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SUMMARY
OF
MONTHLY REPORT
for month ending 31st July 1946

1. POLITICAL SITUATION

The month has been disturbed due to the excitement on both sides caused by the approaching peace conference and to the fact that neither side agrees with the decisions of the foreign ministers to internationalise Trieste.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT

There was no change in Local Government during the month.

3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

Calls upon the Civil Police during the month, particularly during the first half have been heavy and frequent. On 1 July the Corps Commander authorised the police to carry arms during normal day patrols. A new form of tactics was used by the mobs during the strike period, in that operation were in small "action squad" groups, rather than large parties.

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6. ECONOMICS

In general the economic condition of the territory have undergone few changes since June.

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a. FOOD.

The whole population received their normal ration except pastes.

b. TRANSPORTATION.

The month of July shows an over-all increase in tonnage handled, even though the strike did cause some disruption to the transport system.

c. AGRICULTURE.

The rain in late May and early June has been sufficient to ensure a good harvest and a large crop increase is expected as a result of the drainage of lands flooded by the Germans.

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A. INDUSTRY AND UTILITIES.

Industrial activity during the month was adversely affected by the General strike.

A lock out in the shipyards resulted in AMG taking over direct control.

B. COMMERCE.

The sale of cotton cloth manufactured in GORIZIA is progressing well and over 70,000,000 lires worth have been sold.

F. PUBLIC WORKS.

Contracts have been awarded for the enlargement of the childrens hospital and for the first block of Communal apartments.

Approval has been given for the repairs of 1403 war damaged houses.

G. LABOUR

19 wage agreements were approved during the month. Unemployment increased 375 over last month.

H. PRICE CONTROL.

A total of 2420 price controls were effected during the month.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH

Health continues to remain good.

A 50-bed hospital for children has now been repaired.

8/9 WELFARE AND DISPLACED PERSONS.

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12. COMMUNICATIONS.

Addition of the main telephone exchange to take an additional 2,000 lines has commenced.

13. PATRIOTS.

The month has remained outwardly calm but [illegible] grouping of units underground is suspected.

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1. POLITICAL SITUATION.

In the weeks preceding the opening of the Peace Conference, the general attitude of the pro-Jugoslav elements can best be summarised in the statements of Mr. Bubic, Regional Commissioner of UAIS: "The whole Slav population and a large part of the Italians desire union with Jugoslavia. Molotov's proposal for a dual regime is not acceptable though maybe we shall have to accept it as a provisional solution until we are able to obtain our just rights".

Neither do the Italians accept the Paris decisions but it would seem that the hysteria of publications such as the "Voce Libera" and "Giuseppeone" represent the views of extreme nationalists rather than that of the general Italian public.

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The strike was suddenly called off on 12 July without any of the strikers demands having been met.

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Against all this background of intolerance and disorder, it is refreshing to hear that the voice of reason is not altogether unheard. Ingeniere Fernando Gonducio who was President of the first CLN until his arrest and deportation to Dachau in 1943, has stated that at the demand of the Italian Government, he is to approach the Slovenes with a view to working out plans for co-operation in the future Julian Free State. But Mr. Gonducio does not unfortunately represent the majority of his countrymen, nor is his worthy example followed by the rowdy and overbearing UAIS element. There is a voice in the wilderness and although the last 10 days or so of the month were unusually calm, it were to weld that both sides were resting, licking their wounds while all eyes were focused on Paris where the final fate of Venezia Giulia was to be decided at the peace conference due to open on July 29.

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2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

There was no change in Local Government during the month.

3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

a. Civil Police.

Calls were made upon the civil police during the month under review have been frequent and have necessitated long and arduous tours of duty for both officers and men.

On 1 July, a general strike which lasted until 12 July was called by the Sindacati Unici. During the period a total of 414 arrests were made, 138 civilians were injured and 3 killed. Civil police casualties were 11 injured (3seriously) and 1 killed, while serious injuries were caused to 2 Allied personnel.

After civil police had been fired upon several times the Corps Commander on 1 July authorised them to carry arms on ordinary patrols in the day time.

The twelve critical days of the strike were characterised not, as in the past, but the smaller and more frequent demonstrations, fights between mobs of opposing factions, and attacks by them upon their respective party buildings. There occurred frequent use of firearms by civilians, several cases of grenade throwing, and numerous instances of the igniting of explosives charges in buildings etc. resulting in damage to property.

Following the declaration of the strike to be illegal, the police were very active in preventing the transport of foodstuffs from Zone "B" into the occupied Territory for the purpose of feeding the strikers.

b. The morale of the force has been well maintained during the trying period but it cannot be denied this is principally due to the active participation in operations of Allied officers of the force and perhaps more so to the presence of armed auxiliary police, both American and British, who were called out to assist and who worked in a splendid manner.

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There is no reason to fear the ability of the civil police to cope with similar situations in the future if they are given this same support. 263

CRIME.

In Venezia Giulia there are two distinct types of crime; first the ordinary actions of the criminal classes such as occur anywhere and secondly crimes which have their origin in political activities.

So far as "ordinary" crimes are concerned, the situation is satisfactory, particularly when local conditions and the comparative inexperience of the VGP are considered. The crime graphs show a comforting decrease in recorded crimes.

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The one very unsatisfactory aspect of this crime situation has been the persistent thefts in the Corps Franche d'Afrique Occidentale. The improved restrictions on access, and the great increase in the number of guards should result in a marked improvement which in fact is already noticeable, and has been commented by the local military officials and representatives of the surrounding countries.

Although persistent thefts from persons in the yards are admitted, the alleged wholesale thefts of motor supplies destined for Dagoudane are very strongly refuted and it is believed that a very detailed enquiry now in progress will show that, if these thefts ever took place, they did not take place in Zone A.

Practically all the political crimes occured during the first few days of the month, and particularly during the time the illegal strike was in progress. They were mostly offences against persons (assaults, etc.) although some took the form of damage to property.

These political crimes are not easy to deal with. Generally none of the parties concerned will assist the police. This is very often due to fear of reprisals, but is sometimes due to the fact that injured persons do not want an investigation into their own activity, fact that injured persons feel that their own "organisation" are in a far better position to punish the persons responsible.

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Two other forms of political crimes are worthy of special notice, namely the damaging of houses etc. by handgrenades and other explosives, and the activities of the Jugo-Slav elements who abduct people-usually Jugo-Slavs-and take them into Zone B. These cases of abduction are not flights of fancy but very real and grim occurrences which cause a great deal of concern to many people and have reduced the anti-Tito Jugo-Slavs to a state of terror.

SCIENTIFIC BRANCH

This Branch is in an almost unique position among police agencies in that it has practically all the equipment it requires. The equipment is not only first-rate but the men who have to use it are worthy of the equipment. Their enthusiasm and keeness to work are refreshing.

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a. TRIESTE Zone.

They were 360 reported general crimes during the period and 174 cases of injuries to persons. The "general" crimes included 6 murders, 6 robberies, 75 serious thefts, 26 burglaries, 43 thefts from persons, 9 cases of damage caused by use of explosives and 151 cases of thefts in the docks and railway yards. 77 persons were arrested for crimes and 164 for police preventive measures. The arrest included 4 for murder, 3 for complicity in murder, 15 for robbery and attempted robbery, and 44 for thefts and attempted thefts.

The disparity between the number of crimes reported and the number of arrests is rather misleading, as some of the arrested persons are known to be responsible for several offences. For instance, 7 of the persons arrested for robbery have admitted being responsible for a whole series of robberies which have taken place in the area during the past months.

By comparison with pre-occupation standards the crime figures could be considered very satisfactory, if it were not for the number of crimes which are directly due to the present extraordinary political situation. This fact is particularly noticeable in connection with this month's figures which have been very much affected by the action of politically-minded persons, both during and after the general strike.

The crime situation in the docks and railway marshalling yards, calls for and is receiving special attention. A large amount of merchandise is undoubtedly being taken from railway wagons and a large amount is being recovered and handed over to UNRRA. There have been very few large-scale thefts in the yards since the 21 July, when the number of VGRF personnel employed there was considerably increased.

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c. POLA Zone.

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BROTHELS AND PROSTITUTION.

a. TRIESTE Zone.

There are 12 licensed brothels with a daily average of 85 prostitutes submitted to medical inspection during the period under review.

It is estimated that there are 528 prostitutes working outside the licensed houses and 164 of these have been issued with sanitary books. Altogether 1184 women

been medically inspected and of these 36 were sent to the hospital for treatment and 9 were repatriated on compulsory travel permits. 7 dance halls, 122 public premises and 46 furnished rooms have been inspected.

b. GORIZIA Zone.

A weekly visit has been made to the one licensed brothel in the Zone and the women frequenting it have been submitted to a daily medical examination. A weekly average of 20 women practising prostitution outside the licensed house have also been examined; one case of VD was detected and 7 women were repatriated on compulsory travel permits.

c. POLA Zone.

The one licensed brothel with 3 prostitutes has been examined daily; no case of VD has been detected.

120 clandestine prostitutes were examined during the month, 5 were found to be infected and sent to the hospital, 1 woman was deported from the Zone, and 5 minors were handed over to parental custody with cautions as to future conduct

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FIRE BRIGADES AND CIVIL DEFENCE.

There was a total of 64 calls in Trieste Zone during the month as follows: Fires 40, Special Services 22, false alarms 2, Total 64.

In Gorizia Zone there were 28 Calls, of which, 18 were for fires and 10 for Special Services.

In Pola Zone were: fires (civil) 4, fires (military) 3; Special Services 5, total 12.

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PRISONS.

General

The Prisons population has shown a further slight increase during the month, figures are: Trieste 70[illegible] others 429, total 1136. 262

Notwithstanding the exceptional heat wave and the increased number of detained persons, which is more than 25% over and above the prison's normal capacity, general hygienic and sanitary conditions continue to be very good.

4. LEGAL

Summary Courts.

During the month a total of 120 accused were tried on 137 charges, as compared with 262 accused and 290 charges in June, the decrease are 142 and 153 respectively.

The average sentence was for one month or less. Only one defendant was sentenced to 12 months imprisonment. Charges of offences against good order, theft and possessio were the most common.

The breakdown of all offences in July in the three areas is:

Area	Nº of Charges	Nº of Accused
TRIESTE	70	55
GORIZIA	43	43
POLA	24	22
TOTAL	137	120

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Superior Courts during July tried 106 accused (as compared with 44 in June) on 140 charges (as compared 62 in June).

There were 103 charges for offences against good order, resulting in an average sentence of 4 months. There were three sentences of 3 years each for inciting other persons to break into Venafalcone prison to liberate prisoners. One 4 years sentence was passed in Gorizia Area for violating the laws of the Territory (Proc. 1 Art. VII).

Breakdown of trials in Superior Court follows:

AREA	Nº of Charges	Nº of Accused
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General Courts.

A General Court sat in Trieste on 6 July and continued during 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 26 and 27 July 1946, to try 7 members of the Venezia Giulia Police Force charged under Art. 110, 582, 583 and 584 of the Penal Code in connection with the deaths which occurred during the Servola church-flag incident in March. Charges were preinventional homicide and assault with intent to inflict bodily injury. All defendants were acquitted.

The Court was presided over by Col. John M. Weber, Chief Legal Adviser AMGOT, with Major R.B. Smith R.A. 31st Coy. 10l Sty and Major Abraham D. Krumbaugh F.A. 88th Div. as members.

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Major Mc. Colm from Allied Commission was detailed as Prosecutor and Lt. W.J. Palmer of the 88th Division assisted by 3 members of the local Bar served as Defense Counsel.

Reviews, etc.

a. Automatic Review.

During the month 433 cases, in which there was no appeal, were reviewed. Convictions and sentences were affirmed in 369 cases, conviction was affirmed but sentence reduced in 36 cases, and 32 sentences were quashed.

b. Reviews on Appeal.

18 cases were reviewed on appeal. Conviction and sentence were affirmed in 17 cases and conviction affirmed but sentence reduced in 1 case.

c. Petitions for Grace.

47 Petitions for Grace were lodged during the month, 35 were refused; 12 were granted.

ITALIAN COURTS.

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SPECIAL COURT OF ASSIZE.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT ON SPECIAL COURT OF ASSIZE - July 1946.

30 cases were pending on June 30th 1946 and 88 Cases were received during the month of July 1946. 28 Cases were tried and as a result there were 8 Convictions, 17 Acquittals, and 3 other dispositions.

Sentences imposed in cases of convictions were: [illegible] from 1 to 4 years, 2; from 5 to 10 years, 4; from 10 to 20 years, 2.

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3. FINANCE

BUDGETS

a. State Expenditure. Nearly all agencies have submitted requests for funds for the current quarter. 260

b. State Employees. Provisions affecting the emoluments of certain classes of state employees are in course of preparation. Pending their issue, authority has been given for the extension to Venezia Giulia of comparable Italian legislation.

REVENUE.

a. Statistics. The financial year ended on 30 June 1946, showing total Revenue receipts at Lire 1.646.325.000. Estimated revenue for 1946/47 is Lire 2.861.000.000.

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b. Taxation

(i) Revenue from indirect taxation shows a more marked increase than that from direct taxes, due in some measure to the lengthy procedure involved in arriving at final assessments in the latter case.

(ii) Local Government indirect taxes are steadily increasing, although they do not provide nearly sufficient revenue to meet expenditures.

(iii) Certain Slovene communes, under the impression that they will shortly become part of Jugoslavia have intimated that they will pay no further taxes under AMG administration.

c. Monopoly

Increased supplies of manufactured tobacco have raised monopoly revenue considerably and if maintained the total for the current year should be over 500 million lire.

INSURANCE

a. Doctors retained by Assistenza Malattie. Conditions of employment and rates of fees applicable to doctors whose services are used by the Istituto Nazionale Assistenza Malattie Lavoratori have been amended to the satisfaction of all parties.

b. Legislation. Five Orders modifying Social Insurance benefits have been issued during the month, and a further sixteen are ready for publication.

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d. Jewish Property. Investigations and recordings continue.

GENERAL

a. Trade and Currency Control. A new Agency known as A.M.G. Trade and Currency Control Board (A.M.G. T.C.C.B.) is being established to control all foreign trade and compensation transactions between Zone A and Zone B;

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Zone A and Jugoslavia; Italy and Zone B. G.O. 64 on this subject will be shortly submitted to the SCAC.

b. Loans to Industry.

An order is in course of preparation laying down the procedure for loans to industrial enterprises by the State.

c. Payments for requisitioned vehicles.

An order is being prepared to remedy the procedure for payments for capital value, hire and damage in respect of vehicles requisitioned by the Allied Forces.

4. Procurement and Payment Policy.

(i) Civilian Labour of Allied Forces.

Considerable work was foreshadowed in establishing cash office to meet the Civilian Labour requirements of the Allied Forces in Venezia Giulia, but agreement has now been reached whereby this liability is met by bulk reimbursement to the Command Pay Office.

(ii) Damage to Land and Crops by Troops.

A procedure has now been established to deal with claims of this nature arising during the period of Allied occupation of Venezia Giulia.

6. ECONOMICS.

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7. FOOD.

As usual the whole population received their normal rations except pasta. Though it was intended to reinstate the 2000 grams monthly pasta ration, temporarily reduced to 500 grams, late arrivals of flour prevented manufacture and distribution of the full ration during July.

Actual distribution was effected as follows: in Trieste, 500 grams per person; in Gorizia and Pola, 1 kilogram per person.

The balance will be distributed during the first days of August.

The month has seen an increase in the daily bread ration from 200 to 250 grams per person. Pola's special ration of 300 grams has not been increased.

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The following offloadings in Trieste were effected during the month:

S/S "CAMPBELL".

Sugar	140	Tons
Milk, dry	25	"
Peas & Beans	197	"
Meat	49	"
Fats	36	"
Soup	19	"
Sausages	46	"
Spaghetti	30	"
	542	Tons

S/S "HIRAM W. DAVIS"

Peas	43	Tons
Milk, dry	32	"
	75	Tons

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Repayment of loan by S & T 13 Corps(92 D.I.D.)	Tons	300
Delivered to ACABBIT, Vienna	"	3
Loan to AMG, Udine for pasta making	"	2,300
(Udine have repaid with 3,600 tons of grain which are being held in Udine mills).		
Repayment to the Army (S&T. 13 Corps-92D.I.D.):		
Balance due for loan of Atta flour	"	195
Maintenance of Venezia Giulia	"	5,262
Total	Tons	8,060

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D. TRANSPORTATION.

GENERAL

The month of July shows an over-all increase in business by Ugosa, Centro Autotrasporti and the Rail Sections. This increase in tonnage handled was accomplished even though the 12-day strike did cause some disruption of the transportation system.

Shortage of rail wagons, particularly for coal, has not only affected total tonnage moved by rail but has also affected water transportation due to inability to unload coal barges on to rail cars.

While this wagon shortage has had its effect,

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it has not been serious enough to cause great alarm. However with the return of Italy to normal conditions, and the fact we have to look to Italy for the greater part of the supply of rail wagons, this might develop into a more serious problem in the future.

While there has been a very marked increase in quantities of household furniture shipped from Bolo both by rail and water, it has been possible to handle this without using all of the available capacity. This is especially true of water facilities.

Destination of the above shipments indicate the people moving are going to all parts of Italy.

The tire situation as it applies to the public in the Area has improved to some extent, as a result of a larger number being allotted for distribution by the Comitato della Comun (Milan) and also by the fact individuals are able to secure tires in the open Italian market more readily than previously.

Tire and Tube distribution during July was:

Automobile	221	Tires	162	Tubes
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In addition to this the Ispettorato della Motorizzazione distributed 123 Tires and 113 Tubes to bus-lines, taxi and hired Car services. However the tire situation with respect to Allied Military Government operated vehicles, due to the hot weather and length of time tires have been on wheels, is deteriorating with no known supply available through regular supply channels.

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The POL situation with respect both to road and water transportation is recognized and an effort is being made to impress those responsible with the necessity of conservation.

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Tonnage moved during July was (Tons)

		IN	OUT
1)	Ships (Military and Civil)	24,950	7,928
2)	AMG Supplies handled at Warehouse	3,644	4,016
	Totals	28,594	11,944

3) Rail From Italy to Zone A Tons 3.148
From Zone A to Italy (General) 13.036
From Zone A to Italy (Area Coal) 16.394
From Zone A to Italy (Coke) 1.448 " 30.888
From Zone B to Italy (Wagons furnished by V.G.) 4.217

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Shipment within Zone A		Tons 13.513
Zone A to foreign countries:		
Jugoslavia	600	
Holland	44	
Switzerland	18	
Austria	705	
Cecoslovacchia	15	1.382
Transit transports through Zone A (Wagons loaded outside Venezia Giulia)		1.659
	Total	Tons 54.819

C. AGRICULTURE.

Although the season started with a dismal outlook due to continued dry weather in April, in late May and June sufficient rains came to bring about a successful harvest of grains, fruits and vegetables. The hay and fodder situation still leaves much to be desired, although there is more than double last year crop. Hay will have to be imported from Friuli and other parts of Italy to supply livestock needs.

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FORESTRY.

In order to increase the regular production of nursery stock, each commune is being asked to plant a part of its communal parks with pine seedlings, or other young trees suitable for subsequent use in reforestation. All space available in the nurseries at Basovizza and Villa Giulia was utilized for seed planting, until the

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...ly of seed ran short, and the season too advanced for further sowing. In view of the wide program for replanting of forests, the nursery situation is being explored and exploited to its fullest possibility.

FISHERIES.

Police boats from Zone B have caused considerable trouble during the month to Neapolitan fishermen who brought their fleet up to Trieste to work during the summer season. These people from Naples have been among the most experienced and best of all the fishing colony here and have always aided the fish supply by their efforts. All reports of threats and beatings of these fisher-folk have been turned over to the Venezia Giulia Police for action. However, it is difficult to be on hand at scattered places on the seas when incidents occur.

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With the concurrence of the Commander 13 Corps, the yards were re-opened on 19 July 1946 under AMG control with the Chief Industry & Utilities Officer in charge, assisted by two American and two British officers of AMG. Fifty American and fifty British troops were provided for the maintenance of law and order if required.

Workers returned and quickly settled down. Allowing for normal absenteeism, attendance was practically 100% from the start. By far the greater part of the workers appeared well pleased with the arrangements and good standard of production was maintained.

At San MARCO there were no incidents in spite of the confiscation of a considerable stock of irregularly held flour and sugar. At MONFALCONE there were no serious

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incidents until the last day of the control when a member of the Camera del Lavoro was beaten up. Several attempts had been made, however, to hoist flags. Generally it was felt that the outward calm at MONFALCONE was more apparent than real and due to some extent to the "opposition" having to make plans to deal with a new situation.

On 30 July it was decided to return both yards to normal management the following day, one AMG officer remaining at each yard as an "observer" but troops to be withdrawn. Representatives of the management and workers were addressed by the S.C.A.O. and the handing back was effected on 31 July as arranged.

The second half of the month saw most industries fairly busy making up for lost time. Textiles, electrical engineering and building materials, continue to be the most prosperous sections of industry. On the shipbuilding side, orders have been obtained from Bulgarian owners for two 3000-ton cargo vessels, and negotiations are proceeding for two more of 4500 tons each.

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All 101.264 spindles are operating in the Spinning plant of Gorizia, some of them working in two shifts thus rendering about 110% operation.

The number of operating looms is increasing at the weaving plant, but at the Ronchi Mill all spindle frames were not fitted owing to the strike.

Suspension of work at Ronchi Mill was greater than in Gorizia. The latter worked at 40% of capacity in spite of the strike.

Pure as well as mixed woolen cloths dropped in price by about 20% and at the moment there are fairly large quantities of pure woolen cloth on the market.

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TIRES.

The following special allocations of bycicle tires and tubes were obtained:

	TIRES	TUBES
Trieste Area	2.000	1.600
Gorizia Area	500	300
Pola Area	150	80

The Trieste Chamber of Commerce is now working on a distribution plan and it is hoped that all urgent requirements of the territory will be met from this allocation.

COMPENSATION TRADE.
With Zone "B" and Jugoslavia :

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A czechoslovak transportation delegation visited Trieste during the month to inspect the port it was interested namely in the handling of UNRRA supplies and rehabilitation of Czechoslovak trade through Trieste. Meetings were held between the delegation and merchants at the Chamber of Commerce, and notes were made on problems raised by merchants.

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VEHICLE CIRCULATION PERMITS.

The work of issuing the circulation permits under the new scheme has been functioning in good order since the beginning of July. Chamber of Commerce, Screening Commission and Automobile Club have been coordinating all their tasks and the issue is proceeding regularly. Issue of Permits was suspended from 25 to 31 July to give an opportunity to the Screening Commission and the Automobile Club to deal as fast as possible with the first applications.

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3119 applications have been received up to 25 July. 2563 existing licences have been renewed and 326 new ones issued. A further 230 applications have been partly disapproved and partly retained for further screening.

In order to give time to the Automobile Club to issue all the 2563 permits and POL cards, the validity of the existing Circulation permits has been extended to 5 August, by which date all the new ones will be in the hands of the applicants.

FUEL SECTION

Imported Coal

AMG coal distribution

June balance carried over to July		2618 tons
Receipts: S/S NEWBURY	6201	
S/S SNIDER	7800	
S/S MC CURRY	7949	
S/S BRADSTREET	1316	
	25266	25266 tons

Distribution.

Trieste on June a/c	101
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Gorizia	1100
Pola	300
Udine	7767
	24404
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ARSA Coal

During the month the Coal Importers Association signed two contracts with UIVOD for 1600 tons of ARSA coal against the AMG allocation and 400 tons of coal for Istituna Cumenti. Deliveries have commenced. Validity of Buoni for July has been extended to 15 August 1946.

CVARO Coal

80 tons have arrived for MOLINARI.

Of ILVA debts to Coal Importers Association, the following sums are outstanding:

Lire 1.416.780.00
Lire 11.773.579.55

ILVA are being instructed to pay these debts to C.I.A.

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MISTRAL Imports.

C.I.A. signed a contract with UIVCD for 300 tons on Tor Viscosa account at 2000 lire per ton free on rail MISTRAL.

F. PUBLIC WORKS.

(a) Public Buildings. The most important event of the month was the awarding of contracts for the enlargement of the Childrens Hospital and the first block of Communic apartments. Both of these contracts were let at a saving over estimates. The project for the completion of the University has been approved with bids to be received during the first week of August. Other works are progressing satisfactorily especially in those districts where CAO's have complied with the directive to employ communal engineers.

(b) Private Housing. All projects for the repairs of war damaged Case Popolari have been approved, and works are in progress. Projects have been submitted for the construction of new blocks in TRIESTE, MONFALCONE, GORIZIA and GRADISCA. To date approval has been given for the repair of 1403 war damaged units.

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(f) Bonifica and Hydraulics. The reforestation program has been approved and bids have been received. Work will start on or about 5 August. Whether or not this will be carried on as projected depends on the availability of trees. Agriculture Division is securing them.

(g) Monuments and Fine Arts. There is very little to do in this department as all the war damage is under repair or completed.

ENEMY DISPOSAL.

The 12 captured enemy material dumps mentioned in the last report have been liquidated.

(a)	Mines exploded on spot	2.006 tons
(b)	Projectiles exploded on spot	42.115 "
(c)	Mines placed on dump	1.000 "
(d)	Projectiles placed on dump	148.320 "

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SUPPLY.

No difficulties have been experienced in the supply of materials for Public Work projects. A clause has been included in all contracts stating that materials will ordinarily be manufactured in Zone A. In case where this is not possible, permission will be given by this Division to purchase elsewhere.

C. LABOUR.

a. The Labor Offices have worked under great pressure during the General Strike. Not one of our employees abstained from work during this period. The "Ispettorato del Lavoro" is being overhauled.

b. An increase of 375 over last month is noted on the unemployment registers. Employment on Public Works projects remained constant but launching in the near future of housing and reforestation projects should bring some relief.

c. The local Sub-Committee of the "Wages and Labour Control Committee" has recommended the application of the Trieste wage scales to Gorizia Area.

d. The ordinances outlined in the June report have been promulgated on the initiative of the Insurance Section of Finance Division in collaboration with Labor Division.

e. 19 wage agreements were approved during the month, of which 4 are applicable to individual firms and 15 to the whole area. None of these have had incidence on the present wage scales in Industry.

