurers, and others who join the work, and continue to take in money of the existing conditions to save themselves to a life outside the L.A. and under the U.S.A.
- (iv) Those who join in order to provide for the future for 1 month, and then no hardening of their will when the liberation of the U.S.A. and the U.S.A. and the U.S.A. are claimed to be heroes and partisans.

(i) In Yucatan, conditions are also becoming more and more difficult, and these are still deteriorating elements to be eliminated, viz:

- (i) Organized partisans who are active in the U.S.A. and who refuse to be united with the U.S.A. and who are active in the U.S.A. and who are active in the U.S.A.
- (ii) Small bands of guerrillas in Yucatan, who are active in the U.S.A. and who are active in the U.S.A. and who are active in the U.S.A.
- (iii) Organized partisans who are active in the U.S.A. and who are active in the U.S.A. and who are active in the U.S.A.
- (iv) The bad elements of the various political parties, who are active in the U.S.A. and who are active in the U.S.A. and who are active in the U.S.A.

(a) The following classification is warranted in connection with the information reported herein:

- (i) The true nature of the activities reported herein is of a confidential nature.
- (ii) The disclosure of this information would be injurious to the national defense.
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but there are still disturbing elements to be eliminated, viz:-

- (i) Foreign nationals who are in the country and who are engaged in activities which are inimical to the interests of the United States.
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- (iii) Foreign nationals who are in the country and who are engaged in activities which are inimical to the interests of the United States.
- (iv) The bad elements of the various political parties who commit serious crimes against the people of the United States.

in the near future the following are the main reasons for the above:

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(m) The existence of a large Slav espionage organization has been discovered but its members have not yet been located. The matter is being carefully pursued, and the information has been passed to all security units.

(n) Although the Iron Army Central line moved east to the western boundary of Venetia, 6000 km. from 0001 km., 30th Dec, 1943, the province of Udine is not yet under full regional control, owing to the presence of 5th Army. Preliminary intelligence by Major Ware showed the existence there of 25,000 Partisans, some of whom have recently returned from Yugoslavia where they have been fighting with Tito's troops. Most of them are very communistic.

(o) In Italia Region Partisan trouble still exists but strong action taken by the R.F.D.I. is having the desired effect. The difficulty has been to clear them from the minds of the people and to bring in the authority of the Partisans.

(p) The Partisan Police, approximately 50% of which consisted of actual criminals and hoodlums, has been drastically purged, in the course of which the 20% have been dismissed. This element was giving the democratic authorities no illegal acts.

(q) In many cases, 1000 have personally accompanied the police in their arrest of well known local Partisans suspected of transgressions. These arrests are having beneficial effect on the public who are now more and more beginning to turn to the proper authorities, and to disregard the orders of Partisans. The public is also more willing to "talk".

(r) As a result, sixteen men have been arrested for murder and looting in the Imola district. Cases. While in all the opinion that the evidence is sufficient to obtain convictions in all cases. It seems that the same persons are connected with the massacre of 16 Brigata Vera prisoners at Imola.

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(c) In Dallas Region Partisan ... the difficulty has been to clear from the minds of the people their belief in the authority of the Partisans.

(d) The Partisan Police, approximately 20% of which consisted of actual criminals and hoodlums, has been drastically reduced in the course of which the 80% have been dismissed. This element was giving the appearance of authority to illegals etc.

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(h) It is felt that if the police can be reinforced given ... and transport and allocated determined officers ... complete order can be restored in this more turbulent region. This reinforcement is absolutely essential if the return of confidence in themselves of the Italian Police, which is becoming more and more evident, is to be maintained after the withdrawal of ...

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(u) Cal. Hale does not consider there is an immediate danger of criminals using their weapons to further some political cause, and the excuse of "just opposition" has in most cases been a convenient alibi for crime.

(v) Political activity, which appears to centre at Reggio Emilia, has been surprising little. At Reggio 7 major meetings were held, 4 of them communist, and all were orderly. Eighteen public meetings were held in other parts of the region, all devoid of incident. The general tone at these meetings was extremely mild and the speeches were almost entirely devoted to economic matters.

(w) The Italian Epuration Committees are functioning well, and nearly all senior grade officials have been dealt with.

(x) Many complaints have been received regarding the Polish troops, who treat the public and police with the greatest contempt, and are high handed in the indiscriminate requisitioning of goods and property. Any exhibition of communism is met with immediate violence from the Poles. It need hardly be added that in the district where the Poles are stationed, communist activity has fallen off very noticeably.

(y) The first special assize court to try Fascist offenders has produced several death sentences and heavy terms of imprisonment.

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30. Overcrowding.

Some of the over-crowding and, more important if, cause for possible disturbance at Regina Jail Prison has been alleviated with the transfer of sixty political prisoners to Naples.

The prisons in Northern Italy are a continuing source of concern to Public Safety Officers in the U.S., who continue to report periodically all main establishments filled to overflowing. The great bulk of those in custody are political prisoners arrested by various of other Italian agencies. Released are few and new arrests are complicating an already critical housing situation. The prison officers are supervising the reconstruction of aged prisons and adopting other structures to house the growing number of inmates.

31. Personnel.

There is a serious shortage of guard personnel in prisons of the Northern Regions. Attempts made to recruit guards from local sources are meeting with but little success, and the Ministry of Grace and Justice appears unable to find guards for transfer northward.

32. Equipment.

Clothing items for prison guards is trickling in at a low rate, but 1000 pairs of boots were recently made available to the Ministry of Grace and Justice.

