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Percy Jones was
recently President Town
taken in to become
head of operations - the
first capable and fully
efficient one we have had.

It looks as if he was
now being got rid of.
He has only been in office
a week or so and has
shown little or no interest
what to organize operations
in the north. I should
think someone here would
be with him chance of

£ 3600 to bring in
political operations

Should be there for his work to be
finished before he takes over
his new job

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

FILE No.

SUBJECT:

29 AUG 1945

TO : D/Director,
Local Govt. S/C (Patriots Branch) ✓

Reference attached.

If we think this Commissioner is doing good work we should take any steps we can to allow him to complete his job. I thought the matter was cleared up at my staff meeting previous to the one held yesterday when the CIA stated that PEROTTI-GRIVA, to the best of my recollection, would not be leaving for some time.



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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 52

Political:

Council meeting (9 and 10 August) decided to pay special indemnity of 3,000 lire to all state employees, granted administrative autonomy to the Val d'Aosta, allotted one billion lire to building of "shelters" for those whose homes have been destroyed. Council also approved Italy's joining Central European Railroad organization. Parotti-Griva, Commissioner for Spuration, was appointed president of Brescia Court of Appeals. Appointments of Reale and Megarville (see last week's telegram) formally confirmed.

It was reported that some 30,000 Italians wish to leave Fiume.

Parri, commenting on end of war, said Italians might now hope more tonnage would be available for relief and reconstruction.

Public Safety:

10,000 pairs of new boots received for the 3rd Brigade of CC.RR. in FLORENCE. The re-organization of Carabinieri strength is continuing - some older classes being released to make room for younger men re-enlisted in the North.

Overcrowded conditions of all jails and the slowness of Italian courts still reported from Northern Italy. At Regina Coeli (Rome), 1,400 prisoners have been transferred to other prisons. Less than 1,000 inmates remain.

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Refugees:

During the week 37,688 Italians have returned to Italy, 36,117 through the Brenner and Swiss routes and 1,571 by sea from Durazzo and Cagliari. 8,958 Italians have been dispersed to the South from Rome and 7,406 arrived from the North including two refugee trains from Germany.

Wheat Collection:

Total amassed to 13 August -- 4,216,167 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection:

Total amassed to 13 August -- 528,895 quintals.

General Remarks:

Sample textbooks in German for elementary and lower schools have been brought from Switzerland to be reprinted and used in the schools of Bolzano Province. Contact has been made with the European Student Relief Fund in Geneva and arrangements were discussed for aid to Italian universities.

A repository for Allied use but with an Italian staff, is to be established for those Italian archives likely to be of interest to Allied agencies. This repository will be open to Italian Ministries.

Additional materials decontrolled from AFLR(I)B list were tin solder and white metal for bearings.

247 tons of wine have been exported to Malta and 2500 tons of sulphur to Greece since 7 August.

The S. Elpidio superphosphate factory near Macerata has started production. Full production is estimated to be 2000 tons a month. This factory is controlled by the Consorzi Agrari.

Production of coal in Sardinia reached the highest level since Allied occupation. Production for July was 50,128 tons; daily production averaged 2,030 tons. Number of underground workers averaged 3,817 a day. 390 mine workers were shipped from

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CIVITAVECCHIA to SARDINIA and the recruiting programme continued.

Approximately 39,000 tons of molasses have been located in NORTH ITALY and frozen pending allocation by priorities of this valuable material. Allocations from the stock have been made for yeast manufacture and extraction of sugar by barytization.

The 50,000-volt electric transmission line between PORTOMAGGIORE and FORLI has been repaired and is now furnishing power to FAENZA, FORLI, AND CESENA, areas which previously had very little power. Increased supply of electric power to RAVENNA is expected within three weeks.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 51

Political :

Council meeting (3 August) approved legislation for partisans, veterans and refugees.

Central Committee of Republican Party met 6 August. Said elections for Constituent Assembly should precede administrative elections, declined to take part in the Consulta.

Communist motion passed (7 August) calling for disarmament of all parties and partisan groups asked that ANPI (Associazione Nazionale Partigiani Italiani) be recognized as sole legitimate partisan body.

Celeste NEGARVILLE (Communist) appointed Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, replacing Eugenio REALE named Ambassador to POLAND (7 August).

Public Safety:

About 40,000,000 lire worth of counterfeit 500 and 1000 lire notes confiscated, together with approximately 21,000,000 lire worth of counterfeit 500 lire Bank Drafts on Cassa di Risparmio of GENOA. Four arrests have been made in GENOA.

On 27 July, about twenty armed men overpowered guards at the prison at PALAZZOLO (UDINE) and released all prisoners - about 211 persons.

All but 70 prisoners returned voluntarily, or were picked up two days.

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Public Health : The Swiss Red Cross has offered to care for 1,000 Italian children in poor health in SWITZERLAND for three months.

No new cases of typhus have been reported.

Refugees: During the week 35,106 Italians arrived in the North from SWITZERLAND through the BRENNER PASS. In addition 691 arrived at TARANTO from FRANCE and 795 at BARI from DUBROVNIK, YUGOSLAVIA, making a total of 36,592 arrivals. 11,442 Italians were evacuated to ROME from the North and 4,170 directly from the North to the South. 13,791 Italians were returned to their homes in the South from ROME.

Wheat Collection Total amassed to 7 August - 3,322,529 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection : Total amassed to 7 August - 524,080 quintals (no change from last week).

General Remarks: The 1945 Italian crop report dated 15 July has been distributed. The wheat crop of all ITALY is estimated as 4,188,588 metric tons- a reduction of 238,412 metric tons from the 15 June 1945 figure. The barley crop is estimated to total 138,000 metric tons and rye 86,400 metric tons. The corn crop is estimated at 2,165,000 metric tons to be supplemented later by a summer crop in the PO Valley which may total 200,000 metric tons. The present rice crop is estimated at 410,000 metric tons.

1,570 tons of sulphur have been shipped to GREECE and 244 tons of wine to MALTA since 31 July.

Subscriptions to the 5% Five-Year Treasury Bonds in North ITALY now exceed 30 billion lire. 3654

Another 35,000 KW unit began to operate at the GALLETO generating station on 7 August. Of the four machines in this plant before the

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war, three are now back in service, with a total capacity of 105,000 KW. The fourth machine is scheduled to start operating in the Autumn. The output of the GALLETO plant is utilized in Central ITALY.

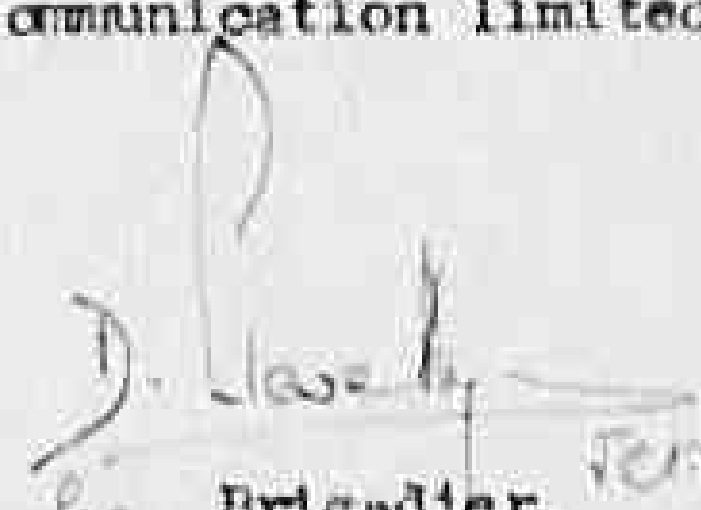
Two crates have been recovered from PALLANZA containing precious archaeological material from North AFRICA, notably classical coin collections, the treasure from the Temple at Cyrene, and the remarkable Uddan treasure.

Responsibility for bomb disposal in ITALY has been placed on the Ministry of War/AFHQ. Demobilization of the 1915 class of the Italian Army will take place during August. Censorship of the Italian Press and radio abolished as from 1 August. Orders have been issued to the Ministry of War to disband the Pool of Military Press Censors.

Restrictions removed on inter-provincial telephone service in provinces of UDINE, TRENTO and BOLZANO. Telegraph and postal service commenced between VENEZIA GIULIA and rest of ITALY. Telephone service opened between ITALY and SWITZERLAND via CHIASSO - communication limited to personal and family matters.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 50

Political : Council of Ministers (27 July) defined functions of Ministry of Food. SEPRAL (Italian Provincial rationing and food distributing agency) passes under control of this Ministry. Meeting again on 28 July, the Council addressed formal request to Allied Governments to return to ITALY all Italian PW and defined functions of Ministry of Labour and Welfare.

Commission for Sanctions against Fascist hierarchs began functioning on 27 July.

Federico RIXI (Independent) appointed Minister of the Treasury.

At Foreign Press Conference PARRI congratulated British Labour Party on its victory and said that ITALY is optimistic because international economic collaboration and just distribution of food appear in programme of British party. He recalled Bevin's words on treatment of ITALY, explained the programme of the Italian Government said that elections could not be held until ITALY's international status was changed. Said he hoped a small Corps of Italian Volunteers would be sent to JAPAN.

Socialist Congress started on 29 July; after three days' discussions, during which complete agreement on practical matters was reached, the motion by PERTINI (ex-secretary of the Socialist Party in Northern ITALY and now member of the central directorate) asking for complete

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merger between Socialists and Communists was approved, in preference to the SILONE-SARAGAT motion (asking for union between the two parties and for political autonomy of each).

Public Safety: On 1 August, 400 ex-FW from GERMANY stormed the Municipio NAPLES demanding work and relief. No injuries, no arrests, damage extremely slight. Situation in hand within half an hour.

Public Health: A case of typhus resulting in death was reported from a Refugee Camp in MILAN.

Refugees : Approximately 35,000 Italian refugees have been repatriated by SHAEF and from SWITZERLAND during the period 23-28 July. During the week 15,000 Italian refugees were evacuated from the North to ROME and the South by rail and sea for dispersal to their homes, while 21,000 were returned to their homes in the Northern Regions. 10,000 Italian refugees were transported by rail to the South from Rome, for dispersal to their homes.

Wheat Collection Total amassed to 31 July - 2,218,190 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection : Total amassed to 31 July - 524,080 quintals.

General Remarks : A forage survey has been completed, in conjunction with the Ministry of Agriculture, which indicates a critical shortage of livestock feed in Southern ITALY and SARDINIA. Arrangements are being made to move forage from Northern ITALY into deficit areas.

It has been agreed with the Ministry of Agriculture that the slaughter up to 15% of live weight of cattle a year for meat should be authorized in Northern ITALY. This percentage approximates the normal rate of culling.

The terms of the new WASHINGTON export directive (TAM 640)

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authorising the termination of export activities of the Allied Commission, with certain limiting controls remaining, has been sent to the Italian Government.

Sir Eric SPED, Permanent Under-Secretary for War (Finance) visited A.C. on 31 July - 1 August for discussions with the Finance Sub-Commission and other interested persons.

Production of Sardinian coal remains at about 1,900 tons a day. About 300 additional miners were employed and about 400 more workers from the Mainland are scheduled to arrive in August.

Control of cement production has been handed over to the Ministry of Industry and Commerce. They have no production figures available for the current week.

The Italian Federation of Boy Scouts and Girl Guides was finally formed by the signing on 27 July of a constitution by the heads of the (Catholic) Associazione Guide Italiane and the non confessional Unione Nazionale Giovani Esploratrici Italiane.

150 cases of physics laboratory equipment, shipped from MILAN, reported found at LENZ (AUSTRIA).

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 48

Political : Council of Ministers (12 July) decided to grant free local autonomy to VAL D'AOSTA and to allow use of both French and Italian languages; they legalised the agreement of the 23rd between CGIL, Camera del Lavoro and Industrial Unions granting workers out of work or working part-time, special indemnity; approved reorganization of High Commissariat for Sanctions Against Fascism, which will now be formed by three under-commissariats, namely : operation, punishment of crimes, confiscation of profits. Meeting again on 13th, the Council approved institution of Ministry of the Constituent Assembly; DE GASPERI stated that Italian Government had officially asked the Allies to change ITALY's international status.

French troops in VESTIMIGLIA and adjoining communes replaced by Americans on the 12th.

On 15 July, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs issued ITALY's declaration of war on JAPAN; PARRI stated that Italian Navy will participate as well as numerous partisans.

Public Safety

Thirty three of the main judicial and penal prisons of 3649 five Northern Regions are still overcrowded from 50 to 300% due to large number of political prisoners awaiting trial. This situation

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is unparalleled in AMG history in ITALY.

On 6 July the prison at SCHIO, VENEZIA Region, was invaded by an armed band and 49 political prisoners were massacred and 23 wounded.

Seventy ex-partisans held on criminal charges escaped from the military prison at TURIN on 14 July.

On 9 July a so-called 'Partisan' organization in ROME was raided by tanks, armoured cars and 400 soldiers of P.S. and C.C.RR. and about 50 men and women were arrested.

Public Health One suspected case of typhus was reported from the VERONA refugee evacuation camp and one case at PARMA, EMILIA Region.

Refugees : During the week 19,290 refugees were repatriated.

Personnel : Colonel Alfred G. BOWMAN (A) appointed SCAG Venezia Giulia.
Colonel Floyd E. THOMAS (A) appointed Regional Commissioner, EMILIA Region.
Major H.A. GENT (B) appointed Director, Commerce Sub-Commission.
Major Harold V. KELLY (A) appointed Commissioner LIVORNO Zone.

General Remarks : The new wheat amassing season for 1945-6 has begun with 342,560 quintals of wheat brought into the Granai del Popolo by 17 July. Olive oil amassed by 17 July amounted to 522,260 quintals. The first shipment of 9,000 tons of Chilean ^{nitrate} is now unloaded at NAPLES. 243 tons of wine were exported to MALTA.

Work in the SICILY sulphur industry was resumed 9 July. Cement production totalled 2,065 tons, a decrease of 861 tons over previous week.

The first 120,000 KV electric transmission line connecting North and Central ITALY went into service during the week. When certain system changes are made, this line will permit the transfer of 40,000 Kilowatts from North ITALY.

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The Italian Government has presented a 35 volume set of the Encyclopedia Italiana to the British Government.

On 7 July a demobilization parade was held at UDINE for the Italia Patriot Division, which was composed almost entirely of Italian troops and had operated in YUGOSLAVIA. The Maiella Brigade which had operated for many months with the EIGHTH Army were demobilized at a similar parade on 17 July.

VENEZIA GIULIA: A valuable historical archive and one of two important libraries which had been stolen, have been recovered. No important works of art appear to be missing and war damage is virtually restricted to POLA (Roman Temple and Cathedral)

International telegraph and telephone service was authorized to and from ITALY and all countries except JAPAN and Japanese controlled territories GERMANY, AUSTRIA and HUNGARY. Communications except for U.S. and U.K. are limited to personal and family matters.

Ceiling of 10,000 now allotted in BR-ITI category to the Carabinieri. War Ministry instructed 11 July to demobilize about 9,000 men of 1914 class of Italian Army.

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WEEKLY BULLETIN NO. 47

Political :

Council meeting (4 July) approved setting up committee on economic policy. Committee to consist of Ministers of Reconstruction, Treasury, Finance, Industry-Commerce, Public Works and Transport. At same meeting Council abolished Undersecretariat for Press, appointed NENZI High Commissioner for Sanctions against Fascism and discussed enlargement of Consulta. Meeting again on 6 July, Council approved request to be sent to "Big Three" asking for new international status.

BORGATTI (Liberal) was named High Commissioner for Health and PERROTTI (Socialist) Associate Commissioner.

General strike in MILAN and TURIN (4 and 5 July). After conference between PARMI and other Ministers and representatives of workers it was decided - subject to consent of Allies - to legalize agreement of 23 June between Camera del Lavoro and Unione Industriale. On 9 July Press Office of OLMAI announced it had been decided to give all workers in North a special indemnity.

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Communist party issued programme (9 July) calling for reconquest of national independence, expatriation, creation of really democratic regime and reconstruction. Party expresses hope of harmonious collaboration of all CLN parties, looks to the Constituent Assembly to abolish monarchy.

According to AP dispatch PARI received with great satisfaction the news that US Congress Foreign Affairs Committee had approved motion to invite ITALY to join UNITED NATIONS.

ITALY officially recognised new Polish Government (7 July).

Refugees:

During the week 12,171 refugees with horses in the South were repatriated. 11,860 refugees arrived in ROME from the North. 6,105 refugees were repatriated by other organised movements.

General Remarks:

The assessing season ended on 9 July with 520,341 quintals of olive oil and 26,736,000 quintals of wheat, of which latter, 15,045, 399 quintals were assessed in Northern ITALY.

The delivery of 11,716 captured enemy horses from AUSTRIA to ITALY has been completed.

There is a shortage of forage all over ITALY due to drought.

The Council of Ministers with AO's concurrence has decided to extend the sale of the new 5% five year bonds to all of North ITALY, except VENETIA GIULIA. The issue price will be 99 and the sale period from 15 July - 5 August.

A report has been received that agreement has been reached in the strike at the sulphur mines, SICILY; employers having agreed to make increases retroactive from 16 February. Confirmation is awaited.

Cement production totalled 2,926 tons, an increase of 736 tons over the previous week.

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With the arrival of a floating crane at CIVITAVECCHIA operations to clear a wreck from Pier 8 will begin immediately. At GENOA ships are discharging cargo over the beaches because of the continued presence of mines in the harbour.

To-date, 9,450 ex-Italian military personnel have been repatriated from GERMANY and are in course of dispersal to their homes.

On 1 July radio telephone service between ROME and the U.S.A. was opened to civilians and members of the Allied Armed Forces for calls dealing with personal and family matters.

More than one hundred autographed letters, many by the distinguished Italian statesman Francesco CRISPI, were transmitted to the State Archives. These letters, forming a collection hitherto unknown to students of CRISPI, formed part of the private papers of MUSCOLINI and were secured by Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Sub-Commission.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 46

Political:

Following SCOCIMARRO's visit to BARI Province and report to Government, an official communique was issued saying calm had been restored and there had been no further disturbances and that in ANDRIA and MINERVINO MURGE the representatives of the parties "have pledged themselves to cooperate in the maintenance of order" and in disarmament of civilians. In both towns SCOCIMARRO held meeting and stressed importance of concord and respect for law at this crucial time.

PARRI speaking in MIAN (3 July) expressed hope for new accord with Allies giving ITALY a more satisfactory international position. He is reported to have said Allies had reserved right under armistice to decide when ITALY is ready to express an opinion on the Institutional question. Said ITALY's problems today can be summed up: bread, work, order, peace. Stressed urgency of coal supply.

Undersecretaries appointed 3 July as follows: Industry: Ivan Matteo LOMBARDI (Socialist) in place of GANNAVARI as previously reported. Reconstruction: Ernesto BOSCHI (Action) in place of POI as previously

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reported. Post War Relief: Ernesto BERRARDINONE (Communist).

Refugees

During the week 23,772 refugees were repatriated. 500 Greeks have been repatriated to GREECE from BALI by air.

General Remarks: Electoral lists in AMG territory have to be completed by 15 July, excluding VENEZIA GIULIA. In Central and Southern Provinces under Italian control the completion of the electoral lists is expected by the end of July.

First official notification has been received that cases believed to come from MONTECASSINO are at ALT AUSSEE (AUSTRIA), checking however remains to be done. (Monuments and Pine Arts)

Approximately one per cent of the most important wheat producing area in SARDINIA affected by locusts. Investigation however shows considerable damage to forage and fava by disease and drought. The livestock situation in SARDINIA presents an emergency relief problem. Cattle will be exported for slaughter and forage moved into deficit areas.

Newspaper production in North ITALY at rate of 60 tons a day assured for some time to come. Italian Government has now at its disposal sufficient stocks to cover its needs until 1 January 1946.

Export shipments during week totalled 1,118 tons.

Production of cement totalled 2,140 tons, a decrease of 98 tons on previous week. Production of SARDINIA coal has averaged 1,700 tons a day. A general strike still in force throughout the SICILIAN sulphur mining industry.

The port of SAVONA is operating under Allied Commission and Military control.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 45.

Political:

New Cabinet took oath 21 June. Directive Council of Cabinet approved nine-point programmes (25 June) as follows:

1. Preparation of Constituent.
2. Appeal to Allies to replace armistice clauses by peace treaty.
3. Direct negotiation with Yugoslavs on VERBIA CIVILIA question.
4. Reorganisation of High Commission for Sanctions against Fascism.
5. Recognition of advisory function of C.N.
6. Early administrative elections.
7. Inclusion of Northern representation in Consulta.
8. Cooperation with CGIL and other workers' groups on problem of labour and supply.
9. Reconstruction.

First Cabinet meeting (26 June) approved list of Under-secretaries, heard report from Treasury and approved budget for next two months, appointed special ministerial committee to study economic coordination

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between North and South, postponed publication of decree on rents for further examination.

Agreement on details of accord on VENEZIA GIULIA signed (20 June) by Allied and Yugoslav Chiefs of Staff. General strike in TRIESTE lasted one day (26 June) no incidents.

Press comment during week has been favourable to FAIRI and new government; critical of terms of agreement on VENEZIA GIULIA.

Public Safety:

The increase of Carabinieri strength to 65,000, to be fed and clothed from British sources, will enable twelve mobile battalions of Carabinieri to be formed.

Public Health:

Three cases of typhus were reported on 18 June to have occurred at GRASPINA in PISA Province, TOSCANA Region. The entire commune consisting of three thousand people is being dusted.

Refugees:

During the week 31,080 refugees were repatriated. 18,559 refugees arrived in ROSSO from the North. Arrangements are completed for sending 600 Greeks to GREECE from BARI by air in batches of 100 a day commencing 25 June.

Wheat Collection:

Wheat amassed to 26 June totalled - 11,714,553 quintals.

Olive Oil
Collection:

Figures not at present available, to be submitted next week.

ARMY AREA:

See special sitreps.

General Remarks:

Statement on price policies for imported agricultural supplies, in North ITALY has been published. Wheat production estimates for 1945 harvest indicate a reduction of two million tons from last year's crop, partly due to drought.

The High Commissioner of Alimentation has begun negotiations with the Turkish Government to resume fresh fish imports into ITALY. Pre-war imports from TURKEY totalled 10,000 tons a year.

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The distribution of tyres and tubes has been delegated to the Italian Government. In June an allocation of 1,000 truck tyres, 1,000 truck tubes, 750 automobile tyres and 750 automobile tubes were released to the Italian Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour.

Cement production totalled 2,238 tons, a decrease of 1,630 tons on last week. SERNIDALLIA plant has gone into production.

The Port of GENOA will be closed indefinitely to Liberty ships due to continued presence of mines. Explosion of a mine-sweeper resulted in the loss of 51 lives.

The University of MEDUA was formally opened 18 June.

w.e.f. 1 July Italian PW will be released from PW status.

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21 June 45

PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 144

Political:

PARRI Government formed on 20th. Cabinet as follows: President - PARRI (Action), Vice-Presidents - DEBISI (Socialist) and BROGIO (Liberal). (DEBISI is to have charge of anti-fascist sanctions and preparations of Constituents, BROGIO of Municipal elections and formation of the Consulta). Air - CEVELOTTO (Labour Democrat), Navy - De COURTEN (Ind), War - LACINI (Christian Democrat), Agriculture - GULLO (Communist), Education - ARANCIO RUIN (Liberal), Finance - BOCCICCHIAIRO (Communist), Food - MOLIN (Labour Democrat), Foreign Affairs - De GARNIERI (Christian Democrat), Industry and Commerce - GRONCHI (Christian Democrat), Interior - PARRI (Action). Justice - TOGLIATTI (Communist), Labour and Social Welfare - BARBARISCHI (Socialist), Post and Telecommunications - SCALBA (Christian Democrat), Post War Relief - LURBU (Action), Public Works - ROMITA (Socialist), Reconstruction - RUINI (Labour Democrat), Transport - LA MARELLA (Action), Treasury - SOLERI (Liberal).

Candidacy of PARRI was accepted by six parties on 15th. On 14th Presidency of Council stated Allies had communicated obligations which new

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members of government would have to respect. PARRI arrived ROME on 14th, after negotiations with parties was charged by Luogotenente to form Government on 17th. Cabinet complete on 20th.

YUGOSLAV flag hauled down and American and British flags run up in TRIESTE (13 June). Meeting between Anglo-American and Yugoslav delegations to define details of accord interrupted (16 June). UP dispatch (18 June) reports reason is Yugoslavs object to replacing of local CLNs by AMB. On 18 June British troops arrived in NELA.

In VAL D'AOSTA Allied troops relieving French according to INS dispatch 14 June. Dispatch also states that FRANKS will set forth at Peace Conference question of cultural problems in VAL D'AOSTA and rectification of frontiers.

Public Safety:

CLN appointees to positions as questors in the North are not proving successful and many are being replaced.

Overcrowding in prisons continues to cause grave anxiety.

Refugees:

During the week 16,860 Italians were repatriated.

Arrangements were made for UNRRA to extend its financial assistance to the whole of ITALY. These payments will commence in July.

Personnel:

Colonel Nelson W. MURPHY, (A), appointed Senior Civil Affairs Officer, AMB XIII Corps.

Wheat Collection:

Wheat amassed to 19 June totalled - 11,702,293 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection:

Olive oil amassed to 19 June totalled - 515,572 quintals.

Army Area:

See special airtels.

General Remarks:

One thousand tons of binder twine have been delivered for the harvest in North ITALY. One thousand tons of sulphur have been unloaded at GESSA and are now being distributed throughout the Regions in the North.

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Allied Commission announced that yellow seal dollars and BMA notes would cease to be legal tender after 31 July 1945, in both Italian Government territory and Military Government territory. Such currency notes may continue to be exchanged for lire at the official rate of exchange at any branch of the Banca d'Italia, up to 1 Sept 1945.

Italian Red Cross has negotiated a two million Swiss franc loan from a group of SWISS Banks for relief activities.

A payment, amounting in general to approximately one month's gross pay, has been authorized in June in anticipation of a salary increase, for all state and public employees North of the Economic Line.

Cement production totalled 3,868 tons, an increase of 928 tons over previous week.

Production at SARDINIAN coal mines has remained constant at an average of 1,635 tons a day.

5,000 patriots will be clothed in VENETIAN Region from the salvaged garments allotted to Fifth Army.

Leonardi da Vinci's "Last Supper" at MILAN is now on public view after removal of air-raid protection. Damage is very slight.

380 Italian ex-IPW and Service personnel have been repatriated by air from FRANCE.

The Autonomous Office for War Veterans and Repatriated IPW have documented and despatched to their homes 21,000 military personnel who have returned to ITALY from GERMANY.

At a Conference at BOLOGNA between AFHQ and SHAEF a policy regard the repatriation of 360,000 Italian Nationals from GERMANY to 62.5 and 100,000 GERMAN PW to GERMANY was decided upon.