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h. The General Strike was the dominating event of the month. It was suspended after 12 days at a time when it appeared to have become more effective. 249

i. The "Sindacati Unici" returned to their pressure tactics and agitation through their press, within 24 hours of the suspension of the strike. They appear to be concentrating on three main issues, namely the "Mezzadria" contracts, a general increase of the "indennita di contingenza" and increased basic wages for all bakery hands.

j. Legislation for the voluntary creation of Shop Stewards Committees was submitted for approval to S.C.A.C. It has been considered advisable to postpone its promulgation for the time being.

k. PRICE CONTROL.

Prices were established for the both houses

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in Trieste, sugar, powdered milk, fresh milk, AMG blankets olive oil, soda and salvaged wheat.

Approval was given to new telephone tariffs, barbers tariffs, and rents for public sites. 2420 price controls were effected during the month and 36 alleged violators were brought before the Courts. Many invoices submitted by other Divisions were controlled, most of which were amended. Claims for subsidies were investigated by the price-equalization Commission.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH.

The Welfare Division has been separated from Public Health Division but close liaison will be established between the two divisions.

As there is no Medical Officer for Gorizia the C.P.H.O. attends the Area Commissioners weekly conference and visits outlying communes.

HOSPITALS.

(1) The general strike in Trieste fortunately did not extend to the hospital workers so that all hospitals and institutions continued to function normally.

(2) The "Ospedale San Giusto" a small 50 bed childrens hospital was visited. Minor damage has recently been repaired and the building is now in very good order.

(3) Hospital Santorio Santorio, Pola. This hospital in spite of difficulties due to local unrest continues to give good service to the community. At present 60% of the patients are from Zone B.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

Included in the supplies which arrived during the month were:
(a) 130 cases of drugs from U.N.R.R.A.; (b) a large quantity of insecticides and anti-malaria spray; (c) a consignment of veterinary stores from military sources. All these are being distributed to outstations as quickly as possible.

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RABIES - prophylaxis.

The anti-rabies prophylaxis continues to be carried out efficiently. No case of rabies has been found during the past months. 245

S/G REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS.

(a) Movements of displaced persons continues. 133 refugees including 1 British national were sent to their homes during the month.

236 Italian Prisoners of War from Russia, the Balkans, India, South Africa, Germany, United States and United Kingdom arrived in Trieste during the month. Messages to and from P.O.W. numbered 24 during the month.

Financial assistance to certain displaced nationals continue.

British Red Cross work among refugees has been intensified through increased refugee movement.

Evacuation problems being studied in conjunction with other Divisions concerned.

(b) Public Assistance work throughout the zone shows a tendency to increase. Post-war assistance work in each area is increasing as refugee movement from Zone B to Italy continues.

Approximately 4000 children, Italian and Slav, are now taking holidays at summer camps most of which are sponsored by AMG. A new department to deal with child welfare and delinquency will soon be established.

Generally, governmental assistance to the needy in Zone A continues satisfactorily.

10. EDUCATION.

The school year closed for Italian schools on 15 June and for Slavic schools on 15 July.

For all schools this month has been one of final examinations which have shown that scholarship achievement has been superior to that of the war years.

ITALIAN AND SLAVIC SCHOOLS.

Large scale organization of summer schools (elementary and secondary) was initiated by the Education Division. By the end of July schools opened at Gorizia, Pola and Trieste. The enrollment shows promise. By the end of August it will be possible to report on the functioning of these schools.

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Teacher's training courses have been established at Gorizia and Trieste for the preparation of Slovene elementary and secondary school instructors. The shortage of qualified Slovene school personnel was keenly felt during the past year and the completion of these courses will provide better trained teachers particularly as regards the language of instruction. Candidates are paid while attending these courses.

BOY SCOUTS.

The non-sectarian Boy Scouts of Venezia Giulia held a three week summer camp at San Vito di Cadore opening its first camping season since fascism abolished it in 1926. The Scouts of the Territory have recently received a real boost through the general interest shown by Allied Military Government and private firms which have subscribed funds to keep the organization alive.

UNIVERSITY OF BELFAST.

The project for the completion of the new University building has been approved at a cost of 150 million lire. 27 million lire were also allotted for the financing of the Faculty of Engineering laboratories.

11. PUBLIC RELATIONS.

During the month 55 items, announcements and orders were passed to the News Division of A.I.S. for publication in the local press and for the radio.

World newspapers and agencies represented in the area during the month were:

Hemsley Newspapers
Evening Standard
Manchester Guardian
B.B.C.
Radio France
Daily Mail
Daily Telegraph
Toronto Star and Evening News
Ce Soir (Paris)
Cite Soir (Paris)
Associated Press
M.G.M. Newsreel
Paramount Newsreel
Chicago Tribune
International News Service
United Press
Time-Life
N.Y. Times
Reuters
News Chronicle
Agence Dogholn
Scripps-Howard
St. Louis Post Dispatch
Associated Press
South African Press
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New York Herald Tribune
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Radio France
Daily Mail
Daily Tel- raph
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Ce Soir (Paris)
Cite Soir (Paris)
Associated Press
M.G.M. Newsreel
Paramount Newsreel
Chicago Tribune
International News Service
United Press
Time-Life
N.Y. Times
Reuters
News Chronicle
Agence Bogholm
Scripps-Howard
St. Louis Post Dispatch
Associated Press
South African Press
France Agence Presse
New York Herald Tribune
The Times.

A group of 12 of the leading U.S. newspapers publishers also visited the Area.

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12. COMMUNICATIONS.

Modification is in progress in the Trieste main telephone exchange to prepare for the addition of 2000 lines for use in the city. This work will continue for some months.

On 31 July the telephone Company took over from the Trieste sign 1 unit the repairs work and installation of most military circuits.

Arrangements are being made with the Austrian authorities for the installation of a six-channel telegraph system between Vienna and Trieste. This will give possible circuits to Zurich and Warsaw, if required.

On 8 July a Telegraph Circuit was opened between Trieste and Prague.

POSTAL.

a. With effect 21 July a mobile postal sorting office was attached to the Villach-Rome military train. This will save 24 hours in the Austrian-Italian mail service times.

b. With effect 31 July the mobile postal sorting office between Trieste and Udine was extended to Venice. This will save 4 hours in mail service times.

13. PATRIOTS.

GENERAL.

The month has remained outwardly calm but it is now evident that the partisan formations are regrouping and endeavouring to rearm so as to be in a position to meet any calls made on them by their respective countries. As was the case during the war the headquarters of the partisans formations operating in this territory are situated outside Zone A.

To date 2504 claims have been screened. A small number of wounded are still in hospital.

The duplication of the card index of all partisans of Zone A suggested by the Civil Affairs Section Allied Commission is now almost completed.

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A number of meetings of this association have had to be held in Zone B during July as the President was one of the members of the committee which organized the illegal strike.

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Colonel, JAGD
Senior Civil Affairs Officer

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APPENDIX "A"

GENERAL ORDERS, ORDERS AND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS PUBLISHED DURING JULY 1945

General Orders.

N° 61 B - Collection of cereals.

N° 61 C - Amendment to Gen. Order N° 61.

N° 62 - Housing

N° 63 - Increase of public wages.

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N° 65 - Foreign exchange and trade with foreign countries.

N° 66 - Epuration.

N° 67 - Effective date of social insurance pensions.

N° 68 - Increase in maximum limits of earnings.

N° 69 - Desequestration.

Order N° 69 is to be noted as it provides a procedure for restoring the property of Allied Nationals, whose property was sequestrated by the Axis Powers.

Orders.

N° 96 B- Allowances to judicial clerks.

N° 106 C- Permissible discharges from employment.

N° 244 B- State duties on public entertainments.

N° 158 - Delivery of waste paper and records to Italian Red Cross.

N° 165 - Control of the milling of cereals.

N° 166 - Wages of threshers of cereals.

N° 169 - Special permits and allowances payable to personnel of the State Railways.

N° 170 - Indemnities against sickness, and contributions.

N° 171 - Reorganization of Società Adriatica di

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- Nº 166 - Tages of threshers of cereals.
- Nº 169 - Special carriages and allowances payable to personnel of the State Railways.
- Nº 170 - Indemnities against sickness, and contributions.
- Nº 171 - Reorganisation of Società Adriatica di Scienze Naturali.
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- Nº 173 - Antedating of effective dates of financial effects.
- Nº 174 - Amendment to Gen. Orders Nº 44 and Nº 50.
- Nº 175 - Allowance in favour of State employees who handle public money.
- Nº 176 - Industrial engineering degree.
- Nº 177 - Faculty of Science.
- Nº 178 - Revised doctor's fees.
- Nº 181 - Dividends on shares of Joint-Stock Companies.

Orders.

No. 182 - Insurance contingency fees.

No. 190 - Fiscal provisions on government concessions.

No. 194 - Establishing of elementary school teachers' courses in the Slovene language.

No. 196 - Integral land reclamation.

Notices.

No. 12 - Contractors entitled to add to prices of contracts stipulated with public bodies sums paid due to increased wages.

No. 13 - Termination of Special Courts of Assize.

No. - Seizure of ship yards.

Administrative Instructions.

No. 10 - Opening of Slovene Lower Professional School.

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SUMMARY
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1. POLITICAL SITUATION

This month has produced general unrest beginning with the Italian elections, culminating in the stoning of the cyclists at PIRRIS on June 30th and continuing in the reaction of the Italian element of the population against the French plan for VENEZIA GIULIA.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

No change in Local Government reported by the three Areas.

3. PUBLIC SAFETY.

Both Yugoslav and Italian factions increased their activities during the month, but in no instance did the situation get out of hand. Crime showed a slight increase, as did the Prison population.

4. LEGAL.

There was a further decrease in Summary and Supreme Court cases.

5. FINANCE.

The financing of Amassing has been completed. Issues of UNRRA goods have been reported. Authority to reactivate State lottery has been refused.

6. ECONOMICS.

In POLA the economic situation is becoming extremely serious because of the preliminary PEACE decision. Contractors are reluctant to make bids for Public Works and Italian capital is no longer available.

7. FOOD

Normal rations were issued during the month with the exception of pasta which had to be cut from 2000 to 500 grms.

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b. TRANSPORTATION.

With the seasonal movement of farm products and increased coal shipment from ZONA mines, Transportation reports an overall increase in traffic.

c. AGRICULTURE.

Political agitators have now invaded the farm communities and many incidents arising out of mezzadria disputes were reported during the month. Grain is being amassed notwithstanding these difficulties.

d. INDUSTRY AND UTILITIES.

Industrial activity throughout the territory has continued in an atmosphere of comparative calm.

Good progress is reported on the rehabilitation programme for six major concerns.

Port reconstruction shows steady progress.

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e. COAL.

The coal situation is still difficult and stocks are extremely low.

f. PUBLIC WORKS.

The financing of the communal housing programme has been approved.

Order No.146 providing for the reconstruction of distressed villages has been signed.

Bids have been requested for the Children's Hospital.

g. LABOUR.

Increase in unemployment is reported. Food index for June is the lowest since January.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH.

Decrease in VD and in the number of hospital admissions is reported.

The Anti-rabies campaign is continuing.

8. DISPLACED PERSONS.

Movement of Displaced Persons into Zone "A" VENEZIA GIULIA, continues. Because of the PARIS decision it is anticipated the movement will increase.

9. EDUCATION.

Schools are now closed for summer vacation after a fairly successful school year. Teachers are required to attend Summer classes for further training.

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A predominant feature has been the violence of Italian extremists who felt certain by month-end that ISTRIA and FIUME were lost and that the DIDAULT plan for VENEZIA GIULIA would be adopted.

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a. Civil Police.

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During the month of June there were extremely heavy calls on Civil Police to deal with the many demonstrations, processions, meetings and political incidents. The morale of the force has been maintained principally by active participation by Allied Officers during these critical times. Leaves and rest days had to be suspended and arrangements have been made to give V.G. Police payment in lieu of leave.

b. The pro-Italian elements have been most active during the month and they have been usually operating in small parties. Up to July 1, the Police have kept the situation in hand.

c. During this period 320 men joined the force, 12 men were dismissed 11 resigned and 1 died. Also 441 men appeared before the Selection Board, 9 of whom were turned down. Of the remainder 216 were recommended and 62 not recommended for employment.

Crime.

Crime returns show a slight increase over those for the previous month. This increase may be accounted for by greater accuracy in the keeping of records and also an increased tendency on the part of the public to report crime to the police.

Figures for the past month show that a total of 298 crime reports were investigated including 2 cases of murder, 3 of suicide, 24 burglaries, 10 robberies, 47 cases of aggravated theft and 28 cases of the disappearance of persons. 135 arrests were made.

These figures are as follows :

	Complaints	Arrests
TRIESTE	188	77
GORIZIA	60	32
POLA	50	26

The most serious crime reported was that involving the death of M/C. Carlo who received knife wounds in a brawl. One arrest has been made. Two other deaths were reported, one which was shot by British guards. The other a woman run over and killed by a military truck.

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The Fiscal Guards have operated successfully against Black Marketeers and a number of sequestrations and denunciations were made.

POLL Zone.

Nothing to report.

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PROSTITUTION.

During the present period 1230 women were medically examined and 48 were sent to hospital for treatment, 10 were repatriated and 3 arrested for various crimes. 11 boarding houses, 183 public premises and 152 furnished rooms were inspected. Two fines have been imposed and 4 warnings given.

CONSUL Zone.

A weekly average of 20 women practising prostitution outside of licensed houses were examined, but no cases of VD were reported.

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Inspection visits were made to 103 furnished rooms, 52 hotels, 58 Cafes, 20 dance halls and 24 restaurants.

POLA Zone.

Examinations were made of 39 women, 6 were found to be infected, 28 were deported from the Zone, and 6 minors handed over to parental custody.

CONDUCT OF ALLIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.

A few cases were reported of misconduct of troops in cafes and restaurants; there were also a few cases of drunkenness. No case has been reported of serious misconduct in public and the conduct of the troops in general can be considered quite good.

PRISONS.

The Prisons population has shown a slight increase during this month :

TRIESTE Prisons	641
Other Prisons	374

There exists a notable excitement among the inmates of the prisons, because the general amnesty, conceded recently by the Italian Government has not been followed in VENEZIA GIULIA.

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The breakdown of all offences disposed of in the Summary Courts in June by Areas is as follows :

Area.	No. of Charges.	No. of Accused.
TRIESTE	170	153
GORIZIA	80	70
POLA	40	39
TOTAL	290	262

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b. Superior Courts.

There were 22 theft and possession cases with one 3-years sentence. 16 persons were charged for possession of firearms and ammunition, there were only 3 sentences from 10 to 12 months.

41 cases are pending in TRIESTE Area with 9 accused in jail awaiting trial. 30 cases are pending in GORIZIA Area with 14 accused in jail. No cases are to be disposed of in POLA Area.

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The breakdown of Superior Court cases disposed of in June in the three Areas is the following :

Area.	No. of Charges.	No. of accused.
TRIESTE	42	29
GORIZIA	19	14
POLA	1	1
TOTAL	62	44

c. General Courts.

No General Court cases were tried during June 1946.

d. Appeals and Reviews.

(i) Automatic Review.

During the month 596 cases, in which there was no Appeal, were reviewed. Conviction and sentence were confirmed in 588 cases. Conviction has been confirmed but sentence reduced in 7 cases. 1 sentence has been quashed.

(ii) Reviews on Appeal.

20 cases were reviewed on Appeal. Conviction and sentence were affirmed in 15 cases. Conviction affirmed but sentence reduced in 1 case. 4 sentences were quashed.

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55 petitions for Grace were lodged during the month. Of these 38 were refused and 17 granted.

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a. The Ordinary Civil Courts are functioning with reasonable satisfaction.

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The report for the Ordinary Court of Assize is as follows :

Cases pending on May 30th, 1946	11
Cases received during the month of June	4
Cases tried during the month at Public Hearing	none.
Cases returned to inquiring Judge with request of further instruction	2
Cases pending on June 30th, 1946	13

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In three cases the Court cannot proceed the defendants being residents of Zone "B".

COURT PERSONNEL.

At the request of the S.C.A.C., a reduction in the number of VENEZIA GIULIA Police Force assigned to Military and Civil Courts and substitution of civilian personnel therefor was ordered. It is anticipated that by such arrangements, 10 members of the Police will be so detailed, thereby releasing about 50 for other duties.

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EPURATION.

a. Territorial Epuration Commission.

Part 1.

(i). The Commission has received during the month a number of 54 appeals against decisions of the First-Instance Commission.

(ii). 43 appeals were examined, of which 37 on the written record and 6 at public hearings.

(iii). The decision of the First-Instance Commission was :

a. in 9 cases confirmed.
b. in 14 cases partially altered or varied.
c. in 12 cases quashed.
d. in 6 cases the decision was confirmed, but accused pardoned.
e. in 2 cases the file was not remitted to the First-Instance Commission for reconsideration.

(iv) The hearing of 12 other cases began but has not yet been completed.

(v) The total number of appeals pending up to the present date is 155.

Part 2.

The Section of the Commission acting as advisory body to the Chief Finance Officer, ASC, 15 Corps, on applications for unblocking of property of alleged fascists, blocked by order of the Allied Government, pursuant to Administrative Instruction No.3. (revised) has examined 3 cases. In all 3 cases the unblocking was recommended.

5. FINANCE.

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b. Financing.

Contracts with Banks for financing have been completed, and preliberation settlements have been arranged.

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Advances on cost of living increases to pensioners have been authorised pending issue of a General Order.

d. V.C. Police Force.

A thorough examination of Police finances is in the course of completion.

REVENUE.

a. Customs.

Losses to UNRRA supplies have become a nightly occurrence owing to the lack of Customs Guards.

The new Customs Station at SELIM is functioning smoothly.

b. State Lottery.

Contrary to previous reports, it has now been decided not to revert to the State Lottery.

c. Monopoly.

Imported cigarettes are available in fair quantities, resulting in decreased contraband in tobacco and cigarettes.

A more favourable agreement has been effected with the Italian Government in regard to the exchange of cigars for tobacco leaf, and no payment will be made by us for cigars retained for consumption in this territory.

d. Direct and Indirect Taxes.

Progress is being made with the revision of assessments and in reducing arrears. The high costs of collection is a growing problem.

e. Consumer Tax.

This source of revenue is continually increasing, and there is more cooperation from some of the Yugoslav communes, while others still remain rebellious.

f. Legislation.

7 Orders have been published during the month and many others are in preparation.

INSURANCE.

a. Temporary Special Unemployment Indemnity.

This indemnity under Order No.82 has been prorogated for a further period of 2 months to 31 August and will include commercial and other workers dismissed after 1 July, in addition to Industrial workers.

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b. Italian Statal, Para-Statal and Fascist Property.

Some progress has been made with regard to the liquidation of dismissal indemnities to employees of former fascist organisations and allocation of certain ex-fascist property.

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c. Enemy Property.

A decree is anticipated from the Italian Government releasing control of Austrian property, and treating Austrians as other nationals.

d. Jewish property.

Final instructions have been given for release of bank accounts and securities which were confiscated by the Germans.

Investigations are proceeding to trace Jewish property taken away by the Germans and others.

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6. PRICE CONTROL.

This Section's activities covered a long list of necessities and services during the past month.

These including tariffs for Bathing Establishments, road haulage and stops, rates for furnished rooms, chimney sweepers rates, and rents of Public Ovens.

Further prices were fixed on such items as imported sugar, soda and caustic soda, yeast, beer, diluted evaporated milk, etc.

7. ECONOMICS.

Situation in POLA

The economic situation in POLA is very serious. Contractors are reluctant to make bids on Public Works, which is the main source of employment. Most contractors demand 100% payment before making commitments.

Italian capital is virtually no longer available in POLA, for short - term enterprise, and many of the merchants and industrialists are making every effort possible to move their present assets out of the area. This situation has also added to the unemployment figure.

Further complications have arisen from a recent order from AMG which prohibits the removals of plants and machinery to TRIESTE.

8. FOOD.

Normal rations were issued during the month of June, with the exception of pasta which had to be cut from 2000 to 500 grms.

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Imported stocks of grain were exhausted on 26 June. The "[illegible]" with 8000 tons of flour did not arrive as expected. To meet this emergency S & T 13 Corps commandeered 1600 tons of flour, but due to the energy with which the Agriculture Division special grain crossing, only 200 tons have had to be borrowed against this commitment.

A reorganisation of the VENEZIA GIULIA Food Section is now being effected.

A scheme for the distribution of supplementary rations to unemployed and indigent classes is also being studied.

Distribution of ration cards for the period July - October 1946 has been completed.

B. [illegible]

1. General

a. The month of June showed an overall increase in business and tonnage

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handled by Agencies of Ugona, Centro Autotrasporti and the Rail Section. In the case of Ugona increased coal shipments from AMG Mines accounted for a large part of the increase in tonnages handled. Seasonal movement of farm produce increased the tonnages hauled by trucks registered with Centro Autotrasporti. Rail tonnages showed a gain, as a result of increase in coal shipments received from AMG.

b. Tariff Rates.

1. Following the reduction of Truck Freight Rates in this territory as of 1st June 1946, the Province of UDINE lowered truck freight tariff rates by 25%.

2. Sea tariff rates were reduced due to the increase in ship tonnage available and the resulting competition for AMG coal cargoes. This situation is the result of unemployed ships from Italian Ports seeking cargoes of AMG coal.

c. Requests for Summer Bus Services.

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d. Tire Section.

Number of Civilian tires received for distribution from Comitato della Guerra (MILANO) by Civilian Agencies of Pirelli and Necchelin were :

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Truck	tires	89	tubes	36
Motorcycle	tires	13	tubes	13
	Total	316		134

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e. Port and Warehouse Section.

Goods were handled as follows :

	Inward Tons	Cargo received Outward Tons
(1) Ships (Military) coal (Military) Railways and AMG	7159	7159
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Total	25271	10563

(A) Only one collier during the month discharged at TRIESTE ("SS LOU CARTER")
(B) Warehouse normal traffic.
(C) UCIT. - Movements of Schooners Fleet as follows : 231

Inward

From.	Tons.	Commodities transported.
Italy	2405	citrus fruit, almonds oil, sand, salt, sulphur.
AMG.	13458	coal.
POLA.	1013	cement, Soprol milled wheat.
Foreign countries.	695	cotton, onions (from AMG/VENEZIA).
Zone "B"	229	salted fish.
Zone "A"	30	stones.
Total	17828	

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UCIM - Movement of Schooners Fleet as follows :

Outward

To.	Tons.	Commodities transported.
Italy	1169	wood, beer, pig-iron, salted fish.
POLA	519	Sepral foodstuff, gasoline, bitumen.
Zone "A"	700	coal, stones.
Zone "B"	204	UNRRA supplies.
Total	2592	

UCIM. Schooner's Fleet increased the inward traffic owing to the import of coal from ARGO.

f. Rail Section.

Inwards	Tons	Outwards	Tons
From Italy	13564	To Italy	30170
From Yugoslavia	1259	To Yugoslavia	1237
Total	14823	Total	31407

g. Road Section

	Inwards.	Outwards.	Transit.	Local
	(Figures in Tons)			
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ANC Truck Pool (TRIESTE Area)				
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Rail	14823	31407	-	-
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After some arrests and a show of firmness on the part of the Civil Affairs Officer of MONFALCONE, most of the threshing machines were again operating.

Crops. 230

Below is a comparative table of wheat hectarage in the territory, less a small hectarage in ZONE. ORIENTALE :

TRIESTE Area :	1945 - Ha. 1880 wheat -	production	28890 qls.
	1946 - Ha. 2740 wheat -	latest estim. production.	50-54000 qls.
GORIZIA Area :	1945 - Ha. 1953 wheat -	production.	26524 qls.
	1946 - Ha. 2500 wheat -	latest estim. production.	45000 qls.

The fruit crop generally is about 50% better this season, and will aid the local food situation. The peach crop shows an increase of 45% over last year.

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The harvest of hay has shown increase too, but is still far below the requirements of the territory. Projects are under way to increase the production pasturage and hay by reclamation work in the hills behind TRIESTE.

Livestock.

An estimate has been made of the value of all the horses and mules brought into the territory for farm work and distributed during the past six months to the farmers. These were imported from Austria, captured enemy stock, and total 569 - 469 horses and 100 mules.

Herewith is a table of valuation, each animal has been appraised individually by a committee of livestock experts :

469 horses + 100 mules = 569 equines.

TRIESTE Area :	275 equines	- total	appraised	value	L.	6,272,000.
GORIZIA Area :	286 "	- "	"	"	L.	6,974,775.
POLA Area :	8 "	- "	"	"	L.	180,500.

569 equines - total appraised value L.13,427,275.

Forestry.

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Several administrativ/have been made in the TRIESTE area fishing organizations, resulting in smoother functioning of these groups. Fish prices continue low, as a result of good catches and efficient methods of distributions. The consumption of fuels for fishing from May 15 to June 15 was :

Petrol	Litres	31,940
Gasoil	Litres	24,790
Kerosene	Litres	8,830
Lub.Oil	Kgs.	1,460
Grease	Kgs	3

During this period the fish harvest totalled 750,000 kilograms.

A severe storm and small tidal wave at GRADO caused damage to fishermen amounting to Lire 1,187,240.

It is hoped that the two canning factories, Arrigoni and Angelica, will be enabled to start work in the near future. There is a supply of fish, but the difficulty lies in procuring olive oil and cans in sufficient quantities.

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3. INDUSTRY AND UTILITIES.

Industry activities throughout the territory with the exception of POLA have continued in an atmosphere of comparative calm. In POLA the air of depression continues and, as indicated by applications for Export Licences, there is a steady attempt to transfer industrial assets to TRIESTE or further west. In accordance with the tentative policy laid down by AFHQ most of these applications have been refused.

On the industrial side, the work of this Division has been largely routine. The rehabilitation programme for six major concerns has been pursued and good progress made in respect Solvay and Co. of MONFALCONE and Aquila Refinery, TRIESTE. In both these cases substantial loans have been negotiated with the Finance Division, for Solvay for the purchase of raw materials and for Aquila to enable a start to be made on the reconstruction of plant and equipment.

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Repairs to the pneumatic grain elevators in the porto Duca D'Aosta were completed and satisfactorily passed their acceptance tests. Restoration of this equipment has greatly improved the grain unloading facilities of the port.

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Present position of work in hand is as follows :

Contracts completed during the month.	Lire	29,218,612.
Contracts in progress over 50% completed	Lire	203,533,385
Contracts in progress under 50% completed	Lire	329,210,003
Work contracted but not yet commenced	Lire	185,939,760
Work approved but not yet contracted.	Lire	17,580,000

The bulk of the repairs and the reconstruction programme in the Porto Duca D'Aosta has now been covered and most future will be in the Porto V. Emanuele III.