33. Prisoners Generally.

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The situation in Italian Government territories is quite static. Requests from the Ministry of Grace and Justice for the requisitioning of prisons held by killed military authorities are still being received with but little chance for success at present.

34. RECONSTRUCTION AND STAFFING

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B. REGISTRATION AND CONTROL

34. Circulation of Motor Vehicles.

(a) The Male Automobile Club of Italia.

(1) The General Secretary of the club, with the concurrence of the Sub-Commission, recently visited the principal provincial towns in Northern Italy. He received good reception from the club authorities and the I.D.A., and reported that the condition of the clubs is satisfactory. Three provincial directors had vacated

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other posts, and was replaced because of his activities during the German occupation.

(ii) The following appointments have been confirmed:

- Mott Benedetto Delmastro as Director of Turco Provincial Seat
- Sig Eugenio Rietti as Director of the Provincial Seat
- Mott Luigi Gatti as Director Bergamo Provincial Seat

(iii) The Central Seat have submitted the following nominations for approval:-

- Avv. Adriano Bellato as Commissioner of Turin Provincial Seat.
- Ing. Luigi Bertet as Commissioner of Milan Provincial Seat.
- Avv. Enrico Cantamessa as Deputy Commissioner Milan Provincial Seat.
- Sig. Carlo Pettini as Director Verona Provincial Seat.

The Regional Commissioners concerned have been asked for their comments.

(iv) As the request of the R.C., Sicilia Region, and in agreement with the Central Seat, Dott. Tacchini, who has been nominated Director of the Provincial Seat at Catania, will remain at Catania for six weeks or so until the next issue of circulating permits has been completed.

(v) Extensive enquiries have failed to locate two books containing bollettari (motor car tax receipts) which the Central Seat dispatched in February last through Air Channels to the Provincial Seats at Catania and Lerna.

(b) Issued of Motor Vehicle Circulating Permits.

(i) Motor Cars have been seen circulating in Rome with bollettari (displayed tax receipts carried on the windshield) but not circulating permits. It seems that no proper tie up exists between RACI who issue the bollettari and ID who copy in the issue of circulating permits. Commerce Commission has been asked to take the matter up with the Italian Government.

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(iv) At the request of the A.C., Sicilian Region, and in agreement with the Central Seat, Dott. Rampolant, who has been nominated Director of the Provincial Seat at Modena, will remain at Bologna for six weeks or so until the next issue of circulating permits has been completed.

(v) Extended enquiries have failed to locate two trucks containing bolletteri (motor car tax receipts) which the Central Seat dispatched in February last through AIR Channels to the Provincial Seats at Perugia and Terni.

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(i) Motor Cars have been seen circulating in Rome with bolletteri (displayed tax receipts carried on car windscreen) but not circulating permits. It seems that no proper tie up exists between RACI who issue the bolletteri and PIC who control the issue of circulating permits. Commerce Sub-Commission has been asked to take the matter up with the Italian Government.

(ii) It has come to notice that motor vehicles of circulating permits and fuel ration cards are issued in Milan for private purposes. The matter has been taken up with the RACI.

(c) Vehicles used by the Vatican.

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(1) Approval has been given for the issue of circulating permits for Vatican vehicles with Italian State registration marks.

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(ii) The permits will be issued by Ispettorato Comptenzionale della Motorizzazione at their office in Via Alessandria instead of Via Tomacelli.

(iii) The Motorizzazione has been authorized to issue the permits without further reference to this Headquarters provided all relevant documents are in proper order.

(iv) It has come to notice that no permits have been issued by the Italian authorities to the office of the National Secretary of State without the authority of this Headquarters. The matter is being pursued.

35. Control of Civilian Movement.

(a) AFM has ruled that members of the Italian Armed Forces may travel on duty and demobilization forces of the Security Control Line and Prohibited Frontier Zone Line provided such personnel are in possession of the relevant documents submitted by CIA, Navy or Air Force Sub-commission. The issue of leave passes is placed forward of the lines mentioned is forbidden. All concerned are informed by circular letter.

(b) It has come to notice that Quastore, C.I.N. and others, in the territory recently liberated, have issued letters and passes purporting to authorize the movement of civilians and the circulation of motor vehicles. Mentioned Public Safety Officers have been requested to pay special attention to this matter.

(c) AFM agreed to the Security Control Line being adjusted to the line running along the western boundary of Venezia Giulia. Action taken to inform will be concerned.

(d) The 2040, XIII Corps requested the Adjutant General not to issue travel orders to Trieste. The 2040, has been asked whether a general prohibition has been placed on travel to Trieste.

(e) A reprint of Movement of Civilian Passes has been ordered, and opportunity was taken to revise the wording of the pass to conform with the latest passes given to boundary lines. The passes will continue to be prepared in book form, but a report for the guidance of officers completing passes will be printed on the folders.

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(a) AMSG has ruled that members of the Italian and German Forces may travel on duty and demobilization in the area of the Security Control Line and Prohibited Frontier Zone Line provided such persons are in possession of the relevant documents counter-signed by the Army, Navy or Air Forces Sub-Commission. The issue of leave passes to places forward of the lines mentioned is forbidden. All concerned to inform me by circular letter.

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26. Military Travel Authorizations.

(a) AMSG issued a new directive relaxing the existing restrictions with regard to the issue of Military Travel Authorizations, and authorizing Quarters to deal with applications for such authorizations.

(b) Executive Memorandum No. 61/18, implementing the AMSG directive, was signed by the Executive Commissioner on 6 June, 1944, and distributed to all concerned.

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A directive prepared by the Ministry of Interior for issue to Quastoni was agreed to.