Internal civil censorship was discontinued as of 15 June
except for border provinces.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 43

Political : BONOMI cabinet resigned on 12 June formally opening crisis. Earlier in week (7 June) DE GASPERI had offered to share government with NEPOMI but latter refused. Break between Socialists-Communists on one hand and Christian Democrats on the other revived proposal of coalition government under some third personality, such as perhaps, BONOMI. Delegation of CLNAI arrived from North on 11 June, said BONOMI would be unacceptable. Initiative is now in the hands of Luogotenente. Press speculation sees following possibilities : 1. DE GASPERI-NEPOMI 2. Prominent figure outside parties (i.e. GROSSE, MITTI, ORLANDO or DE NICOLA), 3. Northern figure, PARRI, Northern Action Party leader and prominent in Corpo Volontari della Liberta.

Allied-Yugoslav agreement called "a compromise which will not prejudice settlement at peace conference" by DE GASPERI (11 June). Press in general not satisfied pointing out TITO left with uncontrolled mastery of Eastern ISTRIA. Several papers say that ITALY not having been represented need not feel herself bound.

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Reports of French propaganda in VAL D'AOSTA and IMPERIA Province source of uneasy press comment. Five parties of PIEMONTESE CLN have asked for regional autonomy of VAL D'AOSTA. Five parties of BOLIZANO CLN signed agreement with the Suedtiroler Volkspartei for "the free and democratic development of political life of the area."

SERENI, President of LOMBARDIA CLN said Allied authorities have faced the Italian situation in a spirit of comprehension.

INS reports ITALY has asked officially to be admitted to SAN FRANCISCO (10 June). National Federation of Italian Press asked for complete freedom of press (9 June).

Public Safety: Restrictions on travel from ITALY to places abroad have been further relaxed. The prison situation in the North is extremely critical. Over 90% of the prisoners held are political.

40 Armoured vehicles have been reconditioned and sent North.

Refugees : During the week 6,178 Italian refugees were repatriated to the South. 11,653 reached ROME from the North.

Wheat Collection : Wheat amassed to 12 June totalled - 11,658,570 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection : Olive Oil amassed to 12 June totalled - 509,776 quintals.

Army Area : Nothing unusual to report.

General Remarks: The first consignment of 5,000 captured horses are now being driven, on the hoof from AUSTRIA, to EMILIA and TOSCANA Regions, where they will be lent to Farmers.

Discussions have been commenced with the Italian Government **3632** subject of re-opening private trading with other countries.

Cement production for week totals 2,940 tons; increase of 213 tons from previous week.

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Distribution of 10,000 KW of planned 100,000 KW has begun from North ITALY to Central ITALY, over rehabilitated transmission lines.

Visit of Lady BADEN-POWELL greatly stimulated the Girl Guide movement in ITALY. On 10 June a rally of 2,000 Guides and Scouts, both Catholic and non-denominational, was held in ROME. A decision was taken to form a Federation of Catholic Girl Guides and non-denominational Girl Guides patterned after the ~~D~~ Federation of Catholic and non-denominational Boy Scouts.

Preparation of electoral lists having urgent attention.

In MILAN seven Patriot Centres are now operating. 4,077 out of a total of 4,534 patriots have dispersed. Disbandment of patriots not required operationally has been almost completed in the cities of VENICE, PADUA, ROVICO, VICENZA and VERONA. All Patriot Centres in EMILIA with the exception of MODENA are being closed.

Ministerial archives removed to the North of ITALY by Germans are in good condition generally.

Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean has agreed to the return of a portion of NAPLES harbour to Italian Government control.

Approximately 20,000 Italian ex-Prisoners of War from GERMANY, have passed through Transit Centres at FLORENCE and ROME. 867 ex-Prisoners of War were repatriated from FRANCE by air, and 886 from MARSEILLES by sea. 966 sick and wounded Italian Prisoners of War from INDIA arrived TARANTO. 152 have been repatriated from GREAT BRITAIN.

Radio telegraph service between ROME and MILAN for civilian use was authorised.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 42

Political :

Developments in government crisis; differences between Liberals and Leftist Parties over functions of CLNs have been removed and six party agreement (issued 3 June) rules provincial and communal CLNs should have advisory functions until after elections; subordinate CLNs should be reduced to their exclusively political character. Proposed Government programme published 5 June being fusion of this agreement and MILAN agreement. Article in POPOLO (3 June) advanced candidacy of Christian Democrats for leadership in new government. Leftist parties consider this an attempt to "torpedo" the six party accord. BONOMI had conference in NAPLES with ORIOLE (3 June), interpreted as indication of Liberal willingness to accept him as President of Council. Labour Democrats were reported (5 June) favouring Socialist candidacy. BONOMI wrote letter to party leaders pointing out that there had been time enough for consultation and government business was waiting on solution. Present position is Communists, Socialists, Action Party and Labour Democrats willing to accept BONOMI, Christian Democrats reluctant and Liberal position not entirely clear. General situation still fluid.

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DE GASPERI gave interview to French paper 'COMBAT' (31 May); expressed admiration for FRANCE and said that French should not confuse Italian people with MUSSOLINI. Stated that TRIESTE is for ITALY what STRASBOURG is for FRANCE.

Public Health: NAPLES smallpox returns in May against April showed City figures fell from 126 to 54 cases, Province from 148 to 133.

Public Safety: Nothing unusual to report.

Refugees: Commander in Chief Mediterranean authorized use of Italian cruiser and other smaller vessels for transporting over 3,000 refugees and displaced persons from Northern ITALY to SICILY and SARDINIA.

During the week, 11,876 Italians were repatriated to the South. 13,131 Italians reached ROME from the North. The total refugees and displaced persons moved by all means during May south of FURLI-- FLORENCE -- LEGHORN was 71,784 persons.

Personnel : Colonel W.E.B. BEHRENS (B) appointed Director, Legal Sub-Commission and Chief Legal Advisor.

Lt. Col. Henry H. SOUDER (A) appointed Director, Communications Sub-Commission.

Wheat Collection : Wheat amassed to 4 June totalled - 11,640,322 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection : Olive Oil amassed to 31 May totalled - 503,190 quintals.

Army Area : See special sitreps.

General Remarks: It is estimated that wheat and small grain crop for 1945/46 will be 25 to 35% less than the good crop of last year, due to weather and war damage.

Fishing has been resumed both on the Adriatic and Tyrrhenian Coast although at VENICE there is still a ban on night fishing.

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During the week authority was passed to the Italian Government to carry on direct trade negotiations with Allied and Neutral countries subject to certain financial and special commodity restrictions.

ORRETELLO (Montecatini Co.) started production of superphosphates on 8 May at the rate of 2,100 tons a month.

The decree enabling electoral lists to be compiled in Allied Military Government territory was passed and will shortly be implemented.

The Italian Government made substantial increases in the rates of bonus payable to Patriots. Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia has been recognized as the official Veterans Association of the Patriots. The clothing situation has been relieved by a substantial release of salvaged material with a total of 75,000 garments 25,000 boots and 11,800 blankets. 47,882 Patriots were demobilized in Lombardina up to 26 May.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 41.

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Political:

OLIVARI asked Government to ask Allies to put "contested frontier territories" under temporary impartial administration until peace treaty is signed. (26 May).

BOTTAI, FERRARONI and MONTORI Fascist hierarchs condemned to life imprisonment, ACCIARI to thirty years (28 May).

Six parties reached agreement on new government during MILAN discussions but on return to ROME Liberals asked (29 May) for further clarification of function of C.L.N. which in their opinion should be "advisory". In general they are supported by the Christian Democrats. This difference of opinion with Leftist parties is retarding the formation of a new Government.

See signal 8620 dated 28 May for report MONTI incident.

Public Health:

A report from GARRIEMI in SICILY says that there have only been 37 cases of typhus instead of 33 as previously reported, with nine deaths. No more cases have been reported from RAMOLLO. One case of typhus has been reported from AOSTA in North ITALY.

Public Safety:

As from 28 May movement in all ITALY is unrestricted, except East of the River PIAVE and within 25 miles of the Italian frontier.

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Ministry of Interior records have been found intact at VALDAGNO and VERUSIA.

Ten counterfeiters were sentenced to from four to fifteen years in NAPLES AND Courts. Another eleven counterfeiters responsible for making 4,000,000 Lire have been apprehended.

Refugees :

During the week 8,347 refugees with homes in the South left ROME.

Russian refugees arriving in ROME are to be treated as ex-PWs and sent to PW Repatriation Unit.

Wheat Collection :

Wheat amassed to 29 May totalled - 11,622,539 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection :

Olive oil amassed to 29 May totalled - 499,473 quintals.

AND FIFTH & SIXTH Armes :

See special airtels.

General Remarks :

The production of fish has risen to 500 tons a day on the LIGURIAN Coast with the port price of fish dropping from 130 lire to 5 lire a kilogram.

The newspaper manufacturers of North ITALY have agreed to produce 60 tons of newspaper a day for four months.

Reclaimed rubber is now being produced in excess of the needs of Pirelli Werke (TIVOLI) which started small scale production of tyres on 14 May. Present production average is 1.9 tons a day. Salvage rubber is being supplied Pirelli from U.S. Ordnance Tyre Repair Companies. Surplus reclaimed rubber is now being distributed.

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Salvay plant in ROSIGNANO has resumed production at the rate of 240 tons of sodium carbonate in a day and as a result prices for caustic

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soda and sodium carbonate dropped very considerably.

Manufacture of Nitric acid has begun at NERA MONTORO (Terni Co.).

3,423 tons of cement have been produced this week by A.C. controlled works at BAGNOLI, COLLATERO, GUIDONIA and MONTECELI. This is an increase of 1,036 tons over previous week.

It has been decided to develop a central systematic catalogue of the libraries of ROME so that ROME, which has most valuable material, may become an international centre for historical and archaeological research. Also been decided to furnish free board lodging and tuition at the University of ROME to selected students from American and other Allied Universities which will offer similar facilities to an equal number of advanced Italian students.

The Special Courts of Justice have started to operate in the North more than 3,000 denuncie have been received against persons in MILAN.

The immediate enlistment of 4,000 Patriot volunteers into the Italian Army has been sanctioned.

Report received that all English art property sent to the Leonardo da Vinci Exhibition shortly before the war, is safe in MILAN.

Civilian telephone circuits to FLORENCE and BOLOGNA were made available.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 40.

Political:

Conversations have continued throughout the week in MILAN between CLNAI, Central CLN and members of Government. CLNAI asked for convocation of Costituente within six months (16 May). Socialists asked BONOMI to keep "formal promise" to resign on completion of liberation (17 May). CLNAI (18 May) asked that the new Government be appointed by Central CLN, that CLNAI be given the free representation which it deserves, that Italian legislation be integrated with CLNAI legislation, that the Volontari della Libertà be allowed to enter the Regular Army and the police force, that the new Government takes immediate measures for the institution of a temporary representative assembly to study the electoral law of the Costituente, that the President of the Council and others in new Government guarantee the application of above principles.

Field Marshal ALEXANDER's message on VENEZIA GIULIA applauded by all parties particularly since it stresses the principle involved. Considerable attention given also to situation in FIESSONNE.

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Food & Supplies: There are 50,000 tons grain in North ITALY in excess of pre-occupation estimates. Food situation MILAN and TURIN improving as result of rail movement from CREMONA railhead.

Public Health: Thirty eight cases of typhus with ten deaths are reported from the village of CAMICIZI in SICILY. Ten cases are reported from the village of RAMACCO. UNRRA has sent a team of workers to organize disinfection.

Public Safety: Prison break at SANTA TERESA Prison, FLORENCE, 1 May. Sixty three prisoners escaped, of which twenty six have been recaptured. Disturbance at Regina Coeli Prison, ROME, 20 May. General unrest of the past month culminated in fires being started.

An increase in ceiling of Carabinieri to 65,000 has been approved.

Refugees: During the week 10,060 Italian refugees left ROME for homes in the South of ITALY and 18,323 Italian refugees arrived in ROME from the North.

Wheat Collection: Wheat amassed to 21 May - 11,534,411 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection: Olive oil amassed to 21 May - 491,783 quintals.

AME FIFTH A AIRBORNE ARMS: See special sitreps.

General Remarks: A programme of distribution for the loan of captured enemy draft animals to farmers in Northern ITALY is now in progress.
Approximately 23 tons of gold, discovered by FIFTH ARMY near FORTEZZA, has been brought to ROME and placed in the vault of the Allied Financial Agency, Sub-section of the Finance Sub-Commission, pending receipt of further instructions.

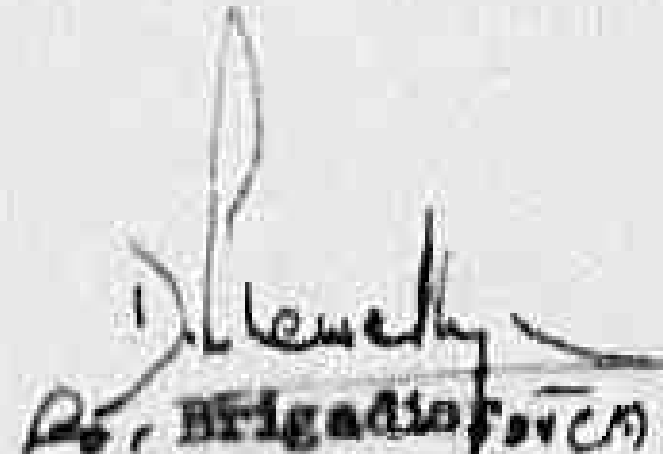
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Roads in Northern ITALY are in good condition and no serious difficulties are anticipated in completing repairs. There is an ample supply of electricity and every effort is being made to repair transmission systems in the BOLOGNA area in order that surplus energy from the North may be transmitted to Central and Southern ITALY.

Prefects for six provinces in VERGELLE Region have been appointed; each appointee was the candidate proposed by the CLN. The political parties of these Prefects are as follows: 2 Christian Democrats, 2 Action Party, 1 Liberal and 1 not named.

Damage to monuments in GENOVA extensive and often severe.
TURIN - badly damaged. Large loss of books at University library.
TREVISO - monuments suffered badly.


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WEEKLY SITING NO. 22.

Religious:

Council of Ministers instructed MURRI and DE GASPERI to consult Allied Governments on situation in VENEZIA GIULIA (10 May) and heard their report (11 May). On 12 May Council asked that occupation and administration of the territories be carried out by those powers with which ITALY signed armistice. DE GASPERI stated in interview (14 May) that if TITO continue occupation of TRIESTE by force result will be a reactionary and nationalistic Italian Government with consequent danger to future peace of the world. DE GASPERI also said situation in TRIESTE is not serious. Joint American and British note to TITO reported in MURRI press on 15 May and favorably commented on.

Delegates of CLNAI conferred with the Government and leaders of six parties several times during the week. MIRANI, head of CLNAI, spoke in NAHLES (14 May) on urgency of change in Government. Members of CLNAI have already returned to the North; Government representatives to follow shortly for further conferences. Socialist rally (10 May) speakers MIRANI, FREYINI and NEGRI urged calling of Constituent without

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delay and indicated their desire for change in Government. Press regarded MUSU's speech as bid for Presidency of the Council. Christian Democrat declaration (11 May) urged clarification of ideas before new Government is formed, stated primary function of Government should be to guarantee liberty to all citizens.

At meeting of 15 May MUSU announced 200,000 German PW were to be made available by Allies for reconstruction work in ITALY.

MUSU, pre-fascist Prime Minister and anti-fascist exile, announced he would soon return to ITALY (12 May).

Food & Supplies:

Nothing unusual to report.

Public Health:

MORRINA Province: thirty eight cases of typhus with eight deaths have been reported to-date. LIVORNO: eighteen cases typhoid reported on ELBA.

Public Safety:

A review and inspection of the Carabinieri of ROMA was held by Field Marshal ALEXANDER at OCJF Headquarters on 12 May.

Reports from newly liberated territory in the North state that penal establishments are almost entirely undamaged and empty, the retreating enemy or the prisoners themselves effecting releases en masse.

Refugees:

During the week 2,345 refugees with homes in the South were repatriated. 5,186 refugees arrived in ROMA from the North. 1,695 of these came from the ROMANI area.

Wheat
Collections:

Wheat amassed to 15 May - 11,447,585 quintals. 3620

Olive Oil
Collections:

Olive oil amassed to 15 May - 483,840 quintals.

ARMED FORCES &
MILITARY AGENCIES:

See special reports.

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Consular Remarks:

Shipments effected during the week were eighteen tons Cotton Seed, ~~and~~ eight tons Dessert Olives to MALTA and one thousand tons Sulphur to JUDESLAVIA. A shipment of 1,000 tons of ground sulphur from CATANIA to LIEBKERN for agricultural purposes has been arranged.

Total production of cement for week ending 11 May - 2,392 tons.

The important woollen centre of PRATO now has a daily production of over 40,000 metres of blankets and heavy cloth.

Twenty thousand tons of hemp reported available in the North.

ARMHQ confirmed authority for demobilization of 50,000 Italian soldiers of older classes belonging to all three categories.

Monuments and Fine Arts: reports from Northern ITALY state little damage or loss. ALTO ADIGE deposits housing treasures from Central ITALY, especially FLORENCE, undergoing inspection. MILAN: Of the 27 churches listed as National Monuments, only five remain undamaged. Cathedral virtually unharmed. Leonardo's painting "The Last Supper" still under its heavy protective covering; condition uncertain. Refectory in which it stood severely damaged. Library and archives collections reported in large part safe. PIAZZA Abbey intact.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 38

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Political:

At meeting of Council of Ministers (3 May) BONOMI declared Italian frontiers must remain unchanged until end of the war and asked that AMG administration in VENETIA GIULIA guarantee neutrality and impartiality. General CADORNA appointed Army Chief of Staff.

Communique from Press Office of Socialist Party (3 May) stated that time had come for revision of ITALY's political position, both external and internal. As for TRIESTE, communique stated that the problem must be solved by free agreement between the countries concerned, taking into consideration Italian character and European function of TRIESTE.

Over a hundred reported injured and numerous arrests in course of rival demonstrations on 4 May in ROME. Veterans and students demonstrating for TRIESTE were interrupted by Communist counter demonstration.

Delegates from GLNAI reached ROME 5 May. Received by BONOMI, MORANDI, (Socialist) President of GLNAI, expressed desire of North for complete democratic revival in life of nation. GLNAI presented five point program to BONOMI :

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1. Separation extending from political to administrative and economic fields.
2. Clarification of relations between Prefects and Regional and Provincial CLP's.
3. Economic reconstruction financed especially by those who have profitted by years of autarchy or by collaboration with Fascists and Germans.
4. Agrarian reform
5. Foreign policy free from any kind of nationalism and aiming at democratic collaboration among nations.

CLNAI members spoke at public meeting (8 May) MORANDI said there must be no distinction between North and South. Further said unity of the country must come through a new government which must show it is a government of the people.

Food & Supplies:

Nothing to report.

Public Health:

Six hundred tons of medical supplies from the UNITED STATES are being unloaded in LERICOEN.

Approximately 750 tons of medical supplies for Southern ITALY are being released to ENIDMOIA at NAPLES.

Twenty six cases of alleged typhus with five deaths have been reported from a small village near MESSINA. Seven cases of suspected typhus with one death have been reported from PALERMO.

Representative of UNRRA has left for SICILY to investigate and report.

Personnel:

Air Vice-Marshal I.E. BRODIE (R) appointed Director, Air Forces Sub-Commission.

Wheat Collection

Total wheat amassed to 9 May - 11,423,583 quintals.

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Olive Oil Collection: Total olive oil massed to 9 May - 474,241 quintals.

FIFTH & EIGHTH Armies: Refer to special airtels.

General Remarks: Production commenced at RAVENNA of a substitute for machinery belting in the form of a rubber impregnated canvas 5 ply belting. 800 metres, width 64 cms. already available. Provided sufficient light canvas and scrap rubber made available the month production of this plant will be about 3,000 metres.

Struria Co. at GOMFIOSSI (near FLORENCE) began the manufacture of sulphuric acid.

Civil cablegram service was opened on 4 May between ITALY and the UNITED STATES and its possessions and the British Commonwealth. Mail service was opened with France, Belgium, Greece, Bulgaria and Roumania on 29 April. A postcard service was opened with BOLOGNA on 2 May, the first postal link with North ITALY.

School children in AMERICA, through the Junior Red Cross, have made up 20,000 gift boxes for needy children in ITALY. In BOLOGNA a new Provveditore agli Studi has been appointed, screening of key personnel begun, and directives and programmes of study distributed. Schools ordered to reopen on or before 15 May. The University of BOLOGNA was one of the most Fascist in ITALY. Its Rector was executed with MUSSOLINI, and two of its Professors have also been executed by Patriots. The new Rector has not yet been appointed but a Prof. BATTAGLIA, selected by the CLM, has been asked to act temporarily.

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MANTOVA, BRESCIA and PADOVA-damage to works of art relatively slight. VERONA and VENEZIA damage is serious and extensive. Collections in the above cities generally safe.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 37.

Political : Council meeting (26 April) final decisions on formation of Consultative Assembly: all parties of importance will be represented as well as trade unions, farmers, veterans and free professions. At this meeting BONOMI read message of greeting and congratulation to Allied Armies and patriots, DE GASPERI read note which is to be sent to SAN FRANCISCO expressing ITALY's disappointment at being excluded.

Prominence of patriot activity and organization and energy shown in liberation of leading northern cities, preservation of industrial plants and summary trial and execution of MUSSOLINI and other Fascists called forth message from Council (27 April) congratulating Northern Patriots and promising to do all possible to meet requirements and aspiration of the North. A public meeting organized by C.L.N. parties (29 April) was anti-monarchist in tone and indicated desire for change of government. Communists and Socialists made joint May Day statement asking for three point programme; proclamation of Republic, socialization of great monopolistic industries, agrarian reform.

C.L.N.A.I. directed Patriots' activities and trials of Fascists until 29 April when Prefect of MILAN decreed all activity

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must be postponed awaiting AMG administration.

Food &
Supplies:

See signals 6554 of 30 Apr and 6621 of 1 May.

Public Health:

All information received from the North so far indicates that health conditions are good, water supplies are intact, hospitals are largely undamaged, essential services are operating and that the danger of any widespread outbreak of infectious disease is remote.

Personnel:

No personnel changes.

Wheat Collection:

Total wheat amassed to 2 May - 11,387,440 quintals.

Olive Oil

Collection :

Total olive oil amassed to 2 May - 463,159 quintals.

AMG Fifth and

Eighth Armies :

Refer to special sitreps.

General Remarks:

Special decree published for the creation of popular courts for the trial of collaborators with the Germans.

Implementation order has been published notifying the establishment of the economic line.

A very large number of Patriots have passed through the lines into AMG territory, but the liberation of territory has already enabled many Patriots on this side of the line to return to their homes, and many more will be able to do so as soon as the Army restrictions on movement are lifted. Large parades for disarming of, and presentation of certificates to, Patriots are being organised, some of which have been extremely successful.

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Reports of Italian Units in EIGHTH Army Area state morale high and all combat groups doing well.

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The first civil external air-mail service from ITALY was opened with the commencement of the TRIPOLITANIA service on 23 April.

The latest figures of the production of Guoirini Cantoni Coats, LUCCA, are as follows : 1,350 kgs of sewing thread per day which might shortly be increased to 2,000 Kgs by working three shifts.

On 28 April, Roma Tuscolana plant (MONTICATINI) resumed the manufacture of sulphuric acid.

Report on condition of monuments in BOLOGNA, MODENA and FERRARA received. No damage to REGGIO EMILIA. At PARMA, S. Teresa and the Palazzo Pilotta the chief damage. All the Correggio frescoes are intact. Deposits located in TIROL, where most of art objects removed from FLORENCE have been sent. Precious GUERUINO painting "Guardian Angel", mentioned in Browning poem, found safe at FANO. GEMMARINI's "Martyrdom of St. Lucia", in same church, seriously damaged by falling among ruins.

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PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 36.

Political: Council of Ministers (18 April) approved regulations for repression of Fascist activities, including setting up of special Assize Courts in the North. On 20 April DE GASPERI reported to Council on condition of Italian soldiers in the BALKANS, and said that he would request Allied Governments to change the status of Italian prisoners of war in Allied countries. At this meeting further plans for the Consultative Assembly were discussed though final version is not yet published. Representation to be given to parties outside the C.L.N.

Statement of government press office (18 April) branded as treason action of SICILIAN separatists in sending message to UNITED NATIONS at SAN FRANCISCO.

Food and Supplies: Nothing unusual to report.

Public Safety: Nothing unusual to report.

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Public Health: Nothing to report.

Personnel: The following personnel changes have been made:
Brig. J.K. DUNLOP, OBE, MC, TD, appointed Regional Commissioner,
VENETIE Region.
Brig. M. GARR, CBE, MC, appointed Regional Commissioner,
LIGURIA Region.
Colonel Robert E. HENAPAGE, appointed Joint Director, Finance
Sub-Commission.

Refugees: Nothing to report.

Price Tendencies: Nothing to report.

Wheat Collection: Total wheat amassed to 24 April - 11,177,975 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection: Total olive oil amassed to 24 April - 449,541 quintals.

AMG FIFTH and EIGHTH Armies: Refer to special sitreps.

General Remarks: Allied Commission has sent to the Italian Government an earnest recommendation that the voting methods intended to be used in Italian Government Territory, based on the 1915 law, be revised to ensure a free and secret vote. The Italian Government has also been informed that the Commission could not in any event countenance the holding of elections in AMG Territory under the 1915 system unless it was appropriately amended.

The Ministry of Agriculture has decided to include in its long range forestry programme the establishment of a FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT Memorial Forest.

Arrangements have now been made to hand over ten ships flying the Italian flag for operation by COGEMA. These ships ⁶⁴ being allocated to regular coastwise sailings and are under the ~~command~~ supervision/.....

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supervision of MEDCO.

The second 35,000 KW hydro electric generator at the Terni Co's GALLISTO Power Station has been placed in operation and is supplying power to Central ITALY.

The proposals made to the Italian Government changing the status of Italian Prisoners of War Cooperators in ITALY have been accepted verbally by the Italian Government, and provided the CCS concur, all Italian Cooperators in ITALY will be released to the Italian Government on 1 July.

On 10 May and 15 June, two drafts of 1923 and 1924 recruits will be called to service with the Italian Navy. These two drafts totalling approximately 4,550 men will be the first that have been called for service in the Italian Navy since the Armistice. An equal number of individuals will be released simultaneously from these reserve classes which already have fulfilled their service obligations.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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30 April 1945

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SUBJECT : Weekly Sitrep No. 35.

TO : G-5, AFHQ.

1. Reference telephone conversation of to-day's date, it is confirmed that the first paragraph of the General Remarks section of the above mentioned Sitrep should read :

" Exports during the week were 300 tons of industrial soap to USA. 136 tons of oranges to MILTA".