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Salvage operations on the destroyer "SEBENICO" have been concluded and the vessel taken over. Contracts have been let for floating the battleship " LITTORIO" and raising the steamer "VIMINA" and a German landing craft. A statement of policy by AMG has cleared the way for the removal of a number of small ex-enemy craft obstructing channels and causing a hazard to fishermen.

The handing-over date for the R.N. Salvage equipment has now been fixed for July 1st.

F. COMMERCIAL.

General.

The sale of cloth manufactured by the Cotonificio Triestino, COTONIFICIO is progressing. As of June 30th, about 300,000 meters have been sold for a total of 50,000,000 Lire. This plant is now operating to full capacity. The installations of spinning frames at the RONCHI Mills will be completed shortly. An exchange of cotton cloth for timber and firewood is now being by the respective Military Governments. Consorzio Sanne has allocated 1,000 quintals of sulphurated oil to the soap manufacturers of this Territory.

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Compensation Trade. i 227

With Zone "B" and Yugoslavia :

Import and transit licences issued for goods
from Zone "B" to Zone "A" and Italy .....75,245,506 Lire.
Export licences issued for goods from Zone "A"
and Italy to Zone "B" .....20,124,030 Lire.
Import licences issued for goods from
Yugoslavia to Zone "A" and Italy .....31,413,299 Lire.
Export licences for goods
from Zone "A" and Italy to Yugoslavia ..... 650,000 Lire.
The difference in value between import and export
licences issued for trade between Zone "A" and Zone "B"
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Licence Section.

A. Number of Export Licences issued :

1. to Zone "B" 245
2. to Italy 483
3. to foreign countries 65

B. Number of Import Licences issued :

1. From Zone "B" 654
2. from foreign countries 56
3. P.P. TRIESTE 6
4. from Italy 4

C. Number of Transit Licences issued .199

Fuel Section.

The "SS IOU GENRIC" was carrying a cargo of UNRRA coal, and due to the shortage of this territory, efforts were made with FMG to secure this coal. Finally it was agreed that we might unload the ship on condition that the cargo would be repaid from the first ship to arrive in TRIESTE for FMG account.

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Marine salvage work and mine disposal and dredging is increasing, in close co-operation with the Navy.

The work on Bonifiche and hydraulics is showing good results, not only in improving the unemployment situation but in actual increase in agricultural production.

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The number of employed on Public Works increased by 465 during June and now show a total of 12,665.

Works.

Public Buildings.

Bids for the Children's Hospital were opened on 26 June, but due to apparent discrimination they were cancelled and new ones requested. Otherwise progress is very satisfactory.

Roads and Bridges.

Of 41 bridges destroyed, in the territory 12 have been rebuilt and 20 more are being rebuilt. Plans for the remaining 9 are now being drawn up.

Bomb Disposal.

During the month we have taken over 12 captured-enemy material dumps on the GORIZIA-TOLMINO Area from the 10th Division. These dumps are to be liquidated.

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b. There has been an increase of 1446 in unemployment figures for VENEZIA GIULIA, of which 1399 in TRIESTE Area, 47 in GORIZIA Area. The grades mainly affected are clerical, maritime, and metal workers. There has been a slight slump in the number of workers employed on Public Works projects.

c. The employment of civilian personnel by Allied Forces will in future be made through the Ufficio di Collocamento in view of a system of close coordination recently evolved with G.M.G.

d. The decision of Italian Courts in connection with the occupation of the Previdenza Sociale Building by U.S.I.S. has now been fixed for 11 July 46. The decision will be subject to appeal.

e. The Ordinance increasing benefits under the Cassa Malattia services has been put into operation.

f. 20 wage agreements were concluded and approved by [illegible], of which 3 were applicable to individual firms and 17 applicable to areas.

g. The dismissals during June in conformity with G.O. 106 amounted to 1071, thus bringing up to 4869 the total number of clerical and manual workers dismissed. Gradual unblocking of dismissals will continue during July and August, but the percentage has been fixed at 1% for the two months in view of the fact that a ban on dismissals has again been imposed in Italian Industry. Both Trade Unions and Employers have come to this decision.

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Now that necessary insecticides and other stores have arrived, the anti malaria scheme in the affected areas has got under way.

Veterinary Disease.

In POL the anti-rabies campaign is continuing. Of 18 stray dogs caught, 2 were found suffering from rabies. 21 cases of foot-and-mouth disease were reported as compared to 18 last month.

Medical Supplies.

A further quantity of drugs arrived during the month. These included 18 cases of Vaccine and Sera, 1200 lbs of P.2[illegible] Green and 4½ Million Units of Insulin, the last item being flown out from U.K. in response to an urgent demand.

A quantity of veterinary stores from captured enemy material was also obtained.

Sanitation and Hygiene.

Sanitary Police have now been provided to guard the ZAULE Refuse dump and to prevent the entrance of unauthorised persons.

An anti-rat campaign has been carried on and over 15,000 rats destroyed, mainly by means of poison baits.

The POL health and quarantine service has been re-organized. 30 ships have been visited and a provisional quarantine station set up.

Infectious and Other Diseases.

A slight increase in the number of Typhoid Fever cases in TRIESTE Commune is of note, but a rise in this disease during hot weather must be anticipated.

3. WELFARE.

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Associazione Nazionale Fra Mutilati ed Invalidi di Guerra

Following conversations with Finance Division, the self-appointed head of Associazione Nazionale Fra Mutilati ed Invalidi di Guerra has been dismissed and a new committee will be appointed.

10. DISPLACED PERSONS.

Movement of displaced persons into Zone "A", continues.

There has been no appreciable change on figures for May.

	Arrived.	Departed.
Displaced Civilians	1421	1398
Prisoners of War	314	317
	1735	1715

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General Interest.

Refugee movement from POLA caused a little "fluttering" and several queries from various sources have been dealt with satisfactorily, including two communications from the Italian Government.

The refugee enquiry section of the local Yugoslav Red Cross has been re-organized. It is too early to say yet whether this will be of any tangible assistance in their efforts.

Arrangements have now been made for the names etc., of Italian ex-P.O.W. who arrive in TRIESTE to be broadcast by A.M.G. from the TRIESTE Station. This will give relatives in Italy more time to prepare for the homecoming of these prisoners.

Financial Assistance.

Payment for 700,000 Lire to 185 Allied Nationals in distress, including 1 emergency payment, was made.

Messages Through.

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After an inspection of Slovene a further list of schools to be approved will be published before 15 July.

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Unauthorized text-books were confiscated at the Slovene schools of S.[illegible], [illegible] and [illegible].

AMGOT School Section called a meeting of 200 teachers and instructed them that they will be required to go to Yugoslavia for training during the summer months. However, the Education Division has established a Summer refresher course in Slovene language and educational methods, and attendance will be a prerequisite to employment during the coming school year.

Slovic schools were continuously interrupted by nationalists and political pending on the part of AMGOT leaders and have passed a year of unrest - enrulfed in political indoctrination visible in the text-books which AMGOT has attempted to impose upon a great part of the population also in the continuous intimidations of teachers who wanted to follow the

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regular program of study, but were opposed by the various local (liberation Committee) and were often forced to disregard the instruction given by the recognized school authorities, and use instead, the directives of [illegible].

Liceo Musicale Trieste.

This conservatory of music has had a fairly successful year, after a thorough re-organization. This school was on the verge of bankruptcy, but the change in administration and appointment of a Board of Trustees has permitted it to enjoy a new lease of life.

12. [illegible].

During the month 50 news items, announcements, and orders were [illegible] to the News Division of [illegible] for publication in the local press and on the radio.

The following world newspapers and agencies have been represented in the area during the month : - Ganes Socholn (Danish), Daily Mail, News Chronicle, United Press, Baltimore Sun, World Report, Reuters, Times, Turkish Press, [illegible] African Agencies, Sud Ouest, Figaro, N.Y.Herald Tribune, I.N.S., Daily Express, Kemsley Newspapers, Time and Life, Toronto Star, Evening News, [illegible] Monrocal, Associated Press, Evening Standard, Daily Telegraph, Daily Mail.

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f. A check on sub-post offices show all they are all functioning, and only three are thought to be under the influence of PWW.

g. A modified Parcel Post Service has now been instituted.

14. PATRIOTS.

General

The month has been very quiet and the lack of patriot agitation which has been noticed for the past few months has continued. This would appear to indicate that the policy of this division towards both the Italian and Slovene partisans, if not meeting with their entire approval is considered fair and impartial, and is recognised as a genuine attempt by AMG to help.

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The question of a commission to define the qualification of partisans is under consideration but the fact that it may stir up the whole patriot problem weighs heavily against its formation.

The office of the Associazione Partigiani Giuliani was one of the buildings wrecked by the mob on the night 30th June 1946. This may cause unrest, but it is too early as yet to forecast its course.

15. ELECTORAL ROLLS.

Now that the General Order has been passed by the Legal Division, the original material has been delivered and many communities are working on the preparatory lists.

The organisation of this section has now reached the communal level, where electoral offices are being organised.

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APPENDIX "A"

GENERAL ORDERS, ORDERS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS PUBLISHED DURING JUNE, 1946.

a. General Orders:

No. 48 B - Amendments to General Order No. 48. Taxes and fees due on documents produced to the Public Automobile Registry.
No. 54 B - Communal rents' claims offices and Area rents' Appeal Commissions. Supplement to General Order No. 54.
No. 61 - Collection of cereals.

b. Orders.

No. 28 B - Repeal of Order No. 28 providing for the collection and sale of milk and distribution of animal fodder.
No. 73 B - Amendment to Order No. 73 concerning increase in amount of fines for traffic offences.
No. 139 - Special food allowance for unemployed seamen.
No. 140 - The collection of State duties and taxes on public performances and entertainments.
No. 142 - Authorization to Riunione Adriatica di Sicurta' to increase life insurance without medical examination.
No. 143 - Supplementary social insurance contributions in respect of domestic workers.
No. 144 - Amendments to the tariff of State duties on public entertainments, horse races, other competitions and bettings.
No. 145 - Contributions due by agriculturists and agricultural workers for social insurance relating to the year 1946.
No. 146 - Repair of war damaged houses in distressed Areas without cost or obligation to the owners.
No. 147 - Supplement to General Order No. 14. Repair of houses destroyed or damaged as reprisal against partisan activities, and contribution to owners who made repairs prior to General Order No. 14.
No. 148 - Suspension of payment of installments on certain debts owed by housing Institutions.
No. 149 - Fiscal provisions regarding Joint Stock Companies.
No. 150 - Contributions for social insurance and other forms of social assistance. Modifications of General Order No. 47 and Orders Nos. 102, 103 and 104.
No. 151 - Establishment of Film Board.
No. 152 - Enlargement of exemption from taxes and duties in labor disputes.
No. 153 - Compulsory workmen's compensation insurance for occupational accidents and diseases. Determination of contributions and indemnities.
No. 154 - Prohibition of deer hunting.

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No. 157 - Temporary promotions of judicial personnel.
No. 159 - Jurisdiction of Court of Appeal of Trieste functioning as a Court of Cassation.
No. 160 - Provisions concerning payment of instruments of credit subject to cancellation procedure and instruments issued with the clause "non transferable".
No. 161 - Authorization for reconstitution and increase of Stock of commercial companies. Amendment to Order No. 7.
No. 162 - Enlargement of Ospedale Infantile e Pie Fondazioni Furlo Cerofolo e dott. Alessandro e Aglaia De Manzoni, at State expense.
No. 163 - Invalidity of acts and provisions of and during the so called Italian social republican government.
No. 164. - Declaration of Public benefit and utility construction of public road, port of Trieste - Padriciano.

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c. Administrative Orders.

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No. 40 - Appointment of Salvi Nereo, as Director of Via Tigor and Gesuiti prisons; of Calandra Orlando as Director of Via Nizza prison; and of dott. Adovasio Domenico as medical officer of Via Tigor and Gesuiti prisons.

No. 41 - Confirmation of appointment of Roatti Giovanni as Counsellor of Appeal, and Cardella Salvatore as Chancellor.

No. 42 - Temporary authorization to notary Senciari Vladimiro to practice at Trieste.

No. 43 - Appointment of Cante Giuseppe as Ufficiale Giudiziario, Pretura of Pola.

No. 44 - Temporary promotion of Lampe Anna, Zolia Ernesto, and Pauzon Giuseppe, employees of Capitaneria di Porto, Trieste.

No. 45 - Termination of functions of notary dott. Giovanni Spadon.

No. 46 - Temporary authorization to notary Boissero Guido to practice at Trieste.

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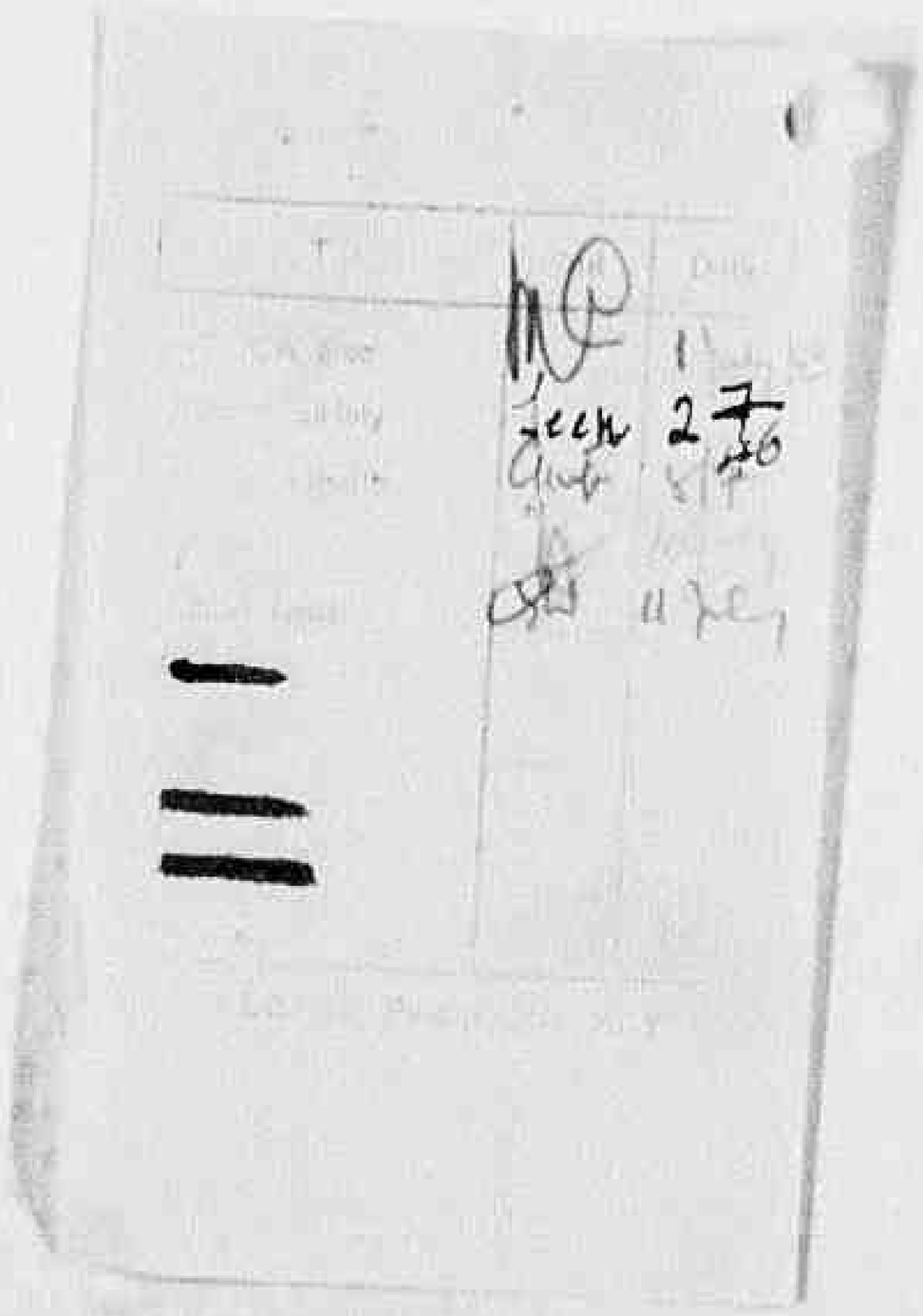
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1. POLITICAL SITUATION .

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2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT .

During May two additional communes have come under the General Order No.11 (DOLENJA del COLLIO and HERMADA).

3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE .

In spite of increased activity on the part of the Yugoslav and Italian factions during the May Day celebrations, May has been a reasonably quiet month.

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Due to the failure of the Paris conference to reach a decision on the future ownership of this territory the economic situation has deteriorated considerably; active count measures are being taken to prevent complete paralysis.

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The 1946 grain collection progress is under way.

Production of fish continues to improve .

Industry and Utilities .

Special attention has been given to finding ways and means for enabling Industry to retain workers.

The extension of the debris clearance scheme to include industrial premises has had a good moral effect .

Industrial rehabilitation is "very" difficult due to the strong impression that the French line will be accepted .

Commerce .

The first lot of cotton cloth to be produced from imported cotton is now on sale .

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Owing to the coal strike in the United States, no shipments of coal were received in May and the position regarding imported stocks is now serious .

Public Works.

Repairs of public buildings are well in hand; work on roads and bridges is progressing, and over 3000 are employed on this work alone .

5. PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE .

The anti-malaria campaign is progressing favourably. Work will commence soon on the addition to the children's hospital.

6. DISPLACED PERSONS .

The movement of displaced persons into Zone "A" continues without any signs of ceasing .The reported likelihood of the adoption of the French line has increased this tendency somewhat .

7. FINANCE .

There is still a considerable movement of surplus funds to branches in Italian territory.The Bank of Italy and other banks as agents are authorised to deal in foreign exchange under regulations similar to those in force in Italy and a General Order on this subject is being prepared .

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Special efforts have been made during May to bring the Court calendars, particularly in the Trieste area, up to date .This was ac - complished by holding extra Summary and Superior Courts .

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During the month 42 news items and announcements were passed to the News Division of A.I.S. for publication in the local press .

12. TELE - COMMUNICATIONS . 214

Telegraph service to Vienna and to the Milan and Venice stock exchanges were inaugurated during the month.

13. PATRIOTS .

The lack of agitation on the part of both Partisan Associations, which was noticed during the past 3 months,has continued .

14. ELECTORAL ROLLS .

The General Order has now been passed to the Legal Division and will be available for signature as soon as it has been translated into Italian and Slovene .

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The month opened with a large and well-organized pro Yugoslav demonstration ostensibly to celebrate "Labour Day" .The demonstration was addressed by Regent. of the P.C.C. In spite of the effort to discourage people coming into Trieste from outside communes and Zone"B" a fair number managed to infiltrate without permits to take part in the Athletic and gymnastic display which followed the demonstration.

The demonstration was hissed and spit upon by Italians and uniformed Partisans in the procession came in for much of the abuse .

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The month closed apparently quietly with political parties awaiting anxiously the reopening of the Paris conference on June 15.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

During May two additional communes were subjected to General Order No.11 : DOLEGNA DEL COLLIO and BERGOGNA both in Gorizia Area . 213

The case of Borgogna is noteworthy in that this is the first totally Slav Commune in which it has been possible to implement G.O.No. 11 . Dolegna del Collio is inhabited by Italians and Slovenes in approximately equal numbers.

3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE .

A) 'Civil Police .

In spite of increased activity on the part of the rival Yugoslav and Italian factions during the May day celebrations, it is considered that

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from the Police standpoint May has been a reasonably quiet month. Advantage has been taken of this 'breathing space' to improve efficiency and conditions in all branches of the Force. Only two matters require particular mention:

1) The May Day celebrations constituted a 'heavy' period, especially in Trieste City, for the Civil Police and police resources were extended to the utmost. Nevertheless, although several incidents occurred, the situation throughout was kept in hand and at no time was it necessary to request the military to assist in the restoration or maintenance of public order.

2) During the last few months the Police Force has been thoroughly tested and has so gained the confidence of the higher command and the general public, that increased duties have been delegated to it. In view of this and the fact it must anticipate further public disorder resulting from the general uncertainty surrounding the Peace Conference, on 21 May 45 a report was forwarded to G.O.C. 13 Corps seeking permission to increase the indigenous personnel establishment of the Force by a further 2850 all ranks - this would make a total of 5800 all ranks. The report was approved by the Corps Commander and the proposal was forwarded to AFHQ with the strongest recommendation possible.

B) Crime.

Crime returns are phenomenally low having regard to the general social conditions and to the population figure.

Figures for the past month show that a total of 249 crime complaints have been received by all branches throughout the Area, and 169 arrests or denunciations made.

These figures are subdivided as follows:

	Complaints	Arrests
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Gorizia "	31	11
Pola "	55	34
Railway Section	81	25
Harbour Section	6	17

The most serious crime reported during the month involved the death of six persons - two of the deaths being the results of road accidents in which known persons were involved.

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There was no notable increase in serious crime during the month although there was a slight increase in the number of reported cases of robbery accompanied by violence . 212

There is a decrease in the number of political crimes reported but many of the reported crimes are still in this category.

There is indication of an increase in the number of persons improperly carrying firearms .

On 25 May at Opicina, civil police investigating a case of theft were fired upon by unknown persons; they returned fires without result .

On 26 May in Via Rossetti a British soldier in company with an Italian girl was fired upon by two civilians who escaped; the soldier was uninjured . A similar incident occurred in Via Crispi on the following evening.

The uttering of forged Italian currency has continued; 33 one-thousand Lire, 21 five-hundred Lire and 0 one-hundred Lire notes were passed during the month.

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2) Gorizia Zone .

Crimes reported show a decrease as compared with last month and there have been no crimes of violence .

Eight cases of burglary and many cases of simple larceny were successfully investigated .

The Zone Superintendent is full of praise for the manner in which the Criminal Investigation Division is carrying out its duties.

3) Pola Zone .

No serious crimes have been reported during the month.

C) Brothels and Prostitution .

1) Trieste Zone

Police supervision over prostitution was increased during the period and 1148 prostitutes were detained for examination . 113 were found to be infected and were ordered into hospital. 21 were returned to their homes in Italy. 5 of the 91 women registered in brothels were found to be infected and sent to hospitals .

2) Gorizia Zone .

No increase in venereal disease is reported .

3) Pola Zone .

The drive to check the activities of prostitutes continues : The following are the statistics for the month :

Licensed prostitutes arrested	4
found infected	3
Clandestine prostitutes arrested	12
found infected	6
ordered out of zone	2

D) Conduct of Allied Service Personnel .

Apart from a few cases of drunkenness the conduct of troops has been good. No case of serious misconduct in public has come to notice .

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Other "	335	
	953	

187 prisoners in Trieste and 126 in other prisons are awaiting trial by the Italian Courts. The total is 313 or a third of the total prison population. The arrests of some of these prisoners took place as long as three months ago.

Owing to the occurrence of several irregularities and also for security reasons, visits of Trieste prisoners as out-patients to the Central Hospital have been partially discontinued; only exceptional visits in unavoidable cases are now permitted. To counteract this the prison infirmary service has been augmented and improved.

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4. FOOD.

1. Normal rations were distributed to the whole population during May with the exception of Pasta, which had to be cut due to the threatened failure of scheduled wheat flour shipments to arrive.

It was possible to issue the following rations :

Pola	:	500	grams of	"gries" (semolino)
Trieste	:	1000	" "	Pasta
		500	" "	Rice
Gorizia	:	1000	" "	Pasta

If possible deficiencies will be made up in June.

2. Two steamers arrived during the month with miscellaneous foodstuffs :

3. May	1946	:	S/S "ESKALALGATE"	275	tons of	Sugar
22 "	"	:	" "KNOT "	142	" "	Fats
				91	" "	Sugar
				34	" "	Soup

3. 12.95 tons have been unloaded ex S/S" KNOT" in Venice and forwarded to FIDE CONSORZI GENOA in repayment for 11 tons of preserved fish, borrowed in February 1946.

4. Instructions were received from HQ Allied Commission Food and Agriculture Branch to cease converting flour held by the Pastifici into pasta, thereby giving us a further subsistence till the 10th of June.

5. A steamer with approximately 8000 tons of flour is due to arrive on 15 June; the cargo will be allocated :

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Trieste Area		331,528
Gorizia	"	124,547
Pola	"	33,200
Total		489,275

5. TRANSPORTATION .

Movements during the month were as follows :

a) Port and Warehouse section .

	Inwards	Outwards
	Tons	
(A) Ships (Military) Coal (Military, Railways and A.M.G.)	8.106	8.106
(B) A.M.G. Supplies	630	762

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	Inwards	Outwards
	Tons	
(C) U.GE.MA (Schooners) Mixed cargoes	8.736	3.868
	6.625	2.609
(D) Ex SS.Mo QUIRG Wheat -Account Sopral	8.569	8.569
Total	23.930	20.046

b) Rail Section

	Inwards		Outwards
	Tons		
From Italy	13.938	To It.	22.918
" Yugo-slavia	644	To Yug.	1.740
	14.582		24.658

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f) Tires.

With approval of Commerce Division a new system has been adopted whereby a more strict control can be placed upon the rationing of new tires .51 tires of varying sizes for cars and road vehicles and 83 tires for bus services were received in the Territory. An additional 279 tires and 57 inner tubes have been released by Comitato della Gomma, but have not yet arrived in the Territory .

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6. AGRICULATURE .

a) Livestock .

Arrangements are in hand for the return of the famous Lipizza horses taken from here by the Germans. It is hoped that seventy-eight will be returned as soon as documentation is completed .

A stud farm has been opened at Ronchi and two pedigree stallions will be bought.

b) Amassing

The 1946 grain collection program is under way, with police assistance promised. Records are now being taken of acreage planted by farmers .The price has been fixed at 2250 lire per quintal, with special premiums for early amassing; .The quota of wheat to be collected in the Territory is 20.000 quintal. Trials of evaders during the past season will take place before the 15 of June as deterrent to this year's contraband operations .

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The personnel of the Forestry Corps is being increased immediately due to the pressure of work and the increased number of projects.

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Fifteen tons of fish are being produced daily from combined ports in Venezia Giulia. Total from 15 April to 15 May is 4.500 quintals. Although petroleum products consumption has increased, due to more fuel for more boats, and longer hours, the proportion of carburants to fish harvests has decreased.

7. INDUSTRY AND UTILITIES.

Special attention has been given to finding ways and means to enable industry to retain workers instead of discharging them under G.O.106. Several applications for loans for rehabilitation purposes have been investigated and reports submitted to Finance Division resulting in financial assistance being given. The extension of the debris clearance scheme to include industrial premises has had a good moral effect .