(a) With the opening up of the Italian frontiers the volume of work in connection with the issue of Military Permit Applications is increasing heavily. 106 MTA applications were received during the month; 22 applications were received during the month of May.

37. Travel from Switzerland to Italy.

ATTO issued a directive relating to the issue of Allied Force Permits covering travel of civilians from Switzerland to Italy. All concerned informed by circular letter.

38. Entry of Civilians into Italy.

The Italian Government, and all concerned, have been informed that applications for travel to Italy which arise in US, UK, SWAMP theatre, Balkan countries, Switzerland and Egypt, should be directed to the competent local Allied authorities. Wherever they may be forwarded through Italian channels to their Headquarters. Applications for travel for purely private purposes cannot yet be entertained.

The number of persons seeking to enter Italy is showing a notable increase. 35 applications were dealt with by this Sub-Commission during the month. 5 applications were dealt with during the month of May.

39. Travel to Austria.

ATTO directs that travellers from Italy to Austria must be in possession of Allied Force Permits. Travel will be restricted to the minimum essential for Allied administration. All concerned informed by letter signed by V.T. Civil Affairs Section on 30 June, 1945.

40. Requisitioned Vehicles.

Major W.C. Ballance attended a meeting called by Establishment Branch on 14 June, with regard to the handling over of requisitions to the Italian Government for settlement. The representatives of the Government who were present agreed that the

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41. Nominal Roll Officers.

Rank	Name	Area of Assignment	Station
Colonel	CHAYMAS John W.	A Director	HQ AC

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Nominal Roll Officers Cont'd.

Rank	Name	A or B	Assignment	Station
Colonel	DOHERTY, W.	B	D.P.R.O.	HQ AC
Lt Col	WILSON, P.J.	B	Head Police Div	HQ AC
Major	ROSENBERG, P.E.	A	Executive Off.	HQ AC
Major	WILKINSON, W.C.	B	Lic and Reg	HQ AC
Major	HARVEY, S.J.	B	Security Div	HQ AC
Capt	HILLIS, A.M.	B	Security Div	HQ AC
Capt	FREEMAN, R.M.	A	Prison Off.	HQ AC
Capt	WILSON, W.	B	Lic and Reg	HQ AC
Capt	HAYES, S.	B	Security Div	HQ AC
Lt.	PENN, C.	A	Security Div	HQ AC

40. Nominal Roll of EY/O's.

Rank	Name	A or B	Assignment	Station
Tec 3	Galli, Dino	A	Clerk	Sec. Div
Sgt	Chipperton, T.F.	B	Clerk	Sec. Div
Cpl	Robinson, E.	B	Clerk	HQ AC
L/Cpl.	Lishberg, J.	B	Clerk	HQ AC
PFC	Parley, Jr, J.W.	A	Stegr. Repist	HQ AC
SFC	Tornincasa, D.	A	Clerk Insp	HQ AC

43. Loss of Personnel.

During June 5/64 Sgt Louis J. Indula was relieved from Public Safety Sub-Commission and transferred to 7th Replacement Depot for shipment to the United States.

During June 5/64 Sgt Squitieri was discharged by the US Army and became a W.O. attached to 10th Army Group. He was promised a replacement.

Walter Decker
 for JOHN W. MARSH

Security Div HQ AC
 Security Div HQ AC
 Prison O.S. HQ AC
 EIC and Asst. HQ AC
 Security Div HQ AC
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Walter DeB...
 for JOHN A. SHAPIRO
 Colonel, J.A.C.D.
 Director

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HEADQUARTERS

1. During the greater part of the month the Director was absent from his on a trip to the north and northwest. Aside from an inspection of many of the war-damaged buildings, he visited the two large deposits of Tassan anti-combatants at S. LORIANI and CA. PO. TULLIA in the S. TULLIA. The problem of returning these anti-combatants to their homes has been a very occupying one and has been in charge of S. M. KELLER, assisted by Lieut. HART. It was first thought to return the anti-combatants by means of a motor conveyance. It has however been decided to send them via rail and the coast will take place shortly, when anti-combatant action has been most hindered between the north and S. TULLIA. The list of anti-combatants of the regions properly packed for the transport is enclosed and the names of several expert packers sent to the S. TULLIA. The list of anti-combatants in the various districts is enclosed and is attached.

2. During the month the Director has been in the company of Douglas Cooper of the Tullia Commission for Germany (Technical Section) and together they looked out the members of the German German Anti-combatants in the various districts for transport. From these anti-combatants...

Subject: Swedish Neutral to act, for June 1945.

To : Chief of Staff.

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REMARKS

1. During the greater part of the month the Director was absent from Rome on a trip to the north and northwest. Aside from an inspection of many of the manufacturing facilities, he visited the two large deposits of Russian art-treasures at S. LUCIA and CAPO FERRO in the ABRUZZO region. The problem of returning these objects to ITALY has been a very occupying one and has been discussed by G. M. Keller, assisted by L. M. Patti. It was first thought to return the treasures by means of a motor convoy. It has however been decided to send them via rail and the event will take place shortly, when rail-connections have been re-established between the north and FOGGIA. The job of taking care of the pictures properly packed for the transport was assigned to the employment of several expert packers sent to the military for that purpose. The list of the objects was also checked and controlled.
2. During the trip the Director was joined by Wing Commander Douglas Cochrane of the Royal Canadian Air Force (Richard Blount) and together they hunted out the members of the former German Luftwaffe in the various camps for internment. Particular attention was given to the official German and German correspondence which has fallen into Allied hands, a comprehensive report of the German Luftwaffe activities has been drawn up.
3. On the return of the Director the Deputy Director started off on a tour of VENETIA Region in order to ascertain the situation, particularly in the VENETIA GULLA, of interests or actions of art-objects there.
4. During the month the Deputy Director issued the further and probably final reports on the Italian Art-Treasures (March, 1945), via the North African exhibits, the Albanian exhibits, and miscellaneous.