2. The error is very much regretted.

For the Chief Commissioner :

J. Parry
For Colonel,
Acting Executive Commissioner.

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G-5, PULO, AFHQ.

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PRIORITY

20 APR 1945

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 35.

Political : National Council of Communist Party on 10 April approved resolution calling for national assembly of G.I.R. as soon as possible and early administrative elections.

Messages sent from Legation and DE CASTELLI to American nation and mourning decreed in ROM for death of President ROOSEVELT. (13 April).

Council of Ministers met (17 April) and named General Claudio TRELLANI Chief of Staff, approved draft decree for institution of Defence Committee, expressed gratitude to ARGENTINA for wheat offered. DE CASTELLI told Council Italian-Yugoslav questions cannot be settled while partisans of both countries are still fighting the Germans; he hoped relations between the two countries would be put on a level "higher than press polemics". Council then declared its desire of establishing good neighbour relationship with JUGOSLAVIA.

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Food & Supplies: Nothing unusual to report.

Refugees: Five hundred and ninety six Italians with homes in Northern ITALY or SOUTHERN were repatriated. Eight hundred and nineteen Italian refugees arrived in BOER from Northern Army areas.

Price Tendencies: Nothing to report.

Wheat Collection: Wheat assessed to 13 April - 11,292,534 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection: Olive Oil assessed to 13 April - 438,340 quintals.

ARMY FIFTH & SIXTH ARMITES. Special missions despatched on 17 April and 13 April respectively.

General Remarks: Exports during the week were 800 tons of industrial soap to USA. 1,136 tons of oranges to MALTA.

Mining. The slow-down strike is still in progress at the SARDINIAN coal field and production averages under 800 tons a day.

The monuments at ENOLA are only slightly damaged; library and archives are intact. Art deposit at nearby front-line town of BOCCA (with objects from ENOLA and principal galleries of MILAN) reported evacuated a year ago.

The total number of Patriots at present in Centres is 1,666 and total increase in Italian Army manpower during March was 30,360.

Postal services, domestic and foreign, were opened to the line of the road FIRENZE-PRATO-PISTOIA-BOCCA thence along the Northern boundary of PISA Province.

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Colonel,
Acting Executive Commissioner.

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PRIORITY

WEEKLY BUREAU NO. 34

Political : Council meeting (4 April) abrogated all Fascist racial legislation. Interministerial committee met with opposition leaders for preliminary plans of Consulta (10 April).

Duke of AOSTA discharged from post as Admiral in the Italian Navy for statements made against the High Court which passed sentence on ROATTA (7 April).

BONOMI stated that ITALY was anxious to renew friendly relations with independent ABYSSINIA, added ITALY's work in ERITREA and SOMALILAND should not be forgotten. GROSS wrote letter to TIMES (Published 6 April) protesting against ITALY's exclusion from SAN FRANCISCO Conference.

Bomb exploded in vicinity of JUGOSLAV Partisan Mission in ROME, intensifying press interest in future of TRIESTE.

TOGLIATTI defined Communist policy at party annual congress (6-10 April). Stressed war effort and need of unity transcended Party politics but hinted that imminent liberation of Northern ITALY would be the occasion for parties to clarify their respective positions. Warned Conservatives and reactionaries. Offered political pact with the Church. Said that TRIESTE controversy was a result of nationalistic machinations.

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Suggested Civil Agency as possible solution of institutional question.

Urged reorganization of present Government on liberation of the North.

New bond issue launched (5 April). Speeches by BONAI and GELONI and support from all papers.

Food and Supplies: Nothing unusual to report.

Public Safety : On 5 April there was a jail break at Regina Coeli Prison, ROME. 100 prisoners were involved, 25 are still at large. The Italian Police report that on the 9th April at BARI an Allied ammunition ship exploded for unknown reasons firing another ship loaded with petrol. As a result of the explosion many buildings have been damaged and windows broken. The dead so far ascertained are six soldiers and 267 civilians, 103 soldiers and 1,724 civilians have been wounded, among them U.S. the Prefect.

Public Health: No further cases of typhoid have been reported from AMG No. 27
Evacuation Camp at FLORENCE.

Personnel : No personnel changes.

Refugees : Nothing to report.

Price Tendencies: Nothing to report.

Wheat Collection: Wheat amassed to 10 April 11,253,057 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection: Olive Oil amassed to 9 April 423,920 quintals.

General Remarks: A.C. has been informed by the UNITED STATES Department of State through the American Embassy, ROME, that a further credit of \$ 50,000,000 was made on 15 March to the Italian Government account in the U.S., representing net expenditures by U.S. troops in ITALY out of their pay. A total of one hundred million has now been credited to this account covering the period to the 31st December 1944. 3605

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Glass: Cristalleria Nazionale has been allotted enough soda ash for another 60 tons of neutral glass, to be used for the production of medical ampoules.

Mining: Garfian labour position is still detrimental to coal production. Due to a slow-down strike, labour agitation and political activity, production has fallen to an average of 800 tons a day.

During the last week a consignment of salvaged clothing (sufficient to clothe approximately 1,000 men) has been collected from NAPLES and is being forwarded to Patriot Centres on Fifth Army front.

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Colonel,
Acting Executive Commissioner.

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PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 33.

Political:

Council of Ministers approved plan on 28 March for the Consulta (Advisory Assembly) which will have 320 members of whom 180 are designated by principal parties, 70 by syndical organizations, 70 chosen from among anti-Fascist Senators and ex-members of parliament. The Consulta will have the following commissions:

1. Foreign Affairs.
2. Public and Administrative Affairs.
3. Justice.
4. Education and Fine Arts.
5. National Defence.
6. Finance and Treasury.
7. Agriculture and Food.
8. Industry and Commerce.
9. Labour and Welfare.
10. Reconstruction including Public Works and Communications.

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The Consulta will express its opinion on general problems and legal points submitted to it by the Government. The Government must consult Assembly on matters affecting budget, taxation and electoral laws.

Food and Supplies: Nothing to report. (But see para 1 General Remarks)

Public Safety: General Giovanni GELIA, previously Under Secretary of State for War, has been appointed Commanding General of the Finance Guards, replacing General AYMONO.

Public Health: Typhoid outbreak reported in 27 AMG Camp, FLORENCE. 34 cases and suspects, one death. Precautions taken.

Personnel: Nothing to report.

Refugees: Nothing to report.

Price Tendencies: Nothing to report.

Wheat Collection: Wheat amassed to 4 April 11,422,637 quintals.

Olive oil Collection: Olive oil amassed to 2 April 411,123 quintals.

General Remarks: Scheduled March/April arrival of cereals ships causing anxiety. March arrivals 10,800 tons below schedule, present April advices indicate shortage for month of 35,000 tons.

The University of NEW YORK has offered Fellowships to graduate Italian students in the field of Fine Arts. The Ministry of Public Instruction is exploring the possibility of offering Fellowships to British and American students.

The Italian Government is preparing a Decree for the conduct of local elections. It is intended to revive the pre-fascist law. An outline of the Government's proposals has been communicated to Allied Commission.

Outbreaks of foot/....

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Outbreaks of foot and mouth disease in SARDINIA necessitated suspending the programme for importing cattle and sheep to the Italian mainland - horses not affected.

Exports during week were all to MALTA. 135 tons of fruits and 15 tons of Gypsum, total value of Lire 3,585,000.

Sardinian labour position has eased. 1,600 tons of coal per day has been produced as against 1,300 tons per day during the peak of slow-down strike.

An A.C. representative has gone to SWITZERLAND for the purpose of investigating the possibilities of taking electric power into Northern ITALY.

160 x 1½ ton trucks arrived at LEGHORN bringing the total to-date to 1,194.

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Acting Executive Commissioner.

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30 MAR 1945

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PRIORITY

REPLY SITREP NO. 32.

Political : Council decreed (21 March) agrarian contracts frozen until end of war. SODDISMAREO, Minister for Occupied Italy, said Italy claims right to try Germans for war crimes committed in Italy, (22 March). Government Press Office announced Italian diplomats will soon leave for SOUTH AMERICAN Posts.

First aid program for rehabilitation of Italian industry and commerce drawn up, by Government and A.C. announced 27 March.

Food & Nutrition : Nothing unusual to report.

Public Safety : Nothing to report.

Public Health : Nothing to report.

Personnel : Nothing to report.

Refugees : Approximately 900 Jewish emigrants embarked for PALESTINE on 22 March.

A mixed group of Arabs, Greeks, Maltese and others, numbering about 200 embarked for TRIESTE and OTRENAICA on 25 March.

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373 Italian refugees arrived in ROME from Army areas in the North.

Wheat Collection: Wheat amassed to 23 March 11,023,394 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection : Olive Oil amassed to 26 March 400,073 quintals.

General Remarks: Chlorine: The first electrolysis plant in ROME has started operations. This plant will supply chlorine for water sterilization for the whole of Liberated ITALY.

Hemp: The delayed shipment of 430 tons fertilizer now arrived NAPLES. 100 tons Turkish hemp seeds landed NAPLES, completing requisition for 200 tons.

Mining: Miners in Dacia Abis coal mines SARDINIA, are on a "slow down" strike which if continued, will reduce monthly coal production by 7,000 tons.

Export during the week totalled 4,587 tons of a value approximating 135 million lire, constituting a record week. The above includes 123 tons of mercury and 4 tons bergamot oil to FRANCE and 3,103 tons of lemons to U.K.

Expiration: The report given in sitrep for the week ending 21 March dealt only with the expiration of local authorities. The position for all State Departments in Liberated ITALY (Other than the three Services and the Foreign Ministry) is :

That nearly 1000 Grade I-IV officials are subject to expiration, ³⁵⁹⁹ that cases of all but 75 have been investigated, that nearly 300 of these have been sent for trial and only 60 trials are unfinished. The 240 cases concluded resulted in 100 persons being dismissed and 100 appeals outstanding, of which over half are against non-dismissal.

The total number of patriots at present in centres is 1,423.

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The Italian Government has agreed to take responsibility for all expenses connected with Patriot Centres as from 1 April, and has also officially approved the following payments to patriots and their dependents:

1,000 lire demobilization bonus;

5,000 lire to wounded patriots;

10,000 lire to dependents of patriots killed in action.

The Galleria Borghese, ROME, which is temporarily housing many works of art from other famous Italian galleries besides its own collection was opened to the public on 25 March.

583 PW were repatriated during the week.

Of the 3,500 Italian soldiers of the Garibaldi Division repatriated up-to-date from ALBANIA, some 1,000 will go to VITERBO for regrouping and training.

Effective 16 March, the Provinces of PERUGIA and TERNI were transferred from LACIO-UMBRIA Region to ABRUZZO-MARCHE Region, and ABRUZZO-MARCHE Region was redesignated UMBRIA-MARCHE Region.

Out of the 1,700 x 1½ ton trucks being dispatched from the U.S., 216 arrived at LORNO during the week bringing the total number of trucks so far received to 1,034.

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Acting Executive Commissioner.

AFHQ, G-5 Section. (BY E.S.)

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22 March 1945

PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 31.

Political:

Council meeting 16 Mar passed measures for bringing partisans into regular army, with temporary enrolment and ranks up to Lt. Colonel for partisan leaders.

Professor CLEMENTE SARGENT, Socialist party leader, appointed Ambassador to FRANCE.

Food and Supplies:

Sugar ration cancelled due to non-arrival of stocks in February.

Public Safety:

Generally satisfactory; in forward AMG areas good. Strength of CO.RE now 53,528 officers and men. Morale and efficiency of police agencies, particularly CO.RE, greatly improved. Receipt of uniform and clothing inspires confidence immediately.

Health:

Nothing unusual to report.

Refugees:

Nothing to report.

Wheat Collection: Total to date 10,953,315 qtls.

Olive Oil Collection:

Total to date 370,610 qtls.

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General Remarks: Exports totalled approximately 2,000 tons, including 6 1/2 tons of silk to U.S. and 36 tons of mercury to FRANCE.

Eleven industrial premises derequisitioned during past six weeks.

386 1 1/2 ton trucks arrived at LEONHOF from the U.S. and are being railed to ROME for assembly.

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Food and Supplies:

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Public Safety:

Generally satisfactory; in forward AMG areas good strength of CO.RR now 53,528 officers and men. Morale and efficiency of police agencies, particularly CO.RR, greatly improved. Receipt of uniform and clothing inspires confidence immediately.

Health:

Nothing unusual to report.

Refugees:

Nothing to report.

Wheat Collection: Total to date ~~200~~ 10,953,315 qtls.

Olive Oil Collection:

Total to date 370,610 qtls.

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General Remarks: Exports totalled approximately 2,000 tons, including 6 1/2 tons of silk to U.K. and 38 tons of mercury to FRANCE.

Eleven industrial premises derequisitioned during past six weeks.

386 1 1/2 ton trucks arrived at LIEKHORN from the U.S. and are being railed to HOME for assembly.

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Generation of electricity now sufficient to allow for increase in allocation to civilian needs.

Four additional telephone circuits were handed over by the Allied military authorities for Italian Government use between ROME and NAPLES, doubling previous facilities on this essential long-distance connection.

Total number of patriots at present held in centres is 1,212.

Apuration of local government officials (Grades I to IV) in Italian Government territory has been completed. These grades comprises only Prefects, of which there are 38. 34 of these officials were sent to trial; 6 were dismissed from office while 16 others received minor punishments.

Valuable ANCONA Museum objects, buried under bomb-debris since August 1944, have been recovered substantially intact.

151 Italian refugees arrived in ROME from northern Army areas.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Four additional telephone circuits were handed over by the Allied military authorities for Italian Government use between Rome and Naples, doubling previous facilities on this essential long-distance connection.

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Expiration of local government officials (Grades I to IV) in Italian Government territory has been completed. These grades comprise only Prefects, of which there are 58. 34 of these officials were sent to trial; 6 were dismissed from office while 46 others received minor punishments.

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PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 30

10 MAR 1945

Political : Council meeting 7 Mar decided not to break present coalition government, ordered stringent measures against Fascist elements still at large, set up inter-ministerial committee to reorganise Commissariato for Sanctions against Fascism. Also appointed Brunetto BRUNETTI new head of Carabinieri, as a result of General ROATTA's escape, deplored violence of 6 Mar and "irresponsible" tone of some of press; commended discipline of Carabinieri during demonstration and stated no bombs were thrown by them.

Council meeting on 8 Mar announced new bond issue for emergency expenses and intensification of war effort; bonds to go on sale 1 April.

Verdict on trials announced 12 Mar. ANFUSO condemned to death; ROATTA, EMANUELE, NAVALE to life imprisonment, JACOMONI and STIVICH to twenty-four years.

A coal strike in SARDINIA from 3-7 Mar, with political background, has resulted in loss of some 6,000 tons of coal.

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The Italian Government signed agreement with UNRRA Representative covering \$ 50,000,000 assistance programme for children, expectant mothers and displaced persons.

Food & Supplies: Nothing unusual to report.

Health: AREZZO typhoid epidemic at SAN GIOVANNI under control, only four new cases reported during the week.

Price Tendencies: LAZIO-UMBRIA: bread on black market rose 25 %, olive oil rose 10 % with passing of peak supply period.

Wheat Collection: Total to-date: 10,911,754 qtls.

Pressed Olive Oil Collection: Total to-date: 325,281 qtls.

Crimes: LAZIO-UMBRIA: 23 fascists arrested concerned with clandestine newspaper "ORDINE".

Increase of 100% shown in Summary Court cases in AREZZO in February, largely theft and possession of Allied property.

General Remarks: Recently completed survey shows at least 1000 bridges destroyed in PESARO Province.

Calcium carbide manufacture has recommenced at TERNI.

MONTESATINI superphosphate plant at VICOZZA is now in operation. The first distribution of anhydrous ammonia for civilian needs was made this week from SERRA MONTARO TERNI Co.

SOB. ELETTORICA SARDA: OSCHIERI is now producing at the rate of approximately 150 tons of ammonia per month.

The port of PIGNORNO is now being used for the export of 1,500 tons

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of pyrites destined for SARDINIA. This together with 800 tons from CIVITAVECCHIA constitutes the first shipment of pyrites since the liberation.

Mr. H.R.W. WALK, British Treasury representative, arrived at HQ A.C. for discussion on financial matters.

Capt. E. S. Morden

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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SECURITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 29.

- 9 MARCH 1945

Political : Outstanding event of the week was escape of General ROCCA (night of 4/5 March) on trial as accomplice in ROSSI murder and for implication in terrorist activities under Fascism, etc. Government has offered million lire reward for his capture. 6 March Leftist groups held protest meeting after which greater part of demonstrators marched to the Viainale XIX Palace and others, amongst whom were many hooligans, proceeded to Quirinale where at least one person was killed and several wounded as bombs were thrown, allegedly from crowd, and Carabinieri fired. Delegation at Viainale asked ROCCA to resign. Elements represented in delegation included Action Party, Socialists, Communists, Union of Italian Women, Partisans and Wounded Veterans. Leftist Press urges resignation of ROCCA, Communists threaten to leave Government coalition unless punitive measures are made more drastic. Council meeting 7 March.

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French- Italian direct relation renewed (1 March). OLIVE DE
MURVILLE to be French Ambassador; Italian Ambassador yet to be named.
General press reaction good although it is reported that resumption of
direct relations has resulted in ITALY giving up special status of
Italians in TUNISIA.

ALGER Political Section ceased functioning as at 1 March.

Strike at mines reported at CAIROUHA 3 March, virtually ended
7 March.

Food &

Supplies:

ROME: Grain stocks down to 18 days owing to transport difficulties.
Fruit and vegetables imports fell to 240 tons daily.

LAZIO-ABERIA : Olive Oil amassing reached 37% of goal with
approximately further 15% blocked in mill.

ABERIA-MARCHE: Increase in bread ration causing further difficulties
in transport situation as GT Coy unable to meet increased tonnage
required for deficiency areas. Disatisfaction among producers caused
by increasing price of potatoes and not of olive oil.

ASCOLE and MACERATA: 51,000 eggs, 4 tons flour and pasta, 18 tons
olive oil taken at COKE road blocks.

SOUTHERN Region : olive oil amassing progressing with good results.

Crime:

SARDINIA : Spy agent dropped 21 Feb apprehended. LAZIO-ABERIA
all round reduction in crime but unfortunate incident between Allied
troops and CC.RR led to death of one Allied soldier. Strong 3391
taken by military authorities.

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Ten civilians arrested in connection with the throwing of hand grenades at cinema at TORRE DEL GRECO during performance of 'Dittatore' film. No persons injured.

Health:

ARREDO : 135 typhoid cases reported SAN GIOVANNI epidemic. Approximately 50% of population inoculated.

TERAMO Province: Eleven typhoid cases reported. Victims chiefly of one family.

MESEGNANO, SOUTHERN Region : Two cases typhus reported.

Refugees:

575 refugees arrived in ARREDO in the last week chiefly from the LUCCA and CHIUSI areas.

Price

Temperatures:

Nothing unusual to report.

Spent

Collection:

Total to-date : 10,884,736.

NO FIFTH &

EIGHTH ARREDO:

Nothing to report.

General

Remarks:

The setting up of the Allied Commission Priorities Board has ^{made} resulted in supplies of repaired clothing being available to police Agencies in addition to 2414 pairs of boots allotted previously.

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Total of 258.639 mines cleared in CHIETI and PESCARA Provinces and about 750 tons of explosives recovered.

Control of imported supplies for fishery purposes passed to the Italian Agency IARP.

Advisory Committees on Electric Power now formed in SICILY and SARDINIA.

Railways: new through passenger service ROME-CALABRIA commenced 5 March.

Glass: one more flat-glass plant in TOSCANIA Region came into production on 3 March - TADOSI, SAN GIOVANNI VALDARNO, AREZZO.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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PRALO, AFHQ (1)

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9 MAR 1945

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PRIORITY

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WEEKLY REVIEW NO. 28

Politics: CGIL and General Confederation of Italian Industry agreed on need for rise in wages and adjustments will be made through the Unions (24 Feb). In accordance with suggestions made by CGIL Council voted (27 Feb) to increase wages of state employees by 50%, family allotments by 100%. New directive for ITALY well received by press.

Food &
Supply:

Nothing unusual to report.

Crimes:

SARDINIA. Army agent reported dropped on 21 February not yet apprehended.

LARIO-GENOVA. Police agencies carried out three raids for arms with success. Arms still appear in high percentage of cases.

ANCONA-MARCHE. Serious misbehaviour of Italian Troops of SAN MARCO Battalion at TERNI on 11 Feb. Div. Commander warned he would be held personally responsible for further disturbances. Two cases of railway wagons containing valuable supplies sugar and caustic soda reported missing.

Health.....

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Health:

ROME, SAN GIOVANNI, typhoid cases reported to-date 132. Anti-typhoid vaccination has been made compulsory. 2,000 persons already vaccinated.

Slight outbreak of typhoid at CIVITAVECCHIA, ROMA.

Refugees:

588 Italian refugees left ROME for repatriation to homes in SICILY or the South (24 Feb.).

149 refugees arrived in ROME during the week mostly from CHIARAVALLE and CASTIGLIONE FIORENTINO areas.

Price

Flour:

No unusual trend.

Wheat

Collection:

Total to-date: 10,59,208 quintals.

AND FIFTH ARMY:

Nothing to report.

AND EIGHTH ARMY:

No change in territory but latest items included below.

General Remarks:

Communist literature printed in ROME was found in a civilian car seized in RIMINI. Arms and ammunition discovered by F.S.I. in a house in SAN MARTINO, FORLI Province, included 23 German and Italian rifles. Three arrests have been made, others are expected.

The water supply of FORLI city which gave some cause for anxiety has been improved and will shortly reach 120,000 gallons per day.

Two pumps have been activated for drainage work in the area east of RAVENNA.

LAZIO-UMBRIA Region: Salt for chlorine for ROME water supply still delayed but serious crisis postponed by discovery of small hitherto unrevealed supply.

Problem of prison population grows daily more acute with courts failing to keep pace with arrests.

Further shipment of livestock arrived from SARDINIA.

Total of 3,800 blankets distributed in SILENTIA and adjacent areas by welfare organizations.

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PIRELLA: Two temporary wooden quays, each about 15 metres long, with draft of 2.5 metres now available for use; no warehouses are at present available. A dredge, 3 tugs, about 20 schooners and several fishing boats are still submerged in harbour. Dredge blocks mouth of canal, leaving only a 7 metre width for the channel.

GRIMAL: 100 metres of quay are now available for schooners, but port has no cranes or gear of any type and is badly in need for dredging. Maximum capacity likely to be achieved by repairs would be 1000 tons. Anchorage for about 12 schooners available.

Fisheries: Permission granted to fish within seven miles area round Island of PORTOFERRATA and present naval regulations granting further relaxations revised for Northern Mediterranean.

Work on the double circuit 120,000 volt line between TRIESTE and UDINE finished during week. Will be utilised later in the transmission of power northwards from TRIESTE.

The 120,000 volt TAVERNESE - PORTOFERRATA line also finished. Will serve as a supply towards BOLOGNA.

Arrangements have been made to adjust Armed Forces wage scale to correspond approximately with the European bonus for the higher cost of bread.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 27.

Political : Council meeting on 16 February abolished political price of bread and approved a number of financial-economic measures. A commission to reduce state expenses and local committees to assist in tax estimates were set up. Also planned special price control committees with representatives of CLN and Unions. Broad powers over markets given to Food Commissariat. Increase in pay of state employees as from 15 February; similar increases to workers in private industry to be worked out between Unions and employers.
Soldiers pay doubled.

Day of the soldier and the Partisan celebrated 18 February with parade and speeches by BONOMI, CASATI, SCOCIMARRO.

Six Roman dailies suspended because of paper shortage (19 February). Italian Press Commission has been criticized for lack of foresight and arbitrary action. Suspension revoked the following day.

BARDINIA: The estimated figure of 10,000 men for the military call-up has already been met.

Food and Supp **3584**.....

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Food and Supplies: Increase in bread ration to equivalent of 300 grams per day as from 1 March announced 21 February.

The first shipment of oranges this season (1625 tons) was made to UK.

Total olive oil amassed 26,000 tons, an increase of 3,000 tons over previous week.

TOSCANA Region salt position improved.

ROME : Drop in grain imports from North reduced reserve to 25 days but fruit and vegetable imports rose to 442 tons daily average.

ASCOLI and MACERATA: 4% of meat animals slaughtered in Provinces will be consigned to ROME. ANCONA made 2% meat slaughter concession to PESARO Province.

Crime :

Incidents involving throwing of hand-grenades or firing of shots have been reported from NAPLES, PISA and NUORO. One British soldier shot at PISA and one arrest made.

SICILY: Crime rates continue high.

LAZIO-UMBRIA: One new forged currency case.

Health:

AREZZO: 63 typhoid cases. Water tests being made.

Personnel :

Brig. Gen. Edward B. MCKINLEY (A) appointed Acting Vice President Economic Section.

Mr. G. Stewart BROWN (A) appointed Director ^{of Public} Relations Branch.

LAZIO-UMBRIA Region: Colonel Charles POLETTI (A) has resumed the duties of Regional Commissioner.

Major Carleton W. WASHBURN (A) appointed Director Education Sub Commission.

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Refugees/.....

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Refugees: No unusual trend.

Price Tendencies: Generally reported still increasing.

Wheat Collection: Total to-date : 10,535,885 qtls.

AMG Fifth and Nothing to report.

Eighth Armies:

General Remarks: Total of 3,627 mines cleared from ORTONA-PESCARA railway.

Trunk now clear.

GROSSETO: Troops behaviour excellent.

MARCHE : Soap, shoes, and copper sulphate are most pressing need of this Region.

Arrangements have been completed for the Italian Government to take over responsibility for allocation of POL in LAZIO and ABRUZZI w.e.f. 1 March.

On 16 February the NERA MONTORO Plant at TERNI was re-activated for a production of approximately four tons of ammonia daily for the preparation of nitrogenous fertilizers.

SARDINIA: 9379 tons of coal were produced last week and the production rate is slowly improving.

Steps are being taken to increase the number of coal miners in SARDINIA by exempting miners from call-up and giving an option to non-miners to work in the mines instead of serving in the
Forces.

Capt. H. S. Mervin
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 26.

Political: Government set up new Commissariat for Veterans. Will take care of returning veterans, liberated civilians and patriots. GARIBOLDI named High Commissioner.

Socialist and Communist parties issued joint statement of progress (10 February) urging a national convention of C.L.N. and formation of Consultative Assembly. They announced that both parties will participate in administrative elections with common programs and candidates, not however excluding possible agreements with other parties.

Press statement from Presidentia (14 February) says Intergovernmental Committee working out plans with ALGERIA for trade relations with SWITZERLAND; similar action to be studied for other countries.

Food & Supplies: LAKKO-SHERIA. Oil assessed during week double previous period.

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Cooperation from authorities in ROSSI and PROSINCHI very poor.