A plan in detail for the rehabilitation of six major industrial establishments in Trieste has been completed , raw materials and fuel supply demands for resumption of 60% to 75% of normal production have been submitted to Supply Division. Corresponding plant reconstruction is being facilitated and, where necessary, financial assistance is being sought from Finance Division.

The acute despondency engendered in PCLA by the strong impression which has gained ground that the "French line" will be accepted has brought all industrial rehabilitation plans to an abrupt end. The present wish of Polish industrialists is to quit as quickly as possible and remove as much as possible of their belongings .

The position of individual industries has shown little change during the month. Textiles and building materials show the greatest activity and arrangements have been completed for constructional timber to be imported in logs and dressed here.This will enable a large saw mill to reopen.

The CMLA has secured an order for a second 9000-tons cargo steamer from Norwegian owners, and negotiations for repairs to the "Arneybank" continue,with the M.C.T. The "Empire Mac Cabe" left during the month, the owner's representative and Captain expressing themselves well-satisfied with the quality of work put into the reconversion.

Electricity and gas supplies have been normal and care has been exercis in screening demands for fuel and P.O.L. on account of the current shortage.

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c) Caustic Soda.

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Discussions took place between representatives of Solvay Rosignano and Monfalcone with Industry Division and Commerce Division regarding rehabilitation of the Monfalcone factory. When the factory produces we should have more than enough caustic soda, etc. to meet local requirements, and an exportable surplus.

d) Compensation Trade with Zone "B" and Yugoslavia.

Import, Export and Transit Licenses were issued during the month for the following values:

Import and Transit from Zone "B" to Zone "A"	Lire	74,196,000
Export from Italy and Zone "A" to Zone "B"	"	65,6[illegible],000
Import from Yugoslavia to Zone "A" and Italy	"	5,270,000
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e) Foreign Trade .

During the month Representatives of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Trade, Ufficio Cambi and Banca d'Italia came to Trieste for discussions with the Finance Division of the Italian Government's views regarding compensation trade between Zone "A" and Zone "B" .

A meeting is to take place to co-ordinate the views of this Head - quarters and formulate a policy for co-ordination with the Italian Government.

f) Coal .

a) Owing to the Coal strike in the United States no shipment was received in May and the position regarding imported stocks is very serious .

b) Against coal allocations accepted for delivery during the first 6 months of 1946 we have received quantities as shown hereunder .

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Balance carried forward to May		430 tons
Received ex S/S "Robert S.Bean" (19.4.46)		8,166 "
		8,596 tons

Allocations	tons	
Trieste	990	
ILVA	2,000	
Kings Harbour Master	340	
Extra Allocation (Ind.Div)	92	
Gorizia May & June (Gas Work)	730	
Pola " "	600	
Udine	3,300	8,052 tons
Balance in stock		534

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II. Area Coal

Orders placed with Soc. Cooperativa A.G.L. Importazione & Esportazione — 8.000 tons

Allocated

Trieste	1.600 tons	
Gorizia	200 "	
Pola	1.100 "	2.900 "

Balance to be received — 5.100 tons

This balance has been allocated as under :

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b) The repair of private housing is progressing very satisfactorily .

c) Distressed Villages . This programme is being rapidly accelerated and it will be more than doubled when the General Order is published early next month. This order will definitely inform the people that the state will bear the entire cost of repairs. Doubt as to this point has tended to hold up the programme.

d) Roads and Bridges . Normal work is now at its summer peak with over 3000 men employed in this activity alone. During the month negotiations were completed with the Italian Government for the building subject to AFHQ approval of the Trieste-Austria autostrada . The final conference was held in Rome between the Chief Public Works Officer and the Italian Minister of Public Works. Both were assisted by financial and legal advisers .The Italian Government agreed to complete its part of this road in four years starting during the coming summer .

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e) Ports

Repairs are in progress at Porto Busso, Grado, Duino, Monfalcone, Sistiana and Pola. These ports although not playing a big part in international trade, are essential for local coastal shipping .

f) Bonifiche and Hydraulics.

The bonifica work is being pushed in all areas. During the month the S.C.A.C. and party inspected these works .The importance of this work cannot be stressed too highly as when the projects are completed they will provide sufficient farm produce to make Venezia Giulia independent of outside sources .

The problem of water supply to many Communes is critical. The main difficulty is that while there has always been a water problem there, it is now particularly aggravated due to :

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I) ILVA Steel Works, Trieste
II) AQUILA- Oil Refinery, Trieste
III) S.I.A.P. Oil Refinery, Trieste .
IV) GAELINI - Oil Seed Pressing- Trieste .
V) PRIMA SPREMITURA - Oil Seed Pressing -Monfalcone
VI) SOLVAY -Chemical works -Monfalcone .

The largest industry in the territory, CANTIERI RIUNITI DELL'ADRIATICO has not been included, as orders for new ship construction and reconversion come from overseas and arrangements for the supply of necessary material from abroad are part of the contract negotiations . C.R.D.A. on the other hand have been helped by this section in obtaining contracts by financial guarantees, contacts with Ministry of Transport, etc. Owing to the fact, however, that British Naval Shipyards are largely idle, ship owners are being directed to have conversion work done there . Prospects of obtaining repair work from Britain for the shipyards of Trieste are not, therefore, very hopeful, though there is

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a possibility of some orders for new ship construction being obtained. A contract for the building of two ships for Norwegian owners has been obtained with the assistance of the Italian Government .

3) Re-Awakening of Commercial life in the Territory .

A number of Compensation Deals are taking place with countries with whom Italy has Trade Agreements. The Gorizia Cotton Mill is now in a position to work to its full capacity on the basis of its normal Commercial contacts, though A.M.G. is maintaining control over its exports. A contract is in process of preparation whereby it is contemplated that the mill will weave cloth for the United States Government for use in the Far East .

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a) Sanitation and Hygiene .

(1) The work to improve the Trieste City Refuse Dump at Zaule is continuing. The emergency refuse dump at the Duca d'Aosta Dock is working well.

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c) Venereal Disease .

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d) Malaria .

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Work will soon commence on the extension of the GARCOLO children's hospital and when completed this will double the present number of beds.

A fifteen-bed hospital is now functioning in the Police Barracks, Trieste. In connection with this hospital it is hoped to start a comprehensive medical service for the Police Force including dental treatment, vaccination, inoculation,

The Villa Rinascita, Strada di Fiume, has been put in repair and will be available as a quarantine hospital if an emergency arises .

g) Medical Supplies .

A further 20 tons of drugs and dressings arrived during the month. These supplies except for some inflammable liquids are now housed in No.6 Warehouse, Porto Vittorio Emanuele and distribution is now proceeding .

A price-control committee to standardise prices and sales has been set up by the Medical Supply Officer .

12. DISPLACED PERSONS .

Movement of Displaced Persons into zone "A" of Venezia Giulia continues without ceasing.

Displaced Persons movement during May :	Arrived	Departed
Civil. Civilians	1444	1496
Prisoners of War	408	413
Total figures	1852	1909

Financial assistance :

Payments to 194 persons of 13 different nationalities were made, involving 750,000 Lire .

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a) Banking

There is still considerable movement of surplus funds to branches in Italian territory .

b) Foreign Exchange

The Bank of Italy and other Banks as agents are authorized to deal in Foreign Exchange under regulations similar to those in force in Italy, a General Order on the subject is being prepared .

c) Foreign trade .

Breakdown in negotiations for a trade-clearing agreement between "Zone A" and "B" is not considered serious and alternate steps are being taken to establish control over commercial transactions between the two Zones..

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2. Budgets

a) State Expenditure .

Total credits issued since A.M.G. took over the administration of this territory now aggregate about 42,000,000,000 Lire , one-third of which represents expenditures on public works. The next major item is 900,000,000 L. paid for occupation expenses .

b) Amassing.

When all reports on the pre-occupation amassing of agricultural cereal have arrived, a consolidated report will be sent to the Italian Government. The financing of current year amassing is being arranged .

c) Financing of Industry .

A commission is being set up to deal with this matter .

3. Insurance

a) Cassa Integrazione .

The number of dismissals permitted by General Orders 105 and 106 relating to general unblocking of dismissals now exceeds 3500 .

b) Cooperation in Zone "B" .

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a) Allied owned Property .

Properties under formal control amount to 379 whilst 93 have been released .

b) Enemy property . 201

I. Austrian

Uniform action is being taken with that in Italy with regard to the return of property and unblocking of accounts .

II. German

18 properties have been sequestrated .

III. Jewish property .

Under General Order 58 regarding restitution of Jewish Real Estate a number of securities and accounts sequestrated by the Germans have already been released .

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5. Revenue .

a) Lack of security .

The lack of security in the free port continues owing to the shortage of Finance Guards and recent reports indicate that drastic steps must be taken without delay.

b) State Lottery.

Arrangements have been completed for commencement on 1 July 1946 .

14. LEGAL.

1. Allied Military Courts .

a) Summary Courts. During May a total of 450 accused were tried on 505 charges .

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Trieste	90	70
Gorizia	13	6
Pola	12	10
Total	115	86

c) General Courts . No General Courts were tried during May .

d) Appeals .

(1) Automatic Review . During May 374 cases were reviewed in which no appeals were filed; Convictions and sentences were affirmed in 371 cases and quashed in three cases .

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(2) Review following Appeal .

32 cases were reviewed on formal appeal. Convictions and sentences were affirmed in 23 cases and quashed in three. In six cases the convictions were affirmed but the sentences reduced .

2. Ordinary Civil Courts.

a) The ordinary Civil Courts are functioning satisfactorily. Some progress was made during the month towards supplying additional personnel particularly in the offices of the clerks of the Courts .

b) The ordinary Court of Assize which has jurisdiction of the more serious criminal offenses disposed of cases involving 7 accused . Six were convicted and one acquitted. 14 cases were pending as of 31st May .

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c) During May the Special Court of Assize held public trials of 27 accused resulting in 7 convictions and 20 acquittals .

The range of sentences to imprisonment of those convicted was as follows :

from 5 to 10 years	-	3
" 10 " 20 "	-	3
30 "	-	1

d) Other relevant statistics of the Court's work during May are as follows :

cases pending on 30 April	168
additional denunciations received during the month of May	14
cases sent to the President of the Court as ready for trial after completion of the formal investigation by the Public Prosecutor.	18
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cases transferred to other Courts for competence	7
total cases disposed of by trial or otherwise	63
cases pending on 31st May	146

4. Epuration .

a) Epuration Commission under General Orders Nos 7 & 9 - Public Officials and Employees in Private Industry .

During May, provisional Orders of suspension or dismissal were made in 230 cases .Final Orders of suspension or dismissal after hearing were made in 80 cases .

b) Epuration Commissions for the Professions and Arts (Order No.13).

Provisionals orders of suspension were made in 21 cases.Final orders of suspension were made after hearing in 19 cases .

15. LABOUR .

a) The Labor Offices have had a very intensive month particularly in view of the many difficulties which "the Sindacati Unici" have been creating. The "Ispettorato del Lavoro", which calls for complete reform, has conducted its usual business doing no more than what is a bare minimum .

b) In the field of Social Services, the "Previdenza Sociale" has sorted out all its many difficulties in connection with the non-payment of increased contributions since Allied Government took over Venezia Giulia; the application of the Italian Government Decree for the "Cassa Malattia" has been occupying the attention of this Division and considerable progress has been made deciding the modifications to be made in the General Order, which will take the place of this Decree in Venezia Giulia .

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e) Wages in Venezia Giulia have not altered as a whole, but agreement was reached over the basic wages of the "Gruppo Zero" in industry . The Magazzini Generali have also applied the wage rates agreed for A.C.E.G.A.T.

f) There was only one occasion on which work was suspended during May and that was in the Shipyards of Monfalcone where the clerical workers abstained from their work on the afternoon of Saturday 25th in order to protest against the fact that the reduction of time table from 48 to 40 hours was not made to apply in the case of clerical employees. The system of addressing workers on the factory premises still continues and the Sindacati Unici have staged five important meetings during May .

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i) The attitude of the "Sindacati Unici" mentioned above is merely a preview of a continued policy of sabotage calculated to precipitate conditions of industrial unrest. In view of this line of action, the advisability of promulgating legislation to regulate Trade Union affairs in general, and Joint negotiations in particular, now becomes a necessity, unless A.M.G. is prepared to accept a situation in which a virtual monopoly is tacitly granted to the "Sindacati Unici" to the exclusion of the "Camera del Lavoro" .

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16. EDUCATION .

1. School calendar.

The public schools under the administration of A.M.G. will close the school year 1945-46 in the following order :

a)	Italian Elementary Schools	28 June '46
b)	Italian Secondary "	15 " "
c)	Slovene Elementary "	15 July '46
d)	Slovene Secondary "	1 " "

The University of Trieste will complete its work, including examination sessions by 1. August '46.

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3. University of Trieste .

Regular class work ended at the University of Trieste on 31. May . The last examination session for the benefit of candidates who were retarded in their work because of the war situation started on 25. May lasting one week. Final examinations for the school year 1945-46 will begin on 16. June t last through most of July .

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17. PUBLIC RELATIONS .

1. During the month 42 news items and announcements were passed to the News Division of the A.I.S. for publication in the local press .

2. It was anticipated that a considerable number of world press correspondents would visit Trieste for the May Day celebrations, but wide publicity had been given by news agencies to restrictions imposed on movement into Trieste in order to avoid overcrowding, and it was thought that no sensational demonstration would take place .

3. The Allied Military Parade on 2nd May was witnessed by some 50 local and world press correspondents . A press enclosure was established close to the saluting base .

4. Col. Bowman S.C.A.O., A.M.G. held an informal press conference on 3rd May when heads of Divisions were present to answer technical questions.

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e) The following telegraph services were opened during the month:

Vienna 21.May
Milan and Venice Stock Exchange 22.May

19. PATRIOTS .

1. General - The lack of agitation on the part of both partisan Associations which was noted during the past three months, has continued .

The Association "Partigiani Italiani" appears to be functioning well in Trieste and Pola and is in the hands of reasonably responsible persons. The Gorizia branch however is being run by more unresponsible persons of the communist faith and there appears to be a schism among its members .

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Association"Partigiani Giuliani" is also quiet with only occasional visits from the President to the Patriot Office with requests that claims turned down be reconsidered. However as it is controlled by U.A.I.S. it no doubt has a further function in organising the Slovene population.

2.Claims . To date 2160 claims have been registered and scrutinized and approximately 2000 more claims await scrutiny. As the majority of these are written in Slovene progress is not rapid as translations have to be made.

Approximately 10,000,000 Lire has been paid out to the next of kin of killed partisans and to seriously wounded partisans .

3. Partigiani Balkani - A new Partisan Association " Associazione Nazionale Reduci e Partigiani della Balcania ", has now appeared and requested permission to open a branch here .The Association has been informed that the position with regard to partisans in Venezia Giulia is sufficiently complicated by having two Associations already and that a third would serve no useful purpose, that however,provided the Area Commission is consulted and agrees there is no objection to them forming as a social Association but this division cannot recognise them as in any way representing the views of the partisans of this territory .

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a. General Orders :

No. 34 B - Amendments and additions to General Order No.34 increasing public pensions.
No. 45 B - Modification of General Order No.45 regarding the importation of foodstuffs .
No. 53 - Additional sanctions against crimes of a fascist nature.
No. 54 - Increase of control and rents .
No. 56 - Amendments to the competence of "Giudici conciliatori" and "Pretori" with respect to the value of cases .
No. 57 - Amendments, modifications and amplifications of the law relating to local finance .
No. 58 - Restoration of property rights of Jews and fiscal concessions to Allied Nationals and Jews.
No. 59 - Abolition of the posting of acts concerning commercial matters in the halls of the Tribunal, of the Commune , and in the premises of the Stock Exchange .
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No. 132 - Administration of Enti Comunali di Assistenza.

No. 133 - Modifications in the law relating to deposit of printed matter with the administration.

No. 134 - Shortening of the normal period of study in public schools.

No. 135 - Increases in fees of lawyers and attorneys.

No. 136 - Disposition regarding ushers attached to Conciliation Offices.

No. 137 - Establishment of temporary councils of discipline for teachers of elementary schools.

No. 138 - Extension of the 1945 - 46 school year in Slovene and Croat Schools.

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a. Administrative Orders :

No. 37 - Appointments of temporary administrative council for Istituto Tecnico Commerciale of Gorizia .
No. 38 - Appointment of Cebulec Giuseppe and Muto Giuseppe as Assistant Chancellors of the Pretura of Gorizia .
No. 39 - Appointment of Dr. Bradamante Carlo as technical expert of agriculture .

Notice :

No. 11 - Declaration concerning areas sown with cereals .

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The school year 1945-1946 is drawing to a close. Examinations for the various categories of schools have started. Students are looking forward to summer holidays - many teachers, instead, will be required to attend summer school for further training. Employees of the Education Division will go on leave as per established schedule.

II. ITALIAN SCHOOLS

2. Italian high schools completed their school year on 15 June; the elementary schools closed on 29 June. The closing of these schools has occurred in perfect harmony with educational instructions - in some localities, Gorizia and Pola - religious ceremonies were held.

3. The "scrutini" (analysis and drawing up of averages of student votes for school year) were held in all institutions in the prescribed manner and time; the entrance examinations to the lower high school, the examinations of "idoneità" and of "licenza" from the lower high school, and from the Normal School of Gorizia followed immediately.

4. Final examinations for both high schools and elementary schools are now in session.

5. Commissions for the examinations of "maturità" and of "abilitazione", which will begin on 8 July, have been appointed. These commissions were proposed by the Superintendents of Schools and approved by the Education Division. They are composed of high school and university professors.

6. The themes for the written examination in Italian language were selected by a commission appointed by the Education Division.

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7. Some students protested the early resumption of normal educational procedure in regard to the regulation which established examinations of "maturità" and of "abilitazione" so soon after the end of the war ! No changes were made, however, in the original decision.

8. One outstanding achievement has been brought about in the field of physical education, whereby, from mass physical exercises teachers adopted "free play" ("free play" for children and youth as part of the regular school program had never been adopted before in the Italian schools) - both students and teachers are pleased with the results accomplished this year.

9. The "Liceo Musicale Triestino" (Conservatory of Music) received a considerable impetus from Allied Military Government. It was possible to revive a music school which was on the verge of bankruptcy, and loss of recognition caused by the war and by a poor administrative staff without a properly appointed board of trustees. The Conservatory held a very successful school year concluded with student recitals which drew many music lovers.

10. Examinations are in course at the University of Trieste. Two main problems still remain unsolved:

a. Premises: the project calling for the completion of the new University building has not as yet been approved;

b. Faculty of Engineering: the financing of this Department is also awaiting final approval.

11. On the political front Italian schools comported themselves well. A limited number of individual incidents concerning teachers and students were reported. Investigations were conducted and the results consisted of minor disturbances mostly caused by overheated political discussions or of ultra-nationalist feelings on the part of all concerned. Invariably, incidents were grossly exagerated.

III. SLAVIC SCHOOLS

12. Slavic schools will close on 15 July.

13. The ordinance on the "scrutini" for the Slavic schools

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has been published. Regulations for examinations of "idoneità", "maturità", and "abilitazione" have also been distributed.

14. The most awaited text "A History of Slovene Literature" written by four capable professors has been edited and printed by Allied Military Government. It is a scholarly achievement. It is now in distribution at cost of printing to Slavic high school students. The elementary arithmitic text books have been distributed free to all elementary school children.

15. The Education Officer has visited more Slavic schools. A list of schools which will be recognized is in preparation and it will be published by the end of school year - 15 July - for public notice.

16. On political front the Slavic schools are living moments of deep unrest caused by trouble makers at the services of PNOO and UAIS, interested mainly in the promotion of Communist and ultranationalist teachings in the newly reborn Slavic schools.

17. The PNOO School Section has intensified its attacks on the School Administration of the Territory - this time by concentrating all guns on the text books issued free by Allied Military Government to the elementary schools. The PNOO began its tactics by arousing its politicably minded Parent Councils through meetings held in every community. The orders issued were to return all A.M.G. text books to either the Civil Affairs Officers or to the Education Division with the request that Slavic schools must be permitted to teach in the "spirit of the War of Liberation movement" - using those text books prepared by PNOO: "Naša beseda" and "Svoboda Pota" which are written in the spirit of the liberation movement - (These books contain teachings in the Communist doctrine and relate partisan exploits in a manner which is gruesome and arouse children toward hatred for the Italian population - the method and educational contents show a marked lack of educational preparation.)

18. By June 20th Parent Council from many sections of the territory had returned to A.M.G. its free texts.

19. The Education Division confiscated non-authorized text books at the schools of San Giovanni, Barcola, and Roiane (Trieste). A.M.G. texts were distributed free to all children (school directors had been afraid to issue the books when

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requested. Normal education procedure was re-established in these schools. The staff which desired to continue at the employ of the school Administration was requested to pledge impartial adherance to official educational directives. Parents and pupils were given an opportunity to select between the State public schools and the privately run PNOO political educational enterprises. Surprisingly enough, all teachers and parents accepted - none withdrew their children from the public schools! "PRIMORSKI DNEVNIK" used this incident, however, to instigate the Slovene people to send numerous telegrams to London, New York to UNO, and to Paris' Prime Ministers' Conference crying that their most elementary rights had been denied them by A.M.G. Education Division. Meanwhile, many Slovene parents protested against (softly for fear of reprisals) the attitude and action taken by PNOO; they stated that it did not represent the unanimous opinion of the Slavic population of the Territory; that their hopes in the future education of their children lay in the hands of the Western democracies - in <u>their</u> interpretation of education.

20. PNOO School Section has also called meetings of our teachers instructing them that they will be required to go to Yugoslavia for training during the summer months. The Education Division has established summer refresher courses in Slovene language and educational methods - attendance will be a prerequisite to employment the coming school year.

IV. CONCLUSION.

21. The Italian schools ended a successful school year. Political interference has been limited and political indoctrination almost nil in so far as known to school authorities. The adoption of a democratic program of study - accepted unanimously by teachers - has placed Italian schools in the lead over Slavic schools in the adoption of democratic methods of instruction as conceived by the Education Subcommission of Allied Commission, Italy.

22. The Slavic schools continuously interrumpted by nationalistic and political prodding on the part of PNOO leaders have past a year of unrest - engulfed in political indoctrination (quite "red") visible in the text books which PNOO has imposed upon a great part of the population - visible in the continuous

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intimidation of teachers who wanted to follow the regular program of study, but tackled by the various local OFs (Liberation Committees) were often forced to disregard the instructions imparted by the recognized school authorities, and use instead, the directives of PWOO.

23. A report covering the education activities of the entire Territory during the year 1945-1946 is in preparation - it will present the ups and downs achievements and failures of the now famous Education Division of Allied Military Government.

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SUMMARY
of
CURRENT EVENTS
for month ending 30th April 1945

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1. Political.

Political activity continued at high pressure during the month though the departure of the Four Power Conference on April 5th was followed by a short period of calm. Italian elements showed signs of increased confidence, mainly as a result of the success of their March demonstrations. Pro-Slav elements showed signs of internal dynastic trouble which the resignation of the President of the Andreotti Cabinet did nothing to conceal. Attempts to induce voluntary restriction of the number of persons entering Zone "A" from Zone "B" for the May Day celebrations caused intensified attacks on Allied Military Government from the Jugo-Slav adherents. Towards the close of the month the attention of the whole population of Venezia Giulia was turned towards Paris. The news of the deadlock in the meetings of Foreign Ministers did not cause surprise but hopes are still cherished for the reopening of the discussions and the reaching of an agreement.

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There has been a further improvement in the public safety situation in Zone "A" during the month, due to the general increase in activity, efficiency, morale and general welfare in all ranks of the Police Force.

3. Food.

Normal rations were distributed during April with the exception of fats and pasta which had to be cut due to non-availability. Deficiencies however will be made up in May.

4. Transportation.

A very small number of tyres have been received in the area during the month. A few new small (3rd class) bus services were granted concessions.

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6. Industries and Utilities.

There has been less unrest among industrial workers during the month and the unblocking of dismissals has been accepted without any outward sign of serious opposition.

7. Commerce.

The distribution of cloth from the first 300 bales including 182 already. 3919 bales of American cotton have been received, representing the first consignment under the 1946 January-June Civil Import Programme. 16304 tons of coal arrived during the month of April.

8. Public Works.

Work is continuing on the rehabilitation of distressed villages and

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8. Public Works (Cont'd)

during the month work has commenced in MANFREDONIA, CERIGNOLA and CASTELLANETA. With improved weather the roads and bridge programme has made considerable progress and has now reached its maximum.

9. Economics.

All divisions concerned with the rehabilitation of the area have been actively engaged in preparing a programme specially designed to give added employment and to get industry started back to its normal peacetime production.

10. Public Health and Welfare.

The general health throughout the Territory continues to be good and the arrival of 50 tons of medical supplies has been of considerable help.

11. Displaced Persons.

The increase of movement of displaced persons which had been noted during the last few months has been maintained during the month of April.

12. Finance.

The majority of the budgets for the quarter April-June of the financial year 1945/46 have been approved. The cost-of-living index figure in Northern Italy has now been increased to 130 and the question of amendment in Venezia Giulia is under consideration.

13. Property Control.

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14. Legal.

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16. Education.

The month has been quiet so far as schools are concerned. The political situation has remained stationary and school administration except for minor political incidents has functioned smoothly.

17. Public Relations.

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During April, 53 news items and announcements concerning the activities of Allied Military Government were passed to the News Division of A.F.H.Q. for publication in the local press and radio.

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18. Telecommunications.

A telephone circuit between Trieste and Milan was opened during the month.

19. Partisans.

Due to lack of activities on the part of the Partisan Associations, considerable headway has been made in the processing of claims already submitted.

20. Electoral Rolls.

The General Order dealing with the preparation of the Electoral Rolls has been completed and passed to Legal Division for final approval.

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MONTHLY REPORT
for month ending 30th April, 1946.

1. POLITICAL SITUATION.

At the beginning of the month, political feelings were still intensified by the presence of the Four-Power Allied Boundary Commission in VENEZIA GIULIA. Nightly, pro-Slav elements took possession of the "Piazza" opposite the hotel in which the Commission was working, chanting the ranting slogan "Tito Tito", but the enthusiasm and energy of the demonstrations was beginning to flag.

Pro-Slav propaganda, however, redoubled its efforts, and the spirits of their supporters were revived by a campaign against the Civil Police and A.M.G.