5. A report on anti-deposits in LA BORGIA was submitted by Capt. Morac, former P.M. Officer in that region.

6. The question of the Abyssinian oxen (recovered at MIZIA) has been referred to higher authority.

7. Mr. L.A. Sappard, special representative of the British Legation and temporarily attached to this Subordination, has been occupied, both at ROSE and in the North, in securing for the library Italian books published during the war and reactivating exchanges of publications and other publications.

RELATIONS WITH ITALIAN P.M. OFFICERS

8. Collaboration with Italian Director General of antiquities and Fine Arts has been established. Any problems are on the way to satisfactory solution. For the creation of the new Italian Government the part of an intermediary of P.M. has not been established. The appointed is Dr. Carlo Tagliavanti, a well-known literary scholar and administrator, who was also a member of the Committee of National Liberation at Florence.

REGIONS

General

9. Regional P.M. Officers have continued to be very busy. Those assigned to the northern regions have had to give much initial time to the sorting out of the proper Italian personnel for Superintendence etc. In addition to their work of inspection.

Regions

10. The winding-up of IFF in TOSCANA Region has interrupted the work of IFF, which at the time was still at its peak. 101 projects have been completed or are near completion, 161 were still under way. An estimate of those still to be completed was handed over to the Director General of Antiquities and Fine Arts in IFF. Projects on outstanding Tuscan monuments is a part completed include: S. Maria del Vignolo, and S. Maria Nuova at GROSSETO, the Monastery at L. Vado, the Collegiata and S. Andrea at AREZZO, the Church at IMPERIA, S. Stefano, Pieve S. Pietro, and the Villa at PIACENZA, S. Giovanni at PAVIA, the two churches previously reported at LIVORNO; the Collegiata at CASTELNUOVO IN GARFAGNANO, the Duca Palom at MASSA, the Chiesa Nuova, S. Maria in Borgo, S. Michele della Scaglia, S. Matteo, and S. Paolo, the Shrine at PISA, the Osservance from Sesto, San Leo, Church near PISTOIA, the Collegiata at S. Maria del, the Collegiata at S. QUIRICO D'ORCIA, and S. Maria at PISTOIA.

11. The Province of LIGURIA and GENOVA, formerly with TOSCANA Region, have transferred under IFF. As such with the monuments they are still being looked after by IFF staff, but have transferred to IFF staff in IFF Region.

published during the war and sensitive to other public flows.

RELATIONS WITH ITALIAN FIRMS AND PERSONS

3. Collaboration with Italian Director General of Antiquities and Fine Arts has been suspended. New projects are in the way to satisfactory relations with the President of the new Italian Government the part of an Undersecretary of Fine Arts has been established. The appointment of Dr. Carlo Ruggieri, a well-known young scholar and author, was also a member of the Committee of Historical Librarians at Florence.

RELATIONS

General

9. Regional Office Officers have continued to be very busy. Those assigned to the northern region have had to give much initial help to the sorting out of the proper Italian personnel for Superintendencies etc. in addition to their work of inspection.

Research

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The Churches of L. V. 1234, Empoli, formerly with OSCE, have been transferred under Italian control and the monuments there are still being looked after by Lt. Col. Hart, who has been transferred himself to Munich, Baden.

12. Through the activities and steady action of the I.E. Office and the Quartermaster in Pisa, on 12th July 1943, by the Director of the Superintendency, twelve valuable items which had been stolen from the Abbey of Grotte Church of SS. Annunziata at Livorno were recovered from an attorney's shop and from the subject.

13. The work accomplished in TOSCANA Region represents a bright page in the activities of I.E.

- 24. Deposits of art-objects were visited at CALING, RACCHETTI, CASERINOVIC, BOGNETTE, LOLLI, HELLA, SEFFELDE, and SUTTING, all of which are safe.
- 25. There has been little difficulty with problems of requisition. South African mines, which had occupied the Villa de San Marino, Voraria, Reale, and Castel Chitilian have been moved out. The Public Security Police also have moved out of the square of the Royal Palace at TORINO.

Lombardia

- 26. Steps have been taken to clear the personnel of the Superintendentancies by means of the S. Maria Personnel.
- 27. Visits to Italy were made by the Director General of Antiquities and Fine Arts and by Prof. Leonardo Venturi, special emissary for the Ministry in RIC.
- 28. The grant of war-damage in Italy is so great and the estimates for repairs so vast that it will be necessary to submit the problem in great part to the Italian Government for later consideration.

Photographs of war-damage have been taken by Capt. Penney r.

- 29. At ESSELA, objects are in hand for the churches of S. Maria del Miracoli and S. Annunzio.
- 30. Air-mail protection has been received and the monument's found intact at CALIMANTINI D'OLIO (Masolino frescoes), SARONA (Luini frescoes), and the famous Orto of PAVI.
- 31. The British-owned art objects sent for the Madra Leonardo de Vinci, now in deposit in the Cassale Sforzesco, have been checked.
- 32. A South African unit has been permitted to occupy the floors of the Villa Borromeo at CASALE D'ALBA.