Salt position generally is better but supplies of chlorine for ROSSI water supply critically low. Arrangements made for 150 tons rock salt to be loaded in SICILY on 12 February for delivery to CIVITAVECCHIA to relieve shortage.

ABRUZZI-MARKS. Olive oil collecting programs now under way in most important producing areas; 25% of goal assessed in Region to-date.

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BARI olive oil collection decreasing. Control officers functioning with inadequate transport.

Crimes:

LACIO-GERBIA. Out of total of thirty seven reported crimes attributed to civilians eleven involved arms. Four armed attacks attributed to Allied soldiers.

SARONNO. Shots fired at BUSCO train on night of 8 February. No casualties.

BARI, ANGERIA, BENEDETTI, LACER, new cases forged in currency under investigation.

Health:

Malaria control: A.C. is making available to the Italian Government 20 million Atabrin tablets and all captured stocks of quinine that are on hand.

TOSCANA Region. Typhoid outbreak in SAN GIOVANNI and GAVINELLA.

Nothing unusual to report.

Refugees:

Price
Fluctuations:

LACIO-GERBIA. Bread and flour rose by 33% on black market. Rice rose 100%.

Wheat
Collection:

Total to-date: 10,735,113 quintals.

General
Remarks:

LACIO-GERBIA. 600 tyres will be distributed through Prefects in the Region.

ANCONA-MARCHE. ENAC registration proceeding well.

Following industries have resumed production to-date, though hampered by lack of power: wool-spinning plant at AQUILA, cement and lime works at BARRA, various brick factories, MARULICA plant at TERNI, shoe factory at ORSINI, MONTESANTINI chemical plant at RIMINI, leather tannery at TOLLENTINO, paper mills at PIGNANO and FABRIANO, silk industry at ANCONA, foundry at TOLLENTINO, match factory at JESI, producing largest number of

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matchless of any factory in Liberated ITALY. Lignite mines at
SCIPTINO and MARI, asphalt mine at SCAPA, and sulphur mines at VESTICARA
and CARBONARI are all operating.

The FINELLI rubber reclaiming factory at TROSCERACATA began
operations and produced 3,000 kilograms of reclaimed rubber.

Permission given to MESS gas works to increase consumption of coal
to 300 tons a day, which should suffice to produce gas at full pressure
for seven hours a day.

ULIANE CROCCHI plant, TORRETTINO (SIRIA) began production of carbon
bimulphide for olive oil refining and soap manufacture.

The plant of Officine Meccaniche e Ponderie at TIRI has been
reactivated and commenced the manufacture of olive oil presses.

Capt. E S. Warden

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 25

Political : OGIL congress at NAPLES closed 1 Feb with resolutions looking toward participation of workers in management of industry and urging nationalization of private monopolies and key industries. LIZZADRI, DEVITTORIO, and GRANDI re-elected with acclamation to the segreteria generale.

Government gave figures 6 Feb on prisoners in GERMANY and in the hands of British, French and Americans, stated it was impossible to give accurate figures on those in RUSSIA. Press has been urging repatriation of prisoners in Allied hands and government pressure to clarify status of prisoners in GERMANY.

Council of Ministers announced, 7 Feb, that the political price of bread would be abolished as soon as possible.

CASERMA APRICENA, FOGGIA, general feeling against military call-up with several demonstrations. Hand grenades thrown. No casualties but arrested conscripts released by force.

Food and Supplies **3578.**

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Food &
Supplies :

A total of 4300 tons of imported potatoes will be available for the 1945 planting season. Total seed potato movement for the 1945 season will be about one-fifth of that originally planned.

ABRUZZI-MARCHE. Olive oil collection approximately one-fifth of target.

LAZIO-UMBRIA. Olive oil officers meeting difficulties owing to weakness of Italian authorities. One Sindaco threatened armed resistance to collection.

Soap position bad, only 100 grams issued in four months.

SICILIA. Food situation relieved by receipt 2755 tons wheat 7543 tons barley.

Crime :

Two cases forged AM currency in BRINDISI Province under investigation. Work of AMG court set up to deal with sabotage at BITONTO diminishing and it is believed to have served its purpose.

SICILIA Region. Two train hold-ups 27 Jan.

Health:

More than 900,000 vaccinations performed NAPLES City to-date.

Personnel :

LAZIO-UMBRIA. Lt. Col. SCHOLTZ appointed Acting Regional Commissioner.

Refugees:

Nothing to report.

Price
Tendencies :

Nothing unusual to report.

Wheat
Collection:

Total to-date : 10,674,002
~~10,486,000~~ quintals.

AMG Fifth and
Eighth Armies :

No new Communes occupied.

General
Remarks :

A further glass plant in TUSCANY went into production on hand-blown glass late in January. Rate of output 1,000 sq.metres per day.

The FLORENCE area was connected into the Central Italy Electrical Grid during the week, leaving only the LIVORNO area isolated. A second

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source of power supply to FLORENCE was provided when the TERMI-CHIUSI 120,000 volt transmission line was completed and put into operation during the week.

ENAC registration commencing this week in ABRUZZI Provinces.

MACERATA, URBINO and CAMBRINO Universities reopened on 1 Feb.

Capt. L. S. Horden

Brigadier,
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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 24

Political: Council approved woman suffrage, 30 January. Same rules and restrictions as for male voters. Electoral lists, to be ready 10 April, will also include female voters.

General Staff brought under authority of Ministry of War 30 January.
General RONCO named Chief.

CEIL Congress began in NAPLES 28 January. BONOMI sent message urging
Unions to be above parties. 500 delegates from all over Liberated ITALY
attended.

Epuration. It was announced at Council meeting, 30 January, that 322
civil administration officials had been epurated. Four Vice-Alti Commissari
for Sanctions against Fascism named: BRUGNER (Socialist) replaces PACINI
(Communist) on previous list. Others are MULES (Liberal), MAZZOTTI (Liberal)
and ITALIA (Christian Democrat).

Government announced on 31 January that it has asked counterpart for all
AM lire.

SICILIA Region: Political situation quiet.

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Food &
Supplies:

Measures taken to increase the olive oil collection resulted in improved returns.

AME EIGHTH Army: Food supplies for three months were sent into 14 mountain communes likely to be isolated during the winter.

ROME: has a 33 days' flour reserve. Fruit and vegetable situation slightly better.

LAZIO-UMBRIA: Coal and lignite continued to improve. Shortage of salt for chlorine threatened water supply for ROME.

SICILIA Region: Flour situation tense with no reserves. Grain boats expected.

Crime:

ROME: Carabinieri searched the offices of the Movimento Comunista d'Italia (25 January). Quantities of arms and ammunition were found behind a false wall. The premises were unoccupied and no arrests were made.

Refugees:

All civilians are being cleared from front line zone by Army order. Accommodation was arranged either by local dispersal or at AME or AC Camps. The evacuation was proceeding smoothly.

Wheat

Collection: ~~AM~~ Total to-date: 10,443,090 quintals.

General
Remarks:

ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region: Total of 153,887 mines, 600 unexploded bombs and approximately 800 tons abandoned ammunition cleared up to 31 December in CHIETI, PESCARA and TERAMO Provinces. Total of 180 Italians killed and 405 seriously wounded by mines in three provinces since Allied occupation.

Larger numbers of patriots joined Italian Army due to increased efforts by recruiting agencies.

Patriots in EIGHTH Army area were fed on the Italian Army ration scale

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on authority of AMHQ. FIFTH Army patriots will receive the same ration as from 1 February.

The "Advisory Committee on Electric Power" was formed from representatives of the Electric Power Companies involved, the Italian Government and A.C.

The rebuilding of the second 20,000 KV transformer at TERNI was completed. This permitted the full output of the first 35,000 KW generator at GALLETO to be utilized.

The North West ITALY Coordinating Committee set up by the Chief of Staff AC commenced activities under the Joint Chairmanship of the Regional Commissioners of PIEMONTE and LIGURIA.

Capt E S Marden

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 21.

Political: Press supports Government's mobilization decree but appeals for abolition of armistice terms and Allied status. Council meeting (18 Jan) adopted measures in favour of soldiers and their families, partisans being included in subsidy allotments. DE GASPERI reported C.I.E. ~~SECRET~~ urging formation of really National ^{Italian} ~~King~~ Army had been transmitted to United Nation's leaders.

DE GASPERI announced recognition of Chiang King Government and abolition of VIENNA accord of 1940 looking instead to "friendly collaboration" with BALCAN-DANUBE States.

TAMERLANI (Action Party) appointed Ambassador to Washington (18 Jan). ROSSI (Action Party) appointed Secretary of Commissariat for Sanctions Against Fascism.

RAVI Rome. Short strikes MILANO and MILANETA shipyards settled. Compromise reached in ROME between Government and delegation government employees from RAVI, has removed possibility serious strike. Sporadic student protest against army call-up and non-publication of armistice terms indicated.

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indicates potential trouble probably due outside subversive elements.

NAPLES-TARANTO. Similar protests university students but no incidents reported.

CARBONIA, Sardinia coal strike settled (17 Jan). Strike condemned by all parties.

CAGLIARI, Sardinia. Demonstrations against call-up for Italian Army 17/18 Jan. Bombs thrown on 18 Jan resulted in death of police agent. 11 persons were injured. No firing by police. Demonstrations now prohibited by order of Italian High Commissioner. City quiet and normal.

Food and Supplies:

ANCONA Province. Great relief effected by arrival of salt ship of 750 tons.

LARIO-VERBA. Olive oil prospects in AD territory fairly good. Elsewhere progress bad and there is very strong opposition.

ROME. 30 days grain still in the city. Fruit and vegetables are low at 350 to 400 tons daily. Fish and potatoes not available. Eggs sell for 35 lire each.

Crimes:

ROME. Important raid by police agencies resulted in 212 arrests which included 21 of "Hunchback gang". Large quantities of arms, grenades and military stores taken.

NAPLES. Italian paratroopers threw hand grenade at Allied Military Police wounding one military policeman and three civilians. Two paratroopers arrested.

FUGGIA-ROSE. Several cases of stealing of standing timber by Allied troops.

Health:

ANCONA Zone. Shortage of medical supplies due to lack of organization of ROSSA.

NAPLES and REGGIO. Decline in smallpox continues.

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PUGLIA Zone. Smallpox under control. Vaccination campaign very active, but 45,000 doses vaccine still required.

Personnel: Mr. W. H. BRAINER (B) appointed Director Labour Sub-Commission.

Refugees: Twenty three Brazilians left ROMA for NAPLES on 21 Jan for repatriation to BRAZIL.

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Collection: Total to-date: 10,340,394.

General
Remarks: ROMA-NAPLES passenger train service opened, 22 Jan.

51,000 kilos ergols, 15,000 kilos tartaric acid and 1,500 kilos onion seed were shipped to the U.S. during the week.

Repos: Reports on five plants in RIMINI and RAVENNA regions have been received. One plant is in fair condition and rehabilitation is hoped for within the next two or three months.

Mining: RIMOLLO coal mine resumed production. PIETRASITTA. First lignite from mine arrived in ROMA.

Capt. B. S. Morden

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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WEEKLY SITREP RC. 22

Political : Government call to arms (of classes of 14 through 24) published 13 Jan. Supported by press of all parties. On 17 Jan G.L.N. addressed message to ROOSEVELT, STALIN, CHURCHILL and DE GAULLE, stating need of "strong national Army" to take its place at side of the Allies. Press has seized occasion to ask for change in attitude toward ITALY and Socialist and Action Parties have urged Army reforms at this time.

GASPAROTTO named Air Minister vice BUIALUJA who resigned because of poor health (13 Jan). Four "Deputy Assistant High Commissioners" for sanctions against Fascism named: ITALIA, MILAS, MAZZOTTI, PAGNE. At press conference on 16 Jan Government spokesman said Council is planning to improve situation of soldiers' families; surveyed recent disorder in SICILY and stated serious trouble now past.

Private news agencies allowed to service Italian papers as from 15 Jan.

KINAUDI formally installed on 16 Jan. as Governor of ³⁵⁸⁸ ITALY in presence of BONONI and Admiral STONE.

Short strikes/.....

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Short strikes, RIVOLI Naval workshops, MAFETTA street workers, BISCEGLIE tobacco workers, all settled. Grave dissatisfaction all state employees FOGGIA zone. Coal strike at CARONIA, SARUNGA Region still unsettled.

Two bombs, possibly set by disgruntled students, exploded in front of two principal schools of TIRAMO, ARUNGI-MARCHE Region.

Food &
Supplies:

SOUTHERN Region. Snow CARPESANO seriously interrupting movement grain and flour. Power irregularities affecting alimentation. LARDO-TERESA Region. Grain position remains satisfactory compared with earlier reports. RSE has twenty days in hand. Sugar distribution well advanced. General supplies into the market show slight reasonable fall. ARUNGI-MARCHE Region. Ration of 100 grams per person monthly allocated to all provinces. Food for CASTEL DI BARRO, snowbound for week, dropped by plane 15 Jan. TUSCANA Region. Expecting trouble LIVORNO if bread ration not raised to 300 grams. AREZZO shortage of salt. PISA position improved.

Crime:

An increase of forged Allied Military Currency in TUSCANA Region and FLORENCE is causing concern. SICILIA Region. Serious disorders Province REGGIO brought under control. Special reports rendered. TUSCANA Region. GROSSETO Communists raided by Mps. Five ring leaders arrested. Haul of gasoline, arms and ammunition. General reaction by populace is one of relief. Investigations proceeding.

Health:

Conference held this Headquarters on small pox situation at REGGIO with Assistant Director of Hygiene, 3 District.

SOUTHERN Region. Slight decreases smallpox NAPLES City and Province, considerable decrease REGGIO. Typhoid static, low incidence all 3568. SICILIA Region. Smallpox total 43 cases. TUSCANA Region. Scabies still most serious problem.

Refugees:

The USMA teams loaned for temporary work with Italian refugees have

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doing excellent work at the PORT AUSILLIA Camp near ROMA during last two weeks.

The numbers of refugees for repatriation to SICILY and SOUTHERN Regions have been diminishing noticeably.

TUSCANA Region. GROMETO will concentrate up to 500 refugees at FOLLIGNA Camp on receipt of blankets.

Price

Tendancies:

WINE prices still rising.

Food

Collection:

Total to date: 10,319,408 qtls.

General

Summary:

Heavy amphibious raiding party blew up three bridges near PORTO SAN GIORGIO, ANCONA-MARONE Region, night of 9-10 Jan. but failed to halt traffic on highway.

Prince GROMETO toured ANCONA Province 14 Jan. Well received.

1,500 complete sets of clothing for patriots have now been delivered to FIFTH Army and 500 complete sets of clothing to EIGHTH Army. 74,000 square metres of hemp have also been delivered to FIFTH Army for making into mattress covers.

300 Patriots fully clothed have been sent to the South African Division as additional labour gang.

Movement has begun of armoured vehicles for the two mobile Battalions in SICILY, 12 light tanks have been loaded at CAGLIARI, SASSINIA, and will arrive at PALERMO on 21 Jan.

Application has been made for a mobile Battalion in SASSINIA. 12 three-ton trucks and 12 armoured vehicles will be required.

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New match production at SAVA, NAPLES, already 70,000 packets a day. Ceiling production estimated at 200,000 a day.

77 boxes silk worm seeds arrived NAPLES by air from U.S. for silk cocoon production.

1023 tons lemons, 1050 tons sulphur and 298 tons wine lees were exported during the week. An export availability of 6406 tons sulphur for a six-month period reported to AFHQ.

Cristalleria Nazionale at NAPLES has completed production of 30 tons neutral glass and 30 tons normal glass for pharmaceutical and chemical purposes.

The S.S. MONT SVENTO arrived at CIVITAVECCHIA on 11 Jan. with 70 head of cattle, first instalment of animals from SARDINIA for re-stocking LARIO-UMBRIA Region.

Capt. E. S. Morden

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 21

Political : Council meeting 5 Jan approved new temporary housing programme, allotting 5 billion lire for repairs to buildings (3 billions for public buildings, 2 for private). Special committees have been formed in all communes to give immediate attention to shelterless. Council accepted SPORZA's resignation, thanked him for his work, stressed urgency of epuration. No successor to SPORZA named; the President of the Council will preside over work of the four Alti Commissari Aggiunti.

At Press Conference 9 Jan Government spokesman expressed pleasure at MACMILLAN's statement of Allied plans for ITALY looking to progressive restitution to Government of political and administrative responsibility. Spokesman admitted numerous disorders in SICILY caused, he said, by current rumours that ITALY is to be sacrificed for the benefit of other countries. Also said Italian Government has no objection to publication of Armistice Terms.

9 January Interministerial Committee, headed GRONCHI, drew up plan to control prices and fight black market.

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BARI. Important strike of statal and parastatal employees temporarily averted pending presentation of demands to Government. General meeting called for 25 January to decide. If no satisfaction obtained, general strike all Government employees anticipated throughout BARI Zone. Fascist Posters displayed MONOPOLI, no further information. New Sindaco, FREGARINELLO, installed in NAPLES City 6 January.

CREMONA. British Foreign policy still adversely criticised although Mr. CHURCHILL's visit to ATHENS caused expression of admiration. War news did not cause loss of public confidence.

PISA. No further action by young Communists. All quiet.

Food and
Supplies:

SOUTHERN Region. SALERNO distribution sugar begun, much appreciated by population. All movements grain and flour in CAMPOBASSO held up by snow. Food supply difficult in mountain communes FOGGIA and dislocated by constant interruption power supply. Olive oil collection still falling, sowing late Spring wheat delayed due non-arrival seed. CATANZARO no sugar.

LAZIO-UMBRIA Region. Grain stocks of twenty three days in ROMA show slight increase on previous week. Salt position is becoming more satisfactory. Pasta is sufficient for full month's issue of 600 grams. Arrangements are in hand for further wine supplies. Potatoes still very unsatisfactory average one four tons a day into ROMA. Fresh meat supplies short and uncertain. Fresh fruit and vegetables are in good supply.

ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region. Non-arrival of scheduled schooner shipments caused acute shortage of salt at ANCONA.

TOSCANA Region. Supply greatly improved in LIVORNO. AREZZO supplies sufficient for next week except salt.

Conferences with Italian Government officials are being held, personnel being re-assigned and plans made to develop effective support of the olive oil collection programme.

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Crime : Raid by Questura Agents in NAPLES on black market racketeers foiled by 16 Italian paratroopers several of whom have been arrested.

Shop breaking still goes on in ROME but several arrests have been made. Less motor vehicles being stolen and quite a number recovered.

Disorders occurred SICILY 3 January as result of Army call-up. Disturbances known to have occurred in RAGUSA, VITTORIA, COMISO, and MODICA. See special sitreps. But latest reports say RAGUSA and MODICA quiet, fighting in progress VITTORIA. Possibility of unrest spreading to CATANIA.

Transport for the two Mobile Battalions in SICILY has been allotted. 24 3-ton trucks made available from Italian Army and proceeded from NAPLES to SICILY during past week. 12 armoured vehicles being supplied from SARDINIA and 12 from LEOCE. Movement of these vehicles not yet completed but being expedited by AFHQ.

Health: Five cases smallpox. Position static in NAPLES City and Province. Vaccination teams functioning daily having vaccinated 20,419 persons during week. BENEVENTO experiencing difficulty in eradication smallpox, 20 vaccination teams working. Allied officers posted BENEVENTO by SOUTHERN Region HQ, and Area HQ to cooperate and to further activate preventive programs. FOGGIA City seven cases smallpox. Emergency supply vaccine received by FOGGIA.

Scabies in CHIETI and PESCARA Provinces increasing.

Refugees: One train repatriated 818 Italian refugees to the South this week. 200 Maltese and Greeks sent to AVERSA Camp near NAPLES for eventual repatriation to CYRENAICA and TRIPOLI.

Imminent loss of GESANO Italian Refugee Camp due to Italian Ministry of War having to re-occupy it for essential training will crowd ³⁵⁶³ refugee camps ROME as 1,200 must be accommodated in camps already full. It is hoped that new camp FORT AURELIA near ROME for 1,500 will be completed beginning

February.

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SIENA 440 refugees dispersed in province. Food and blankets provided.

Price No change SALERNO, BARI, TARANTO, CATANZARO. Rising NAPLES, FOGGIA, SICILIA
Tendencies: Region.

Wheat
Collection: Total to-date : 10,249,069 quintals.
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AMG FIFTH Army: Nothing new/report.

AMG EIGHTH Army: Nothing new to report.

General Remarks: Numbers of patriots held remain static round the 1,000 mark in FIFTH

Army area. No report has been received from EIGHTH Army.

The Minister of Public Instruction has agreed to distribute the new school supplies, requisitioned from the UNITED STATES, to schools in Italian Territory and arrange for payment. A joint conference was held with the Minister of Public Instruction, representatives of the Minister of Public Works, and the corresponding Sub-Commission heads to consider the repair and reconstruction of school building throughout ITALY.

An AG Priorities Board has been set up within the Allied Commission for allocation of AG and civil supplies and their movement and to arbitrate between conflicting interests of Sub-Commissions. Allocation will include salvage, scrap and excess war material and Board will decide priorities on movement of persons where it effects movement of supplies.

Approximately 1500 new jeep tyres and tubes and a small number of G.M. truck tyres and tubes received. 62 1- $\frac{1}{2}$ ton trucks arrived NAPLES.

At ANCONA an additional 5000 tons of space obtained by acquisition of new warehouse.

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In about a month's time the power plants and main transmission lines of Electric Utility Companies in CENTRAL ITALY will be combined into one feeder system at a frequency of 45 cycles, which will result in more efficient use of the available generating capacity.

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The first 35,000 Kw unit of the GALLETO Power Plant at TERNI began operation under test conditions.

Export shipment to US, UK and FRANCE composed of 7- $\frac{1}{2}$ tons vegetable seeds, 3580 tons sulphur, 147 tons hemp, 538 tons wine lees, and 206 tons wine. All lemon purchases for export suspended owing to prohibitive increase in freight rates on timber for box making.

Industrial Gases. Arrangements made for repair and testing of 500 gas cylinders in the Centro Chimico Militare, ROME. These will be taken over by Fido and enable them to double their oxygen output. Oxygen output for Fido is now 20,000 cu.metres per month of which ADOS and PBS take 15,000 leaving 5,000 for civilian requirements.

Production of cement at COLLEFERRO continues at a satisfactory rate of 60 tons a day. This will be increased when allocated coal arrives. Heavy snowfall in most of ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region. All roads except No. 16 closed for varying lengths of time during week. Practically all truck pool vehicles kept off road by impassible roads and lack of chains. TOSCANA Region. GROSSETO over 1500 children spent Christmas Day with Units and AMG. FOLLONICA commune raised funds for refugees. 60 pairs shoes purchased and cake and wine added to ration. LIVORNO labour conditions greatly improved, and midday meal provided by Armed Forces for their employees which caused favourable comment.

Capt. E S. Morden

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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SECRET

ARMY G-5 Section (BY SLS)

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PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 20.

Political: At Press Conference of Ufficio Stampa della presidenza 27 Dec the following statements were made: Italians were hopeful of soon renewing diplomatic relations with FRANCE; separation would go on though SPURIA wished to resign and would probably be succeeded by a magistrate; administrative elections would be held in Spring; the Government is determined to increase war effort.

At meeting of Council 30 Dec President announced message from CEMAI affirming solidarity in fight for reconstruction. Also stated Allies have agreed with CEMAI on military measures but have given no political recognition; however, Italian Government has recognized CEMAI as representative organ of anti-fascism. Supporting War Ministry's removal of Gen. AZZI (who had suggested change in formula of oath and other Army reforms) Government said officers and soldiers must maintain strict discipline. Government also drafted law for bettering economic condition of State pensioners.

29 Dec Gen. LAIGI CHIARIAN named Undersecretary for War.

2 Jan Luigi Ernandi made director of Bank of Italy; Introna to be General Manager.

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Situation satisfactory SOUTHERN Region except NARI where possible strike legal and other employees may involve all Government services with repercussions public utilities.

OISA young Communists active in connection with GROSSE situation. Said to involve kidnapping of Allied officers. Investigations in hand.

Food and
Supplies:

FOGGIA grain and flour shipments 1930 tons rail 125 sea. Power supply irregularities dislocating alimentation FOGGIA Province.

Supply situation bad in NARI zone, olive oil collection failing especially BRINDISI and LECCE, lack of fertilizers for vegetables general.

TARANTO ship loading 1500 tons provisions for CIVITAVECCHIA.

2,500 tons sugar arrived at CIVITAVECCHIA for ROME and NORTH on 31 Dec.

Ships have been sent to lift 4,000 tons of citrus fruit from SICILY for ROME area with expected deliveries after 10 Jan.

LAZIO-TERRAIA grain position with twenty one days supply in ROME is unchanged. Salt although much improved is still grave. December requirements being distributed this week. Sugar improved with arrival of one month's supply. Wine is coming slowly but future prospects are good.

ABRUZZI-MARONE olive oil collection in TERAMO Province going fairly well; more oil confiscated in other Provinces than voluntarily amassed. Grain collection target now exceeded by more than 12,000 tons.

LIVORNO supply situation improving.

Lack of wagons hinders movement citrus fruits crop in CALABRIA and heavy losses are feared.

CRIME:

Shop-breaking ROME remains high but arrests generally are good. Arson a feature in a number of cases.

SIENA investigations counterfeit currency in SIENA resulted in arrest in ROME.

No further disturbances SICILY but Director General of Public

Security/.....

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Security, Ministry of the Interior and General Commanding the Carabinieri are to investigate thoroughly conduct of Carabinieri during riots. This HQ expressed concern to Italian Prime Minister at inability of Italian Police to quell disturbances and asked what measures taken to prevent recurrence. Suggested that Government announce intention to preserve order by force if necessary.

AFSA agreed formation of mobile battalions of CC.RR in SICILY and transport for Battalions at PALERMO and MESSINA now made available from Italian Army. These two mobile Battalions each of 500 men should help greatly to keep order.

Health:

7 new cases smallpox SICILIA, total 42.

5 smallpox centres of infection BENEVENTO and NAPLES, active vaccination progresses both cities but due many factors vaccination rate low. Four cases smallpox FOGGIA City, all preventive measures taken. Typhoid low incidence rate and not major health problem. Contagious hospitalisation has presented many difficulties as some large centres without these facilities and ambulance service to the larger localities does not exist. Typhus only two cases during month both ^{NAPLES} ~~ROME~~ Provinces.

LAZIO-UMBRIA Region outbreak of Typhoid in FROSINONE due to bad sanitary conditions under control.

Refugees:

One train for repatriation to SOUTHERN and SICILIA Regions during week. Departed PERNUMETINA Station with over 1,000 repatriates.

Prices

Commodities:

Price trend still upward in SICILIA and SOUTHERN Region. Slight fall in prices LAZIO UMBRIA Region after the holiday peak but still high. Prices high ARREDO and rising PISA.

Wheat

Collection:

Total to-date: 10,094,438 quintals.