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Pro-Slav organizations have shown signs of internal dissension, which the leading of the P.C.I. was not able to conceal. The resignation of the former President of the Sindacati Unici, reported to be on grounds of ill health, caused considerable comment.

Discussion among communists has further been evidenced by the setting up of an office of the P.C.I. in TRIESTE and the proposed publishing of a newspaper, with the full support of Togliatti. It is stated that the reason for this move is to enable a branch of the Italian Communist party to function immediately in that part of [illegible] which ITALY will be allowed to retain under the terms of the Peace Conference.

By the middle of April, arrangements were being made by the pro-Slavs of MONTE CARLO for the May Day celebrations. A.M.G. were asked for permission to import large numbers of men and women from Zone "B" to take part in sports events and a parade. A.M.G. policy was to attempt by voluntary cooperation to limit these to a reasonable number because of the already over-crowded conditions, the feeding difficulties

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1. POLITICAL SITUATION (cont'd)

...val the large number of troops and equipment that were already concentrating in and around TRIESTE in preparation for the Allied Military Parade due to take place on May 2nd.

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Simultaneously Unicl threatened to prevent the workers from participating in the holiday, but no action was taken and no incidents reported.

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The following are "highlights" of note during the month affecting both police and public safety:-

i. Following intensive examination before Selection Boards, 30 serving Guards and 70 of the VFF out of a total of 130, entered an Officers' Training Course in TRIESTE on 23 April 1946.

ii. There have been a number of incidents arising out of "differences of opinion", some cases of intimidation of V.G. Police and, although to a lesser degree, press attacks on the V.G. police.

iii. A press article appearing in the left wing newspaper "Il Lavoratore" on 16 April 1946, contained a very inaccurate account of a raid on a TRIESTE Sokols Club (referred to in report for March 1946) and accused the V.G. Police and Allied Military Government of "openly succeeding a new Fascism" when refusing to arrests effected during the demonstrations in TRIESTE on 27/28 March 1946.

iv. On 20 April 1946 a Police Guard of Unit 1st Branch, Polo Zone, wandered some 100 yards over the demarcation line. He was arrested by Jugoslav Military and was not released until 30 April 1946. Whilst in custody he was interrogated by Jugoslav authorities as to the disposition of the Venezia Giulia police forces also as to conditions etc., in the service.

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2. [redacted] (Public Safety Division) (Cont. of Civil Police.

v. An incident of a different character occurred on 23 April 1946 when at [redacted], an Polish Citizen, a known criminal wanted for interrogation for murder, endeavoured to evade arrest and opened fire on members of the Venezia Giulia Police C.I.D. Flying Squad who were chasing him. The fire was returned and the wanted man was fatally wounded.

vi. A "political" incident worthy of note occurred in Trieste on 25 April 1946 when a restaurant keeper was assaulted after entertaining Italian partisans and displaying Italian flags. Police intervention prevented serious hurt to the person concerned or damage to his property. Following upon this, pro-Italian sympathisers visited the same district and tore down bi-lingual signs.

(b) Crime -

[redacted] Zone - There has been a slight decrease in the number of crimes committed during the month, and the number of detections has been very satisfactory. This is no doubt due to the increased mobility of the police rendered possible by additional transport.

One disturbing feature has been the number of false Italian bank notes which have been circulated in the city of [redacted]. The figures are 42 1000-lire notes, 14 500-lire notes and 4 100-lire notes. Available evidence points to individuals masquerading in the uniform of British soldiers operating between [redacted] and Trieste.

[redacted] Zone - 47 reports of crime were received - a slight decrease as compared with the figures for the previous month.

These crimes included 9 cases of burglary and 15 for aggravated theft. No crimes of violence have been reported.

Arrests numbered 25, including 3 persons for the illegal wearing of Allied uniform, and 2 persons for abandoning their children.

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Arrests number 33, including 10 persons for illegal possession of arms.

(c) Brothels and Prostitution -

Periodical inspections of public dance halls, hotels, pensions and hired rooms are made by the Vice Squad of the C.I.D. There is a slight increase during the period under review in the number of women medically examined and found to be infected, but there is no reason for undue concern and regulations for medical treatment are being rigorously enforced.

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(d) Prisons -

During the month the prison population has returned to a normal figure due to the large number of cases dealt with by Allied Military Government Courts (over 250). 117 releases following the granting of amnesty and pardon under General Order No. 46, and the transfer of 51 long-term prisoners to Italian Penal establishments.

The figures are now as follows:

TRIESTE Prisons.....615
Other prisons.....347
Total prison population 962

The selection and classification of prisoners is now in progress and will be completed shortly.

A school for juvenile detainees was opened during the month at the Via Mazzini Prison, TRIESTE.

Proper prison attire for convicted prisoners have been ordered from a firm recommended by the Chief Prisons Officer.

3. FOOD.

Normal rations were distributed during April with the exception of pasta and fats which had to be cut due to non-availability. Deficiencies, however, will be made up for in May.

During the month, 8,574 tons grain were received from the S/S "Mc Quire" while the S/S "Moseley" unloaded miscellaneous foodstuffs. From the total of grain received, 5,393 tons had to be given to the Italian Government and 1,825 tons to AMMI in repayment of loans.

The S/S "Makdaleneto" has just completed offloading 275 tons sugar for VENEZIA GIULIA.

Edible salt stocks will last approximately 2 months and the Monopoly authorities have been asked to renew their monthly shipments.

In order to counteract high restaurant prices discussions are being held with a view to setting up popular restaurants at controlled prices. Cooperation of some of the more public-spirited restaurant owners is being sought.

4. TRANSPORTATION.

(a) Port and Warehouse Section -

	Cargo received	
	Inward tons	Outward to consumers tons
Ships (military) Coal (Military, Railways and Allied Military Government)	8195	4500
Allied Military Government supplies received Warehouse 6	2968	1716
UCRRA (Schenkers) mixed cargoes	3364	2383
Total	14527	8599

(b) Rail Section -

To Italy 21317 tons

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	Cargo received	
	Inward tons	Outward to consumers tons
Ships (Military) Coal (Military, Railways and Allied Military Government)	8195	4500
Allied Military Government supplies received Warehouse 6	2968	1716
UCSM. (Schooners) mixed cargoes	3364	2383
Total	14527	8599

(b) Rail Section -

To Italy	21317 tons
From Italy	12007 "
To Jugoslavia	138 "
From Jugoslavia	676 "
	34136 tons

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Note: The sharp decrease from figures of March are due to drop in Coal imports from U.S. because of Coal strike there.

(c) Road Section -

Formation - Civilian Vehicles (Autotrasporti)

	Inwards	Outwards	Local	Total
tons	9075	434.2	46,097	59,5[illegible].2

Tonnages carried by Allied Military Government Truck Pool Vehicles are as follows:

	Inwards	Outwards	Local	Total
tons	138	NONE	4528.4	1666.4

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4. TRANSPORTATION. (Cont. of Road Section)

Note: The great increase in local movement is accounted for in the tremendous increase of work being done by Genio Civile under Public Works contracts.

(d) Autos -

Only 67 trucks were received into the area, 51 from the Ministero dell' Industria (ITALY) and 16 from A.C.A.I. Italian Government Agency - through our agent Mossini. No tubes were received from any source.

(e) Bus Services -

A few new concessions were granted to small third-class bus services. The Military was relieved of operating five (5) local Area services - NAPLES to ORICINA and nearby local areas.

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(d) Supplies -

Three imported tractors are now in the Consorzio Agrario warehouse ready for distribution, and the other 10 to be picked up from P.M.G.A. are expected in TRIESTE shortly. There is no fertilizer shortage and remaining restrictions have been lifted to encourage the farmers to purchase what is still available. The high prices are due to the increase in cost at factory, plus transportation expenses which are now excessive. Each sack costs 800 lire, and tariffs all along the line make an exorbitant total. The farmers idea is to go on a buyer's strike and

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5. AGRICULTURE. (Cont. of Supplies)

force the fertiliser plants to reduce their prices by fall, or be glutted with the material. Bran is coming in from the flour mills, and is being distributed on priority to producers of milk; so much bran for so many litres of milk delivered.

(e) Benifices -

New benifices in the HOMS/HAMA and GHADO areas are under way, and vast tracts of land never cultivated and now under water will be drained and brought into production. Much of this land will be ready for fall planting.

(f). Forestry -

Some 700,000 trees have been planted in THREE Centres according to plan. The seeding of the terraces in the same area is continuing, and work on this project will continue throughout the summer. There has been some loss of nursery stock due to the lack of rain up till the end of the month. The recent showers, however, have done much to bring through many trees beginning to dry out. A new project for a Memorial Forest, dedicated to the soldiers of 13 Corps, has been started. The site lies between BAROUK and MERKABE, on the hillside overlooking the sea. The blue prints are complete, types of trees have been chosen, and fencing off the tract has begun. Oaks and non-coniferous trees will be used, to distinguish this park of remembrance from the usual memorial found in ITALY.

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As the season progresses catches of fish are increasing daily, and the food supply of the Territory has been augmented in proportion. All restrictions possible have been removed, more mine fields cleared, and every aid has been offered to the industry. Although canning has not yet got under way, due to lack of cans and olive oil, this handicap has helped the general supply on the market, resulting in prices dropping again this month.

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In particular the Ministry of Transport has reversed its decision to have the "Empire Rocky" reconversion here and the ship is going to GENOA. It was also the intention of HQT to transfer the "Graybank", now lying in TRIESTE, to GENOA or elsewhere for reconditioning. 174

The fuel situation has required careful handling in consequence of the cessation of imported coal supplies for an indefinite period due to the coal strike in U.S.A. A stock pile of 9,000 tons of coking coal has been accumulated and several thousand tons of ASH coal are expected. After careful screening of demands it has been possible to cover three months demands and at the same time restore a limited gas service of nine-and-a-half hours daily in TRIESTE.

The electricity supply situation is normal but owing to lack of gas consumption is very high and it has been necessary to refuse new domestic power connections in order to protect transformers and the low-tension distribution system against overload.

Large industries depending upon supplies and markets outside Zone "A" are making slow progress but medium and small industries are steadily improving. One large industry showing improvement is the Cotonificio Triestino of COMIZ. which increased to 76% capacity.

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6. SHIPPING & UTILITIES (Cont'd)

Good progress has been made with Port Reconstruction and it has been noted that workers have shown better discipline.

Salvage of the Jugoslav destroyer SERVICE is almost completed and plans have been made to continue with other ships obstructing berths in the harbour.

Arrangements have been made to take over Royal Navy ship salvage gear from the Senior Salvage Officer, on whose departure early in May all ship salvage will come under this Division.

7. SUPPLIES.

(a) General -

The distribution of the cloth received on C.C.S. from the first 800 imported bales of cotton is proceeding slowly. 12 million lire worth of goods have been taken over by the Lombard to date out of a total of 4.5 million lire worth of cloth made or to be made out of the first and second lots of cloth to be delivered.

At the beginning of the month 3919 bales of American cotton representing the first shipment under the 1946 January-June Civil Import Programme were intended to be spun and of this 200 bales have been taken over by the SORELI Cotton Mill.

(b) Firewood -

Firewood distributed in April	qls	1,100
Availability in 30/4/1946	"	42,000 (less shrinkage)

Swan Timber trade between Z.no "B" and Zone "A" -

One (1) shipmentation account at Banca d'Imerica & d'Italia, payment being in advance; for timber purchases in April Lit. 9,650.000
" deliveries in April " 7,200.000

Swan Timber imported from JUGOSLAVIA through CHETNIK in April for L. 1,400,000.

(c) U.N.R.R.A. -

Demands by Transportation Division for petrol and Serv. continue to increase and total civilian demands threaten to exceed the GHQ Ghato; in fact the bids for the next planning period July-December are already in excess of the ghato for the present period.

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Firewood distributed in April ...ols 1,100
...vailability in 30/4/1946 " 42,000 (less shrinkage)

Brown Timber trade between Zone "B" and Zone "A" -

On all the ...rangements account at Banca d'Italia, payment ... in advance; For timber purchases in April Lit. 9,950.000
" Deliveries in April " 2,300.000

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Industrial Oils -

Recent arrivals have brought us on to six months supply and no bids for this class of oil have been made for the period July - December. Stocks of oils locally produced and those not of Allied Supply are the subject of review. Export from VENEZIA GIULIA of any oils which match those of Allied Supply will not be licensed unless they are surplus to requirements to December 31st 1946.

(1) Coal -

Arrivals during April	Date of Discharge	
S/S JOEL P. COOK.	17.4.1946	8,195 tons
S/S ROBERT S. REED	19.4.1946	8,106 "
		16,301 Tons

8. PUBLIC WORKS.

(a) General -

As stated in the last report, there has been a decided increase in willingness of home-owners to repair their houses under General Order No. 14. During the past month the Comite Civile has submitted one project under General Order No. 27 although a number have been submitted under General Order No. 14. In all, these amount to 8673 units.

Work is continuing in the distressed villages and this month work has started in the villages of KIPUSHIKO, DOMBO and GASIGLIKO in addition to those reported last month and it is hoped that repair work will commence in other villages in May.

(b) Agriculture Projects -

The reinstatement of the communal woods of TARARE has been practically completed.

(c) Roads & Bridges -

With the break in the weather, the roads and bridges programme has picked up and is now proceeding at its maximum. On this programme alone there are in round numbers 2900 men working, a big increase from the 500 during the winter months. TARARE Commune is employing nearly 900 men on the roads.

(d) Building Supplies -

The building supply position is very healthy. The Territory can now produce about 90% of all its needs. It is hoped that by the end of June it will be possible to unblock all construction supplies.

(e) Bomb Disposal -

The Bomb Disposal and Mine Lifting programme has made considerable progress during the month. Types of explosive material recovered during the month are:

Mines	16 Tons
War residues unexploded bombs and varied material	118 "
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Amount in Main "Carnatory"	67 "

9. EDUCATION.

Rehabilitation -

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Mines.....	16 Tons
War residues unexploded bombs and varied material.	110 "
Dangerous war residues destroyed.....	72 "
Amount in Dump "Cemetery".....	67 "

9. ECONOMICS.

Rehabilitation -

All Divisions concerned with the rehabilitation of the area, especially Industry Division, have been actively engaged in preparing a programme designed to give added employment, and to get industry started back to its normal pre-war production.

Preliminary surveys show that, in most instances, most of the needed materials can be obtained in ITALY, but some of the basic and more critical materials will have to be secured through the assistance of A.F.H.Q. from the Combined Chiefs of Staff. It is hoped that this programme can be completed, screened, and forwarded to A.F.H.Q. by the end of May.

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Trade across Morgan Line -

Since General Order No. 45 became effective on 25th March the movement of trade across the Morgan Line has been subjected to close supervision. At present there are only five control posts in operation, and experience shows that additional posts are necessary. Both Italian and Jugoslav officials have requested a closer control. During the next month it

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9. ADMINISTRATION (Cont. of Trade across Morgan Line)

is hoped that additional personnel can be obtained. Under the present set-up where the number of posts are small, and the distances between posts somewhat great, additional cost on the merchandise has been necessary because of increased transportation tariffs.

The Jugoslav Military Authorities appear to be satisfied with the principle of control, and the results of its operation during the first month. In addition to their request for closer control they have requested clarification and alteration of a few of the points of instruction issued for goods crossing the line. Early in the month a very successful meeting was held between members of the Jugoslav Military Government and a Sub-Committee of the Anglo-American Joint Economic Committee to straighten out certain difficulties encountered.

10. PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE.

(a) Hospitals -

In TRIESTE, there continues to be a good deal of political intrigue among the staff of the Ospedale Maggiore and personal animosities accentuated by Party bias are apt to interfere with medical administration.

The Civil Hospital at CORIZIA was visited. It is an old fashioned building with out-of-date equipment which prevents an efficient medical service. This will be remedied when the new hospital is taken into use.

The Civil Hospital at POLA, was inspected and was found to be rendering excellent service in spite of overcrowded conditions.

(b) Medical Supplies -

About 50 tons of drugs and specialties arrived by rail during the month and are housed in the Allied Military Government Warehouse in the Docks. In addition, a 30-day reserve will be maintained in case of emergency. A quantity of captured enemy supplies, mainly Laboratory Equipment, found at the Marine Hospital POLA has been taken over by Allied Military Government and given to the Hospital "Santorio Santorio" POLA.

(c) Sanitation and Hygiene -

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The anti-rat Campaign continues, and an additional monetary grant is being asked from Finance in order that the work may go on for a further 4 months. The POLA water supply was in danger of becoming contaminated owing to a breakdown in the filtration apparatus, and a special supply of chlorine powder was sent from TRIESTE to combat this menace.

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(d) Infections and other Diseases -

General health continues very good, except for an outbreak of Measles at GORIZIA.

Venereal disease - Number of admissions to hospital are 55 as compared with 51 last month.

Tuberculosis - An analysis of cases gives a total of 311 cases notified compared with 447 in March.

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10. PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE. (Contd)

(e) Veterinary Service -

An outbreak of foot-and-mouth fever among sheep in CASALDO in CORIZIA Area is being investigated.

(f) Miscellaneous -

A conference at which Provincial Health Officers were present, was held to discuss infectious disease in Zone "B".

(g) Welfare -

Inspections were made of several Welfare Agencies in TRIESTE, including the ISTITUTI RIUNITI DI ASSISTENZA and the ENTE COMUNALE DI ASSISTENZA, the official Public Welfare Agency.

Inspections and visits have been paid to GORIZIA, GRADO and PISINO, at the two latter places in connection with the project of SUMMER CAMPS for children.

Ente Comunale di Assistenza - This Public Welfare Agency is continuing its welfare activities. The ECA's work is increasing rather than decreasing, due to the fact that many ex-internees, POWs etc., have returned home and because the recent withdrawing order has been put in effect. ECA's estimated quarterly budget shows an increase of about 7,230,000 lire.

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Commencing on EASTER SUNDAY, with the assistance of WELFARE DIVISION, this Agency organised a SPECIAL FESTIVAL for benefit of war orphans. Receipts realised (L. 1,200,000) will be used by this Agency to set up a war orphans residence and college in TRIESTE. As the building to be used for this purpose is now being repaired, it is hoped that the college may start functioning in the near future.

A similar FESTIVAL for benefit of war orphans was held in POLA, commencing EASTER SUNDAY and realised Lire 147, 283, which sum will be of great assistance in furthering the war orphans programme.

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11. REPATRIATIONS.-

The increase in movements of Displaced Persons which had been noted during the last few months has been maintained during the month of April. Details are as follows:

	Entered	Evacuated
Civilians	1360	1318
Ex-PWs	213	206
Total figures	1573	1524

The responsibility for payments to Greek and Czech nationals will be undertaken in the very near future by their respective Governments. British nationals are already being paid by arrangements with this Division from British Foreign Office funds.

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11. DISPLACED PERSONS (Cont'd)

Attempts have been made during the month by Jewish nationals to enter the Territory illegally in order to get to PALESTINE. Those persons were ultimately despatched to Displaced Persons Camps in ITALY and all have now left VENEZIA GIULIA. The system of admittance of any Displaced Person from JUGOSLAVIA into VENEZIA GIULIA have also been completely altered and there has been no other attempt at illegal entry from that age.

British Red Cross -

Distribution of Red Cross parcels have been made to all camps.

12. FINANCE.

(a) State, Perpetual and Communal Budgets -

The majority of the budgets for the last quarter (April-June) of Financial Year 1945/46 have been approved.

(b) Salaries and Pensions -

The cost-of-living index figure in North ITALY has now been increased to 130, and the question of enactment in VENEZIA GIULIA is under consideration.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN pensioners excluded from benefits under General Order No. 34 have been granted 50% of the increase of cost of living allowance pending the issue of a further order.

Uniform provisions have been issued for the payment of state assistance made by A.C.A.A. to refugees, ex-internees, families of internees, etc.

(c) Post due bills -

The amount payable to any one creditor of public bodies has been increased to Lit. 500,000.

(d) Revenue -

Fiscal Courts - Application has been made to increase the establishment from 500 to 1,000.

Owing to the lack of security in the Port, Insurance Companies are refusing to insure goods, and this constitutes a serious matter.

Monopoly - Salt rationing has now ceased.

(e) Insurance -

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Provincial Food Supplies have been approved.

(b) Salaries and Pensions -

The cost-of-living index figure in North ITALY has not been increased to 130, and the question of readjustment in VENEZIA GIULIA is under consideration.

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(c) Past due bills -

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(d) Returns -

Fiscal Guards - Application has been made to increase the establishment from 500 to 1,000.

Owing to the lack of security in the Port, Insurance Companies are refusing to insure goods, and this constitutes a serious matter.

Immunity - Salt rationing has now ceased.

(e) Insurance -

Temporary Special Unemployment Indemnity - This has now been prolongated to 30 June 1946 in connection with the gradual unblocking of dividends.

Compensation to JUGOSLAV firms - Attempts to obtain certain Lire "A" documents from the Jugoslavs are meeting with no success and it may be necessary to make an approach through the Joint Economic Committee.

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13. PROPERTY CONTROL.

(a) Allied Enemy Property -

The number of Allied Properties of all classes taken under formal control now amounts to 374, belonging to 283 owners.

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13. ENEMY CONTROL (Cont'd)

(b) Commercial and Industrial undertakings -

Special investigations have been made during the month into the affairs of two British Oil Companies, viz. Shell Mex and Anglo-Iranian Oil Company.

(c) Italian State and Parastatal and ex-Fascist Property -

The number taken under formal control remain the same. In addition however, a number of other properties are being administered or wound up by the Intendente di Finanza under supervision of this Office.

14. LEGAL.

(a) Allied Military Courts -

Summary Courts - During April, 1946, a total of 82 accused were tried on 89 charges. These figures compare with 548 accused on 546 charges in March, 1946. The comparatively small number of cases in the Summary Courts in April is further due to the large number of cases transferred to Superior Courts, consisting mainly of the cases arising out of the demonstrations at TRIESTE and GORIZIA in the latter part of March. This is reflected in the increase of Superior Court cases as hereinafter pointed out.
The breakdown of offences disposed of in the Summary Courts during April, by Areas is as follows:

Area	No of Charges	No of Accused
TRIESTE	67	64
GORIZIA	20	16
POLA	2	2
Total	89	82

Superior Courts - Cases in the Superior Courts were greater than in any other month due to the fact that all cases arising out of the demonstrations at TRIESTE and GORIZIA were disposed of in Superior Courts.

During April, 1946, Superior Courts disposed of cases involving 139 accused (as compared with 35 in March), on 214 charges (as compared with 53 charges in March).

All cases arising out of the demonstrations were tried and disposed of. This was accomplished by setting up extra Superior Courts at TRIESTE and GORIZIA.

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No Superior Court cases were tried in the POLA Area.

The breakdown of Superior Court cases for the other two Areas is as follows:

Area	No of Charges	No of Accused
TRIESTE	112	69
GORIZIA	102	70
Total	214	139

General Courts - No General Courts cases were tried during the month of April.

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14. LEGAL (Cont'd)

(b) Civil Courts -

The Ordinary Civil Courts continue to function with reasonable satisfaction although the problem of delays to personnel is a source of some concern.

The Ordinary Court of Assize which has jurisdiction of the more serious criminal offences, disposed of cases involving 12 accused, 18 cases were pending on 30 April.

(c) Special Court of Assize -

During the month of April, the Special Court of Assize tried 30 accused resulting in 23 convictions and 7 acquittals.

The death sentence in the case of Ernst Zindel and his collaborator was the first imposed by the Court.

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Unemployment in the Territory is still on the upward trend. The numbers at TRIESTE, GORIZIA and POLA show an increase of nearly 2,000 men, 1,200 women and 300 juveniles. This increase would have been more marked if Public Works had not catered for another 3,000 workers. When the gradual withholding of dismissals becomes effective, figures are likely to increase further unless even more Public Works projects are provided.

The margin between wages and cost-of-living is gradually narrowing and though it is quite correct to say that the gap is still marked, the knowledge obtained of the Giolitti Index that living costs were higher in TRIESTE than in other North Italian Provincial Capitals is quite untrue.

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Only one strike (and that of a political nature) was staged during April. An attempt by the Giudecca Unici to organise an Industrial Strike over the promulgation of General Orders 105 and 106, blocking Arbitration and withholding dismissals, proved a complete failure. There is every indication that the gradual withholding of dismissals should prove effective and no serious repercussions on public order are expected.

16. EDUCATION.

The month of April has been a quiet one as regards the schools of the territory. The political situation has remained stationary. School administration has functioned normally except for minor political incidents which have occurred in both the Italian and Slovene schools.

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14. EDUCATION (Cont'd)

Italian Schools -

In 11 towns and villages the work of re-activation of school buildings is continuing. At TRIESTE this activity has taken a speedy turn to the better, and very shortly several large buildings such as that of the "Liceo Dante" will return to their normal functions. The number of schools being requisitioned is increasing. Several secondary schools, also at TRIESTE, are now functioning in full.
Less noticeable has been the improvement of the Italian schools in the field of elementary school instruction; some "sedi" are still without their school buildings.

Slovene Schools -

On 10 April the Training Course for the preparation of Slovene elementary school teachers was started. Of 70 applicants, 30 were accepted to attend the course which will last six months; while in school, each candidate will be paid the salary at the corresponding rate for an elementary school teacher of grade XIII Class 3 (Italian civil service qualification). Since the beginning of the course further applications have been received; and if a sufficient number are received to warrant the establishment of another class this will be done as soon as practicable.
On 11 April the Division, through its "Sovrintendenza Scolastiche" started the distribution of the newly printed 4th and 5th Class elementary school reader - "Slovenske berile". The school section of the PWOO is placing considerable pressure on teachers, parents, and even children not to purchase this text book. In GRADEZ area where it was anticipated 2,000 books would be distributed only 200 have been purchased. (The book is being sold at cost of printing: 30 Lire per copy). The possibility that Allied Military Government will have to subsidise the text book in being planned for, and the number of schools to be officially recognised may have to be decreased. Another of the Slovene series of text books prepared under the supervision of Allied Military Government to come off the press on the above mentioned date is a basic English-Slovene grammar which will be used in the Slovene secondary schools of the Territory.
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The President of the PWOO at [redacted] has been arrested for violation of General Order No. 11 and Proclamation No. 1 in issuing certain illegal orders to school personnel affecting the school population of the district. (Reference Venetian Monthly Report for March 1946, Sec. II, b, p. 3). The responsible PWOO school inspectress, and her secretary fled to Zone "B" before they could be apprehended for responsibility in the issuing of these orders.

A thorough inspection tour of all Slovene schools is now in course in order to establish which ones are to be granted recognition for having functioned within the established Allied Military Government Directives and according to the proper Yugoslav rules of Studies.