Venezia

- 33. Territorial responsibility, because of the VENEZIA GULLIA problem, was solved in the following manner: in the Province of GOLETTA, TRIVESTRI and PIAVE the military government responsibility was assigned to SOAG 13 Corps, GOLETTA Province became the eastern boundary of VENEZIA Region, and the five western provinces remained under the jurisdiction of AS 5-ARTY, although administered by VENEZIA Region. By agreement with AS 5-ARTY, Capt. Marriott of VENEZIA Region handled procedure for VENEZIA, VENEZIA, PIAVE, and DOLETTA, leaving Capt. Kuller of AS 5-ARTY free to make the final arrangements for the transfer of the AS 5-ARTY art-treasures in the SOLETTA area back to TRIVESTRI.

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- 34. Inspection ... by ... to the ... , ... , ... the problem of ... Major ... was fully occupied with ... with ... Italian personnel. He left for a trip to ... and ... with the Deputy Director at the end of the month.
- 35. Projects are in progress for ... in ... , ... , ... , ... and ...

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PATRIOTS BRANCH - REPORT FOR JUNE 1945.

DISARMING AND DEBARRING

1. With the exception of a few organized bands, such as the Gsoeyro and Nino Nannetti Divisions in Veneto, the disarming and debarring of Patriots is practically completed. There remain however a number of Patriots requiring employment and assistance, and the following centres were still operating at the end of the month.

Region	No. of Centres
Lombardia	10
Veneto	5
Emilia	Nil
Liguria	5
Piemonte	7

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These centres are to be closed as soon as possible, and thereafter the Italian Military Patriot Representative will operate from offices attached to Provincial HQ. The Centre at Florence was handed over to the Italian authorities when Toscana Region closed down, and the one at Pescia had been closed earlier in the month.

It is clear that there are still large quantities of arms which have not been declared or accounted for, although the estimated numbers handed in by the end of June had reached the figures given below:

Lombardia	131,612
Veneto	25,116
Emilia	44,116
Liguria	5,381
Piemonte	55,509

239,834 (including 72,955 hand grenades)

RATIONS

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Veneto	29,116
Emilia	41,116
Liguria	5,384
Piemonte	55,802

259,034 (including 72,995 hand grenades)

RATIONS

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CLOTHING

3. Approx 65 tons of salvage clothing have been allotted for Patriots and this is being issued to all the northern Regions from a central store in Milan.

/ ITALIAN GOVT

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

4. As a result of the change of Government, the Ministry of Occupied Italy is to be abolished, and its responsibilities with regard to Patriots will be assumed by the new Ministry of Post War Assistance. The most important measures affecting Patriots taken by the Government during the month of June were the granting of "Ente Morsale" status to the associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia, and the authorizing of increased bonuses for Patriots, viz:

Patriots with less than 3 months service	L. 1,000
Patriots with more than 3 months service	L. 5,000
Wounded Patriots	L. 10,000
Relatives of fallen Patriots	L. 20,000

VENEZIA GIULIA

5. Contrary to expectations, the Patriot problem in Venezia Giulia has proved to be relatively simple, as those Italian Patriots who had not withdrawn into Italia, were disbanded and disbanded by the Yugoslav Forces before 8 Army troops occupied the area. The Yugoslav Patriots appear to have withdrawn into Jugoslavia. It is not proposed to set up any Patriot organization in Venezia Giulia.

PERSONNEL

6. One British officer and 6 NCOs have been temporarily attached to Venezia Region from 51 BR for Patriot work.

R.R. CRIPPS, Colonel.,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

/s/

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AND 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPAIRATION SUB-COMMISSION

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14 July 1945.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
REFUGEE
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION
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1. GENERAL.

(1) Conference BOLZANO

A Conference was held at BOLZANO Italy on the 14 - 15 June 1945 between representatives of A.F.H.Q. and SHAFF to discuss plans for the repatriation of 350,000 Italians from Germany and Austria, and 300,000 German ex-P.O.s from Italy. It was decided that the only practicable routes for repatriation were by way of the BERNER Pass and through SWITZERLAND, all movements to be by rail commencing 1st July 1945. The BERNER Pass route will use MUNICH as the reception delivery point on the SWISS side and VERONA on the A.F.H.Q. side. The Swiss Route will use ZURICH (in the 1st French Army Area) as the reception delivery point on the SWISS side and Camp at COMO on the A.F.H.Q. side. Standard medical precautions involving inspection and dusting will be employed.

A Joint Committee composed of SHAFF and A.F.H.Q. representatives will meet fortnightly to resolve problems arising in connection with this NORTH-SOUTH movement.

(11) Estimate of Italian Refugees to return to Italy.

At the end of June SHAFF estimated that from their area some 300,000 - 400,000 Italians still remained to be repatriated to Italy.

2. DISSEMINATION

(1) General.

With the establishment of Camps the movements of refugees and displaced persons have become more organized. As the result of the control of the flow of returning refugees to Italy the best use can now be made of all available transport. The Officers, Enlisted Men and Other ranks of the Sub-Commission have worked during the last two months with tireless energy and resource in the handling of these thousands of returning Italians. Often conditions have been difficult and Camp Commanders and their Staffs have worked 24 hours a day. By their sympathetic handling of the refugees they have done much to gain the refugees confidence and gratitude.

(11) Statistical Units.

10 A.F. Assembly Centres and 10 Control Camps are now completed over 5 Army and are now working in the administration of Camps in Northern Italy. These units represent the balance from American Sources, the British standard units having been allotted in May.

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2. ORGANISATION

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(ii) Standard Units.

14 D.P. assembly Centres and 10 Control Camps are now completed from 5 Army and are now assisting in the administration of Camps in Northern Italy. These Units represent the balance from American Sources, the British standard Units having been allotted in May.