US FIFTH ARMY:

Nothing new to report.

US EIGHTH ARMY:

Nothing new to report.

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General/.....

General
Remarks:

Some SALERNO schools considering closing due cold weather and lack of glass.

Considerable assistance given to poor and state officials Christmas EGGIA. Clothing and boots urgently awaited FOGGIA Province. Serious shortage of fuel owing to lack of rail transport from CALABRIA.

Signs of improvement in morale of CC.RR in ROM.

SIENA 900 attended Christmas party for children. Sweets and toys distributed to hospitals. LIVORNO newspaper being established.

ELBA taken over by TOSCANA Region effective 20 Dec.

AQUILA-PESOLI and ANCONI-ANCONA roads blocked by snow. AQUILA and ANCONI roads to ROMA still passable and plowing under way.

The new ration scale for prisoners of 250 grams of bread and 80 grams of pasta a day and 100 grams of tinned meat a week went into effect on 1 Jan 1945.

Cork contract for 360,000 corks for fishing nets for BELKANS has been placed.

Repairing and dyeing of salvaged Army clothing is proceeding successfully at NAPLES with considerable quantities soon available with expanding production.

Piana della Rocca plant has had one unit restored to operation this week with a capacity of 14,000 Kw which is now limited to 2,000 Kw owing to shortage of water, the reservoirs being still in enemy hands.

The Italian Government with approval of AO have fixed prices for import and naturally produced coal and lignite. Landed cost of imported coal is 2,000 lire per ton and Sardinia coal, 1650 lire per ton. PIETRATITTA mine to be opened with a daily production of 700 tons lignite.

Capt. E S Morden

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Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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29 DEC 1944

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PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO.19.

Political: Council of Ministers, meeting on 23 Dec, dealt principally with financial matters. Treasury budget approved; payment of "13th month" subsidy to workers sanctioned as well as additional indemnity to inhabitants of large cities. Minister of Public Works charged to prepare special programs to check unemployment. Part Payment on subsidies to be given "pensionati" while final programs for this category is being worked out.

Generals PERTIMALLI and DEL TETTO found guilty of abandoning post in NAPLES and sentenced to twenty years imprisonment.

Pope's Christmas speech widely discussed in press; general lines met with approval.

Threatened strike BARI magistrates and clerks over low salaries. Generally no further reaction over new government among population.

Local Communists rallied during last fortnight in TOSCANA Region. AREZZO and SIENA party active.

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Food and Supplies/....

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Food and
Supplies:

SALERNO import of wheat less than requirement, Medico Provinciale comments shortage of soap. FOGGIA wheat export programme maintained with difficulty owing to shortage road transport and occasionally rail wagons; charcoal and wood situation still difficult, clothing and boots most urgent, dislocation of fish market due to FOGGIA Prefecto excessive price decree. TARANTO shortage of soap.

Hundred trucks of 1002 GT Company on 27 Dec began movement of grain from MATERATA, ASOLI and TERNI to deficient portions of ABRUZZO Province. Olive Oil collection continues bad in ABRUZZO-MARCHE Region.

Grain and flour position in LAZIO-UMBRIA better than ever before but drop expected as a result of Christmas break in loading. General food supplies over Christmas good.

Food still most important and critical item in TOSCANA Region.

Crimes:

Order now restored in SICILY after a week of demonstrations against the military call-up. Only 1000 men have so far reported of the anticipated 8,000. To combat resistance Military Commander proposed suspension of further call-up and trial of delinquents by Military Tribunals, and after sentence offer of service by Minister of War in lieu of sentence.

Situation SAN GREGORIO, SALERNO Province, now quiet. Wood stealing UMBRIA forest by Allied troops affecting normal supplies. Midnight 3553
17 CMP raided farm at ARIANO. American Major and one civilian killed; woman, girl and child seriously injured.

In LAZIO-UMBRIA crimes involving Allied Military are still fairly high. Civilian shopbreaking as yet unchecked.

Health:

Smallpox static in NAPLES. No new epidemics in evidence. Reports from Bone Commissioners indicate general health conditions satisfactory.

Typhoid/.....

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Typhoid epidemic COLLE SALVETTI under control. Only one case reported from there this week. Two cases in LIVORNO.

No new cases smallpox SICILIA. Total old cases 35.

Refugees:

On 23 Dec a special train left ROME for REGGIO CALABRIA and PUGLIA with 1200 Italian refugees for repatriation. One train arrived during the week with 730 refugees from the North, of which 614 were Romans. AREZZO 1,000 refugees returned from North to Comune of PIEVE SAN STEFANO. SIENA 1,800 BOLOGNA refugees dispersed to communes. Food and blankets distributed.

No large movement in L'EMIGRANT-UMBRIA and Christmas arrangements in camps good.

Advance party of three teams on temporary loan to help reorganise existing Italian refugee camps and set up the new camp being opened near ROME.

Prices

Tendencies:

Prices rising NAPLES, FOGGIA; no change BARI, SALERNO and TARANTO
Zona except seasonable increases.

Wheat

Collection:

Total to-date: 10,058,501 quintals.

ANG FIFTH ARMY:

Nothing new to report.

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ANG EIGHTH ARMY:

ANG officers entered FAYENZA 18 Dec but unable to remain in town. Situation sufficiently secure permit them to remain 20 Dec.

Flour and medical supplies delivered to cover immediate shortages. Ample grain in town and comune but NO milling facilities workable yet.

Town badly damaged estimated 50% destroyed or irreparably damaged. About 5000 civilians in town but still living in cellars including few partisans. Two hospitals, one functioning in basement, other has been evacuated to safer area. NO water or power.

General Remarks/.....

General Remarks: 2,000 overcoats, 2,000 sweaters, 2,500 pairs socks and 2,500 shirts have been delivered to FLORENCE for the Patriots.

A complete organization has been set up in SOUTHERN Region for the repair and dyeing of Army salvaged clothing. Commanding output 2,000 garments a day. Garments are distributed to Italian civilians and special groups like Patriots and Public Safety agents.

Position regarding clothing for CC.RR steadily improving.

CC.RR successfully raided some houses in ROME for illegal stores of arms and ammunition. 22 persons were arrested and charged and enquiries are proceeding against 27 others.

Public Safety Sub-Commission notified that Carabinieri road-blocks in CHERTI Province have found evidence much wheat is moving on military vehicles.

Monuments and Fine Arts Sub-Commission compiled report on damage to FOGLI with recommendations and documented list of works of art missing from TUSCAN deposits. Important collection of paintings missing in FOGLI.

The Minister of Education activating epuration of school personnel and pressing derequisition of school buildings in ROME.

Glass requirements for schools hard to meet in TOSCANA Region.

GROSSETO overcrowding causing anxiety.

Deep dissatisfaction at continued prevention of hunting in TOSCANA Region.

A survey of sugar beet processing plants has been completed for SOUTHERN Region; a similar survey is now being made for Central ITALY.

The Ministry of the Treasury has presented the revised Budget for the current financial year to 30 June 1945, covering the 36 Provinces now under Italian Administration. Total expenditure, including Lit. 17 milliards for interest on State debt, is estimated at Lit. 73

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milliards and total revenue at Lit. 13 milliards.

Italian Government informed that the aggregate amount of A.M. lire outstanding in the hands of banks and public at 31 Oct last was approx. Lit. 44 milliards, of which Lit. 6 milliards had been advanced by AC/ASG for purposes of Italian civil administration.

A generating unit at the GERANO plant, which was recently repaired, developed a short circuit and damaged the plant to such an extent that at least three months will be required for repairs.

At CREVARA, in Central ITALY, a 1600 Kw unit, damaged by the enemy was restored to service after five months work.

Further supplies Red Cross clothing landed for ANCONA and PESARO. 40 housing projects, involving 266 houses with 1358 rooms and costing 19½ million lire, under way in devastated area North of SANGRO River.

Total of 497 major military road and bridge repairs completed under supervision of Regional Engineer during last six months of this year.

5300 children entertained in cinema Christmas party by Provincial Officers AQUILA Province and 1800 Christmas packages distributed.

Capt. E. S. Morden

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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WASTEWATER TREATMENT NO. 3.0

Political: Council meeting on 20 Dec 1944 stressed desire of all Italians to participate in war, pointed out importance of decision of C.L.N. - to cooperate with Government in war effort and reconstruction of the country and maintenance of liaison between component political parties. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
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The Italian Government had delegated to C.L.N.A.I. direction of patriots action against Fascists and Nazis. Consultative organs to be set up by the Council and hope was expressed for administrative elections in Spring. Creation of interministerial Committee to coordinate economic reconstruction approved. Further grants to SICILY and SARDEGNA for economic rehabilitation, both islands to have advisory bodies to assist High Commissioners, but Council made strong statement against separation. Also approved various relief measures giving new food Commissariat wide powers.

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Food and Supplies: Shortage of flour in CATANZARO and REGGIO due to interruption of both road and rail services. Some Communes without bread for four days. Export of flour from FOGGIA to COSENZA temporarily stopped owing to interruption of railway line beyond BARI.

General report that olive oil is not being amassed, but is nevertheless moving on the roads in large quantities. It is the view of SOUTHERN Region that the amassing decree is useless without the control of large numbers of Allied officers.

Petrol is in short supply in CATANZARO.

The shipment of citrus from PALERMO, mentioned in last week's nitrap, arrived at CIVITAVECCHIA. Of the 23,000 cases on board 1,500 were reported stolen between CIVITAVECCHIA and HOME.

Crimes

Series of disturbances have taken place in SICILY since 11 Dec, reported to you separately. Origin is given as protest against military call-up. The move to the Island of two Reg Italian Army troops when completed will strengthen confidence in ability to deal with untoward events. Also moving to the Island is ~~Monte~~ ^{re-inforcement} for Carabinieri.

An armed robbery by Allied troops is reported from SAN SEVERO, FOGGIA. No identification so far.

BIFONTO (BARI Zone) still quiet.

Rioting reported from SAN GREGORIO, SALERNO Province, over new wine tax and olive oil amassing. Seven arrests by Carabinieri.

Small demonstration outside CARRUBIA at RUTTI (TOGGANA). Shots were fired, two persons wounded, twelve arrested.

Health

Smallpox in SOUTHERN Region is reported static in NAPLES City and a slight decrease in NAPLES Province. Vaccination programme proceeds energetically. No evidence of typhoid becoming epidemic. Typhus

Control/.....

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Control Unit now operating ten dusting stations NAPLES City. No evidence of the disease becoming epidemic.

In LIVORNO outbreak of typhoid at COLLA SALVETTI is under control.

From FISA an increase in scabies is reported but a decrease in diphtheria and typhoid.

Refugees:

2,200 refugees from the North are expected to arrive in ROMA within the next seven days.

Price
Index:

Reports of rises in prices are general.

Food
Collection:

Total to-date: 9,938,034 quintals.

THE FIFTH ARMY:

Nothing new to report.

THE FOURTH ARMY:

Latest report dated midnight 11 Dec deals with entry into RAVENNA. No serious damage. At that time there were 25,000 inhabitants with an estimated 20,000 in surrounding neighbourhood. Power supply was destroyed and serious interruption of water supply.

350 patriots were found in the city and are being gradually disarmed. They are well disciplined and doing excellent work.

The Prefect had fled and the prison contained 95 alleged Fascists imprisoned by patriots.

All of the important residences in SAN VITALE, GALLA PLACIDIA, SAN APOLLINARE NUOVO, S. APOLLINARE IN CLASSE, THE ARCHBISHOP'S PALACE, the ARIAN BAPTISTERY and the ORTHODOX BAPTISTERY are practically intact. The sixth century ivory throne of BISHOP MAXIMIANUS is also safe.

General Remarks:

In GROSSETO City there is a serious accommodation problem due to influx of troops, aggravated by recent flood conditions.

A strike of employees at NAPLES waterworks was ended after 35 1/2 hours by arbitration.

The bid/.....

The bid for electric power to reactivate the PRATO Industries has not been accepted on account of military requirements. The situation remains therefore that six small firms are working with their own power.

During the week 3,500 Kw of generating capacity was restored at AQUERIA HYDRO Plant. This unit was transferred from CAPRANO HYDRO Plant and considered an important achievement in restoration work. Offsetting this was the loss of 1,500 Kw and 3,000 Kw generating capacity at TUSI Plate Mill and LARDERELLO respectively, due to breakdown.

There has been an acute shortage of rail cars in CUCARINA Division due to difficulties created by wash outs following heavy rains. All repairs have been effected except at TURSI, where the connection to METAPONTO is likely to be out of action until end of Jan 1945.

A bid was accepted by ARHQ for the movement of 500 head of cattle, 500 horses and 2,000 sheep from SARDINIA for the re-stocking of LAZIO-UDERIA Region.

One further lemon shipment made during week - making a total of 254,000 boxes (20,198 tons) of lemons shipped to UK this season.

Bridgman,
Chief of Staff.

Capt. H. S. Marden
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WEEKLY SITREP NUMBER SEVENTEEN DATED FOURTEEN DECEMBER IS SUBJECT PD

PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE FROM HQ ALDOM PAREN

PARAGRAPH ON CRIME FIRST LINE DELETES FOUR THREE EIGHT CIVILIAN PRISONERS

AND SUBSTITUTES THREE EIGHT REPEAT THREE EIGHT CIVILIAN PRISONERS.

JCSG: H. M. MASON

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14 Dec 44

PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NUMBER 17.

POLITICAL: On evening of 7 Dec BONOMI formally accepted charge of forming new Government. List of Ministers prepared two days later: see letter of 12 Dec from Chief Commissioner to Supreme Allied Commander, AFHQ. Occupied ITALY is now Ministry and former Communications has been made into two Ministries as indicated. On 12 Dec Government took oath following formula of last June. BONOMI reminded Ministers of truce on institutional question and obligations of armistice terms. Expressed gratitude to Commodore STONE for tact and understanding. Undersecretaries were then formally named: see letter of 12 Dec from Chief Commissioner to Supreme Allied Commander, AFHQ. Old Undersecretariat of Press and Information has changed its name as indicated. Meeting set up special Food Commissariat, Cino BERGAMI to head it.

FOOD AND SUPPLIES:

SALERNO serious shortage milk also sugar and preserved meat. FOGGIA export flour interrupted owing to electricity failure, sugar for Dec and Jan has arrived.

Olive oil/.....

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Olive Oil. Collection unsatisfactory in nearly all districts: latest collection 44,151 quintals of which BARI Province shows 32,303 quintals. Discussions are now proceeding on the degree of control which should be exercised by the Government over its collection.

23,000 cases of citrus loaded at PALERMO for CIVITAVECCHIA - first of a series of shipments designed to export surplus to areas short of fruit, coasters being used to avoid delay and waste. Lack of available shipping in the MEDITERRANEAN is holding up exports, but the fourth cargo of lemons left SICILY for UK during the week.

Owing to the acute food situation in SICILY it became necessary at very short notice to divert two cereal ships there.

CRIMES:

38 civilian prisoners escaped CAMPOBASSO prison 7-8 Dec. Investigations proceeding. No further trouble BITONTO (BARI Zone). No further news POTENZA gang. ASD Courts BARI in full operation, arrests in civil courts decreasing.

Trouble anticipated in SICILIA Region on account of threatened food shortage.

HEALTH:

In SOUTHERN Region smallpox vaccination programmes continuing in all Provinces where disease manifested. Disease still present but static in incidence. Elimination of diseases being accomplished entirely by vaccination as no remedy yet provided for overcrowding, inadequate hospitalisation, or lack of ambulances and other transport, as well as in preventive programmes. Typhoid has apparently reached a reasonable static condition. No evidence of epidemic. Meeting called TARANTO by AREA 52 Area 8 Dec attended by representatives Allied Forces and Italian Forces and civilian Administration to coordinate anti-typhus in Province.

A conference has been held to plan for the 1945 Malarial Campaign. Sufficient vaccines and serum for veterinary purposes are now either in stock or in sight.

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PERSONNEL:

The President's nomination of Commodore STONE to be Rear Admiral has been confirmed by the Senate.

REFUGEES:

The High Commissioner for Italian Refugees has two refugee camps in preparation at SABAUDIA and GASTA both in LITTORIA to hold respectively 500 and 1000.

The total number of Partisan Yugoslavs repatriated by 4 Dec was 4,685. At the request of the Yugoslav Government no further shipments have taken place and about 1300 Partisan Yugoslavs remain in the camps in Southern ITALY

PRICE

TENDENCIES:

Nothing special to report.

WHEAT

COLLECTION:

Total to-date: 9,858,944 quintals.

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ARMY:

No reports since last sitrep.

AND EIGHTH

ARMY:

No reports since last sitrep.

GENERAL

REMARKS:

A second shipment of rock phosphate unloaded MONTICATINI (Southern Region). Chemical fertilisers beginning to arrive in ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region and are being distributed to various Provinces.

A greater part of the 5000 soldiers to be attached to the CO. 101 have reached their stations.

A new overall scale of rations for prisoners has been approved with the following changes. Bread is increased from 30 grams to 350 grams a day and 100 grams of tinned meat a week is now added. Other changes are anticipated. 3544

Monuments and Fine Arts. Forward officers have been informed of probable deposit at CAMPO TURCO (Province BOLZANO) of sculptures removed by Germans from deposit at POGGIO A CALIANO (Province FIRENZE).

ABRUZZI-MARCHE/.....

ABRUZZI MARCELO Region Labour Office is now functioning in
ASCOLI PICENO under avv. ALFONSO RUO formerly of FOGGIA Province.

ANCONA postal service is to open 18 Dec.

MAGRATA schools including University requisitioned for use of troops;
numerous schools in ASCOLI TERAMO and CHIETI also requisitioned.

Joint programming on First Aid rehabilitation against American dollar
credits. A deadline of January 1st, 1945, has been set with the Italian
Government as the date for submission of basic requirements by individual
Ministries. The Ministries concerned are now working with the appropriate
Sub-Commissions of Economic Section on these programmes.

The power transmission line serving all East ITALY "APULIA AREA" was
repaired and put back into operation after being out of service for about
two weeks. Only 30% of normal power was available during this period.
Damage was caused by flood waters washing out three transmission towers.

An additional 3000 Kw of generating capacity made available in Central
ITALY by the installation of additional transformers at the GERANO HYDRO
plant. Present availability of this plant now 9000 Kw. - the result of
five months intensive work.

The rate of discharge of the first collier at CIVITAVENEZIA averaged
500 tons a day. The port of VIESTE is reported ready to receive coal-
laden barges drawing not more than 2.4 metres.

The first part of the Census of Liberated ITALY has been prepared by the
Istituto Centrale di Statistica and sent to WASHINGTON.

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Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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AFHQ (BY ELS)

8 DEC. 1944

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7 Dec 44

PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 16.

POLITICAL: During the week parties have taken fairly clear positions. Action Party wants SPORZA as Foreign Minister, will not collaborate with BONOMI. Socialists also unwilling to accept BONOMI, claiming he has not been faithful to C.L.N. Communists more conciliatory in tone but follow same line. Statement of STETTINIUS has stiffened the Leftist parties' attitude. Liberals and Labour Democrats still willing to serve with BONOMI but anxious not to hear of a six party unity. Week's discussion has not substantially altered the position. BONOMI still trying to form government; on 4 Dec asked collaboration of DE GASPERI, NENNI and TOGLIATTI but only the first gave unqualified assent.

At GROSSETO general re-shuffle in C.L.N. continued. Communists attempted to prevent legal aid for 14 criminals at Tribunal trials. At PIOMBINO 60 women demonstrated asking for bread and removal of Sindaco. Unemployment at LIVORNO and PIOMBINO causing increased Communist activity.

Southern Region. Short strikes BARLETTA and CANOSA settled. Two communist leaders summoned to ROME 29 December.

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FOOD AND
SUPPLIES:

Salt urgently required VOLTERRA and SALINE (GROSSETO Province).
Big demand for meat at AREZZO, where shortage of tyres and spare parts causing distribution difficulties. Sugar urgently required in hospitals at LIVORNO.

Rumours of increased rations and special Christmas ration current LAZIO-UMBRIA Region.

Food and supplies position causing anxiety BARI, TARANTO and CATANZARO. Interference electric supply handicapping flour mills and olive presses at FOGGIA. 500 tons bean seed exported from FOGGIA to BARI. Oil collection at BARI reasonable but export warehouse storage difficult.

Fresh fish transport service by fishing schooners from SARDINIA to mainland to be started.

Nearly 10 days' coal supply now in hand at ROME steam plants.

Weekly wine trains from BARI to NAPLES now operating. First train left BARI 29 November.

Two shipments of lemons left for UK last week. Regular shipments to follow.

Decision on 300 grams bread ration delayed pending concurrence of CCS.

CRIME:

Slight increase in LAZIO-UMBRIA Region but no major crime.

270 prisoners from ROME jail arrived CAMPOBASSO jail. Caused minor trouble on arrival but now quiet. On 3 Dec at BITONTO (BARI Zone) 2 British OR's assaulted and wounded 5 Italian civilians, one of whom died. Situation now quiet.

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HEALTH:

Lectures and demonstrations on Typhus Control held 2 and 3 December in LAZIO-UMBRIA Region. Plans being made to hold similar lectures in more Northerly Regions.

Slight smallpox outbreak in TERNI under control and subsiding.

Smallpox/.....

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Smallpox showing gradual decline most areas of Southern Region.
27 cases in NAPLES City and 29 in NAPLES Province during week.
28,173 vaccinations carried out this period. Gradual decline of
typhoid noted. 17 cases NAPLES City and 10 NAPLES Province during week.

PERSONNEL:

Col. LONG, Director of Food Sub-Commission, returned 29 November
from visit to UK and US.

REFUGEES:

Following numbers of Partisan Yugoslavs have left ITALY to date:
On 28 November 900; 1 December 2,500; 4 December 1200; Total 4,600.

PRICE

TENDENCIES:

Slow rises reported in GROSSETO and AREZZO.

Slight but general fall reported LAZIO-UMBRIA Region.

Still rising CATANZARO.

WHEAT COLLECTION:

Total to date: 9,813,774 quintals.

AME FIFTH ARMY:

PISA Province was handed over to TOSCANA Region 25 November.

Considerable underground Left-Wing activity reported in towns in
the ARNO valley and AME consider trouble is likely if food situation
does not soon improve.

New Centre opened at LUCCA for Partisans pending their employment
on road maintenance by Army Engineers.

Total grain collection for TUSCANY as at 23 November was about
equal to 1943 collection, i.e. 92% of estimate, but North of ARNO
only quarter of usual amount has been collected.

Mine clearance is improving.

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Editors of an anarchist journal in FLORENCE traced and arrested
by Provincial Police Officer. Elsewhere distributors of paper caught.

W.e.f. 25 November free circulation permitted within FLORENCE
Province, South of ARNO. Postal services extended in same area.

Typhoid spreading in PRATO, where main water supply cannot be
restored until large railway viaduct is reconstructed.

Red Cross/.....

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Red Cross field representatives doing outstandingly good work in reorganising local hospitals in forward areas.

AMG EIGHTH
ARMY:

See our signal 7778 of today which is paraphrase of Army sitrep on occupation of RAVENNA.

GENERAL
REMARKS:

Patriot Reception Centres and Reception Points to be established in Army areas.

4% of men accepted into the Italian Army in each district to be enrolled as Carabinieri. Estimated that 1000 recruits for Carabinieri will be obtained by this scheme in period December/January. 174 Carabinieri awaiting employment in territory not yet liberated to assist GSI(b) EIGHT Army in control of civilian movement in interim.

Responsibility for distribution of coal in SARDINIA passed to Italian Government.

Present effective generating capacity in Central ITALY is 97,330 kilowatts, a one third increase since 1 November.

Pool system now in operation for HQ Allied Commission cars.

Joint programmes for essential imports now agreed with Italian Government.

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 15.

POLITICAL: Council of Ministers met 22 Nov, dealt with control of radio and films. Also made provisions for SARDINIA, setting up SARDINIAN Council and Bank and approving 1,000,000,000 lire for agriculture and industry on Island.

Crisis in government began Sunday, 26 Nov with resignation of BONOMI Ministry. In past few days Lieutenant General has conferred with political leaders of all important parties including those not in government. C.L.N. has met and attempted to choose coalition candidate to succeed BONOMI. Action Party has indicated it would not participate in government unless SPORZA is Foreign Minister; Socialists reluctant to collaborate again with BONOMI.

FOOD AND SUPPLIES:

Position SICILY still causing anxiety.

Salt arriving in Provinces ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region but distribution to Communes still bad, owing to inefficiency of monopoly agents. 30% of wheat crop at PENARO, spoiled due to lack of storage, has been fed to livestock. About 30,000 hectares of maize ready for collection at MACERATA when warehouses are available.

Flour supply/.....

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Flour supply LAZIO-UMBRIA Region satisfactory for 12 days. Other foods and supply situation causing anxiety.

Position generally satisfactory in SOUTHERN Region subject to distribution difficulties. Wagon supply short as ever. SALERNO Medico Provinciale emphasises shortage of sugar, disinfectants and soap. FOGGIA sent 600 tons of grain to ROME in special train. Olive oil control officers working well but numbers insufficient. 2 Public Safety Officers assigned to SOUTHERN Region for work connected with enforcement olive oil harvest law.

CRIME:

On the decline LAZIO-UMBRIA Region. Civil arrests in last four weeks dropped from 75 to 42.

Gang reported operating POTENZA and district rounded up. At FOGGIA 60 forged 1000 lire notes received and seizure of contraband olive oil continued. AMI courts opened BARI and BITONTO 24 Nov.

HEALTH:

16 new cases smallpox reported SICILY, making total of 26 cases.

Decline in incidence smallpox noted in all areas SOUTHERN Region. Vaccination programme still active. Typhoid rate also declining progressively. 2 Cases typhus verified at CANDITO. All counter measures taken by Typhus Control Section of Commission. One case cerebro spinal meningitis reported at IRBINA (BARI Zone). Enquiries being made.

Refugees:

All refugees in SICILY except 48 returned to mainland.

Blankets still needed LAZIO-UMBRIA Region.

2100 passed through SALERNO bound for REGGIO and 800 passed north bound for ROME.

PRICE
TENDENCIES:

General trend in SICILY still upward.

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Higher in LAZIO-UMBRIA Region. Ordinary civilian suit costs 30,000 lire.

Rising CATANZARO.

Wheat Collection/...

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WHEAT COLLECTION: Total to-date: 9,734,695 quintals.
AMG FIFTH ARMY: No change to report.
AMG EIGHTH ARMY: No change to report.
GENERAL REMARKS: Afternoon 20 Nov in S. GIORGIO (VILLAFUTZU district SARDINIA) small radio transmitter landed attached to an American parachute. Immediate search organized for 2 parachutists who civilians report also landed. Transmitter found.

Truck pool No.7 activated at ANCONA. Possibly the only electric traffic signal in ITALY now operating in AQUILA City.

An emergency supply of clothing for patriots sent to FLORENCE.