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1. EDUCATION (Cont'd)

The University of TRIESTE -

The University of TRIESTE is functioning regularly; however, the lack of premises has made normal activities difficult particularly for the faculty of Engineering. This Division is supporting very strongly the request recently presented to the Mixed Division by Public Works Division to complete as soon as possible the wing of the new University building of which one wing is occupied by troops of 13 Corps.

Before Easter a "session straordinaria" of examinations and of "Laurea" was held. Student interests in the University have gained momentum and have contributed greatly to the cultural progress of the school.

Other institutions of higher learning are conducting their work quite satisfactorily, though hampered as usual by restricted premises and shortage of laboratory equipment of which much was taken by Yugoslav as German occupation troops.

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On 25 April 17 publishers and editors of leading United States newspapers and periodicals arrived in TRIESTE on a short visit. They were received by the Senior Civil Affairs Officer who introduced them to members of 13 Corps and 88th Division.

During the month, 53 news items and announcements concerning the activities of Allied Military Government were passed to the Press Division of A.F.H.Q. for publication in the local press and for radio.

18. RADIO BROADCASTS.

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18. TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

A [illegible] telephone circuit was opened during the month.

When repairs to the Post Office building are complete (which should be in the near future) it is proposed to reorganise the existing offices which at the present are in the same condition as they were in the days of the Austrian Regime.

19. [illegible]. 166

Partisan organisations have for the third month in succession been very quiet and no large scale demonstrations have visited the Patriot Office to press the claims of their ever increasing numbers.

Considerable progress has been made with the screening of the claims already submitted and to the end of April seven and three quarter millions lire have been paid out to partisans.

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19. PATRIOTI (Cont'd)

The outstanding features of the month were the mass held at S. Giusto cathedral on 25th April followed by the unveiling of a plaque on the wall of the Castle to commemorate the fallen patriots. These commemorations were arranged by the Associazione Partigiani Italiani and attended by the Bishop of TRIESTE.

The Associazione Partigiani Giuliani assisted in the ceremony held on the evening of 23rd April in the Via Ghega on the first anniversary of the hanging there of 51 hostages.

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GENERAL ORDERS, ORDERS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS PUBLISHED DURING APRIL, 1946.

a. General Orders:

No. 25 B - Amendments to the provisions governing direct taxes.
No. 30 B - Amendments to General Order No. 32 relating to an additional tax on textile goods.
No. 41 B - Special Court of Assize.
No. 46 B - Amendments to General Order No. 46 - Granting of weekly and parcels.
No. 51 - Amendments, modifications and explications of the laws relating to "Regulations relating to the comprehensive declarations required for the assessment of direct taxes".
No. 52 - Increase of war pensions and allowances.

b. Orders:

No. 98 - Increase in radio licenses fee.
No. 99 - Economic provisions in favour of the Magistrature and of the Lawyers of the State (Magistrature ed Avvocatura dello Stato).
No. 100 - Abrogation of certain exceptional tariffs on goods transported by railroads of the State.
No. 101 - Increase of pensions payable from special Insurance Fund for personnel of public Transportation Services (Fondo Speciale per la previdenza, per il personale addetto ai pubblici servizi di trasporto).
No. 102 - Supplementary contributions for increases of old age and invalidism pensions.
No. 103 - Supplementary unemployments benefits.
No. 104 - Compulsory tuberculosis insurance - Increased allowances.
No. 105 - Supplement to industrial workers and establishment of fund for that purpose; temporary prohibition of discharges from employments; temporary reduction of work hours weekly.
No. 106 - Unblocking of discharges from industrial employment; financial benefits and reduction of hours of work.
No. 107 - Extension of time to file applications for competition for appointments of judicial administrators - Supplement to Order No. 69.
No. 108 - Issue of new stamps for government concessions and administrative instruments, and their characteristics.
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No. 110 - University of Trieste - provisions for the increase of [illegible] and four.

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No. 111 - Modification of penalties for smuggling and sale of tobacco and for breaches of monopoly regulations.
No. 112 - Fixing of maximum rates for the transportation of goods and passengers by ship - Supplement of General Order No. 12.
No. 113 - Fixing of maximum rates for the transportation of goods and materials by motor transport - Supplement of Order No. 29.
No. 114 - Tax on "Turni ed Abbiti Lavori" - Modifications of General Order No. 25.
No. 115 - Modifications in consumer tax - Supplements to General Order N. 36.
No. 116 - Fees due to messengers for notices on assessment and payment of direct and indirect taxes.
No. 117 - Increase in fees of tax collectors for warrants of execution and sales for the collection of direct taxes.
No. 118 - Slavonic teaching elementary courses at Gorizia.

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b. Orders (Cont'd)

No. 119 - Establishment of temporary council of discipline for principals and teachers of secondary schools.

No. 120 - Amendments (additions and qualifications) of the laws relating to excise duties on spirits, sugar and by-products, beer, coffee substitutes, seed oils, mineral oils, gas, electric power and illuminating materials, artificial textile fibre.

No. 121 - Supplementary provisions to General Order No. 12 concerning civil navigation.

c. Administrative Orders:

No. 35 - Appointment of Commission for the investigation of marine accidents.

No. 36 - Appointment of sequestrator for "Mittelmeer Kooderei".

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1. Political Situation.

The political atmosphere in TRIESTE, never calm, was further disturbed by the arrival at the beginning of the month of the Four Power Inter-Allied Boundary Commission. Both the principal contending parties stepped up the intensity of their press expositions of their respective cases. In addition, the pro-Jugoslav movement complained loudly that the people in Zone 'A' were not given freedom to express their feelings, while Col.MONDA, leader of the pro-Italian CLN accused Allied Military Government of "too much impartiality" which left the Italians defenceless against Slav-Communist intimidation.

2. Local Government.

There has been little change in Local Government, although efforts are still being made to increase the number of Communes conforming to the terms of General Order No 11. On the 9th March, after much persistent work, a Communal Committee was appointed at DOBERDO (TRIESTE Area). DOBERDO is the first of the twenty almost completely Slovene Communes in the territory to cooperate with Allied Military Government under General Order No 11.

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26 first, and 16 third class bus services are now operating from this area to various points in ITALY, Zone 'B' and JUGOSLAVIA.

6. Agriculture.

Although the acreage that can be planted this year is almost double that of the preceding year, the factors of uncertain weather, shortage of fertilisers and lack of certain seeds, will influence the final crop returns. There is already a shortage of rain, and the wheat harvest will suffer if the usual spring showers do not arrive soon. Many new plantings of nursery stock are also endangered. However, it is generally expected that the food produced in Venezia Giulia this summer will greatly exceed that of last year.

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7. Industry & Utilities.

Industrial activities have been overshadowed throughout the month by political demonstrations staged for the benefit of the Foreign Ministers' delegates. This culminated in a three days general strike in the middle of the month. Even at other times, workers have had little regard for their contracted liabilities.

8. Commerce.

The first consignment of 300 qls. of Sulphur Oil for soap making, which was allocated by the Italian Ministry of Industry and Commerce on 1st November, reached TRIESTE towards the end of March. Soap factories will now be supplied with this raw material in proportion to their respective capacity, and it is expected that soap will be ready for distribution towards the end of April.

26,443 tons of coal arrived during March. After normal distribution the balance in hand is now 9,226 tons.

9. Public Works.

When the unblocking of dismissals order is in force, a very much higher unemployment figure is expected for the territory. To ease this situation, a Public Work programme has been worked out which should absorb a large proportion of the unemployed. At present from 7 - 8,000 workers are employed on Public Works schemes, but by the 10th April it is hoped that this figure will be raised to 15,000.

10. Economics.

In order to bring about an improvement in industrial life of TRIESTE, which is at present functioning in only a very moderate degree, a programme of rehabilitation is being worked out to tie up with what is being done in both ITALY and JUGOSLAVIA by UNRRA. The Corps Commander has requested APHQ to submit to COS the pressing need for this programme to be put into effect.

11. Public Health & Welfare.

General health throughout the territory continues to be good, and scabies in POLA and GORIZIA, as reported in February, is now on the decrease.

12. Displaced Persons.

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	Entered	Evacuated
Civilians	995	995
Ex-PWs	102	101
Total figures	1097	1096

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13. Finance.

The aggregate expenditure from Allied Military Government/Allied Commission Funds for this territory for the month of March was approximately lire 15,000,000. Every effort is being made to decrease this expenditure.

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14. Property Control.

During March 16 additional properties of all classes were recorded and taken under formal control, whilst 8 (all Greek) were returned to owners or legal representatives. Totals today: 371 properties belonging to 280 owners taken under control - 78 properties belonging to 53 owners restored.

15. Legal.

Summary Courts - During March 1946, a total of 518 accused were tried on 346 charges. These figures compare with 308 accused on 340 charges in February, an increase of 210 and 206. The increase is due mainly to the large number of cases in the TRIESTE Area for violation of the order for the conservation of electricity . (This is no longer operative).

16. Labour.

In spite of the large reforestation project for the TRIESTE Area, which has absorbed 2,500 men and women, and the extension of blocking of dismissals to 10th April 46, the labour market shows a total of 29,443 registered unemployed for the month of March - an increase of 307 over February.

17. Education.

Political unrest in VENEZIA GIULIA which became more pronounced during March, greatly upset the normal functioning of the schools. During the stay of the Foreign Ministers' delegates, most people were very sensitive to the daily political issues. This in turn affected the children and students.

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During March 75 news items and announcements concerning the activities of Allied Military Government were passed to the News Division of AIS for publication in the local press and for radio.

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The most outstanding patriot event of the month was the large funeral arranged by the Associazione Partigiani Giuliani, on Sunday 24th March, when the bodies of 12 partisans were brought into TRIESTE from Zone 'B' and reburied after a a large funeral procession through the streets of the city.

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1. POLITICAL SITUATION.

The political atmosphere in TRIESTE, never calm, was further disturbed by the arrival at the beginning of the month of the Four Power Inter-Allied Boundary Commission. Both the principal contending parties stepped up the intensity of their press expositions of their respective causes. In addition, the pro-Yugoslav movement complained loudly that the people in Zone 'A' were not given freedom to express their feelings, while Col.ROBERTA, leader of the pro-Italian CLN accused Allied Military Government of 'too much impartiality' which left the Italians defenceless against Slav-Communist intimidation.

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An article appearing in "Il Lavoratore" for March 9th, in which it was alleged that Civil Police broke into a school at CORMONS frightening and firing on children, led to the trial of CASSARINI, the director of the paper. CASSARINI was accused of spreading a false rumour calculated to create unrest among the public. He was found guilty after the fullest hearing and sentenced to pay 100,000 Lire.

Prior to March 24th, while there had been a continued display of flags by the pro-Yugoslav element, the pro-Italian section of the population, following the instructions of their CLN, had refrained from any similar display. On that day, however, small groups of Italian youths began pro-Italian demonstrations which swelled to considerable proportions. Some scuffles occurred between these pro-Italian demonstrators and the pro-Yugoslavs who were holding one of their Partizan anniversaries.

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1. POLITICAL SITUATION. (Cont.)

A wave of nationalism apparently passed through the pro-Italian ranks and the centre of the city soon became a sea of Italian flags; pro-Yugoslav counter-demonstrations were hastily arranged, and demonstration and counter-demonstration continued for two days. The Civil Police worked with remarkable efficiency to prevent any serious clash between contending factions. On Wednesday 27th March the first official CLN sponsored pro-Italian demonstration took place, permission having been obtained from Allied Military Government. This was one of the biggest demonstrations held since the Allies came to TRIESTE. Col.PIELA addressing the demonstrators denounced the occupation of the whole of VENEZIA GIULIA by the Allies. Bands of pro-Yugoslavs, under orders to prevent this Italian demonstration, were frustrated in their aims by the Civil Police, who removed a variety of weapons from them including electric light bulbs filled with acid.

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The end of the month found pro-Italian stock slightly up with the pro-Yugoslavs making strenuous counter-preparations to restore the balance.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

There has been little change in Local Government, although efforts are still being made to increase the number of Communes conforming to the terms of General Order No 11. On the 9th March, after much persistant work, a Communal Committee was constituted at DOLINA (TRIESTE Area). DOLINA is the first of the twenty almost completely Slovene Communes in the territory to cooperate with Allied Military Government under General Order No 11.

3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

(a) Civil Police -

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

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With the arrival of the Foreign Secretaries delegates on 7th March 46, and the resulting intensification of all forms of political activity, the month has been an extremely busy one for the Venezia Giulia Police Force. All reports, however, official and unofficial, indicate that they have passed through this period with flying colours. When estimating the true value of Civil Police activity, it must be borne in mind that the dismantling of Military and Civil Police is now complete, and that at no time was it necessary to call on Military Police assistance in dealing with the numerous demonstrations and processions, many of which were on a much larger scale than any experienced since the commencement of the Allied occupation in June 1945.

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE. (Cont. of Civil Police)

During these demonstrations the conduct and reaction of the Civil Police was subjected to close observation by Allied Public Safety Officers, and all reports show that they behaved well and with commendable restraint and impartiality.
The policing of these demonstrations and the work of the police in their efforts to prevent clashes between 'overheated' rival factions, have produced the following 'balance sheet' for the whole of the occupied territory: -

Arrests	540
Fatalities	2(civilians)
Injuries to police	6
Injuries to civilians	- Undetermined but over 150 (including several serious)

In many cases the arrests were protective detentions, whilst the remainder were for various offences such as possession of offensive weapons, assaults on police, breaches of the peace,etc. As a matter of interest, the offensive weapons confiscated included firearms, knuckledusters, hatchets, knives, lead filled rubber piping, dockers hooks, etc. During the major demonstrations the police did not resort to firearms, but three reports state that firearms were used against the police. There were no casualties, however. On another occasion, one of the Public Safety Officers in a Venezia Giulia Police wireless jeep was fired upon in the San Giacomo District of TRIESTE. So far no arrests have been effected in connection with these incidents.

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During the early hours of 30th March, following an armed assault on a member of the CID, a Communist Cultural Club in TRIESTE was raided under warrant by Venezia Giulia Police. As a result, 25 persons were placed in custody. The property found at this centre included: -

3 sub-machine guns with charged clips affixed, and 3 spare charged clips
1 pistol with charged clip
9 newly made knives or daggers
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4 small hatchets similar to those recovered by police during the demonstrations
26 catapults
3 axes
A large number of stones laid at strategical positions in the building
Sacks of fine stone - small bags of fine stone had been used as missiles by the demonstrators in TRIESTE
1 newly constructed and empty coffin

The total strength of the Venezia Giulia Police Force is now 3,771 officers and men.

(b) Crime -

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Two serious crimes reported during March are summarised as follows: -

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE. (Cont. of Crime)

On 1st March SERCLI Francesco, TRIESTE, was murdered. Facts indicate that robbery was the motive.

On 15th March Major [illegible]NDER Stane, Yugoslav Army, was shot and seriously injured by two unknown individuals in Via San Nicolo'. The officer is still in hospital, but out of danger. Enquiries are still proceeding.

(c) Brothels and Prostitution -

There has been no increase in prostitution in the territory, and the Morality Squad of the CID continues to maintain strict supervision on all activities.

(d) Conduct of Allied Service Personnel -

The conduct of Allied Service Personnel continues to be satisfactory. Confining troops to barracks on the occasion of organised demonstrations has been of great assistance to the Civil Police.

(e) Civil Prisons -

The Prisons Division has during the month been incorporated into the Venezia Giulia Police with a strength of 8 officers and 240 guards.

Owing to the numerous arrests made in connection with the recent demonstrations, the prison population has reached a record number.
The following figures give the present position: -

Prison	Population as on 21 March	Population as on 28 March
TRIESTE, Via Nizza	516	728
" Via Tiger	243	267
" Gesuiti	19	95
MONFALCONE	17	23
GORIZIA	154	203
POLA	89	105

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Arrangements for the transfer of long-term prisoners to suitable Penal Establishments in Italian Government territory are now complete, and movements will commence shortly.

On 28th March, 260 prisoners who had been arrested during the course of previous week's demonstrations, staged a 'hunger strike' at the Via Nizza Prison. The charges against most of these persons were for the possession of offensive weapons, assaults, obstruction, etc.

4. FOOD.

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During March, the population received their normal rations with the exception of fats and pasta - these had to be cut by half due to shortage of supply.

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4. FOOD. (Cont.)

The following items were received off the S/S HILL through VENICE: -

Meat and Vegetables	92 tons
Dried Peas	103 "
Soup	35 "
Lard	285 "
Dried Milk	109 "

The 275 tons of sugar scheduled on S/S BACTRIA from U.K. have been switched to S/S NEWDALEMOOR. Sailing date unknown.

The S/S PERVESH is now unloading 2,075 tons of white flour and 6,009 tons of grain in TRIESTE. Of this quantity, approximately 2,000 tons are being rapaid to the Italian Government, and 2,000 tons to S & T. The balance is being distributed to UDINE and VENEZIA GIULIA.

The supply position is still unsatisfactory. The present shipments, after repaying loans, leave only sufficient grain to last until 23rd April 1946.

5. TRANSPORTATION.

(a) Port and Warehouse Section -

	Cargo received	
	Inward tons	Outward to consumers tons
Ships (Military) Coal (Military, Railways and Allied Military Government)	26,443	26,443
Allied Military Government supplies received Warehouse 6	1,414	239
[illegible] (Schooners) mixed cargoes	1,727	2,450
Total	29,584	29,082

(b) Road Section -

For movement and tonnages carried by Allied Military Government [illegible]

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(b) Road Section -

For movement and tonnages carried by Allied Military Government Truck Pool Vehicles as follows: -

	Inward	Outwards	Local	Total
tons	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	854.3

(c) Rail Section -

Out of Zone 'A'	27,998	tons.
Into Zone 'A'	5,073	"
From Yugoslavia	1,341	"
To Yugoslavia	1,736	"
	36,148	tons.

(d) Mines -

170 tons of all sizes were received into the territory during March from both Army and civilian sources. These were distributed in conjunction with Commerce Division.

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5. TRANSPORTATION. (Cont.)

(c) Bus Services -

26 first class and 16 third class bus services are now operating from this area to various points in ITALY, Zone 'B', and YUGOSLAVIA.

6. AGRICULTURE.

(a) General -

Although the acreage that can be planted this year is almost double that of the preceding year, the factors of uncertain weather, shortage of fertilizers and lack of certain seeds, will influence the final crop returns. There is already a shortage of rain, and the wheat harvest will suffer if the usual spring showers do not arrive soon. Many new plantings of nursery stock are also endangered. However, it is generally expected that the food produced in VENEZIA GIULIA this summer will greatly exceed that of last year.

(b) Livestock -

During March, 36 horses from AUSTRIA were distributed around GORIZIA, 52 were distributed in the TRIESTE Area, and 4 in POLA. Altogether 430 work horses have been consigned to farmers, as well as 100 mules. Details are being worked out so that these horses can be purchased and owned permanently.

(c) Supplies -

At the last minute additional supplies of seed potatoes arrived. Grain seeds of fair quality have been ample and fertilizers, including 10 tons of Ammonium Nitrate, 16 tons of Ammonium Sulphate, and 45 tons of Superphosphate arrived during March.

(d) Forestry -

Nearly two hundred thousand young trees have been planted, and at least seven hundred thousand will be put in this spring. This reforestation project for the Commune of TRIESTE is employing many thousands of people who would otherwise be out of work.

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Many new fishing boats are being prepared for the fishing season, and it is expected that this summer catch will be almost double that of the previous year.

7. INDUSTRY & UTILITIES.

Industrial activities have been overshadowed throughout the month by political demonstrations staged for the benefit of the Foreign Ministers' delegates. This culminated in a three days general strike in the middle of the month. Even at other times, workers have had little regard for their contracted liabilities.
The atmosphere of uncertainty created by these and other factors is making it difficult for major local industries to obtain orders from outside.

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7. INDUSTRY & UTILITIES. (Cont.)

An otherwise favourable offer of the Cantieri Riuniti dell'Adriatico to build a 17,000 tons passenger vessel for NORWEGIAN owners was rejected for the foregoing reasons. The management, backed by Allied Military Government, are making strenuous efforts to get the decision reversed.

Generally there has been no change in the industrial outlook, and the situation remains much as previously reported.

On the utilities side, an improvement in the electricity supply, following heavy rain early in the month, and which allowed restrictions to be lifted on 18th March, has been offset by a set-back to gas production in TRIESTE. Due to successive cargoes of unsuitable coal, the gas supply to the city was suspended indefinitely on 22nd March. Such small stocks of suitable coal which remain, are being used to keep the ovens hot.

Work on reconstruction of the port of TRIESTE is making satisfactory progress. Plans to increase the handling capacity to 8,000 tons daily by April 1946 appear unnecessary at the moment as the latest information indicates that UNRRA supplies will not exceed 3,000 to 4,000 tons per day, instead of the anticipated 7,000 tons.

8. COMMERCE.

(a) General -

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For cooking purposes (50 Kg. per person) against 65,000 ration cards	qls.2,700
For hospitals, schools, messes, etc.	qls. 900
	qls.3,600
Availability on 31.3.46	qls.44,000
Less shrinkage approx.	qls.10,000
Balance in hand approx.	qls.34,000

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8. CONSUMERS. (Cont.)

(c) P.O.L. -

Petrol, Cassil, Kerosene, Lubricants - Consumption, though still on a rather low level shows a slight increase over that of February. All demands have been met.
Industrial Oils and Greases - The situation has greatly improved due to the following facts: -

a) 22 tons of oil M 100 have been delivered to E.P.T. by R.N.
b) 450 gallons NS 2190 (turbine oil) have been supplied to E.P.T. by R.N.

The latter are willing to supply 5,000 gallons more of NS 2190 T (turbine oil with additives) if found suitable by consumers.

(d) Coal -

Arrivals during March	date of discharge	
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S/S SANLUZON	25.3.46	9,126 "
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Civilian Distribution

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9. PUBLIC WORKS -

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Bids have been opened to rebuild the distressed villages of MERNA, COMEO, RIFEMBERGO and CASIGLIANO. The contract for MERNA has been awarded. These contracts are for twenty houses in each village to be completed in three months. As the works progress, or as labour is available, contracts for a further twenty houses will be awarded until the work in each village is completed.

Plans for the construction of all bonifica works are being pushed so that the maximum number of people are employed.

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9. PUBLIC WORKS. (Cont.)

Not only does this type of project employ a large number of workers, but many thousands of acres of land are put under cultivation. The biggest project at present in hand is the reforestation of the whole of TRIESTE Commune.

10. ECONOMICS.

During the month the question of labour conditions generally in VENEZIA GIULIA has been closely studied by the Economics Section. Legislation is in preparation for: -

a) The Unblocking of Dismissals
b) The institution of normal labour conditions by the publication of a labour charter based on rights of labour in BRITAIN and U.S.A.

In order to bring about an improvement in the Industrial life of TRIESTE, which is at present functioning in only a very moderate degree, a programme of rehabilitation is being worked out to tie up with what is being done in both ITALY and JUGOSLAVIA by UNRRA. The Corps Commander has requested AFHQ to submit to CCS the pressing need for this programme to be put into effect.

11. PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE.

(a) Hospitals General -

In TRIESTE, Dr. PECORARI, the Director of the Ospedale Maggiore, has been dismissed from his post and replaced by Dr. LAPERNA. The new Board of Management of the Hospital is awaiting a decision of the Epuration Committee before finally taking over control. It is expected that under the new Director and Board of Management, the efficiency of the Hospital will be greatly increased.

In POLA, plans are in hand for a new 350 bed Tuberculosis Hospital. This will be housed in the Italian Royal Naval Barracks.

The Public Works Division is arranging to complete the re-building of the Civil Hospital at GORIZIA.

Schemes for the rehabilitation and re-building of various other hospitals and institutions are in hand, and are progressing well.

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The Public Works Division is arranging to complete the re-building of the Civil Hospital at GORIZIA.

Schemes for the rehabilitation and re-building of various other hospitals and institutions are in hand, and are progressing well.

(b) Medical Supplies -

The programme from AFHQ for the delivery of drugs and dressings from surplus Army stocks has been received, and a small consignment (approximately 1 ton) has already been delivered here.

(c) Sanitation and Hygiene -

The anti-rat campaign in TRIESTE is continuing, and a total of 16,666 rats were destroyed during the month.

At POLA, Public Shower Baths have been opened and are already in use by the local inhabitants.

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11. PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE. (Cont.)

(d) Infectious and other Diseases -

General health throughout the territory continues to be good, and scabies in POLA and GORIZIA as reported in February is now on the decrease.

Measures for the control of rabies have been tightened up considerably during March.

The number of admissions to hospital for VD show a considerable decrease;a total of 91 being admitted during March compared with 121 for February.

(e) Veterinary Disease -

The campaign for testing cattle for Malta fever continued during the month, 863 animals being tested with the new vaccine.

(f) Welfare -

With the assistance of the Italian Red Cross Liaison Officers, a Communal Committee formed by local civilians of standing, under the Presidency of the Zone President, has been formed.
The old system of keeping children from the streets through Recreatories has been put in effect, and at present 7 Recreatories are functioning.
A summer holiday scheme for children is being prepared.

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	Entered	Evacuated
Civilians	995	995
Ex-PWs	102	101
Total figures	1097	1096

13. FINANCE.

(a) AMG/AC Expenditure -

The aggregate expenditure from Allied Military Government/Allied Commission Funds for this territory for month of March was approximately lire 15,000,000. Every effort is being made to decrease this expenditure.

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13. FINANCE. (Cont.)

(b) Loans to Industry -

Advances amounting to Lire 95,000,000 have so far been made to various industrial concerns.

(c) State Expenditure -

The credits established in favour of Public Agencies up to the end of March are as follows: -

Area	Amount
TRIESTE	5,821,887,891.07
GORIZIA	996,779,170.77
POLA	672,195,770.67
	7,490,862,832,51

(d) Customs -

There has been a considerable increase in Customs Revenue.

(e) Monopoly -

The ration of cigarettes will be increased by import of a quantity of Swiss cigarettes, and other efforts are being made to obtain cigarettes from FIUME. Whilst the present low ration is maintained, an important source of revenue is being lost.

14. PROPERTY CONTROL.

(a) Allied Owned Property -

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(b) Industrial and Commercial undertakings -

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(c) Italian State and Parastatal Property - Ex-Fascist Property -

There is nothing special to report. The payment of arrears of salaries and of dismissal indemnities was authorised. The reallocation of ex-Fascist furniture is proceeding normally.

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15. LEGAL.