3. MEDICAL

(1) Medical Survey.

A most useful and helpful report was submitted by Dr's Soper and Markham on their return from a visit to the Northern Camps (see May monthly report para 3, sub-para (iv)). Based on this report a circular incorporating their recommendations has been sent to all Camps.

(ii) Civilian Medical Officers, Assembly Centres and Control Camps.

During the month assembly Centres and Control Camps departing for duty from HQMB were supplied with civilian Doctors. Each Doctor was given complete medical administrative instructions and stationery written in English and Italian and a small pack of drugs and equipment to enable him to function immediately upon arrival if necessary. Selection of civilian Doctors for such

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work is difficult and it is likely that some of those employed will turn out to be unsuitable.

4. ITALIAN REFUGEES.

During the month some 68,707 Italian refugees arrived in ROVER from the North and some 46,129 were sent to the South. Italian refugees returning to ROVER totalled 2,422. Further refugees returned to Italy from BRASSILLAS and Spain and a ship left CIVITAVECCHIA with some 201 persons for GIBRALTAR.

Apart from the figures of Italian refugees who have been landed by the Sub-Commission many thousands have returned to their homes under their own arrangements.

The two points of reception for returning Italians from outside Italy are VERONA and COMO of those who will return it is estimated that one third are Southern Italians.

5. REGISTRATION.

(1) General.

Considerable progress was made during the period under review in the registration of refugees under the SHARP System. All refugees at CIVITAVECCHIA and ROVER were registered.

D.P. and R. Groups in Northern Italy have been ordered to nominate Group Representative Officers to be responsible for the registration of United Nations Nationals within their Groups.

Individual registration at present involves much paper work and the individual enquiries detailed above and also mentioned from a small staff.

(11) (a) The following Nationals were registered under the SHARP System (from S. Italy).

- 123 British
- 1 Armenian
- 32 Arabs
- 5 Belgians
- 395 French
- 136 Germans
- 5 Lithuanians
- 3 (Stateless)
- 17 Poles
- 1 Palestinian
- 2 Russians
- 2 Swiss
- 500 Greeks

(b) Nationals of the following countries were registered at this

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5. REPARATION.

(1) General.

Considerable progress was made during the period under review in the registration of refugees under the SLAPP System. All refugees at VIMINI, COMO, and BARI were registered.

E.P. and R. Spruce in Northern Italy have been ordered to nominate Group Representative Officers to be responsible for the repatriation of United Nations Nationals within their Group.

Individual repatriation at present involves much paper work and the individual enquiries demand more and more attention from a small staff.

(11) (a) The following Nationals were repatriated under the SLAPP System (from S. Italy).

- 123 British
- 1 American
- 32 Arabs
- 9 Belgians
- 399 French
- 135 Germans
- 5 Lithuanians
- 3 (Stateless)
- 17 Poles
- 1 Palestinian
- 2 Russians
- 2 Swiss
- 500 Greeks

(b) Nationals of the following countries were registered at this H.Q. for individual repatriation :-

1 Yugoslav	for U.S.
1 "	" New Zealand
1 "	" Venezuela
2 Albanians	" U.K.
1 "	" Albania
1 Italian	" Chile
4 Mexicans	" Mexico
53 Brazilians	" Brazil
1 Ital. Col. Subj. to	Egypt
1 "	" Eritrea
2 Italians	for Spain
18 "	" Brazil

2	Italians	for Syria
7	"	" U.K.
21	"	" France
1	"	" Scotland
1	"	" Egea
1	"	" South Africa
2	German Jews	" India
2	Polish	" Belgium
126	Spanish	" Spain
1	Turk	" Turkey
1	"	" France
1	Dane	" Denmark
8	British	" U.K.
2	"	" Greece
1	"	" Lybia
1	"	" India
1	"	" Sira
1	Stateless	" France
1	Unsubstantiated	" France
1	Cyprus	Costa Rica
1	British	Malta
1	"	" Belgium
1	Guatemalan	" Guatemala
1	Algerian	" Eritrea
1	Belgian	" Switzerland
1	Lawbreaker	" Luxembourg
3	Cuban	" Cuba
1	Russian	" Turkey
6	Lebanese	" Lebanon
2	Belgians	" Belgium
2	Syrians	" Lebanon
21	French	" France
1	"	" Tunisia
1	"	" Egypt

(c) M.S.s. were granted as follows:-

2	Dr.	for Greece
5	albanians	" Albania
3	Spanish	" Spain
2	Turks	" Turkey
8	Italians	" Britain

(d) Travel Orders were issued without H.I.s. to Nationals for the following countries:-

32	Americans	for U.S.
4	Irish	" Egypt
1	British	" U.K.
11	Italians	" U.K.
1	Italian	" Malta

(e) Individual Nationals of the following countries were repatriated:-

2	"	"	Greeco
1	"	"	Lybia
1	"	"	India
4	"	"	Sire
1	St.	taliss	France
1	Undetermined		France
1	Costa	Liban	Costa Rica
1	British		Malta
1	"	"	Belgie
1	Guatemalan		Guatemala
1	Spanian		Estrea
1	Netherlandis		Subwerland
1	Luxemburg		Luxemburg
3	Saban		Cuba
1	Russian		Turkey
6	Lebanise		Lebanon
2	Belgium		Belgium
2	Syrians		Lebanon
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(e) Individual Nationals of the following countries were repatriated:-

2	Portuguese	to Portugal
1	Spaniard	to Britain

(f) applications were held up by the following:-

- I. By Field Security for Security Clearance 176
- II. By Consuls for recommendations 13
- III. By G-5 for issue of Travel Orders and M.F.s. 110

(g) The following Nationals are awaiting shipping. All other formalities are completed:-

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4 to Egypt
 1 to Tripoli
 1 to Yemen
 1 to Bahrain
 1 to S. Africa
 1 to Greece
 2 to Turkey
 10 to U.S.
 1 to M.I.C.