First fruit ship of the season now loading citrus fruits in SICILY for U.K.

Pistrafitta Mine, only large stripping lignite mine in Central Italy, commenced limited operations on 27 Nov. Has daily potential of 1500 tons if power and other supplies available.

First coal laden steamer, carrying 4800 tons, arrived CIVITAVECCHIA.

Two more Q.M. Coys (M.T.) now operating.

Rail line No.50 (LEGNANO - ROME) re-opened 26 Nov.

Italian steamship ARAZIA nominated for passenger service between SARDINIA and mainland (CAGLIARI - NAPLES) commencing about 26 Dec.

Rear Army security control line adjusted w.e.f. 25 Nov to following: PANO - URBINO - SANSEPOLCRO - AREZZO - SIENA - COLLE DI VAL D'ELSA - CECINA. Check line to be just north of these towns.

Two-day hunger strike in AQUILA prison believed ended. Grievance was fact that prisoners were getting 300 gram bread ration while ROME prisoners had 525 grams.

Short strike MONT ALBANO (BARI Zone) settled. Judge Counsellor of Epuration Committee NAPLES reported 22 Nov.

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Chief of Staff

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 14

PRESIDENT: Announcement was made in AFHQ General Order No. 27 dated 18 November of the delegation by the Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean Theater, of his functions as President of the Allied Commission to the Right Honorable HAROLD MACMILLAN, M.P., British Resident Minister AFHQ, in addition to his other duties, effective 10 November 1944.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT,
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
& C.C.A.C.

Announcement was made in AFHQ General Order No. 27 dated 18 November of the appointment of Commodore KILBRY W. STONE, USNR, effective 10 November 1944, as Deputy President of the Allied Commission, and in addition to serve as Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission and Chief Civil Affairs Officer of Occupied Territory under Allied Military Government in Italy vice Lieutenant General FRANK H. MASON MACFARLANE, K.C.B., D.S.O., M.C., relieved.

POLITICAL: Council of Ministers heard reports from High Commissioner of Sicily and Sardinia; declared, on investigation that recent violence (19 Oct) in Palermo was "A crime of the people" and not instigated by any individual or group. The Council also approved decrees to speed reconstruction and increase the war effort.

General Roatta, ex-chief of state maggiore has been arrested as also his assistant Col. Bertolini.

Several parties have made declarations; the Socialists have asked annulment of the September armistice and restriction of AC powers to a purely military sphere. Other parties have stressed need of unity and working with.

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C.L.N. The position of the partisans has been the object of sympathetic discussion by all sections of the press; it is pointed out that they cannot simply disperse during the winter since it would be suicidal.

Count Carandini, Italy's emissary to England, left for London on 20 November.

Ronni, Socialist leader, visited AREZZO 18 November but held no meetings.

Two short strikes BARI and CANOTA over carovita both settled. Small Partito Agrario formed "SOCS", consisting of anti-Communist landowners. Disturbances at CATANZARO where peasants invading land under Italian Government control. First meeting new cooperative society at TARANTO 19 November.

Secretary Communist Party and C.N.L. causing trouble against Sindaco of FICHERIO, situation under control.

Food &
Supplies:

Grave shortage freight cars adversely affects transport and supplies to ROME and wheat from surplus areas. Good expectancy olive oil crops LIVORNO.

Stockpiles ABRUZZI-MARCHE provinces to be enlarged to provide for 300 grams bread ration if ordered.

Grain amassed AREZZO province spoiled by damaged warehouses.

Regularity of flour delivered LANCIO-UMBRIA Region slightly improved, but general position causing anxiety.

Sugar and olive oil in particular demand SALERNO. Olive Oil collection started at BARI - 8989 quintals collected. Serious lack of rail cars at CATANZARO.

F.W.B. producing film on assessing of olive oil.

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Two Woollen Textile firms commenced work at PRATO. Further 23 will start when electric power available.

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Ration scales for food and petrol for SAN MARINO same as for Liberated Italy.

General issue soup and dehydrated vegetables suspended as from 1 Dec (except in Army areas) owing uncertainty future supplies. All supplementary rations continued.

CRIME:

Improved LAZIO-UMERIA Region since apprehension of gangs of deserters.

Gang of Canadian deserters now less active; military police operating several squads. Much contraband oil seized at FOGGIA and TARANTO.

HEALTH:

Generally satisfactory but 6 fresh cases smallpox in Sicily.

Southern Region: Incidence smallpox NAPLES City and province declining. Approx 5000 vaccinations in week NAPLES province. No area showing active epidemic stage. Typhoid not public health threat now.

PERSONNEL:

Brigadier M.S. Lush, Chief of Staff, returned 16 Nov from visit to LONDON.

The Rt. Hon. Harold Macmillan, Acting President, left 21 Nov for LONDON and WASHINGTON.

REFUGEES:

2000 repatriated from SICILY to date.

BARI prefects report inability to accept many more refugees.

CROSSINTO: PULLANICA camp extended to receive additional 100.

PRICE

TENDENCIES:

Still increasing ABRUZZO provinces where fixed prices for wood and charcoal extremely high.

LAZIO-UMERIA Region; continued rise for luxury goods; rationed goods again rising in Black Market.

Fresh fish and meat prices SICILY much lower following prohibition against preserving fish.

WHEAT

COLLECTION:

Total to date: 9,692,170 quintals, 72% of target figure.

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AME 5 ARMY:

Two small communes in FORLI occupied and one more in LUCCA province. Considerable surplus of grain found in a town in FORLI province. Florence Deputazioni Provinciale officially appointed.

Reformed administrative agencies making progress.

Wheat crop being too damp to be stored in some areas, distributed in bulk to families on basis of 200 grams ration and milling card substituted for bread Tessera.

Deployment en bloc with Army formation found for Patriots held in Florence. Arrangement very satisfactory so far.

AME 6 ARMY:

Part of EMILIA Region provincial team working in FORLI which is still under enemy shell fire.

In RAVENNA enemy has broken banks of river south of town, adding to flooded area of province.

GENERAL
REMARKS:

Dr. SMILJANIC, member of Yugoslav mission to Advisory Council, replaced 16 Nov by Dr. SMILJAKA.

Lt-Col Verley arrived 20 Nov from G.A. BUEBA. To spend short time as observer with Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission.

Reference penultimate para Sitrep No.13 please read "East Africa" for "North Africa".

First repairs to OMROBANTO PISA reputed now completed.

Special office set up by Minister of Interior to investigate complaints of public against Public Security agents. "Order of the day" issued by Italian Director Public Security Corps calling for increased efficiency.

All Italian military prisoners serving over 30 days to be transferred to Italian military prisons now under jurisdiction of Minister ~~3532~~ and Justice.

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Unemployment rising ABRUZZI-MARCHI Region.

Mining supplies and equipment sunk LIVORNO harbour to be salvaged.

Regional engineers instructed to place more work and responsibility on Italian Ministry of Public Works.

Deaths in GROSSETO flood 13. Homeless over 600.

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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GROUP OF STUDY
17 MAY 1944

SECRETARY MEMO No. 13.

Political:

Council of Ministers met on 15 May and 16 May and heard reports of High Commissioners for RUSSIA and GERMANY. Discussion of political situation deferred pending the meetings of Ministers without portfolio. Communist Party issued manifesto 14 May calling for (a) relaxation of Allied controls; (b) earlier de-mobilization; (c) immediate municipal elections; (d) increased powers for C.L.N.; and (e) greater war effort. Communists and Socialists held mass meeting 12 May which, although attended by 15,000, passed off quietly. Truman G.L.N. visited 9 May to demand right of citizenship reforms. Growing newspaper agitation on non-fulfillment of promise of 500 gram ration made by President Roosevelt.

Southern Region reports political activity reviving in RUSSIA. Labor Movement Party leader at TAIPEI working for creation of large cooperative society, open to all. Rural granaries thrown at Communist gathering in TAIPEI zone, causing slight damage to property.

Food and
Rationing:

TAIPEI-NEHA Region report food position in provinces satisfactory but only three days ration in HONG. No improvement in supply situation. RUSSIA commitment of olive oil arrived AMERICA-NEHA Region more food and supply position satisfactory.

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to demand rights of democratic parliaments. Growing discontent
in non-fulfillment of promise of 300 gun reduction by President
Roosevelt.

Southern Region reports political activity reviving in MALI.
Labour Democratic Party leaders at BAMAKO waiting for creation of large
cooperative society, open to all. Paris expresses threat at Communist
gathering in 1950 zone, causing slight change to property.

Food and
Supply: MALI-URUGA Region report food position in provinces **3530**
good but only three days reserves in KOS. No improvement in

supply situation.
MALI-URUGA commitment of olive oil arrived 1950-1951-1952
Region where food and supply position satisfactory.

Greater quantity of supplies available MALI and in MALI
distribution improved by transport situation. At TAMBOU 50% R.D.
trucks off road due to lack of tyres and tubes.

Movement of food wheat to disadvantaged areas improved. Up to
30 tons a day moving through C.I.N. to LEBEREA, F. GUINEA, MALI and
S. GUINEA divisions.

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Chile:

Household-ups and thefts by deserters. Two gangs are suspected. The London Bureau stated for AMERICA-WASHING Region III being investigated. May 14 victims arrested. Car men arrested MAY 14 and for hold-up of train. Deserter Military Police arrived MAY 14 to deal with gang of Chilean deserters now believed to number 20. Three Chilean and one American deserter reported arrested by Allied Commission personnel at MARIQUEN.

Peru:

Only five muller cases in SICHU. 250,000 inoculations reported CAYSHO city.

Light increase of muller MAY 14 city and small epidemic (35 cases) in SICHU VENTURA. 6,000 vaccinations carried out in part three weeks and epidemic under control.

Two new cases muller reported MAY 14. At SICHU 25 cases typhus and acute shortage muller's vaccine.

Paraguay:

New appointments of Acting President and Chief of Police of Allied Commission duly put into effect.

Argentina:

Situation in RIA improved since recent start of trains to South. 600 registered from SICHU.

Approximately 300 arrived MAY 14 by sea and were distributed in LONNE area. Train arrived MAY 14 with 1100 refugees from RIA for SICHU.

Spain:

Higher for luxury goods, slightly lower for controlled and rationed goods in Black Market - LONNE-IBERIA Region.

Continued rise in SICHU.

Southwestern Region report rise at MARIQUEN and CAYSHO, otherwise in decay.

Summary:

Total to date: 3,342,667 quints. 7% of target figure.

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Health

Only five smallpox cases in SINGAPORE. 250,000 inoculations reported SINGAPORE city.

Light increase of smallpox cases city and small epidemic (35 cases) in SINGAPORE. 6,000 vaccinations carried out in past three weeks and epidemic under control.

Two new cases anthrax reported SINGAPORE. At SINGAPORE 29 cases typhus and acute shortage smallpox vaccine.

New appointments of Acting President and Chief of Police of Allied Commissions only put into effect.

Situation in SINGAPORE improved since recent start of transfer to SINGAPORE. 600 repatriated from SINGAPORE.

Approximately 300 arrived SINGAPORE by sea and were distributed in SINGAPORE. Train arrived SINGAPORE with 1400 refugees from SINGAPORE for SINGAPORE.

Higher for luxury goods, slightly lower for controlled and rationed goods in Black Market - SINGAPORE Region.

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Continued rise in SINGAPORE.

Southern Region request rise at SINGAPORE and SINGAPORE, otherwise no change.

Total to date: 9,562,867 quanta. 7% of target figure.

Health
Occupational

Public health improved in SINGAPORE by prospect of better food rationing.

Increased flow of refugees expected in near future.

Not reported last night. On 2 May River left river quickly, water crossed streets of SINGAPORE and continued to rise until morning of 3 May. City was at its time out of. Water then subsided slowly and most streets now drying out. SINGAPORE broken banks of river reconstructed.

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Slaves, dated 14 May, just received reports:

Two civilian men and women arrived in MARI in May, ostensibly for work but probably for political reasons. A man and a woman, probably behind them. A delegation presented a petition for work with 2000 signatures.

With any at estimate in point 2000 refugees evacuated South. Similar number will probably be evacuated this week.

Civil Affairs officers arrived MARI in May. Reported that no far town has suffered slight damage but was still under mortar and shell fire. Patriots reported 2000 civilians living in cellars. Nothing else from Eighth Army.

North army agent with portable wireless set dropped from enemy aeroplane by parachute 9 May near MARI, CENTRAL area, SAMBULA. Men named THOMAS taken into custody by local Italian police.

ARMED-MARI Region. Plans for two construction devastated areas being prepared. French truck pool opened at MARI. Ammunition day ceremony held at MARI of 96 Allied soldiers.

Distribution of 15,000 tons imported nitrogen fertilizers in Southern Region completed.

Construction and terms of reference of the Industrial Commission Committee now approved.

Arrangements in progress for handing over to Italian Government SAMBULA coal mines, agreed to by AMV.

700 Yugoslav agriculturalists repatriated on 6 May. 3528

A number of officers and 21 AMV and Finance Guards, former in North Africa, repatriated and attached to MARI Region. After examining they will be distributed throughout Southern Italy.

Patrol representatives with AMV.

General
Summary

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January 20, 1961

Fourth army agent with portable wireless set dropped from army
helicopter by parachute 9 May near Hill 11, CHUNGKING area, Szechuan.

ATLANTA-FATHER REGION. Plans for no further devastation areas being prepared. Branch truck pool opened at 2100. Arrivals: Day covering held at station of 96 Allied soldiers.

Conditions and terms of purchase of the Industrial Collection are
Condition two approved.

700 Tugueley Agriculturalists registered on 6 Nov. 3528

• Antony's presentation

being paid by Italian authorities through Allied agencies. Question is whether well.

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 2. *Staphylococcus aureus*

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CHIEF OF STAFF.

WEEKLY SITREP No. 12.

Political : Council of Ministers met twice during week. On 3 Nov abolition of the General Staff was decreed and exuration tightened by giving more initiative to High Commissioner. On 7 Nov Council reasserted that the six parties of the coalition are the expression of the will of the people and that the constitutional question will be solved by a constituent assembly. This was an answer to implications in Lieutenant General's interview with Matthews of "TIMES" in which the Prince indicated a plebiscite should come before the constituent assembly and gave the impression he thought parties did not fully represent people.

Meeting of 7 Nov also approved liquidation of Fascist federale and confederale (parastatal) organisations. Among other decrees touching reconstruction is creation of Sottosegretariato (Under-Secretariat) for Food.

Communist President of C.I.M. GROSETO Province (TOSCANA Region) dismissed by general vote due to opposition to Communists by other parties.

Formation reported in LEGGE of Union of Independent **3537**
Fusion of Liberal and Democratic Parties reported at TRIESTE.

Food &
Supplies :

Charcoal Production GROSETO Province going well.

Food situation SICILIA Region reported bad.

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All Public Safety agencies ~~ROME~~ area placed on increased ration scale equivalent to that of Italian Army.

Wheat position ~~NAPLES~~ serious and flour issues exceed wheat intakes. Shortage rail wagons still handicapping export grain and flour from ~~FUGGIA~~. Olive oil campaign proceeding well.

Position serious ~~CATANZARO~~ due to lack of rail cars for grain distribution. 200 tons of clothes promised for ~~CAMPORASSO~~.

Plans made to aid fishing industry and discipline marketing of fish. Number of hold-ups by deserters in ~~ROME~~ much reduced.

Crimes: Two bombs exploded ~~FUGGIA~~ as demonstration against ~~SS~~. No damage caused. Tuberculosis ~~CROSSETO~~ Province; increased over last year estimated at 50 %

Health: Few cases smallpox in ~~SALERNO~~. Increase in ~~NAPLES~~ City and Province. Static at ~~BENEVENTO~~. Otherwise no outbreaks this disease experienced except in ~~CERVINARA~~ (~~AVELLINO~~ Province).

Personnel: Brigadier J.E. ~~KNILOP~~ took over temporary command Southern Region 6 November replacing Colonel ~~TEMPERLEY~~; Colonel G.M. ~~CHURCH~~ Acting Regional Commissioner Venezia Region.

Refugees : Movement from ~~SICILY~~ to ITALY begun. 400 in transit through ~~SALERNO~~ zone and 550 arriving Southern Region by train from ~~ROME~~. Approx. 900 expected at ~~BARI~~ from ~~CORFU~~.

Price
Tendencies: Continue upwards in ~~SICILY~~.

Wheat
Collections: Total to date 9,193,790 quintals, 70% of target figure.

THE 5 ARMY: Province of ~~MODENA~~ entered by Fifth Army and further advances made in Province of ~~BOLOGNA~~, ~~RAVENNA~~ and ~~SOLOMA~~.

Many bridges washed out and all but a few main roads made impassable by heavy rains.

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Problem of finding shelter for troops now acute.

Food and medical supplies everywhere being distributed. Morale in VIGOLA and PISA improved by increase of bread ration to 200 grams.

LIPIA tobacco factory reopened 26 October.

Marked improvement in efficiency of G.R. reported in ZARZAR. Transportation difficulties add considerably to main problem of supply.

ANGLO ARMY Reports received on 5 large towns liberated recently. GENOVA only 10 % destroyed and about 15,000 out of normal 25,000 population in the city. Supplies present no immediate problem. In PORTOFINO about 25 % of buildings destroyed and many damaged but public services only partially disrupted. GENOVA is first town to be captured in LIGURIA Province. Town practically undamaged.

All military billeted in SAN MARINO have left Republic and only service units under canvas remain.

General Remarks: Serious flood CAUSEDO caused by River OMERO bursting its banks on 2 Nov. 11 dead, 400 homeless and much loss of cattle. Considerable damage in town. Energetic action taken by Provincial Commissioner who reports flood now abated and local situation normal. Communications disrupted temporarily and only slowly being restored.

Appointment approved by Italian Minister of Public Instruction of a committee to organize teachers throughout ITALY into small groups with general object of democratizing whole educational system of ITALY.

Red Cross week in ROME (extended to 12 days owing to bad weather) collected 100 tons of clothing and supplies and over 4 million lire in cash.

Allowances to be paid to all fighting patriots, indemnities and pensions equivalent to those of Italian Army to be paid to families of wounded and dead.

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1 Jan 45 is target date for assumption of responsibility by UNRRA of South-East Italy Accommodation Centres.

Meetings held between Economic Section and UNRRA representatives on question of loan of supplies to enable UNRRA to function. Referred to AFM for decision.

Increase as from 16 Nov in Italian Armed Forces wage scale (grant of 40 to 60 lire a day in addition to present wage) approved by AFM.

NATALE plant ALGERIA has resumed operations with a monthly output of 2500 tons superphosphates. About 300 tons a month of Carbon Disulphide will be produced by INSULARE Plant at CATANIA, recently opened.

Italian Government financial mission (3 Italian officials accompanied by Lt. Col. J.J. Lawler of Finance Sub-Commission) left for US on 3 Nov.

Half of new Italian Government currency to be printed in US and the other half in ITALY.

3 CM Truck Coys now formed. Other 5 still in process of formation.

J/Gdr. M. HOPKINS-BADULOVIC.
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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WEEKLY SITREP No. 11.

Political : Resumption of diplomatic relations between Italy and England, Russia and American Nations was principal item in foreign affairs. CARABINI, new Minister without Portfolio in Government, is to be Italian representative in LONDON. Bonomi issued statement saying Italy trusted in success of Justice of United Nations and hoped to be made Ally. He added Italy needed all kinds of aid and reconstruction problems would have priority over social and political reforms.

Bonomi approved recommendation of CGLL for immediate distribution of lands to peasants. Orders have been issued to Provincial Commissions to begin distribution 5 Nov.

Council of Ministers meeting 27 October made plans for attacking Sicilian question. A "Commissia" is to be set up on the island, made up of representative Sicilians and funds were set aside for Sicilian industrial development. Situation in ABRUZZO Province returned to normal. Additional Carabinieri brought in.

No repercussions followed PALERMO incident on 19 Oct and situation is now normal, though Separatists are seeking to exploit incident.

Discontent reported at Dockyard TARANTO over non-payment of advance on pay increase.

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Food and Supplies...../

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Food and Supplies:

Issue of 300 grams of pasta fortnightly authorized as from 5 Nov for 1 ABRUZZI - MARONE and LAZIO-UMBRIA Regions, also Fifth and Eighth Army and a Olive oil harvest beginning at BARI.

Good quantities of potatoes shipped to ROME and Provinces from ABRUZZI-MARONE Region.

Lack of rail cars still hindering deliveries to LITTORIA and PROSEDONE. Deliveries of flour to ROME slightly improved. Agreement made with AFLIS on terms of reference for the Industrial Co-ordination Committee.

Italian Government to take over distribution of food in liberated territory. Discussions in progress with new Under Secretary for Food on mechanics of the change-over.

Crime:

Situation satisfactory most Regions.

Robberies by Allied deserters and Italians dressed in Allied uniforms reported LAZIO-UMBRIA Region, also many car thefts. Canadian deserters gang still active BATERA and POTENZA but no arrests reported.

Health:

Smallpox decreasing NAPLES and Province. Static in BENEVENTO. Does not present threat to public health in other Provinces, Southern Region. Typhoid declining in BENEVENTO, elsewhere more or less static.

Ambulance shortage acute in NAPLES Province.

Personnel:

Mr. H.A. Gaccia, British Vice-President of the Political Section, transferred by Foreign Office to Greece.

Major Washburne appointed Acting Director Education Sub-Commission.

Refugees:

Evacuation of ANCONA area will probably mean 3000 people a week arriving in ROME.

Prices

Commodities:

Prices of uncut, rolled and unrationed foods slightly higher LAZIO-UMBRIA Region. Some rise in parts of Southern Region.

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Wheat
Collection

Total to-date 8,274,850 quintals. 69% of target figure.

4th Fifth
Army

Food supply adequate except sugar, olive oil and tinned meats. Problem is transport particularly for grain from GROSSETO and SIENA areas to forward areas. Considerable improvement reported in administration FLORENCE Province.

New series of spy trials in FLORENCE has resulted in convictions in each case.

4th Eighth
Army

VENEZIA Province team came under orders EIGHTH Army. Otherwise nothing new to report.

General
Remarks

ABRUZZO-MARCHE Region reports civil telegraph opened from AVELLA to PERAMO, ASSOLI, GUSTI and Rieti. Open to PESCARA this week. (Provinces recently handed back to Italian Government). Connection with ROME awaits repairs between Rieti and ROME.

The new designation Allied Commission came into effect 27 Oct. Patriots Branch, though placed under Local Government Sub-Commission, will function as a separate entity.

225 Fascist professional appointments are to be invalidated and the vacancies filled by competitive test.

Strength of Carabinieri being increased by transfer of 5000 Italian troops. Date for their return to military duties under discussion with AFHQ.

Exhibitions of works of art at SIENA and at FLORENCE are being arranged.

1st, 2nd and 3rd Q.M. Truck Coys nearly ready. Meanwhile training proceeding with all possible speed.

New electricity rationing plan for civilian population at ROME commences this week. Will take about 3 weeks before complete.

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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WEEKLY SITREP NUMBER 10.

Political : Riot in PALERMO 19 October, 26 killed 156 wounded when soldiers fired on mob. Council of Ministers, meeting following day, heard ALIBISIO's report on Sicilian situation, ordered full investigation. Council also ratified workers' subsidy measures, prepared additional ones for state employees, gave special attention to rules for expatriating press. 21 October BONFEMI sent circular to Prefects explaining Agrarian legislation in preparation and stressing that pending its application no illegal or violent action should be tolerated.

Southern Region reports "Recent announcements regarding withdrawal of AGC from Southern Italy viewed with great concern by all responsible Italians". Incidents in two communes AVELLA Provinces on day of turnover to Italian Government. In ORTUCCIO about 300 persons attempted to occupy uncultivated private land. Carabinieri and other police agents fired on crowd. One peasant killed, 6 wounded. Full investigation being made and Italian political leaders warned of their responsibility. Minor incident same day at SULMONA.

Sicilian Separatists attempting to exploit incident on 19 October. GOVER youths held anti-monarchist demonstration at ORTUCCIO.

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Communist influence BARI and FOGGIA increased, particularly since visit of Soviet Delegates. Recent strike at FOGGIA alleged to be engineered by Communists. Discontent at paper factories FOGGIA fomented by Communist leaders.

Food and Supplies.

Generally no change. Salt arriving in more adequate quantities ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region. Urgent need for tanning materials in SICILY. New flour mill at LIVORNO to start working 25 October.

Arrangements made for rations of all Italian Public Safety organisation to be increased from heavy workers to Italian Army ration scale w.e.f. 1 November Olive Oil harvest beginning in Southern Region. Soap ration being distributed at SALERNO. 360 tons fertiliser arrived BARI. Shortage of rail cars for distribution of supplies reported in Southern Region.

Crimes :

Central directorate of prisons at NAPLES to be abolished on 15 November. Gang of alleged Canadian deserters reported operating at MATERA and COSENZA.

Health :

Mainly satisfactory. Anterior Poliomyelitis decreasing in SICILY Region. Representatives Public Health Sub-Commission (Typhus Control Unit) began tour of Southern Italy and SICILY to instruct medici provinciali in dusting technique for typhus control.

Approximately 100% increase in smallpox in NAPLES Province. Mainly in commune of SAN ARPINO. 21701 vaccinations NAPLES Province. Quarantine declared for all unvaccinated. Slight increase in BENEVENTO. Vaccination continuing. Active steps in general being taken. Foot and mouth disease LATENZA (PARMIGLIO Province).

Personnel :

Brig. G.S. Parkinson, Director of Public Health Sub-Commission, ³⁵⁴⁹ left for a visit of approximately 10 days to M.E. in connection with public health activities, particularly work in connection with malaria.

Col. R.G.P. Spicer, C.M.G., is to replace Col. McCarthy as Director of

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Patriots Branch, retaining his present duties as Director of Local Government Sub-Commission. Col. McCarthy appointed to M.E.

Refugees Red Cross distributions at GROSETO continues. Arrangements being attempted to repatriate 11,745 agricultural refugees from SICILIA and Southern Region to North, where they are needed to cultivate their land. 1230 passed through SALERNO Province.

Prices
Tendancies: Continued upward SICILY Region. Rising at NAPLES, POGGIA, CATANZARO. Watch Committee formed at BARI, as experiment.

Wheat
Collection: Total to date 3,856,418 quintals -- 68% of target figure.

AND Fifth
ARMY Work in newly liberated communes very difficult, as all towns badly damaged and uninhabitable and scattered population usually inaccessible due to bad roads. Housing shortage in PISA acute. Danger of floods causing apprehension. Communists exploiting food shortage PISA and circulating pamphlets. Bread ration at LUNIA increased. 40 % of wheat still in the fields unthreshed in front line areas and much of it sprouting. Weather conditions will prevent more than half being saved. Abundant chestnuts help out grain supply.

AND Eighth
ARMY: Control of AREZZO passed to TOSCANA Region w.e.f. 13 Oct otherwise nothing to report.