(a) Allied Military Government -

Summary Courts -During March 1946 a total of 518 accused were tried on 545 charges. These figures compare with 308 accused on 340 charges in February, an increase of 210 and 206. The increase is due mainly to the large number of cases in the TRIESTE Area for violation of the order for the conservation of electricity. (This is no longer operative).

Superior Courts - During March the Superior Courts disposed of cases involving 35 accused (compared with 38 in February) on 53 charges (as compared with 42 in February). The number of firearms cases remained at approximately the same level (March 17 - Feb 18).

General Court - No General Court cases were tried during the month.

(b) Civil Courts -

The Ordinary Civil Courts continue to function with reasonable satisfaction. The Ordinary Court of Assize which has jurisdiction of the more serious offences, was reconstituted in January and is now functioning normally. Six trials were held during the month, involving 10 accused. There were 5 convictions and 5 acquittals. 16 cases are pending.

(c) Special Court of Assize -

This Court deals with charges of collaboration with the Germans and the Fascist Republican State after 8th September 1943. (Proclamation No 2). There has been considerable criticism in the public press and in other quarters, at the Court's lack of jurisdiction to deal with Fascist offences committed before 8th Sep 1943. It has been said that the territory, particularly Trieste, has therefore become a "haven" for Fascist offenders. The Allied Commission's objection to extending the treatment of offences prior to 8th September 1943, was based upon law and policy. The matter was again placed before the Commission in February and in March, with the suggestion that the Italian Government, whose sovereignty over the territory continues, be asked to consent to the proposed extension thereby obviating the objection that such legislation would be beyond the power of an occupying force under international law. The Italian Government was contacted through the Legal Sub-Commission and the Ministry of Justice has consented to the publication of legislation for the prosecution of offences prior to 8th September 1943, providing in substance for such prosecution in the normal Civil Courts, following the procedure in effect in other parts of ITALY. The proposed order [illegible] for approval to AFHQ.

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16. LABOUR.

(a) General -

In spite of the large reforestation project for the Trieste Area, which has absorbed 2,500 men and women, and the extension of blocking of dismissals to 10th April 46, the labour market shows a total of 29,445 registered unemployed for the month of March - an increase of 307 over February.
The Economics Section has called several meetings to approve projects designed to absorb 5 - 6,000 workers who are likely to become unemployed when the unblocking of dismissals comes into effect.

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16. LABOUR. (Cont.)

(b) Strike -

Several strikes were called during March. They were of a political nature, and were sponsored by the UAIS.
The main strike which was of two days duration, but which did not include railroad, bank and state employees, was called on 11th March as a protest against the shooting of civilians at SERVOLA (See page 1, under Political).

(c) Wage Levels and Agreements -

Negotiations for various category contracts under the general agreement continue. It is expected that the end of April will see the conclusion in all branches.
The ACEGAT agreement was finally concluded in the Ufficio del Lavoro, and a new contract drawn up.
The following agreements have been ratified. -

6.3.46 - Association free shipowners - Trieste - Wage Agreement
23.3.46 - Giulian Agriculture Association - Trieste - Wage Agreement
23.3.46 - Bakers Association - Trieste - Wage Agreement

(d) Social Insurance -

The 30 lire daily unemployment benefit has been authorized up to 30th June 1946, for all those dismissed after 1st September 1945.

(e) Cassa Integrazione -

The Cassa Integrazione system as applied in ITALY will be extended to this territory at the time of the unblocking of dismissals.

17. EDUCATION.

(a) Political trends in education -

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Large numbers of students participated in the recent Italian demonstrations. However, reports from the "Sovraintendenza Scolastiche" which were under most severe instructions to keep all schools functioning, have stated that students participated in the parades only after their class hours without strikes or "ditching" of classes!
The Italian schools kept open throughout the two days (11 - 12 March) of the general strike in TRIESTE City. On both days several Italian schools were attacked and forced to close. At the elementary school of Via Guardianella in the Slovene community of S.Giovanni in TRIESTE, the teacher was beaten and the children were forced out of the classrooms.

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17. EDUCATION. (Cont. of Political Trends in Education)

At the Liceo Petrarca fifty individuals entered the school by force, intimidated the principal, who in order to safe-guard the welfare of his students, dismissed classes against the objections of the entire student body. The Italian minority school of SERVOLA (Slovene Community of TRIESTE) obeyed the orders of the PWOC and dismissed classes, exhibiting also - against Allied Military Government directives - nationalistic and political flags. It is the only Italian school in TRIESTE which has not complied with instructions to keep the schools out of the existing political strife.

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The political influence of the moment has infiltrated into all schools in the territory - the Italian children and students wear red-white and green ribbons, and distribute propaganda leaflets, and the Slovene students and children wear the red star!

18. PUBLIC RELATIONS.

31 correspondents from various parts of the world visited VENEZIA GIULIA during March and were looked after by the Public Relations Division. In addition, a party of 14 journalists spent a few days here in the second week of March. Their visit was arranged through Public Relations ROME by the Italian Government.

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18. PUBLIC RELATIONS. (Cont.)

During March 75 news items and announcements concerning the activities of Allied Military Government were passed to the News Division of AIS for publication in the local press and for radio.

The Daily Press Summary prepared in conjunction with AIS, and the weekly review of Press Opinion have been continued throughout the month.

19. TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

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APPENDIX 'A'

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a. General Orders:

No 45 - Control of movement of goods into and from the territory -
No 46 - Granting of amnesty and pardon -
No 47 - Contributions for family allowances -
No 48 - Amendments to taxation regulations and modifications of taxes and fees due on documents produced to the public automobile registry -
No 49 - Rates of stamp duties and provisions for their payment -
No 50 - Regulation governing the validity and efficacy of certain sentences -

b. Orders:

No 81 - Stamp taxes on playing cards -
No 82 - Special temporary unemployment -
No 83 - Overhead expenses of managers of stores selling monopoly goods -
No 84 - Tax concessions to assist the re-building of war-damaged buildings - Supplement to General Order No 31 -
No 85 - Increase in supplementary family allowances - Supplement to General Order No 43 -
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No 97 - Postponement of examinations for attorneys - Amendment of Order No 65 -

c. Administrative Orders:

No 31 - Appointment of Rag.Luigi Vaglia as Commissario Straordinario of Societa' degli Autori ed Editori -
No 32 - Retention in service of judiciary officials who have reached the age of retirement -
No 33 - Appointment of Administrative Council of Liceo Musicale Triestino -
No 34 - Appointment of Sequestrator Societa' "Ing.C.Telazzi & Co."

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

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There has been little change in Local Government since the last report.

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Supplies of foodstuffs under the maintenance programme failed to arrive in the month of February. However, with the exception of fats, it was possible to issue the normal rations by borrowing from the Army and the Italian Government.

6. Transportation.

During the month four new passenger bus services were authorized, bringing the total to 44 first and third class services.

A further 41 Army vehicles have been assigned to the Truck Pool with a loading capacity of 127½ tons. These vehicles now bring the total held at the Pool to 116 vehicles (including trailers), with a potential lift of 410 tons in all.

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All public works are progressing satisfactorily, and every effort is being made to absorb the maximum number of unemployed on the various projects.

The rebuilding of distressed villages is proceeding.

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General health continues to be extremely good,

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The flow of displaced persons continues and the figures show a slight increase over the previous month.

The Assembly Centre in TRIESTE dealt with the following persons: -

	Entered	Evacuated
Civilians	692	687
Ex-P's	80	81
Total figures	772	768

13. Labour.

Cost of living computation tables have finally been revised to conform with those of north Italy so that comparison will be possible.

The Previdenza Sociale has finally been authorized to begin payment of the 30 lire per day indemnity for unemployment (for those discharged after 31st August) from 1st January to 31st March 1946.

The total number of unemployed for the territory is now: 29,136, an increase of 386 over the previous month.

14. Finance.

Credits authorized in favour of public bodies during February amounted to nearly 1,900 million lire. About 50% of this amount relates to public works and repair of war damaged property.

Italian decrees are being adapted wherever possible, and more responsibility is being put on the Italian State officials in regard to the preparation of revenue decrees for this territory.

A plan is being prepared for the establishment of checking posts and customs on the main crossing points of the Morgan Line.

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Slovene elementary school programmes were distributed to all the Slovene and Croat elementary schools.

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17. Education.(Cont.)

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18. Telecommunications.

A telegraph circuit TRIESTE-LUBIANA was opened up during the month.

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23 correspondents visit VENEZIA GIULIA during the month and were looked after by Public Relations.

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SECRET

for month ending 28 February 1946

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There has been a considerable amount of political activity, with both sides preparing for the visit of the Foreign Ministers' Delegates.
As usual, the pro-Jugoslavs have been most aggressive with their propaganda, and criticism of Allied Military Government has been one of the main features in the pro-Jugoslav press.

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2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

There has been little change in Local Government since the last report.

It may be possible to form a Communal council in DOBERDO soon. This is an almost 100% Slovene Commune, but the C.O. is confident of getting a President and Committee together. If this does succeed, DOBERDO will be the first Slovene Commune to function in accordance with the terms of Control Order No 11.

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

(a) Civil Police -

Progress in all matters connected with the Venezia Giulia Police Force has been extremely satisfactory during the month. Each day has shewn an improvement in the morale, discipline and efficiency of all officers and men.

The dis-association of Military and Civil Police has proceeded according to plan, and all 'official' vulnerable points such as prisons, Government buildings etc, in the territory are now under Civil Police guard.

With the intake of 256 recruits from the training school on 15th February 1946, coupled with the direct recruiting of certain trained and technical personnel, the strength of the force to date is 2,788 officers and other ranks.

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The Traffic Police Branch in its' drive against traffic offenders, has done really excellent work, 768 reports of offences have been submitted and dealt with.

Eleven more Police sub-stations have been opened and manned; five in TRIESTE Area six in GORIZIA Area. Five sub-stations in GORIZIA Area are now manned exclusively by Venezia Giulia Police personnel.

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2) At SISTIANA, during the night of 20th February, a man named COPAL Giuseppe was murdered in his house. Robbery was probably the motive. So far no arrests have been made.

(c) Black Market -

There has been no noticeable increase in black market activities.
Economic road blocks have been instituted along the Morgan Line, and the General Order controlling the export and import of goods is now awaited.

(d) Brothels and Prostitution -

There is no increase in prostitution in the territory. The Morality Squad of the CID continues to maintain a close watch on the activities of clandestine prostitutes, and the following

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE. (Cont. of Brothels and Prostitution)

figures prove they are achieving results:

- TRIESTE -

Prostitutes	registered in brothels	225
"	detained for medical inspection	1,164
"	found infected and sent to hospital	111
"	expelled from the occupied territory	33
"	arrested for other offences	9

- GORIZIA -

Prostitutes	detained for medical inspection	40
"	sent to hospital	37
"	expelled fr occupied territory	7
"	found infected	10
Premises placed "Off Limits"		1

- POLA -

Prostitutes	registered in brothels	95
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(e) Civil Prisons -

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There has never been any suitable penal establishment in this area, and previously all long-term prisoners were transferred to prisons in other parts of ITALY. As the number of this class of prisoner is about 200, a satisfactory reply to this request will be of great assistance in reducing overcrowding.

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4. ECONOMICS.

During the month final arrangements were made to set up control of movement of goods across the Morgan Line, although up to the end of February the actual order had not been put into force.

A system of import, export and transit licences is now in use by the Commerce Division, and this is proving most useful in controlling movement of goods into and out of the territory.

The immediate supply position of this territory is still unsatisfactory, and so far no reserves can be built up as shipping arrivals under the Jan/June 1946 programme are almost two months behind schedule.
Latest notifications of shipping are the S/S A.P.Hill due in VENICE during the first week of February with approximately 5,000 tons of miscellaneous cargo for VENEZIA GIULIA, and a further ship now loading, the S/S Antrow Furuseth, with 7/8,000 tons of wheat and flour, also for this territory.

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5. FOOD.

Supplies of foodstuffs under the maintenance programme failed to arrive in the month of February. However, with the exception of fats, it was possible to issue the normal rations by borrowing from the Army and the Italian Government.

Fats were issued on the following scales:

TRIESTE - (City and Area) - 150 grams of fats against the January ratio
GORIZIA - (City and Area) - ½ Litre of vegetable oil on a/c Feb "
POLA - 150 grams on a/c of February (half POLA's ration).

Free market prices showed little change over January.
As from 1st March the salt ration will be increased from 300 to 400 gr per person, in keeping with the increase in ITALY. The whole territory received 100 grams of imported soap during the month.

6. TRANSPORTATION.

(a) General -

During the month four A.V passenger bus services were authorized, bringing the total to 14 first and third class services.

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Only 40 tyres of various sizes were brought into the Zone during the month, and these were distributed in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce at Controlled Prices.

(b) Port and Warehouse Section -

	Cargo received	
	Inward	Outward to consumers
	Tons	Tons
Ships (Military) Coal (Military, Railways and Allied Military Government)	17,393	17,729
Allied Military Government supplies received Warehouse 6	2,010	1,386
MAENA (Schooners) mixed cargoes	1,572	1,713
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Allied Military Government supplies received Warehouse 6	2,010	1,886
M.F.V.s (Schooners) mixed cargoes	1,572	1,713
Ex SS "JOHN HENRY" (Wheat discharged VENICE in account of CENTRAL)	2,578	2,578
Total	24,058	23,906

(c) Road Section -

The tonnages moved by road are as follows: -

	Inward	Outward	Within Area	Total
VENEZIA Area	9,263	2,956	19,200	31,501
GIULIA Area	1,944	1,574	1,250	4,768
ISTRIA Area	1,500	3	2,346	3,857
Totals for VENEZIA GIULIA	12,617	4,533	22,956	40,006

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6. TRANSPORTATION. (Cont.)

(d) Shipping Section -

The S.S. POLA is now at VENICE undergoing overhauling in preparation for the TRIESTE-POLA service. It may be possible to carry 800 persons and 12 wagon loads of freight, and will probably make the journey three times a week.

(e) Rail Section -

Bids into Zone 'A'	5,401	tons
" from " "	14,114	"
	19,569	tons
Bids into Zone 'B'	730	tons
" from " "	603	"
	1,333	tons

Total bids accepted - 'Q' Movements for February 1946: 20,398 tons.

7. AGRICULTURE.

(a) General -

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(b) Livestock -

The veterinary service has investigated reports of horse diseases among stock in the northern parts of ITALY, but has found no epidemic spread anywhere in VENEZIA GIULIA. Scattered cases of measles were found among horses brought in from AUSTRIA, but quick preventive treatments are wiping out this

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7. AGRICULTURE. (Cont. of Livestock)

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Horses and mules distributed now approach a total of 500. During the coming month, notice will be given that these equines may be purchased and owned by the farmers, instead of merely temporarily consigned as at present. This will please the farmers, who dislike fattening and conditioning an animal which, they fear, may be taken back at any time by government agencies.

(c) Fisheries -

New nets have been made up and boats are being put into repair to ensure a sizeable increase in fish production this Spring.

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(d) Forestry -

Forestry projects are now under way.
The 2,000,000 trees requested from ROME, were found to be available in state nurseries throughout ITALY, and digging and transportation are now being arranged. Extensive nursery schemes in this area are being planned, so that sufficient nursery stock will be available locally for next season's replanting.

(e) Land reclamation -

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The "Citta' di Tunisi", converted for use as a troopship, left the S.MARCO yard on 27th February and good progress is being made on reconversion of the "Empire Star Cabo" at MONFALCONE. Work continues on other ships referred to in earlier reports.

The Engine Works of S.ANDREA are engaged on Diesel engines and turbine gears for various ships under construction, and are also repairing six steam locos for the state railways.

The Aero Works at MONFALCONE are now actively engaged on repairing railway wagons.

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8. INDUSTRY & UTILITIES. (Cont.)

In the absence of fresh supplies of raw cotton, the Cotonificio Triestino mill at GORIZIA had to fall back on its' reserves, and working hours were cut from 48 to 32 per week. Output in all departments averaged about 60%, and approximately 420,000 metres of cloth were produced.

Smaller industrial establishments, better able to look after their own supplies of raw materials, have done reasonably well. Foundries, however, have been handicapped by the poor quality of coke produced by ILVA. Much of the coal imported during the month has had a coking factor of less than 3, and only by exchanging 1,200 tons for a similar quantity of more suitable coal held by a local AGO, has the gas supply in TRIESTE been maintained.

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9. COMMERCE. (Cont.)

(d) Coal -

Arrivals during February	Date of discharge	Tons.
S/S William Love Watson	5.2.1946	8,464
S/S Empire Fawley	18.2.1946	9,429
S/S Port Jasper	27.2.1946	8,562
		26,460

Diverted to Military users:	Tons.
88 Div UDINE	3,000
55 Area	1,500
C.M.	1,500
M.S.R.	3,000
Railway	1,000
	10,000

Civilian distribution:	Tons.
I.L.V.A.	4,000
TRIESTE	3,022
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11. PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE.

(a) General -

General health continues to be extremely good.
Scabies still persists in the POLA and GORIZIA Areas. Two deaths from rabies have been reported at POLA and stringent instructions have been issued in regard to the control of dogs in TRIESTE, GORIZIA and POLA Areas.

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11. PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE. (Cont. of General)

The anti-rat campaign in TRIESTE continues to make good progress.

(b) Hospitals General -

At TRIESTE as previously reported, there continues to be a good deal of political intrigue among the staff of the Ospedale Maggiore, chiefly concerned with Epuration and other political problems.
It centres mainly around Dott.ROCCHI, the Director of the hospital, who is the chairman of an unofficial body which calls itself the Sindacato dei Medici, and has no legal standing. It is hoped that when the new Board of Management, which is now under discussion, is finally elected, some measure of control will take effect to curb these undesirable influences.

Steady progress continues to be made with hospital rehabilitation and rebuilding schemes.

(c) Medical Supplies -

Owing to non-arrival of Allied Military Government medical supplies, stocks are getting very low. The matter has been taken up with the Economic and Supply Divisions with a view to hastening deliveries.

(d) Venereal Disease -

Figures for VD have remained comparatively stationary. The new ambulatorio at the Questura, TRIESTE, is working well, and conditions as regards VD have greatly improved since the institution of the anti-VD scheme.

(e) Welfare -

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When supplies of Red Cross parcels are received, the outlying Areas of [illegible] and AGLA will be considered. To date no supplies of clothing are available.

12. DISPLACED PERSONS.

The flow of displaced persons continues and the figures show a slight increase over the previous month.

The Assembly Centre in [illegible] dealt with the following persons:

	Entered	Evacuated
Civilians	692	687
Ex-PWs	80	81
Total figures	772	768

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13. LABOUR.

(a) Cost of living -

Cost of living computation tables have finally been revised to conform with those of Northern ITALY so that comparison will be possible.

(b) Wage agreements -

The varied, separate category contracts are rapidly being concluded for VENEZIA Area with little or no trouble. The whole job is still to be done for both PUGLIA and SARDEGNA. It has been decided that these negotiations will take place in CHIESSI in the near future. No great difficulty is expected, in that the only question to be resolved is whether or not PUGLIA and SARDEGNA accept the VENEZIA agreements. If not, the few changes to be made are too slight to weigh very much.
An agreement must also be made for AGRICULTURAL wages. Negotiation will begin on 8th March 1946 and contracts will be based on the industrial wage contract.

(c) Strikes -

Only the insurance workers walked out to follow the general pattern of the strike which took place in north ITALY, and walked in again when agreement was reached in MILANO.

Several strikes were rumoured (the normal run of political ones) but none took place.

(d) Unemployment Benefit -

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(e) Unemployment -

The total number of unemployed for the territory is now: 29,136, an increase of 6 over the previous month.

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(b) Legislation -

Good progress is being made in the adaptation of Italian decrees, and nine General Orders are in course of preparation. Five Orders become law in February, and eleven other Orders are in course of publication or preparation.

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14. FINANCE. (Cont. of Legislation)

Italian decrees are being adapted wherever possible, and more responsibility is being put on the Italian State officials in regard to the preparation of revenue decrees for this territory.

(c) Customs -

A plan is being prepared for the establishment of checking posts and customs on the main crossing points of the Morgan Line.

(d) Finance Guards -

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(e) Monopoly -

It is hoped to increase the weekly ration of pipe and cigarette tobacco.

Offers have been received to supply foreign cigarettes to this territory and negotiations are proceeding.

15. PROPERTY CONTROL.

(a) Allied Owned Property -

During February 14 additional properties of all classes were taken under control, making 349 to date. The return to owner of 2, authorised some time ago, was completed, making 70 returned in all.

(b) Italian State, Para-statal and ex-Fascist Property -

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16. L&O.

(a) Allied Military Courts -

Summary Courts - During February 1946, a total of 308 accused were tried by Summary Courts on 340 charges. These figures compare with 271 accused on 331 charges in January 1946, an increase of 37 and 9 respectively.

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16. U.K.C. (Cont. of Allied Military Courts)

Superior Courts - In the Superior Court, TRIESTE, 38 cases were disposed of (as compared with 21 in January), on 42 charges (as compared with 27 in January).

Cases involving the ill[egal] possession of firearms were substantially the same [as] those of January (February 16 - January 17), but a sharp increase was noted in the number of cases for theft and illegal possession of Allied property (February 23, January 6).

No Superior Court cases were tried in POLA Area, and only 2 in GORIZIA Area.

General Court - No General Court cases were tried during February.

(b) Civil Courts -

The Civil Courts continue to function with reasonable satisfaction.

(c) Preparation of Legislation -

Among the Orders in the course of preparation is an Order for the compilation of electoral rolls for the territory. The Order has been approved in substance by the Allied Sub-Commission on local Government.

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On the 12th, 13th, and 14th of February, Slovene secondary school students of TRIESTE went on strike protesting against the employment of Prof.BARAGA in the Education Division. (Prof.BARAGA was condemned to death as a traitor by a peoples' court at LJUBLJANA on 7th February 1946). The Slovene students of GORIZIA followed suit on the 14th, 15th, and 16th of February.

The Slovene Communist paper "Primorski Dnevnik" continued to attack Allied Military Government's education policy, and is requesting complete autonomy for the Slavic schools of VENEZIA GIULIA.

In many sectors of the region, Slovene parents held demonstrations against the dismissal of a number of Slovene teachers "on security grounds".

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17. EDUCATION. (Cont.)

In accordance with the PGS, the Education officer will review each case. Where the individual dismissed is not actually considered a threat to security, dangerous, conducting subversive activities, or receiving pay from the PWOO or the Jugoslav Government in addition to his teacher's salary, he will be reinstated.

The "Refezione Scolastica" is moving along at full steam in all the territory. In TRIESTE Commune, over 9,000 elementary school children will be served one free meal per day beginning 1st March.

18. TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

During the month a loan of 15 million lire was arranged through the Chief Finance officer for the TELVE Telephone Coy. The main condition to the loan was that it would not in any way affect Zone 'B'. The Directors gave an assurance that it would not do so.

The following telegraph circuit was opened during the month: -

TRIESTE - LUBLIN.

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The SCAO's Press Conferences have been continued throughout the month.

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20. PATRIOTS.

Bonuses to next of kin and wounded partisans are continuing, and up to 28th February claims of:

150	next of kin
5	wounded
32	hospital charges

were paid.

An announcement has been sent to the press stating that all claims must be deposited in the Patriots Office before 31st March 1946.

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APPENDIX 'A'

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No 42 - Disabilities of directors or Vice-directors, auditors and receivers of private enterprises by reason of fascist participation or sympathies or collaboration with Germans -
No 43 - Supplementary family allowance and re-arrangement of existing allowances -
No 44 - Further provisions implementing General Order No 3 restoring Jewish personal rights -

b. Edicts:

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c. Administrative Orders:

No 26 - Temporary appointment of Dr.PASCOLI Bruno as substitute local magistrate -
No 27 - Retention in service of judiciary officials who have reached the age of retirement -
No 28 - Appointment of Dott.ROSSA Giorgio as Ispettore Dermosifilopatico -
No 29 - Appointment of KRUCIC Giorgio as first secretary, Chief administrative section, and of COSA Amelio as Chief of the statistical section of the territorial Inspectorate of Agriculture -
No 30 - Provisional appointment of honorary vice-pretors in the Mandamento of TRIESTE -

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SUMMARY
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During January a further two Communes changed from direct CAO rule to Government in accordance with the terms of General Order No 11. These were TURRIACO, and S.PIETRO d'ISONZO in TRIESTE Area.

3. Venezia Giulia Police Force.

Statistics show that the public safety situation has improved throughout the territory during January, and unquestionably this is due to an increase in the strength and efficiency of the Civil Police Force. The present strength of the Force is 2,482 officers and men.

4. Economics.

A general order is being prepared to set up control of movement across the Morgan Line. All exports, imports, and goods in transit are now controlled by the Commerce Division by a system of licensing. No customs will be charged in either direction between Zones A and B of VENEZIA GIULIA, and ITALY proper.

5. Food.

During January, rations in accordance with the normal AC scale were issued to the population, with the exception of POLA. This Area received additional rations of dried vegetables and fish or meat plus increases in the bread, fat, and pasta/rice scale.

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5. Food.

During January, rations in accordance with the normal AC scale were issued to the population, with the exception of ZONE. This Area received additional rations of dried vegetables and fish or meat plus increases in the bread, fat, and pasta/rice scale.

6. Transportation.

Tonnages moved by road during January show a marked decrease from those of preceding months. This can be accounted for, in part, by a normal slowing of business following the Christmas season, and bad weather conditions.

7. Agriculture.

No more forced arrasing loans for VENEZIA GIULIA are being considered, since voluntary arrasing at economic prices has proved more satisfactory.

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8. Labour.

The month of January has seen the final settlement of the general wage negotiations, which have been the centre of much discussion during the last three months.

9. Industry & Utilities.

Work in the shipyards has been marred by labour troubles resulting in delayed and uncertain completion dates.

About 420,000 metres of cotton cloth were produced during the month by the Cottonificio Triestino from American cotton ordered on behalf of this Company.

10. Commerce.

During the month steps were taken to secure a suitable agency, which will be known as the Venezia Giulia Commercial Company, to be the Commerce Division's unit for operating memorandum accounts.

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The Public Works programme in general is going well ahead.

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The general health of the people in the area has been remarkably good. The incidence of diphtheria shows a marked decrease, but scabies is still very persistent both in the ZCA. and GORIZIA. Areas.

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	Entered	Evacuated
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Ex-PWs	72	76
	717	747

14. Finance.

Permission for the establishment of an economic control on the Morgan Line has been authorised by AFHQ.