(111) M.I.C.

One outstanding welfare case was dealt with, a British woman whose husband was serving in India was stated to be ill in Rome with possibly only a few months to live. The subject arrived in Rome on compassionate leave within 10 days of receipt of this information by this department and within another week the woman was embarked in a Hospital Ship for U.S. to receive treatment in a London Hospital.

6. RECORDS BUREAU.

At the end of the month a total of 88,171 records were recorded by the Records Bureau covering 72 Nationalities, a total of 3,256 enquiry/messages were received and processed. 385 replies were made to enquiries and 4,873 communications were received and dealt with during June.

7. F.I.R.M.E.(1) Financial assistance for Displaced Persons

This month was the close of this Sub-Commission's financial assistance programme for Displaced Persons. Started in Rome on 7 October 1944 when 273 heads of families received loans, it was extended immediately to all of liberated Italy. The peak was reached in December 1944 when 5,000 persons were recommended for loans. This programme was the means of preventing widespread hardship privation and malnutrition against Stateless Displaced Persons and United Nation Nationals who were living outside the Sub-Commission's Camps. These assisted included former enemy Nationals who had been recommended for relief or relief to sons. Loans up to 4,000 lire per month or arrears were made with a maximum of 12,000 lire for any single household. The total amount loaned was a little over seventy five million lire. UNRRA has now taken over the programme and should be operating in most of Italy by August.

(11) Currency Conversions.

The general situation is still confused. Transfer for a group of Italian repatriates up to £10 per head were approved by the War Office and effected through the British Consul Plymouth. Balances above 4,000 lire per person were not fitted in the Bank of Rome and individual deposit books were sent to Tripoli for delivery to the depositors. Further proposals have been made to A.F.R.C. for conversion in the Military Currency area of the Mediterranean theatre.

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9. A Schedule, for the guidance of AMG officers in the field, giving "a brief description of the procedure for the preparation of Electoral Lists" was completed on 25 June and has now been issued.

10. Printed forms and stationery prepared by the Italian Government for the compilation of Electoral Lists have been delivered to Regional Headquarters in ALE territory. Distribution to provinces and thence to communes is in progress.

11. A new attempt is to be made to persuade the present Italian Government to revise the existing electoral laws, which were passed in 1945. The previous efforts of the Allied Commission in this direction resulted in a reply from the then President of the Council, N.E. BRESI, to the effect that no reform was required since, in his personal opinion, the law was "adequate".

EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

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a) The weekly lunches with representatives of the United States Information Service have continued, and bear fruit in close coordination between it and the Education Sub-Commission. Relations with the British Institute are less continuous, but cooperative. These two organizations are attempting to secure the American and British scholarly publications most urgently needed by universities and libraries, using the requests obtained and compiled by the Education Sub-Commission and Minister of Public Instruction. Publications from other countries are being sought direct by the Education Sub-Commission.

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15. Survey of Venezia Giulia. - The Director of Education spent four days early in July making a study of the educational situation there. A full report has been given to the VP, CA Section, and the SCAO, AME Venezia Giulia. The organization of elementary schools and of one or more teacher training schools in the Slovene and Croat languages has been recommended, with Slav supervisors of such schools being added to the provincial school offices. Provisions for revised school programs and text books in Italian, Slovene, and Croat are also recommended. The immediate assignment of a full time Regional Education Officer is urged.

16. Examination.

- a) Expiration is proceeding effectively in all schools, universities and cultural institutions.
- b) Through agreement with the Vatican, expiration of the Catholic University in Milan is proceeding normally, with slight changes in the detail of the procedure to fit the special case.
- c) Political Science faculties in universities are abolished, and their students are allowed to finish their courses in other faculties (Law, Letters, Commerce). For examinations in Corporative Political Economy, Demography of Races, Biology of Races, etc., examinations in analogous fields devoid of Fascist propaganda are being substituted and special courses are being given to prepare for them.
- d) University students who fought or worked on the side of the Germans are not being allowed to take the summer examinations. This decree by the CEM has been approved by the RSO's and by the Minister of Public Instruction. On the other hand, students who fought with the Partisans, or whose fathers did so, are exempted from tuition fees.
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19. School buildings - Damage to school and university buildings is spotty - some places are badly hit, others untouched. 20% to 30% of the schools in Apulia are destroyed. The University of Bologna, University of Genoa, few buildings of the University of Milan, and so on, have suffered greatly.

Requisitions, likewise, are a varying problem. The new order from AFHQ against further requisitioning of school buildings will help. But to derequisition buildings is extremely difficult. The situation in the South is actually worse in some provinces than in most of the Northern Regions.

20. Youth Activities.

- a) Scouting is flourishing everywhere. British and American Military personnel who were Boy Scouts, and Welfare and Red Cross workers interested in Girl Guides, have been very helpful. Troop leaders are being trained. Summer camps are being planned.
- b) Student associations are being formed and are active in some universities.
- c) School lunches, during the summer, are being served for 33,000 children in 166 schools in Rome. In the North, school lunches are, in some places, being arranged for the summer session, but the program there is not yet fully developed.

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27. On 30 June a conference was held in Milan of the heads of all the Courts of Appeal in the North to discuss the operation of these Courts and to secure uniformity of administration.