General
Remarks: Housing and food in devastated areas LARIO-UMBRIA Region causing great anxiety. Rehabilitation work at GROSETO sanctioned and commenced. Rector for ROMA University to be elected in about 3 weeks time. Secondary schools to open where available first week in November. School for instructing Italians in mine clearance opened at PISA and 2 more being opened at SPOLATO and CHINFI. Appointment of Italian experts in soap manufacture and paper industry approved

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in connection with transfer of control of these industries to Italian Government. 100% G.T. Coy made available to IOC for work in conjunction with F of Sub-Commission for forward hauls for 100 EIGHTH Army and wheat hauls in SACERATA.

American Truck Co and Quartermaster Truck Coys being formed for forward areas.

Meeting held in ROME with Ministry of Interior on rehabilitation in devastated areas.

NAPLES Housing Commission and Genio Civile commencing repair of war damaged houses.

Wine ship sailed from TARANTO with cargo of 4,500 tons.

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WEEKLY SETBACK NUMBER NINE

Political : Reported unrest among black coat and other workers in TAVANITO due to failure of Italian Government to implement its promises of increased pay. Details of a subsidy to meet increased cost of living were announced on 13 October after conference between CRIVELLI and representatives of employers. Basic figures are 35 lire per day for heads of family resident in big cities and 30 lire per day for those in smaller towns. Smaller sums will be granted to those with income greater than 3,000 lire per month. ASQUINI, one time Director of the Bank of Italy, received sentence of thirty years for handing over gold reserves of the Bank of Italy to the enemy. In GENOVA the leader of the Communist Party was discovered to be a fascist journalist. He was prefect for some years in MUSCOLINI's staff and responsible for drafting anti-racial laws.

Food & Supplies: Generally no change.

Crime: Occasional incidents at BRINDISI involving Allied troops. Seven arrests in REGGIO for counterfeiting; printing presses seized. In ARBENT death sentence on Riccardo DE BERLINGHIERI for espionage has been confirmed.

Health: Generally satisfactory.

Health: Generally satisfactory. Cases of smallpox continue to be reported from Naples City and Naples Province. Typhoid at Benevento still declining.

Personnel: Nothing special to report.

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Refugees : Nothing unusual to report. UNRRA has agreed in principle to taking over Southern Refugee camps, with the exception of BARI.

Price Tendencies : SICILY, ROME and CATANZARO report prices rising. In NAPLES there is a general increase.

Wheat Collection : Total to date 8,676,425 quintals -- 67% of target figure.

ANG Fifth Army : From PISA, LUCCA and PISTOIA it was reported that there is a serious shortage of food, which is being dealt with by the transfer of grain. The last information we have is contained in Sitrep dated 9 Oct (copy to you.)

ANG Eighth Army : Little fresh to report from the operational zone. SAN ARMANDO captured. Progress made in ANCONA and PESARO Provinces, but situation in FORLI Province has been complicated by the large number of troops requiring accommodation. This has necessitated some evacuation and a good deal of movement of civilians in coast towns to the country districts outside. The badly devastated area of GORIANO, and in the neighbourhood round about, gradually being re-populated under the personal supervision of the Prefect of FORLI. About 1,000 people are now in the town. Communes in the hills in Western PESARO Province through which troops have not passed and which are inaccessible in the normal way by road, are being gradually visited by GACs on foot or on mule, over mountain tracks known to peasants who are acting as guides where necessary. Most of the roads to these communes are either mined or have been cratered. In San Marino the situation is satisfactory, and the new Captains Regent are being very helpful in all respects. One battalion has been temporarily billeted in the town of SAN MARINO, on their invitation, but early evacuation of Republic by troops is planned.

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General Remarks. : The Germans are removing many art treasures as they move northwards. Mr. LOGAN, representative of the International Boy Scout Organization has come to Italy to effect a federation between the non-consecutional boy scouts and the catholic boy scouts for the purpose of contact with other nations., while leaving each with autonomy in Italy. Serious explosion and fire at Italian ammunition depot near CAPUA 11 October caused casualties and some deaths. Enemy agent PISCHKEUDA dropped in SARDINIA on 27 August has died of wounds sustained during capture. Postal service opened in ASOLI and MAJERATA provinces. Provinces of RIETI, TERAPO, AQUILA, PERDARA, VITERBO, CHIETI, handed over to Italian Government on 16 October 44.

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Chief of Staff.

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WEEKLY SITREP NUMBER EIGHT.

Political : The council of ministers met twice during the week. On the sixth the most important measures were the presentation by Siglienti and approval by the Council of new taxes, aimed at raising the state revenue and progressive if not radical in nature, and a draft decree for turning over uncultivated land on large estates to peasants cooperatives. The latter measure is surrounded with many reservations and the land is not to be given outright but only for limited time. The meeting of the eleventh took note of the hand over of six more provinces (L'Aquila, Teramo, Viterbo, Ostia, Pescara and Rieti) to the government which is to take place officially on the 16th. Provision was also made for setting up a Sottosegretariato per l'Alimentazione (under the Ministry of Agriculture) and the question of the workers' living indemnity was postponed again to allow for discussion among interested organisations. The press has been much concerned with the delay in issuing the decree on the subsidies for workers and has also followed the Ascolini trial (beginning the 9th) with interest. Southern Region report increased Communist activity.

Food & Supplies :

Generally no change. Situation Frosinone Littoria bad. Salt arrivals Abruzzi Marche improved. 5th Army area : food just sufficient for day to day consumption but no building up of stocks. Some disturbance Salerno

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due to grain shortage. Otherwise mainly satisfactory Southern Region.
Much Black Market by rail from Foggia.

Crime:

Regina Coeli prison. New director being appointed, entire staff to be changed and central prison directory disbanded. 1 civilian shot dead by unknown Allied ^{soldier}/Foggia Province. In Naples Italian policeman killed British sailor who assaulted him.

Health:

Generally satisfactory. Italian Port Sanitary officers taking precautionary measures against bubonic plague reported Algiers. Smallpox increase Naples City and Atella; decrease Portofino and other Naples communes. Typhoid still declining Benevento. Epidemic Anterior Poliomyelitis reported Sicily Region.

Personnel:

Notification received of Acting Chief Commissioner's promotion to Commodore W.A.F. 30 September.

All provincial teams Emilia Region gone forward under command 5th and 8th Armies. Sir Frank Brook, Inspector of Constabulary and Adviser to Civil Affairs directorate, touring Regions to visit British Police Officers.

Refugees:

Only 100 passed through Salerno province. Need for blankets Bari zone for refugees reported. Italian Army still bring refugees from South.

Price Tendencies: Continue upward Sicily Region. Otherwise no change reported.

Wheat Collection: Total to date 8,553,511 quintals. 65 % of target figure.

AMG 5th Army:

In central area communes very heavily damaged and their chief centres completely destroyed. Less destruction on west but much displacement of population. Conditions in Florence improved except for food. Repairs to Pisa Cathedral carried out by Army engineers.

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AME 3th Nothing new received since Rimini report. Latest San Marino reports forwarded
AMEY 1 separately.

General
Remarks : 2 day dock strike Sardinia ended.

Italian Red Cross week postponed until 22 October.
Ponza and approx. 200 demographic, industrial and agricultural census takers
now in the field, including Sardinia and Sicily. First reports expected
in about a fortnight. 4 unknown men raided communist club Taranto and 13
known fascists arrested. Italian relief organizations Southern Region
being organized for better distribution of supplies.

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WEEKLY SITREP NUMBER SEVEN.

Political : Discussion of Roosevelt-Churchill message continued in press; towards the end of the week the possible participation of Italian in war against Japan came to the foreground. Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, Visconti Venosta, said at Press Conference that Italy was anxious to collaborate fully but there was as yet no state of war existent between Italy and Japan. In general Leftist press view the possibility with some diffidence, the conservative parties see in it an opportunity for political reinstatement. All groups feel that Italy should be given Allied status as minimum prerequisite to any such enterprise.

On home front most important matter was report of Soleri, Minister of Treasury at Council Meeting September 29. He gave a detailed report of Italian financial position, which is not good. Made a guess at amount of AMG lire in circulation and stated the public debt could be roughly estimated at 653 billion lire.

Earlier in the week the government observed the anniversary of Munich Pact by declaring it null and void.

Food and Supplies.

No important change. Reduction of rations in Sardinia to AOC scale has caused some dissatisfaction as was expected. Situation not serious. Soap factory at BARI now producing 300 tons per month for British Forces.

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Cribs: Position generally satisfactory. 8 persons arrested REGGIO for forgery of AMG currency. 30,000 lire seized 40,000 Lire believed still in circulation. Gang of 16 dealing in eggs, wheat, flour, olive oil, cigarettes, and salt prosecuted at TIRAMO and 21,000 eggs confiscated.

Health: Generally satisfactory. Typhoid continues to decrease in BENEVENTO city but persists in neighbouring provinces. Smallpox now reported on the increase in BENEVENTO and FERTILIA (Naples Province). About 100 cases infantile paralysis in Sicily.

Personnel: Lt. Col. KESNER, AMIA, and Major KNABER, Communications this HQ, reported missing following crashing of plane off SARDINIA on 19 Sept. Brig. G.S. Parkinson Director of Public Health Sub-Commission appointed AOC liaison officer between Allied Red Cross organisations and the Italian Red Cross; also appointed liaison officer between AOC, AFHQ and the National Agency for Distribution of Relief Supplies in Italy.

Col. Adams and Mr. Villa, Economic Section, and Director General Italian State Railways, have left for LONDON to represent AOC at European International Transport Organisation Conference.

Refugees: Unauthorized movement in South continues.

Price Tendencies: General upward tendency.

Wheat Collection: Total to date 8,070,941 quintals. 62% of target figure.

AMG Fifth Army: Copy of sitrep for period 25 - 30 Sept has been sent to you.

AMG Eighth Army: RIMINI is reported very seriously damaged. On entry there 3509

no civilians but there is now a daily inflow of 4/500 - normal population 64,000. Unlikely that more than 20,000 can be allowed in the town owing occupation of habitable buildings by large numbers of troops. There is

no electricity but some water on the outskirts of the town. Water and

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sewerage system not yet inspected but it is anticipated badly damaged.
All civilians being provided with regular rations. Bakeries were established on 23 Sept and occasional feeding centers set up.

Greek troops are cause of unpleasant incidents with civilians.

General Remarks: Reorganization HQ AGO on agreed lines put into effect 2 Oct. Basic wage scale of civilian employees of Allied Forces increased by 12-40% on 1 Oct.

AMIA has agreed to issue clothing and equipment sufficient for 45,000 Carabinieri. Italian Red Cross organizing a Red Cross week commencing 15 Oct. to collect clothing, blankets etc. for refugees.

One enemy agent dropped in SARDINIA 27 Oct apprehended on 29 Oct.

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28 Sept 44

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ITALY SITREP NUMBER SIX

Political: There were a number of reports of Communist activities in particular from SICILIA where a number of Communist groups are being formed in the communes. Population at BARI was somewhat upset by the RIAS trial otherwise situation was normal.

Food & Supplies: No important change. BARI reports that the grain harvest is in full swing. In Region V there is a shortage of sacks for grain. In SICILY the last remaining warehouse will be turned over to the Italian authorities in mid October.

C r i m e: Position satisfactory. A certain amount of unrest developed on the night of the 23rd in the Regina Coeli prison in ROMA. Situation is now under control. A Carabinieri was shot dead by a British soldier at SALERNO. Assassination was arrested. GROSSERO reports occasional outbreaks of violence and looting. In SICILY armed bands are showing a tendency to increase.

Health: Generally satisfactory. Increasing T.B. in GROSSERO. Typhoid epidemic, is decreasing in BENEVENTO.

Refugees: Nothing of importance to report. 2000 persons are stranded at FOGGIA Station but arrangements are being made for them. 3507

Prison Conditions: No change.

Plant Collection: 7,490,000 quintals to date. This is 57.4 % of target.

ASR 5th & 8 Armies: Full sitreps for this period have been sent to you (4005 of the 29th September and 3967 of the 27th September).

General Remarks: Threatened strikes amongst Aprilian aqueduct company workers in

Food & Supplies:

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Health:

Generally satisfactory. Increasing T.B. in CROCIERU. Typhoid epidemic, is decreasing in BENVENUTO.

Refugees:

Nothing of importance to report. 2000 persons are stranded at FOGLIA Station but arrangements are being made for them.

Price Indicators: No change.

Wheat Collection: 7,490,000 quintals to date. This is 57.4 % of target.

AND 5th & 8 Armies: Full sitreps for this period have been sent to you (4005 of the 28th September and 3967 of the 27th September).

General Remarks: Threatened strikes amongst Aprilian aqueduct company workers in

BARI were settled by Prefect. There was also a dispute involving the Postal Telegraph employees over wages. Vatican State registered motor vehicles will have a special certificate of registration printed in the Papal colours.

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WEEKLY SITREP NUMBER FIVE

Political : At the opening of the trial of CANISO, former Rome Chief of Police, the chief prosecution witness, GARRETTA, former Director of Regine Coal Prison, was lynched by mob. Trial is proceeding and result expected today. At a Communist meeting at Licola (Caltanissetta) hand grenades were thrown. Detailed report awaited. In Brindisi there was a demonstration by Communists against a Sindaco. Apart from this situation is normal.

Food & Supplies : No important change. Region V report discontent over non arrival of salt, and present lack of olive oil. At Matera over-issue by CIP of POL stocks has been authorized to avoid complete breakdown of threshing and movement of grain to railheads.

Crime : Position generally satisfactory. An armed gang is reported operating in Bari Province. Action to round up military deserters in Calabria is proceeding. In Region V RIGGARDI DI BERLINDIS has been tried by general court for espionage and sentenced to death.

Health : There is new outbreak of smallpox in Naples Province. Investigation of water supply in Benevento City following typhoid epidemic shows water polluted. Public instructed on preventative measures.

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Refugees : Unauthorised movement in Southern Region continues but organised repatriation which commenced this week is proceeding satisfactorily. 1859 refugees were returned to SICILY and REGGIO CALABRIA.

Price
Temperatures : Prices are rising appreciably in Naples and Salerno zones.

Wheat
Collection : 7,143,000 quintals to date. This is 54.7 % of target.

ANG 5th Army : The following places have been entered:
PISTOIA . Damage is considerable. Population was 7000 out of normal 75,000. Water supplies broken but pumps are intact. The local residents prophesy hostilities between Pistoia patriots and those in the nearby Comune of Montemariano.
MONTecatini Terme. This resort with its splendid hotels is intact except for water and electricity.

Further news from Lucca is scanty. Long range shelling of PISA took place on 14 Sept. It is said that the absence of water and presence of mines will paralyse the city for some time. In FLORENCE Province the civilian transport organisation has approximately 300 vehicles on the Many of these will soon be laid up unless new tyres can be obtained. The Guelph Tower, was demolished for safety reasons by the Royal Engineers. Hooliganism by ex Patriots is reported.

ANG 8th Army : Nothing new to report. Few new communes occupied.

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General Remarks: Sit down strike by electricity and gas workers in NAPLES for higher wages. Strikers returned to work when ordered. Military harvesters, FOGGIA, now all dispersed and camp closed. 27,000 garments being distributed by Red Cross in Region V, this week.

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Political: Anglo-American Trade Union delegates enthusiastically received at BARI and TARANTO. Italian High Commissioner for Operations addressed 15,000 ^{making} at CROGGATO on 3rd September a plea for hard work and unity. He praised the work the Allies are doing.

Food and Supplies.

Food is a very serious problem. A committee comprising HQ and Region IV staff meets daily to consider the ROMM situation which shows little improvement. A daily target of 14,000 tons of meat, potatoes, vegetables, fruit and other nutritional foodstuffs has been set which if achieved would ameliorate the position but daily average of official deliveries is only 666 tons. New populous areas occupied by 5 Army are giving cause for anxiety whilst Region V has serious misgiving over distribution in the winter due to transport shortage.

Food for northern Regions still under consideration as you know.

Crime: Southern Region reports less black market activity. Robberies and hold-ups by troops continue. Number of arrests have been made.

Health: Small pox in NAPLES continues to decrease but there is some ³⁵⁰³ both here and at SALERNO. The typhoid epidemic in BENEVENTO-city shows some improvement. In Region V typhoid is on the increase but some cases have been traced to infected milk others to uncooked vegetables.

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Refugees: Northerly movement of refugees in Northern Region is again reported.

Wheat collection: 6,057,651 quintals to date. AVELLINO Province has reached the target figure. BENEVENTO, SALERNO and TARANTO within easy reach, NAPLES has collected 75 %.

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2 Army: The following places have been entered:

BRINDISI Very little damage. Has a population of 40,000.
Food is a serious problem.

BRATO Not greatly damaged though the water supply is badly smashed.
Population 25,000 plus 10,000 refugees out of 75,000 normal. 400 cases of typhoid since July 15th. No bread since 22nd August.

BRUNO Extensively damaged including water supply. Normal population 25,000 but only a small number present.

BRISA Shelling continued until 10th September. Rubble is full of booby traps and many land mines. Aqueduct intact but pump at the main source of supply for both BRISA and LIVORNO has been destroyed. This series of populous towns is proving a severe strain on food distribution which is causing great anxiety.

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Latest situation report despatched to you yesterday.

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19 Sep 44

SUBJECT : A.P.HQ Sitrep.

TO : SC & MG Section.

Reference your Ref/60/9.7/CA dated 8 Sept 44.

The Administrative Section will pass to you on Wednesday of each week any items covering its Sub-Commissions which may be of interest for inclusion in your weekly Sitrep to A.P.HQ.

J.C. HAWLEY J/Comdr.
P.A. to V.P.

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8 September 44.

SUBJECT: AFHQ Sitreps.

TO : Admin. Section.
Econ. Section.

1. On Thursday of each week this Branch prepares a situation report for AFHQ.
2. This sitrep, a copy of which is attached for information, contains a review of ACC activity for the week, and is largely based on information obtained from Regions.
3. It is thought that its value and interest would be increased by the inclusion of more items from this HQ, so that if on Wednesday of each week you will pass on anything noteworthy it will be included.

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Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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BRITISH SITREP NUMBER THREE

Political: Anti-monarchical feelings reported strong in Region VIII (CROBETTO Province).

In NAPLES Unione Femminile Italiana has been formed with the purpose of furthering the welfare and political rights of women. This is the first organization of its kind in Italy.

Food and Supplies:

In SICILY the sugar supply has now been distributed. Food and supplies generally in ROM are still causing anxiety. Coal is urgently required for paper mills and caustic soda for soap factory in FOGGIA. A shortage of naptha exists in CROBETTO Province and limits the threshing of wheat.

Crime:

No important change. In SICILY police activity in connection with grain collection continues and there is some increase of serious crime.

Health:

Smallpox epidemic in NAPLES area decreasing. Typhoid is now reported epidemic in BENEVENTO City and there is also a sharp seasonal increase in SHILL together with typhus. In ROM the health standard is low due to malnutrition.

Refugees:

No important change.

Grain Collection:

5,555,268 quintals to date.

Personal:

Region X is redesignated LIGURIA Region to administer Department 10. Effective 4 Sep PIEMONTE Region is activated and Col. Robert P. MARSHALL assigned Regional Commissioner. Lt.Col.C.H.A. MURPHY is appointed Regional Commissioner Region V effective 4 Sep vice Col. MARSHALL.

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Preliminary report PISA. AND took control 2 September. Population 15,000 all north of river. Water critical, food and medical supplies assured. Hospital capacity 700, patients 1,400. No untoward incidents. Patriots few and disarming completed. Cathedral no great damage. Tower intact. Archives and University library in good order. Considerable damage to half of listed churches. King's Palace received direct hit.

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AND representative in PISA 3 September. Considerable damage but not as great as feared. Germans evacuated civilians from the town August 6 after which considerable looting took place. Only about 200 people in city normal population 30/40,000. Do not anticipate serious refugee problem. No light, water disrupted but believed easily repairable, investigation proceeding. Sufficient food. Water and electric mill available the latter inoperative but can be adapted to tractors. 250 bed hospital intact and believed well stocked with drugs, about 50 patients. Industrial plants including pottery works and cycle factory understood to have been destroyed by Germans before leaving. Unable to give definite information owing to absence of population.

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General
Comments:

Provincial local government in GROSSETO Province complete and functioning on 3rd September. Some wage unrest among unskilled labour in this Province. Railway from PALERMO to MESSINA, MESSINA to CATANIA and CATANIA to PALERMO

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opened 28th August. Augmented passenger service for civilian freight and military travel commenced 1st September. Serious health fire occurred MURO district, SARDINIA - now under control. Italian troops assisted to extinguish fire and two officers lost their lives.

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Aug 31 1944

WEEKLY SITREP NUMBER TWO TO PARISH TO ADVISE FOR GEORGE FIVE FROM ACC HQ PARISH

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Families :

There is no change in the situation which is generally satisfactory except for ROME. Everything possible is being done to increase ROME's supplies and it is hoped that the situation will shortly be materially improved; pasta ration to be considered pending arrival of potatoes.

Grain :

No important change. Approximately 10,000 persons now denounced for violations of grain laws in Sicily and 22,000 quintals grain have been confiscated. XI road blocks are being operated in the Province of AQUILA to check black market in potatoes.

Health :

No further developments in outbreak of typhoid. Smallpox continues to abate.

Refugees :

The situation reported last week is now under control. ROME is becoming very crowded.

Personnel :

The following Regional Commissioners and Acting Regional Commissioners appointed: Region X - Lt. Col. FRANKY; Region XI - Col. A.W. HANCOCK; Region XII - Brig. J.E. DUNLAP; Col. G.R. TEMPERLEY - Southern Region.

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General
Comments:

Southern Region comprising Regions II, III, and VII came into operation on 28th August. 100 bridges have now been built in CASPOBASSO Province under the supervision of AMG. Civilian postal service operates AQUILA, ASCOLI, CHIETI, PESCARA and PERAMA.

Gas service of 1½ hours daily has commenced in ROME bringing favourable press comment. Little to report from Anzio.

Latest FLORENCE sitrep sent to you on 26 August. No change reported by Fifth Army AMG. The situation at LIVORNO is still unsatisfactory from AMG point of view owing to military restrictions preventing the reoccupation of a large part of the city.

Grain collection 4,537,434 quintals total to date. FOGGIA Province has collected 1,200,000 quintals of this total which is the full quota for export and estimates another 200,000 quintals.

Economic Section Press Conference held 29 Aug which received local publicity.

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In continuation of sitreps dated 24 August Ref 2219. 3,862,625 quintals wheat have been collected to date. This compares with the quota figure of approximately 13,500,000 quintals. Shortage of transport and lateness of harvest contribute to a slow collection. Reggio has collected 3/5 of its quota and shows the best progress.

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REQUIRE THE AUTOMATIC MOVEMENT OF FIVE ZERO SLAUGHTER CATTLE EACH WEEK FOR A PERIOD
OF TWO WEEKS COMMENCING TWO SHORT AFTER THE PUBLIC MEETING ON HERE TO PASSE TO
BEHIND THE CARRIAGES BEHIND FIVE ZERO AND IN FROM OF THE PASSE CATTLE WOULD IN
THESE INSTANCES NOT IMMEDIATELY TAKE UP IN THE PROTECTION OF THE AND BIRTH MESSAGE
VACUUM WITH WHICH TO INCREASE WITH PROPOSED CATTLE TO IMMEDIATE ACTION IS
REQUESTED TO REFER TO LETTER AND BEAT THREE ZERO ZERO SHORT BLIND FOUR BLIND FIVE
DATED ONE ZERO AUGUST ON SUBJECT ON PURCHASE OF CATTLE

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Civil Affairs Branch.

New series weekly nitro requested your letter 1 Aug begins :-

Political: Continued resistance to grain collection in SICILY has a background of political agitation and unrest but Separation is subdued. Socialist-Communist influence in PUGLIA is noticeable.

Food & Supplies

Distribution is the main problem and is likely to be with us continually due to shortages of transport. Chief difficulty at present is to be found in Southern Italy (Region II). ROME also not up to its ration scale because supplies have not reached the city in sufficient quantity. SICILY has been short of sugar for some time but arrangements have now been made for a three months supply.

Crime

Shows no unusual trend except in SICILY where violations of grain laws continues. Nearly 9000 persons have now been denounced and 15000 quintals of grain confiscated. The whole effort of the Carabinieri is focussed on grain collection. Evasion of grain laws is by no means non-existent elsewhere but it is only in SICILY that it approaches ^{organized} to organized resistance. The trouble has been recognized for some time and all possible measures to cope with the situation have been taken.

Health

The outbreaks of smallpox are abating but typhoid has appeared in RESSANO City and elsewhere. Water and milk supplies not incriminated and the outbreak is believed to be due to insanitary conditions and flies.

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Reported to be under control as result of countermeasures but situation being watched. No exceptional increase of malaria is reported. PONTINE MARSHES area being sprayed weekly from the air.

Refugees. There has been considerable trouble recently due to a spontaneous movement of refugees in parts of Italian Government Territory. These are people who have attempted to return to their homes ⁷²⁴⁵ without authorization and communications are in no state to deal with them yet. A firm directive has been issued to the Regions concerned to ensure through the medium of Italian officials that this does not recur.

Personnel. Brig. M. GARR has relieved Col. A.N. HANCOCK Region I. Col. J.T. ZILLARS Region II returned USA and in view of impending reorganization of AGC control of Southern Italy no new appointment made. Col. J.A.C. Penryoulak relieved Brig. M. GARR Region VI.

General Comments. SACERATA Province passed to control Region V on 19 Aug. In Region V an average of 18 people are being killed or injured daily as a result of mine explosions. The Italian Mine Clearing Coys are operating in the Region. Very successful conference with Region Commissioners and Staffs held 22 and 23 Aug. Full report in preparation. Activities of Army AMGs not included in this sitrep as you have been kept fully informed and little is happening at the moment. Purpose of this sitrep explained at Regional Commissioners Conference and it is hoped to make it increasingly comprehensive and interesting as a result.

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FORTNIGHTLY SITREP ONE AUGUST TO FIFTEEN AUGUST PD PAREN TO AMHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE
FROM ACC HQ PAREN POLITICAL PD GENERALLY SATISFACTORY PD NEW HIGH COMMISSIONER
SICILY ASSUMED OFFICE ON SIX AUGUST PD FOOD PD SATISFACTORY BUT SOME SOUTHERN PRO-
VINCES ANXIOUS OWING TO SHORTAGE OF TRANSPORT FOR DISTRIBUTION PD SUPPLY PD NO
IMPORTANT CHANGE PD CRIME PD IN REGION ONE POLICE STILL CONCENTRATING ON VIOLATORS
PAISE GRANAI DEL POPOLO PAREN PD FOURTEEN THOUSAND PERSONS DEPORTED AND ONE EIGHT
FIVE ZERO ZERO QUINTALS GRAIN CONFISCATED PD IN REGION TWO TARANTO BAD OWING TO
TEMPERAMENTAL DIFFERENCES OF FRENCH AND ITALIANS PD RARE NUMBER OF ASSAULTS ON
ALLIED TROOPS USUALLY INVOLVING OR CAUSED BY ITALIAN FORCES PD OTHER REGIONS NORMAL
PD HEALTH PD GENERALLY SATISFACTORY EXCEPT REGION FOUR CAUSING SOME ANXIETY PD REGION
THREE SMALLPOX SITUATION IMPROVED PD PERSONNEL PD NOTHING TO REPORT PD REFUGEES PD
ARRIVALS FROM FORWARD AREAS PERIOD THIRTY JULY TO TWELVE AUGUST ONE SIX FOUR SEVEN
DISPERSALS ONE NINE EIGHT SEVEN PD PRICES PD NO IMPORTANT CHANGE PD LOWER TRENDENCY
REGION SEVEN DUE FIRST ISSUE NEW RATION SCALE PD GENERAL COMPLAINTS PD UTILITIES IN
NORTHERN PROVINCES SUFFERED GREATLY BUT GRADUALLY COMING INTO SERVICE PD COLONEL
PENNYCHICK TAKEN OVER DUTIES REGIONAL COMMISSIONER REGION SIX FROM THIRTEEN AUGUST

Lt. 3490, Jr.
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PORTNIGHTLY SITREP [ONE SIX JULY TO THREE ONE JULY] PD PAREN TO AFHQ ADV
FOR GEORGE FIVE FROM ACC HQ PAREN POLITICAL ✕ SEPARATISTS IN SICILY
LESS ACTIVE ✕ COMMUNIST GROUP ACTIVE BRINDISI ✕ NO IMPORTANT CHANGE
ELSEWHERE ✕ FOOD ✕ SATISFACTORY ✕ SUPPLIES ✕ DIFFICULTIES WITH
RAIL TRANSPORTATION REGIONS TWO AND SEVEN HAVE CAUSED ANXIETY SATISFA-
CTORY ELSEWHERE ✕ CRIME GENERALLY SITUATION SATISFACTORY ✕ BLACK
MARKET OFFENCES REGION THREE DECREASED OWING TO PLENTIFUL SUPPLY PO-
TATOES ~~AND~~ FRUIT AND INCREASE IN RATIONS ✕ REGIONS ONE CAMPAIGNING
AGAINST VIOLATION GRAIN DECREES ✕ TWO THOUSAND PERSONS CHARGED AND
FIVE THOUSAND QUINTALS GRAIN CONFISCATED ✕ HEALTH ✕ NO CHANGE ✕
FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE SPREADING SLIGHTLY BARI ✕ TERMINATED AT TA-
RANTO ~~AND~~ OUTBREAK AT MATERA ✕ REFUGEES ✕ ARRIVALS FROM FORWARD AREAS
PERIOD [NINE JULY TWO TWO JULY] [THREE ZERO SIX NINE] DISPERSALS [THREE
NINE NINE SIX] ✕ PRICES ✕ NO IMPORTANT CHANGE ✕ BLACK MARKET BREAD
AND FLOUR REGION THREE LOWEST SINCE NOVEMBER ✕ GENERAL REMARKS ✕
WHOLE ~~REPORT~~ ^{EFFORT} GRAIN AREAS CONCENTRATED ON HARVEST WITH SATISFACTORY
RESULTS EVERYWHERE EXCEPT SICILIAN OPPOSITION GRANAI DEL POPOLO ✕
HARVESTING COMPLETED LOWLANDS CAMPOBASSO PROVINCE

L. T. 488 VANT, Jr.
1st Lieut. AGD
ADJUTANT

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15 July 1944

PORTNIGHTLY SITREP ONE JULY TO FIFTEEN JULY PD FAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE
FIVE FROM ACC ADV FAREN NO POLITICAL ~~ONE~~ REVER ACC WEEKLY BULLETIN NUMBER
FOURTEEN ~~FOOD~~ ~~ONE~~ IMMEDIATE SITUATION satisfactory ~~IN~~ REGION ONE
CONFERENCE HELD MILITARY AND CIVIL AUTHORITIES WITH VIEW TO COMPELLING
QUOTA GRAIN DELIVERY BY FARMERS ~~REGION~~ THREE GLUT POTATOES AND APRI-
COTS OTHER SOFT FRUITS IN GOOD SUPPLY ~~SUPPLY~~ ~~ONE~~ SATISFACTORY ~~CR-~~
ME ~~ONE~~ NO IMPORTANT CHARGE ~~POLICE~~ ACTIVITY REGION ONE INTENSIFIED
~~OVER~~ SEVEN HUNDRED CHARGED DEFAULTING GRAIN COLLECTION ~~HEALTH~~ ONE
SATISFACTORY ~~SMALLPOX~~ NAPLES UNDER CONTROL ~~REFUGEES~~ ~~ARRIVALS~~
FROM FORWARD AREAS ~~PERIOD~~ SEVENTEEN JUNE TO EIGHT JULY TWO FIVE FIVE
TWO DISPERSALS FOUR EIGHT SIX FIVE ~~PRICE~~ TENDENCIES NO CHANGE ~~IN~~
NAPLES BLACK MARKET PASTA FALL NEARLY SIXTY PERCENT IN ONE WEEK

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FORTNIGHTLY SITRE ONE SIX JUNE TO THREE ZERO JUNE ~~X~~ ~~FROM~~ (TO AFHQ
 FOR ~~GEORGE FIVE~~ FROM ACC MAIN) ~~FROM~~ POLITICAL ~~ONE~~ REFER ACC WEEKLY
 BULLETINS NUMBERS ONE ONE AND ONE TWO ~~X~~ ~~FOOD~~ ~~ONE~~ SATISFACTORY ~~ONE~~
 HARVESTING IN FULL SWING EIGHT ZERO PER CENT REAPED IN MATERA BUT
 PARTIAL REGION ONE NOT ACCORDING GRADAI DEL POPOLO FULL COOPERATION
 DUE UNFAVOURABLE REACTION TO PRICE ~~X~~ ~~SUPPLY~~ ~~ONE~~ SATISFACTORY EXCEPT
 NORTH OF PESCARA WHERE DESTRUCTION ROADS AND BRIDGES CAUSING TEMPORARY
 DIFFICULTY ~~X~~ ~~CRIME~~ ~~ONE~~ POSITION SATISFACTORY ~~X~~ FIGHT BETWEEN ITA-
 LIANS AND YUGOSLAVS AT LEGGE ONE ITALIAN ONE YUGOSLAV DEAD ~~X~~ ~~HEALTH~~
~~ONE~~ GENERALLY SATISFACTORY ~~X~~ ~~SMALLPOX~~ IN NAPLES DIMINISHING ~~ONE~~ DAILY
 AVERAGE NOW ~~TWO POINT FOUR~~ ~~X~~ ~~OVER~~ ~~TWO THREE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO~~ ~~VAC-~~
~~CINATIONS~~ ~~X~~ OTHER SMALL OUTBREAKS REGION THREE UNDER CONTROL AND
 VACCINATION PROCEEDING ~~X~~ FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE CONFINED TO ORIGINAL
 AREA ~~X~~ ~~PERSONNEL~~ ~~ONE~~ TRANSFERS TO NEW REGIONS STILL PROCEEDING ~~X~~
~~REFUGEES~~ ~~ONE~~ ARRIVALS FROM FORWARD AREAS PERIOD ONE ONE TO ONE SEVEN
 JUNE TWO THREE ZERO ZERO DISPENSALS THREE ZERO ONE SEVEN ~~X~~ ~~PRICE~~
~~TENDENCIES~~ ~~ONE~~ NO CHANGE ~~X~~ PUBLICATION INCREASED RATION FOR JULY RE-
 DUCED PRICE BLACK MARKET BREAD IN REGION SEVEN

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PORTWRIGHTLY SITREP (ONE JUNE TO ONE FIVE JUNE) POLITICAL CMA SEE ACC
 WEEKLY BULLETINE NUMBERS NINE AND TEN CMA SITUATION FULLY REPORTED
 IN PARIN TO ACC FOR GEORGE FIVE FROM ACC MAIN PARIN PD FOOD, CMA
 SATISFACTORY-CMA HARVESTING IN PROGRESS PD SUPPLY GENERALLY GOOD PD
 CRIME GENERALLY NO CHANGE, CMA SPY CASES DECE TRIAL CONCLUDED NINE
 FOUND GUILTY IMPRISONMENT SENTENCES SIX TO TWENTY YEARS PD HEALTH GOOD
 FEW CASES FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE REGION TWO CONTROL MEASURES TAKEN PD
 SMALL FOX REGION THREE NOT YET ERADICATED PD CASES AVERAGE FOUR PER DAY,
 CMA OVER ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND VACCINATIONS. PD PERSONNEL, CMA
 REDISTRIBUTION ALMOST COMPLETED PD REFUGEES, CMA ARRIVALS FROM FORWARD
 AREAS PERIOD (TWENTY EIGHT MAY TEN JUNE) (ONE THREE ONE ONE ONE) PD DISPER-
 SALS REGION TWO (FIVE HUNDRED PD) REGION THREE (NINE THREE SEVEN) PD REGION
 SEVEN (FIVE FOUR ZERO FOUR) TO ITALIAN ARMY (TWO ZERO TWO ZERO) PD LOCAL
 HOMES (ONE SIX SIX EIGHTH) TOTAL (ONE ZERO FIVE TWO NINE) PD PRICE TENDER-
 CINS NO CHANGE PD HARVESTING ARRANGEMENTS PROCEEDING ACCORDING TO PLAN
 LABOUR SUPPLIES GOOD ITALIAN SOLDIERS PROGRESS UP TO SCHEDULE PD CIVIL-
 LIAN MORALE IMPROVING DUE OCCUPATION HOME, CMA FRANCE INVASION AND HAR-
 VEST PROSPECTS.

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FREEDOM.

FORTNIGHTLY SITING ¹⁵ ~~REPORT~~ MAY TO ~~THIRTY ONE~~ MAY ~~X~~ ~~REPORT TO ADD~~ ~~FOR~~
~~S FIVE FROM ADD MAIN~~ ~~TANON~~ ~~X~~ POLITICAL ~~→~~ ~~SEE ADD~~ ~~WEEKLY~~ ~~BUDGET~~ ~~S~~
NUMBERS SEVEN AND EIGHT ~~→~~ SITUATION FULLY REPORTED ~~X~~ FOOD ~~→~~ SATI-
SFACATORY ~~→~~ SITUATION EASIER DOB SUPPLIED FRESH SUMMER PRODUCE ~~X~~
SUPPLY REMAINS SATISFACTORY ~~X~~ AT REGION OF ~~WINE~~ ~~200~~ ~~TONS~~ ~~100~~ ~~TONS~~ ~~100~~
~~TONS~~ ~~DAMAGED~~ ~~SEA~~ ~~WATER~~ ~~X~~ BEING DRIED ESTIMATED SIXTY PERCENT
WILL BE USABLE MANUFACTURES OF STARCH ~~X~~ LOCUSTS CAUSING ANXIETY FOR
~~X~~ DAMAGE TO DATE NOT GREAT ~~X~~ CHEMICAL WARFARE SERVICE PLANS THRO-
UOHS USED ALONG ROADS ~~X~~ WEATHER CONDITIONS FAVORABLE FOR FORTH COMING
HARVEST ~~X~~ HARVESTING COMMENCED REGION TWO ~~X~~ GRAM ~~→~~ NO IMPORTANT
PROGRESS ~~X~~ SUCCESSFUL BRACK MARKET RAID ON HOTEL 1. MATERIALS AT COBLENZA
TO DEATH ~~→~~ SMALL FOR OUTBREAK TOTAL ~~ONE~~ ~~FOUR~~ ~~THIRTY~~ ~~ONE~~ ~~CASES~~ ~~REGION~~
THREE CONTINUED ONE AREA NATLES ~~X~~ RATE GRADUALLY FALLING ~~X~~ VACCINATION
BEING CARRIED OUT ~~X~~ OTHER REGIONS SATISFACTORY ~~X~~ SMALL FOR QUARTITINE
TARANTO ENDED ~~X~~ TWO CASES ~~THIRTY~~ ~~ADDITION~~ ~~PROVINCE~~ ~~UNDER~~ ~~CONTROL~~ ~~X~~
REFUGES ~~→~~ AN AGREEMENTS MADE IN COBLENZA FOR ~~SHIPPING~~ ~~OF~~ ~~THIRTY~~ ~~TWO~~ ~~HUNDRED~~
~~SIXTY~~ ~~ONE~~ ~~TONS~~ ~~RECEIVED~~ ~~FIVE~~ ~~THOUSAND~~ ~~NINE~~ ~~HUNDRED~~ ~~NINETY~~ ~~SIX~~ ~~ONE~~
~~TONS~~ ~~SHIPPED~~ ~~OUT~~ ~~FIVE~~ ~~THOUSAND~~ ~~NINE~~ ~~HUNDRED~~ ~~NINETY~~ ~~SIX~~ ~~ONE~~ ~~TONS~~
~~REMAINING~~ ~~IN~~ ~~CASES~~ ~~THIRTY~~ ~~TWO~~ ~~HUNDRED~~ ~~SIXTY~~ ~~SEVEN~~ ~~ONE~~ ~~TONS~~ ~~RECEIVED~~
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(X) SLIGHT RISK OF PRICE OF GRAIN AND FINE CEREAL (X) GENERAL CONDITION
SATISFACTORY (X) GENERAL CONDITIONS (X) MOVEMENT OF ITALIAN SOLDIERS FROM
SARINIA ON AGRICULTURAL LEAVE FOR HARVEST WORK IN FOGGIA HAS BEEN
(X) HOUR STRIKE FIFTY DOZ LABORERS STOPPED (X) RAILWAY ACCIDENT PASSENGER
TRAIN COLLAPSED IN LECCE PROVINCE ²⁴ ~~TENNY~~ MAY CMA NINE FIFTY
SEVENTEEN INJURED (X) NO INJURY TO ALLIED PERSONNEL OR MILITARY TRAFFIC
ON LINE CLEARED ~~AND TWO THIRTY THREE TRAINS MAY~~ ^{0030 hours 15}

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FORWRIGHTLY SITREP ONE MAY TO FOURTEEN MAY PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR MSG FROM ACC MAIN PAREN PD POLITICAL CMA SEE ACC WEEKLY BULLETINS NUMBERS FIVE AND SIX SITUATION FULLY REPORTED PD FOOD CMA NO CHANGE PD SUPPLY CMA REMAINS SATISFACTORY PD CRIME CMA NO IMPORTANT INCIDENTS MINOR CASES SUSPECTED SABOTAGE APULIA PROVINCES PD HEALTH CMA SMALL POX OUTBREAKS TOTAL NINE SIX CASES REGION THREE CONFINED ONE AREA NAPLES VACCINATION BEING CARRIED OUT OTHER VIGOROUS MEASURES SITUATION UNDER CONTROL PD OTHER REGIONS SATISFACTORILY PD PERSONNEL CMA HEATHCOTE SMITH IGMC IRKEMAN WAR REFUGEE COMMITTEE ARRIVED PD REFUGEE CMA PASSED THROUGH CAMPS FOUR NIGHT SIX SENT TO RECEPTION AREAS SEVEN EIGHT SIX PD PRICE TENDENCIES CMA NO CHANGE PD PRICES WINTER FOURTY FOUR WHEAT CROP FIXED AT NINE HUNDRED FOR SOFT AND ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED PER QUINTAL PD GENERAL COMMENTS CMA PROSPECTS HARVEST REGION TWO APPEAR EXCELLENT PD REASONS CARBONIA STRIKES REPORTED LAST SITREP APPEAR POLITICAL.

<u>SUMMARY:</u>	<u>Political:</u>	See ACC weekly bulletin Nos 5 and 6 where situation fully reported.	
	<u>Food</u>	No change.	
	<u>Supply</u>	Remains satisfactory.	
	<u>Crime</u>	No important incidents. Minor cases suspected sabotage Apulia Provinces.	L.T. BORTANT
	<u>Health</u>	Smallpox outbreaks total 96 cases in Region III confined one area Naples. Vaccination being carried out and other rigorous measures. Situation under control. Other Regions satisfactory.	1st Lt. ACC
	<u>Personnel:</u>	Heathcote, Smith, IGMC Irkeman War Refugee Committee arrived.	Adjutant.
	<u>Refugee</u>	Passed through camps 486, sent to reception areas 786.	
	<u>Price Tendencies</u>	No change. Prices 1944, wheat crop fixed at 900 for soft and 1000 for hard lire, per quintal.	
	<u>General Comments</u>	Prospects harvest Region II appear excellent. Reasons Carbonia strikes reported last sitrep appear political.	

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Sitrep period 14 TH 21 February.

Political satisfactory see our Cable Fargo 1125 dated 20 Feb regarding reactions to turnover of Food Region 1 supplies expected arrive Eastern Sicily in time to avoid critical situation. Region 2 satisfactory, Region 3 and Army areas satisfactory. Supply all Regions satisfactory except official purchase by troops of eggs in Potenza upsetting Market. Crime Region 2 night of 17th shooting incident in Potecagnano near Salerno. American Negro Soldiers involved, casualties 1 civilian 1 Finance Guard killed 5 Finance Guards wounded, SIS and CID investigating, other regions nothing unusual. Health Region 21 more case typhus Salerno. Region 3 typhus under control. 5 Army increased scabies among refugees. Personnel unsatisfactory following reduction in EM/OR numbers. Refugees region 1 not prepared for immediate reception. Region 2 arrival of 2,000 at Potenza without rations and transport shortage causing difficulties. Region 3 arrival of 1500 from Beachhead and 4000 from main front for transshipment south. Price tendencies Region 3 and forward areas rising. General comments Region 1 General Electric Company workers agitating for wage increase, investigations proceeding. Region 2 Potenza February 19 orderly communist meeting.

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HEADQUARTERS
13 FEBRUARY
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SITREP FVB K 1 B F NO REACTION YET TO TURNOVER 2 C P OLIVE OIL
FAMINE POTENZA AMASSING DIFFICULTIES CARRIA SHORTAGE RAID TRANSPORT
MAKES IMPOSSIBLE INCREASE BREAD RATION. CATANZARO COSENZA POTENZA
DIFFICULT TO MAINTAIN EVEN 100 GRAMS 3 B F REGIO POL MONTHLY SUPPLY
NOT RECEIVED FROM CIP 4 A EXCEPT FOOD DEMONSTRATION TOLVE POTENZA
PROVINCE AND STRIPPING DISABLED STAFF CAR OUTSIDE POTENZA TOWN 5 B
6 C STILL WITHOUT DIRECTIVE AS TO PUGLIAN PROVINCE NOW ADDED TO
REGION 7 B F SOAP FOOD BLANKETS URGENTLY NEEDED FOR 3200 POTENZA
8 X 9 CIVILIAN TRAINS ARRIVING POTENZA OVERCROWDED CAUSING ANXIETY
HEALTH STANDPOINT.

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Sitrep. 29 Jan to 6 Feb. Political no change. Food region I causing anxiety. Flour exhausted in Catania and Syracuse due to Diversion of Joquin mills. Obligated resort to rail shipments from Palermo. Region 2 satisfactory Region III recent arrivals grain have eased situation. Supply region II difficulty distributing grain in provinces catenza and Catanzaro. forward areas still suffering from transport difficulties particularly on 5th. Army side. Crime nothing unusual. Health Region I only one case Smallpox. necessary precautions taken. Region II Salerno 2 cases Typhus one case Matera. Region III number of Typhus cases in Naples fallen from about 40 to about 25 per day. Venereal disease Naples very serious. Personnel satisfactory. Refugees region II no soap. supply difficulties being dealt with. Price tendencies region I slightly downward Regions II and III rising.

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SITREP REGION I PERIOD COVERED DAY ONE TO DAY SEVEN POLITICAL NO CHANGE
FOOD CAUSING ANXIETY SPECIAL REMARKS FLOUR NOW EXHAUSTED IN CATANIA AND
SYRACUSE DUE TO DIVERSION OF JOQUIN MILLES. OBLIGED TO RESORT TO RAIL SHIP-
MENTS FROM PALESTMO. SUPPLY NO CHANGE. SPECIAL REMARKS. COAL SITUATION
AGGRAVATED BY REASON OF FORGOING SPECIAL REMARKS. CRIME NO CHANGE. HEALTH
SATISFACTORY. SPECIAL REMARKS. ONE CASE ONLY OF SMALLPOX. NECESSARY PRECAUT-
IONS TAKEN. PERSONNEL, NO CHANGE. REFUGEES, NO CHANGE. PRICE TENDENCIES
SATISFACTORY. SPECIAL REMARKS. SLIGHT DOWNWARD TENDENCY. GENERAL COMMENTS
NOTHING.

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SITREP REGION 1 FEB WILSON FLOUR NOW EXHAUSTED IN CATANIA AND SYRACUSE DUE
TO DIVERSION OF JOQUIN MILLS. OBLIGED TO RESORT TO RAIL SHIPMENTS FROM PALEMO
COAL SITUATION AGGRAVATED BY REASON OF ~~PALEMO~~ ONLY CASE OF SMALL POX NECESSARY
PRECAUTIONS TAKEN ~~687588~~ SLIGHT DOWNWARD TENDENCY NINE NOTHING.

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*Personnel
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PRED: P	FILED: 081601
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TO: Fatima Adv. to AFHQ for MRS rpt. Fatima Fed for info. Fatima rear for info.	
	CMS/CST

Sitrep. 29 Jan to 6 Feb. Political no change. Food region I causing anxiety. Flour exhausted in Catania and Syracuse due to diversion of Joquin mills. Obligated resort to rail shipments from Palermo. Region 2 satisfactory Region III recent arrivals grain have eased situation. Supply region II difficulty distributing grain in provinces cosenza and Catanzaro, forward areas still suffering from transport difficulties particularly on 5th Army side. Crime nothing unusual. Health Region I only one case Smallpox, necessary precautions taken. Region II Salerno 2 cases Typhus one dose Matera. Region III number of Typhus cases in Naples fallen from about 40 to about 25 per day. Venereal disease Naples very serious. Personnel satisfactory. Refugee region II no soap, supply difficulties being dealt with. Price tendencies region I slightly downward Regions II and III rising.

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Minister of Interior reports rioting in Taranto. Am sending officer investigate circumstances. If rioting continues may be necessary place Taranto Province under Allied Military Government. You should make immediate plans to send necessary provincial staff there if so ordered by this HQ. Personnel to be formed from Region 2. Acknowledge earliest.

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RO , Vice President, Administrative Services

1. I was Duty Officer at AOC Calentia during the night 6th-7th February.

2. At 2:00 hours, Signor Celilo, Delegation Secretary of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs stated that he had just returned from a meeting at HQ Wepler of AGC and Italian Government representatives, presided over by it General Mason MacFarlane.

3. General MacFarlane had intimated that he had information regarding a threatened strike by Dock workers at Toronto to start today (Tuesday),^(Wednesday). General MacFarlane had requested the Italian representatives to inform Signor Reale, Minister of Interior, that all necessary action should be taken by their Government to avert the strike. If it took place, it might involve the introduction of AMM in the area, and further, that such an occurrence would seriously interrupt vital war work and adversely affect the transfer arrangements which were shortly due for completion.

4. Signor Grillo had unsuccessfully tried to contact Signor Reale at Florence by telephone from the Province Building and had arranged with Minister Jan and Philippon to continue his efforts on return here.

5. Signor Grillo spoke to Leone but was unable to contact Reale. He eventually spoke to Major Pagliaro (Vice Chief of Cabinet of the Minister of War). Signor Grillo afterwards informed me that on behalf of Minister Jung and Philipson, he had repeated General MacFarlane's message with the direction that the message was to be conveyed by Reale or the Minister of War to General Madonico.

I have the honor to be, sir,

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I have the honor to report as follows:

1. I was Duty Officer at ACC Salerno during the night 6th-7th February, 1944.

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I have the honor to be, sir,

*W. MacFarlane 3:47 PM
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The Bari Congress met yesterday under the presidency of Alberto Giances. In the opening address, Giances criticized the King's position and the tendency on the part of the Allies to maintain in power "persons of a fascist character". He admitted however that the anti-fascists, while deploring the war had taken "great care not utter a word that would discourage our soldiers".

The Socialist delegate from Rome, Ingrao (see my 409 of January 29) brought a message from the Central Committee of National Liberation in Rome which referred to the fight in which the Committees of Liberation in occupied Italy were engaged with all their strength against the invader and his fascist servants. It was then stated that in this fight the present government had not been able either to organize the effective participation of the nation or to contribute to resistance in occupied Italy. Therefore it must disappear and an extraordinary government of National Liberation should be created to assume all constitutional powers of the State without endangering national unity and without prejudice to the free expression of the popular will as regards the institutional question thus enabling Italy to wage the war and to ensure its own future.

Based on the position taken by the Rome parties, proposal of the action, Socialist and Communist parties was then presented to the Congress which maintained that since the failure to form a national democratic government rests solely with the King and the Badoglio Government, the three parties were acting

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as interpreters of the "unanimous" wish of the Italian people in putting forward the following program:

First: Inasmuch as King Victor Emmanuel has not abdicated, a bill of indictment against the Government, based on all violation of the statutes which he has committed, should be drawn up. Second: The Congress should proclaim itself the representative assembly of liberated Italy and reconvene as soon as possible in Rome, completing itself with representatives of the other provinces in Italy as liberated, to sit in permanence until the formation of a constituent assembly. Its tasks would be: (a) to proceed to the formation of an extraordinary government which unites the powers of the dissolved parliament and of the crown, taking care to give it immediately a wide base. (b) to intensify the war effort. (c) to ensure that ^{no} one takes away newly won liberties.

Third: Meantime and until the liberation of Rome, an executive committee for liberated Italy should be appointed. (1) to perform all acts necessary to attain the aims expressed in (b) and (c) above. (2) to represent the Italian people in their relations with the United Nations and (3) to carry out, on the basis of mass action to be immediately promoted in forms which the executive committee will itself decide, the legal foundation of the Congress and the verification of its powers. (4) Measures necessary to compensate the ineffectiveness of the Badoglio Government in order to alleviate the food situation, eliminate unemployment and destroy the black market* should be taken through the Communal, Provincial and Trade Union organizations established by anti-fascists in liberated territory.

Before any action was taken by the Congress on the proposal, it was decided that two representatives from each of the parties should meet to prepare a definite

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News Item, 1955, 15, 17, Gen MacFarlane, 19 Jan 1955, cont'd:

program to be accepted unanimously. This group was to meet last night and to submit any agreements to the Congress today for its approval.

The Congress likewise adopted messages of greeting to the United Nations' Governments, the texts of which will be transmitted when received officially. According to all reports no disorders took place during the first day's meeting.

Please inform the French and Russian members of the Advisory Council of the foregoing. The Russian member returns to Algiers today.

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