28. An order for the separation of the directing staff in private industry has been issued and put into effect in the north. Originally designed as a General Order (No 47) it was finally issued as a Regional Order for use where required.

29. General Order No. 48 was issued to prevent mass discharges from private industry, with consequent large scale unemployment, as a result of the shortage of raw materials in the north.

PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

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34. Welfare. - MEDSI is continuing its distribution of milk and vitamins. Machinery is now set up in Rome for the supply of clothing to isolated individuals. This is done in the manner by ICA.

35. Personnel. - Two American and three British Officers left the Sub-Commission.

FIELD SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

- 36. A marked reduction in killings, disappearances and extortions is noted during June from the high May records.
- 37. There were some demonstrations against slow legal procedure and light sentences assessed against Fascists and collaborators. A notable case was at Padova where seven prisoners on trial were forcibly taken from the courtroom. 4 was killed and 5 were beaten. Allied MEs saved the seventh.
- 38. The Minervino Antria incident, where Communists took over Government buildings, destroyed records, looted up O.U.M., in their Caserma and stole guns, ammunition, trunks and uniforms resulted in more than 8 killed and eleven wounded. Several days of terrorism followed but by 30 June order was restored and a program of control commenced.
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42. Alto Adige Deposits - The MFAA Officer of ARMY 5 was occupied chiefly with the problem of the return of the large deposits of Tuscan art objects at S. LUCIANO and CASALE TERRE TO FLORIANE. It has been decided to send the objects back via railroad, which will function in July.

43. Archives

- a) The main outstanding problem is the return to ROME of the archives of Italian ministries and emb. Archives Officers have provided a register of the large number of offices involved, and the Italian Government has in an advanced state of preparation plans for transfer.
- b) An enquiry is also being conducted as to the whereabouts of private archives of leading Fascist officials, and temporary measures organised for the protection of these.
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- a) The Director's trip of about four weeks covered most of the northern and north-eastern portion of Italy. Half of the time was spent in company of Wing Commander Cooper of the Central Commission for Germany (British Element) in interrogating Kunstschmuck-personnel now in PW camps. The results of these interrogations have been incorporated in a joint report on all Kunstschmuck activities, which has just been issued.
- b) Three further reports have been submitted by the Deputy Director on the Mosbra d'Oltremare, bringing the investigation of this matter to a successful termination.

45. Italian Government Relations

- a) Cooperation with the Director General of Antiquities and Fine Arts has been excellent.
- b) In the recent reorganisation of the Government, an Undersecretary for Fine Arts, Dr. Carlo Ragghianti, was appointed. The Sub-Commission is certain that under the direction of the Undersecretary and the Director General the artistic patrimony of Italy will fare well.

PATRIOTS BEANCE

46. Disarming and Disbandment - With the exception of a few organised bands, such as the Ossolvo and Niro Hametti Divisions in Venetia, the disarming and demobilization of Patriots is practically completed. There remain however a number of patriots requiring employment and assistance, and the following Centres were still operating at the end of the month.

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a) The Director's trip of about four weeks covered most of the northern and north-eastern portion of Italy. Half of the time was spent in company of Wing Commander Cooper of the Central Commission for Germany (British Element) in interrogating Kunstschutts-personeel now in PW camps. The results of these interrogations have been incorporated in a joint report on all Kunstschutts activities, which has just been issued.

b) Three further reports have been submitted by the Deputy Director on the Posing d'Oltramarra, bringing the investigation of this matter to a successful conclusion.

45. Italian Government Relations

a) Cooperation with the Director General of Antiquities and Fine Arts has been excellent.

b) In the recent reorganization of the Government, an Undersecretary for Fine Arts, Dr. Carlo Ragghianti, was appointed. The Sub-Commission is certain that under the direction of the Undersecretary and the Director General the artistic patrimony of Italy will fare well.

PATRIOTS BEANS

46. Disarming and Disbanding - With the exception of a few organized bands, such as the Osoppo and Mino Mameli Divisions in Venetia, the disarming and demobilization of Patriots is practically completed. There remain however a number of patriots requiring employment and assistance, and the following Centres were still operating at the end of the month.

Region	No. of Centres
Lombardia	10
Venetia	5
Emilia	5
Liguria	7
Piemonte	7
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These Centres are to be closed as soon as possible, and thereafter the Italian Military Patriot Representative will operate from offices attached to Provincial Hqs. The Centre at Florence was handed over to the Italian authorities when Toscana Region

closed down, and the one at Peschia had been closed earlier in the month.

It is clear that there are still large quantities of arms which have not been declared or accounted for, although the estimated numbers handed in by the end of June had reached the figures given below:

Lombardia	131,612
Venezia	25,116
Emilia	41,116
Liguria	5,381
Piemonte	55,809
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	252,034 (Including 72,995 hand grenades)

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processed. 385 replies were made to enquiries and 4,673 communications were received and dealt with during June.

54. This month saw the close of our financial assistance programme for Displaced Persons. Started in Rome on 7 October 1944 when 273 heads of families received loans, it was extended immediately to all of liberated Italy. The peak was reached in December 1944 when 5,000 persons were recommended advances. This programme was the means of preventing untold hardship, privation and malnutrition among Stateless Displaced Persons and twenty four nationalities, including former enemy nationals who had been persecuted for racial or political reasons. Loans up to 4,000 Lire per month per person were made with a minimum of 12,000 Lire for any single household. The total amount loaned was a little over seventy five million Lire. UNRRA has now taken over our programme and should be operating in most of Italy by August.

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