A draft order is being prepared to give effect to continuance of the payments to unemployed on the basis of Disoccupazione Dopoguerra from 1st January.

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15. Property Control.

During January 10 additional properties of all classes were taken under control making 335 to date. The return to owners of 10, authorised some time ago, was completed, making 68 returned in all.

16. Local.

A total of 271 accused were tried in the Summary Courts during January.

In the Superior Courts 21 accused were tried on 27 charges.

17. Education.

During the holiday period all schools in TRIESTE City and in surrounding Communes were furnished with fuel for heating purposes.

Projects for school repairs and reconstruction are being approved as soon as estimates are submitted to the Genio Civile.

A teachers' congress will be held on the 19/20 Feb at the Casa del Popolo, TRIESTE.

18. Telecommunications.

The proposed scheme for transactional correspondence to other countries has been held up.

A telegraph circuit between TRIESTE and LUBLJANA will be opened up immediately.

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About 10 to 15 news items per week concerning Allied Military Government activities have been issued to the press and particular care is taken to explain the general import of each Allied Military Government order in non-legal language. Emphasis has been put on all activities with a reconstruction angle to combat adverse criticism of Allied Military Government's reconstruction achievements.

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Up to 31st January 46 approximately 2,000,000 Lire had been paid out to ex-partisans.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
15 CORPS
MONTHLY REPORT
for month ending 31 January 46

CONFIDENTIAL

1. POLITICAL SITUATION.

The main trend in political activity has been towards an increased flow of propaganda in the Jugoslav and local pro-Jugoslav press in anticipation of the expected visit of the Foreign Ministers' delegates. Most of the propaganda stresses the need for the incorporation of VENEZIA GIULIA with JUGOSLAVIA and protests against the possible internationalisation of the city of TRIESTE. Innumerable telegrams of this nature have been despatched to the Jugoslav representative in LONDON. One form of pro-Jugoslav activity has been an attempt on the part of certain Slovene elements to persuade householders to part with their Italian flags. This is a keen effort to ensure a predominance of Jugoslav flags during the visitors' stay in the area. In many of the Slovene populated areas, Jugoslav flags are already very much in evidence, but as usual, in predominantly Italian areas the Slovenes are waiting until the last minute before hoisting the red-starred Jugoslav flags in order to prevent a possible eclipsing counter display by the Italians.

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2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

During Jan a further two Communes changed from direct C.C rule to Government in accordance with the terms of General Order No 11. These were TURRIACO, and S.PIER d'ISONZO in TRIESTE Area. The position is now as follows:

All Areas have Area Presidents and Councils functioning in accordance with General Order No 11.

20 of the 40 Communes have Commune Presidents and Councils functioning in accordance with General Order No 11.

The other 20 Communes still refuse to nominate officials, and are operating under the direct rule of the C.C.

It is interesting to note that approximately seven-eighths of the total population live in territory which is governed in accordance with the terms of General Order No 11.

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

(a) Civil Police -

Statistics show that the public safety situation has improved throughout the territory during January, and unquestionably this is due to an increase in the strength and efficiency of the Civil Police Force. At present the strength of the Force is 2,452 officers and men.

The following are important developments during the month: -

1) Recruits totalling 485 completed initial training and have since passed into the Force.

2) Specialist courses in wireless, C.I.D. and fiscal duties have commenced at the Training School.

3) Sub-stations have been opened up and manned throughout the territory.

4) Wireless sets for mobile and ground stations have been received from military sources.

5) The training of mounted police has been completed and patrols are now operating in TRIESTE.

6) Motor-cycle patrols of the Traffic Police Branch have also commenced operating in the area and are concentrating upon traffic offences, especially unlicensed vehicles - the results to date have been good.

7) During the hours of daylight in certain areas of TRIESTE, GORIZIA, and POLA, police on ordinary foot patrol duties have been disarmed and firearms replaced with truncheons - so far this experiment has been successful.

(b) Crime -

Three serious crimes reported during January are detailed as follows: -

1) On 3 Jan 46 an English soldier was murdered, and another English soldier wounded by persons unknown. The crimes were committed at an unauthorised "check post" manned allegedly by Jugoslav elements near SAMEDA on the TRIESTE-POLA road.

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3) On 8 Jan 46 at DUTTOGLIANO, BRUNDOL Antonio was shot and killed during a quarrel, allegedly by GOBBICCLLI Erasmo who has been arrested.

(c) Black Market -

There has been no noticeable increase in black market activities, and especially where rationed goods are concerned, a diligent watch is being kept by the various divisions to to check this undesirable business.

3. VENEZIA GIULIA FORCES COMD. (Cont.)

(d) Prostitution and Brothels -

As a result of the intensified campaign against prostitution which began on the 1 Jan 46, VD figures in the whole area have shown a marked decrease on last month's figures.

(e) Conduct of Allied Service Personnel -

Discipline in the Area remains good and Allied Police have dealt in an efficient manner with the few Military offenders.

(f) Civil Prisons -

All prison guards have been trained in the use of firearms and as soon as they have had sufficient practice, a number of automatic firearms will be handed to them to improve prison security.

Via NIZZA Prison - Three candidates as Director of this Prison have been suggested and screening is taking place. It is hoped that by February 10th the appointment will be made and a new Director will be on duty.
On January 15th 9 detainees escaped from the Prison. 2 have since been recaptured by CID - VGPF. Investigations are proceeding.

GORIZIA Prison - A proposal for the assumption of a new Director in substitution of the present one (who is also acting as Public Attorney and cannot shoulder both positions) has been made, and approval by the Area Commissioner of GORIZIA is awaited.

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" "	"	A 80171753 A
" "	"	A 21715025 A
" "	"	A 50673498 A
" "	"	A 45858593 A
" "	"	A 19518894 A

Italian Lire -

1,000 Lire	Series	E 57 021748
500 "	"	O 21 9875
" "	"	S 43 72413

In GORIZIA Zone 1 forged Allied Military note has been discovered. no arrests have been made.

500 Lire	Series	A 03802416 B

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4. ECONOMICS.

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The position of the shipyards at MONFALCONE and TRIESTE is still unsatisfactory due chiefly to the fact that unsettled labour conditions aggravated by the political situation, make ship owners loath to place contracts there. During the month one of the small aircraft carriers, the Empire McKay, which had been sent here for conversion, was recalled into service.

Supply ships are arriving almost 2 months behind schedule, and because of this it has been necessary to borrow food from both Army sources and the Italian Government.

The possibility of UNRRA's taking over the supply programme for this territory is under discussion between AFHQ and combined Chiefs of Staff.

Several meetings were held during the month for the purpose of suggesting ways and means of increasing the capacity of the port of TRIESTE in the handling of UNRRA supplies for JUGOSLAVIA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA and AUSTRIA. A suggestion was put forward, and is still under discussion, that all military supplies should be handled by the port of VENICE, leaving TRIESTE free for UNRRA and civil imports.

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100	" "	fish/Meat per month.

Due to its' non-arrival, the TRIESTE City ration of fat could not be distributed for January. To make up for the deficiency, it was necessary to borrow 50 tons of cooked lard, and 50 tons of seed oil from S & T sources. The January fat ration will therefore be issued in February.

Due also to late arrivals in the 6 monthly grain programme, it was necessary to borrow from S & T sources 2,000 tons flour and Atta flour. The Italian Government arranged to loan a further 500 tons of grain, ex S/S Pollock now unloading in VENICE. These quantities should cover VENEZIA GIULIA up to the end of February.

5. FOOD. (Cont.)

The free market prices of fats are showing a downward curve, and thanks to the expected large-scale arrivals of fruit by sea from SICILY, prices of fruit have dropped considerably.

The following direct Allied Military Government supplies, inclusive of the above mentioned loans, arrived in January:

Wheat	400	tons
Milk Evaporated	19	"
Fats	54	"
Seed Oil	50	"
Soap	100	"
Dried Vegetable	1	"
Flour	4	"

6. TRANSPORTATION.

(a) Port and Warehouse Sections -

The following table will show details of tonnages handled in these sections during January:

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Allied Military Government Supplies received Warehouse 6	108	559
UGENA (Schooners) Mixed Cargoes	6,288	2,178
Ex SS "ROBERT HOWE" (Wheat discharged VENICE in account of SEIRAL)	4,000	4,000
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	Freights hauled	
	Inwards Tons	Outwards Tons
Tonnages hauled by Autotrasporti Allied Military Government Truck Pool No 1 and SEFRAL vehicles:		
TRIESTE Area	9,200	2,356
GORIZIA Area	2,751	1,928
POLA Area	3,337	22
Total for VENEZIA GIULIA 13 Corps Area	15,288	4,306

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6. TRANSPORTATION. (Cont. of Road Section)

There are 1,327 truck vehicles registered in the various Agencies of the Autotrasporti of VENEZIA GIULIA. Of this number 500 are owned by private firms for their own account, and 827 are operated by trucking firms for the account of third parties. The total lift of these vehicles is approximately 5,000 tons. Vehicles of the Allied Military Government Truck Pool are in addition to those shown above. There are 81 of these vehicles, of which 71 are located in TRIESTE, 5 in GORIZIA [illegible] and 5 in MONFALCONE. Only 39 of the vehicles in TRIESTE are road-worthy at the present time.

Only 31 tyres were received during the month for the whole of VENEZIA GIULIA.

(c) Rail Section-

Total of bids accepted by 'Q' Movement for Jan 46	24,813	tons
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7. AGRICULTURE.

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(b) Livestock -

So far only six cases of foot and mouth disease have been discovered, appearing in cattle from around TREVISO and VENICE. All animal diseases are now under control and careful inspections are being made at the slaughter houses. Despite reports that glanders (MORVA) exists among horses and mules in Zone 'B', no cases have been reported in this territory. Cart horses bringing produce over the line are being watched at the public stalls where they are put up for the night, as these places could become focal points for the disease.

Forty more horses recently arrived from AUSTRIA and have been consigned to needy farmers in the GORIZIA Area. The total number of mules and horses already distributed in VENEZIA GIULIA has passed the three hundred and eighty mark, and more are expected later in the month. These will be supplied to farmers in the POLA and TRIESTE Areas.

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7. AGRICULTURE. (Cont.)

(c) Forestry -

The formation of the new Forestry Corps under the tutelage of the VENEZIA GIULIA Police Force has been published in the Gazette and is now operating under legal status instead of acting de facto as a more subsidiary body under less formal authority. This has greatly raised the morale of the Corps and extensive plans are getting under way not only for better protection of the standing woods, but for several reforestation projects.
A project for the Commune of TRIESTE has been set up, employing 5,000 people and covering three months of work. The 250,000 small trees in the Bazovica nurseries will be used first, and the larger nursery stock will be utilised in parks and communal recreation centres in the city itself. Two million trees have been requested for immediate delivery through the Forestry service in ROME, and an extensive planting of seed for nurseries will be undertaken to ensure adequate planting stock in the future.

The experiments with DDT against the Pine Caterpillar or Processionnaria worm have proved successful and five tons of the insecticide, and sufficient gasoil to make efficient spray have been requested from the proper procurement agencies.
Much enthusiasm is being shown by the forestry experts and agriculturalists at the possibility of eliminating this devastating pest, and at costs a mere fraction of the inefficient controls previously employed. As soon as the necessary supplies arrive, organized teams of workers will cover the forests to work on this extermination project.

(d) Supplies -

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been requested for immediate delivery through the Forestry service in RCUR, and an extensive planting of seed for nurseries will be undertaken to ensure adequate planting stock in the future.

The experiments with DDT against the Tent Caterpillar or Processionaria worm have proved successful and five tons of the insecticide, and sufficient gasoil to make efficient spray have been requested from the proper procurement agencies.
Much enthusiasm is being shown by the forestry experts and agriculturalists at the possibility of eliminating this devastating pest, and at costs a mere fraction of the inefficient controls previously employed. As soon as the necessary supplies arrive, organized teams of workers will cover the forests to work on this extermination project.

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8. LABOUR.

(a) General -

The month of January has seen the final settlement of the general wage negotiations, which have been the centre of much discussion during the last three months.
In the December report it was stated that the temporary wage adjustment would be extended until the end of January, but if no agreement was reached by 8 January, the Labour Office would intervene.
On the 9th, 10th, and 11th of January the Syndicates and Employers' Association continued discussions in the presence of the Area Labour Officer, but no agreement was reached, and the two sides refused to prop[illegible] their cases for a meeting arranged for the 12 January and in which Allied Military Government would participate.

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8. LABOUR. (Cont. of Para. 1)

This meeting took place, and many further meetings, until a settlement was finally reached on 31st January. The settled basic wage was the "ZONE NO " or North ITALY rate, plus a contingency of 170 Lire - and on a mobile scale to change every 3 months: The contingency rate is higher than that in ITALY, but the cost of living index will be examined every 3 months.

(b) Strikes -

There were two strikes of short duration during the month. From 12.00 hours on 25 January to 08.00 hours on 26 January, workers went on strike in the shipyards as a protest against the alleged brutal methods used by the Police in arresting certain workers during the previous evening. There was no evidence that the Police had been guilty of such tactics.

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The control of the release of solid and liquid fuel to industry continued, and through the good offices of M.M.T. 300 tons of calcium carbide were obtained for the Cantieri Riuniti dell'Adriatico for the carrier reconversion programme.

About 430,000 metres of cotton cloth were produced during the month by the Cottonificio Triestino from American cotton ordered on behalf of this Company.
The mills worked to slightly under 50% capacity.

Processing of crude oil residues has been encouraged in order to give occupation to local refineries, and a survey has been made of the refinery situation in VENEZIA GIULIA.

Work in Foundries has been stimulated to some extent since coke produced in the gas works has become available. The poor quality of the coke, however, has been a limiting factor.

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9. INDUSTRY & UTILITIES. (Cont.)

Gas works have been in operation throughout the month in TRIESTE, GORIZIA, and PULA, the coal allocated by ..LCC for this purpose giving a daily three hours supply in each town.

More stringent restrictions have had to be imposed on the use of electricity. TRIESTE is ..rang its' economy target, but outlying districts still have a long way to go and special attention is being directed to them.

Rehabilitation of the port of TRIESTE continues, and at present the port facilities are adequate in relation to the railway clearance facilities. The Military Authorities are improving the latter, and completion of work in hand on the port will maintain the balance.

10. COMMERCE.

(a) General -

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The Finance Division is writing up the articles of association.

A meeting was held on the 10th January during which various matters were discussed, including the submission of suitable names of a committee of delegates to visit AUSTRIA and CZECHOSLOVAKIA. A decision on this matter is still awaited from the Chamber of Commerce.

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TRIESTE and GORIZIA	400 - 430 tons
UDINE	300 "
POLA	50 - 70 "

(c) Coal -

The total amount of coal received during January was 24,105 tons. This was made up as follows: -

From the S/S James Gordon Bennett	8,047 tons
" " S/S William Brown	8,096 "
" " S/S John Envy Ward	7,962.

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10. COMMERCE. (Cont.)

(d) Firewood -

Timber - Owing to snow in the mountains, deliveries from SLOVENIA (Anglo Area) at CIVIDALE have stopped.
Receipts in January from all sources - 2,000 quintals
Distribution - For cooking purposes (30 K.g. per head in districts without gas) 3,500 qls
Hospitals, Schools, Industries, Bakeries 5,000 "
Italian State railway 2,000 "
Central (released qls 2,000) 410 "
Space heating (10 qls per head) 4,300

Total 20,210 qls

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12. PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE.

(a) General -

The general health of the people in the area has been remarkably good. The incidence of diphtheria shows a marked decrease, but scabies is still very persistent both in the POLA and GORIZIA Areas. Eight people who were bitten by dogs suspected of having rabies were treated at POLA with vaccine supplied from TRIESTE, and orders were issued for the destruction of all wandering animals without owners, and for the dogs to be muzzled.

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12. PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE. (Cont.)

(b) Hospitals General -

There has been some unrest in the hospitals mainly through political causes. This has been especially so at the Ospedale Maggiore, where the new Director Dr. FRASCANI, although an honest man, is a prominent politician having been a leading member of the Christian Democratic party. As such he shows typical political intol nce of people with other convictions and aspirations. The si uation is being carefully watched.

In POLA too there has been some friction among the staff partially political in origin but also partially due to the fact that some doctors took over Public appointments without authorization of the President of the Zone or Allied Military Government. This is being investigated.

(c) Medical Supplies -

Supply and distribution remain satisfactory. The indents submitted for the next six months period have been held up because of queries from AFHQ over quantities of supplies required. Negotiations are proceeding with AFHQ to clarify matters through the Economics and Supply Division of this Headquarters.

(d) Venereal Disease -

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(f) Welfare -

The work of the Ente Comunale di Assistenza (ECA) continues on normal public assistance basis. The budget for the months of January-February-March for the Communal ECA of TRIESTE City shows a considerable increase upon the previous quarterly budget due to normal winter conditions and the rise in the cost of living. Cost of free meals averages 16 Lire in TRIESTE City and slightly less in other areas.
The ECAs of TRIESTE City, GORIZIA, and POLA have been charged with the distribution of blankets to needy and transfer of these supplies from Welfare warehouse to ECA warehouses is proceeding. 20,000 blankets have been sent out by the Welfare Division in the last few days.

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12. PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE.(Cont. of Welfare)

The work of the Pontifical Commission continues throughout the Zone, much free food being distributed by the Churches.

Stocks of welfare clothing and footwear are now almost exhausted, but it is hoped to obtain new supplies from sources in ITALY.

The American Red Cross team which has done fine welfare work in the Zone has now been withdrawn. On the suggestion therefore of the Chief Public Health Officer, two Italian Red Cross Liaison Officers have been assigned to this Headquarters.

13 DISPLACED PERSONS.

The flow of displaced persons continues, and as expected the numbers month by month show a downward tendency.

During the month the Assembly Centre in TRIESTE dealt with the following persons:

	Entered	Evacuated
Civilians	645	671
Ex-PWs	72	76
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14. FINANCE.

(a) State Expenditure -

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Formulation for the establishment of an economic control on the Morgan Line has been authorised by AFHQ. The Customs procedure for handling parcel post has now been laid down.

(c) Finance Guards -

The serious shortage of Finance Guards will have an adverse effect on the future fiscal organization of this territory. However the amount of contraband seized by the present small staff indicates the good work done.

(d) Monopoly -

As a result of a meeting with a delegation of the Ministry of Finance, a number of decisions have been reached on the supply and distribution of monopoly products.

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14. FINANCE (Cont.)

(e) Tax Collection -

Considerable difficulty is experienced in the collection of taxes and in meeting costs of collections in Eleven Communes, and appropriate action is contemplated.

(f) Excise Duties -

A general order is being prepared to legalise an instruction issued, raising the rates of duty to correspond with those in Italian Government territory.

(g) Insurance -

Unemployment Benefits - A draft order is being prepared to give effect to continuance of the payments to unemployed on the basis of Disoccupazione Dopoguerra from 1st January.

Finances of Social Insurance Institutions - Statements indicate excess of expenditure over income in all the principal institutes for month of December.

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(a) Allied Owned Property -

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In one of the Superior Court cases at GORIZIA, a prison sentence of 5 years was imposed on the accused person for assisting in the escape from the GORIZIA prison of a prisoner held on Allied charges. This was the highest prison sentence so far imposed by an Allied Court in the territory.

General Court - No General Court cases were tried during January.

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16. LEGAL.(Cont.)

(b) Civil Courts -

The Civil Courts are functioning with reasonable satisfaction.

The Ordinary Court of Assize which has jurisdiction over the more serious offences, was reconstituted with the appointment of 60 assessors and with certain necessary changes in procedure, by Order No 55, 1st Jan [illegible]. The first public session of the Court will be held on 1[illegible] Feb 46.

(c) Special Court of Assize for Fascist Crimes -

This Court deals with charges of collaboration with the Germans and the Fascist Republican Government after 8 Sept 43 (Proclamation No 5).

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During the holiday period all schools in TRIESTE City and in surrounding Communes were furnished with fuel, either with coal or wood. (During the month of December students of both Italian and Slavic schools strongly protested against the cold classrooms in which they were required to study - fuel was then on the way, and in many places it had been delivered).

Projects for school repairs and reconstruction are being approved as soon as estimates are submitted to the Genio Civile. Repairs to the elementary school of Via S.GIORGIO in TRIESTE, were completed and the school opened this month. In it, function also the schools of Via TARTINI and Via COMBI.

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17. EDUCATION. (Cont. of General)

A new Slovene text book "Svobodna Pota" (Free Roads) with rather strong Communistic teaching has appeared in the Slovene Areas of Zone 'A'. It is a book prepared by the Council of Liberation of TRIESTE (CNOS). It was never submitted for approval to the Education Division of Allied Military Government. The PNOO has requested the parents' councils to purchase the book for distribution to the second elementary school classes.

A teachers' congress will be held on the 19/20 Feb at the Casa del Popolo, TRIESTE.

(b) Education Policy -

During the month the Education Officer started the procedure of meeting weekly with the representatives of the Cultural Section of the Councils of National Liberation - PNOO and NOS - Regional and of TRIESTE City and Area. Three conferences were held during January. Each conference placed new light on the reasons for the resistance movement against Allied Military Government education policy. These conferences revealed that true cooperation will be impossible, for the Cultural Section will not agree to promote our directives no matter how excellent they may be, unless the Cultural Section is accepted and adopted by Allied Military Government. The weekly conferences however will continue.
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2) Allied Military Government would remain as a controlling unit.

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5) All professors and teachers now employed who do not meet with the approval of the Committee would be dismissed.

6) For GORIZIA Area schools the "Sovraintendente" would have to be a Slovene.

16. <u>TELECOMMUNICATIONS.</u>

As the result of further investigations by the civil police into the theft of wire etc. four more suspects have been imprisoned. This makes a total of five. The police have been asked to try and locate the stolen material.

It is hoped that during February all Postmen will be issued with a new uniform and overcoat.

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18. TELECOMMUNICATIONS. (Cont.)

As the result of a meeting with the Telecommunications and Postal Directors at FIUME, it was agreed that a telegraph circuit will be opened forthwith between TRIESTE and LUBLANA. The conditions will be as for traffic abroad. All traffic on this line is subject to strict censorship at LUBLANA; only messages of a very definite non-transactional and family nature will be accepted, and there will be no prepaid telegrams.

As the result of a meeting with the Postal Director from FIUME, slight adjustments were made with regard to the delivery of mails from Zone A to Zone B. A comparison of Postal Services existing in each Zone and between Zones revealed that everybody is satisfied. In principle all services are working except those which are of a financial, commercial or legal character.

On the receipt of verbal instructions from 13 Corps, the Finance Division's proposed scheme for transactional correspondence to other countries is held up.

19. PUBLIC RELATIONS.

Seven press correspondents, including American, British, French, and Danish visited VENEZIA GIULIA during January and were looked after by Public Relations.

The S.C.A.C. has continued to hold weekly Press Conferences for local journalists, and these have been well reported in the local press. In addition two Press Conferences were held at which the Chief Public Works Officer, explained the Allied Military Government Public Works projects for the repair of war-damaged houses. These received considerable prominence in all sections of the local press and it is intended to extend this type of press conference to other Divisions very shortly.

A weekly review of local press trends is produced by the Section and the circulation of the Daily Press Summary prepared jointly with A.I.S. has been increased to include all Divisions.

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On the receipt of verbal instructions from 15 Corps, the Finance Divisions proposed scheme for transactional correspondence to other countries is held up.

19. PUBLIC RELATIONS.

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A feature of the local press in recent weeks has been even more strenuous campaigning on the part of the opposing factions on the subject of the future of the area. This appears to have been precipitated by the reported imminent arrival of the Foreign Ministers' delegates.

20. PATRIOTS.

The work of this Division continues to increase, as owing to the late date on which payment to partisans was commenced in this territory, the task of sorting the true from the spurious partisans becomes more complicated. Payments to next of kin of dead partisans and to wounded partisans continue to be made. A start was also made during January with the payment of 50 lire per day for each day a partisan spent in a hospital due to wounds.

Up to 31st January 46 approximately 2,000,000 lire had been paid out to ex-partisans.

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20. PATRIOTS. (Cont.)

The Associazione Partigiani Italiani continues its' work of protecting the interests of Italian partisans and during the month has become affiliated to the A.N.P.I. This Association has realised that partisans must now revert to normal citizenship and is assisting them in this direction. An employment exchange is operated by the Association.

The Associazione Partigiani Giuliani continues to press upon Allied Military Government its claim for preferential treatment for ex-partisans. A Partisan Week was organised by the Association during January with the object of obtaining funds for the assistance of the families of the fallen partisans and for the payment of large scale funerals. In all the work of this Association the Slovene character of the partisan movement is heavily stressed. The claimsas to the number of partisans in the area put forward by this Association are somewhat exaggerated. The present figure advanced by them being:

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Wounded	7,000
Deported	9?,460

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GENERAL ORDERS, ORDERS AND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS PUBLISHED DURING JANUARY 45.

a. General Orders:

No 36 - Correspondence with countries outside the territory
No 36 - Consumer Tax
No 37 - Increase in fees due to notaries
No 38 - Additional tax on textile goods - Amendments to the R.D.L. 11 January 1943 No 65
No 39 - Revision of laws relating to registration, mortgages taxes, death and succession duties
No 40 - War profit tax
No 41 - Special Court of Assize

b. Orders:

No 53 - Formal declaration of enemy Status of GERMANY and JAPAN
No 54 - Indemnities for lay assessors of the Special Court of Assize
No 55 - Ordinary Court of Assize
No 56 - District and Area Tax Commissions
No 57 - Increase in radio license fee
No 58 - Amendments to provisions of the law 17th March 1932 No 368 and to the relevant regulation approved by R.D. 23th June, 1932 No 904, concerning the standards of flour and bread
No 59 - Establishment of commissions to enable heavy workers to obtain supplementary food rations
No 60 - Liquidation of "Ente per gli scambi commerciali e approvvigionamenti dei territori annessi al Piemonte" (E.S.C.A.T.A.)
No 61 - Increase of financial benefit for the catholic clergy
No 62 - Reduction of prescribed period of practice to qualify as a lawyer - Supplement to Order No 32
No 63 - Temporary determination of state pensions and constitution of pension commissions therefore
No 64 - Re-constitution of the Forestry offices
No 65 - Examinations for attorneys

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No 22 - Rules of Procedure of the Territorial Epuration Commission of Appeal
No 23 - Appointment of Special Commissario for Cassa Mutitima Abbriation
No 24 - Appointment of Territorial Inspector and Vice Inspector of Agriculture
No 25 - Appointment of Dott.Ettore Boscatori as Director of the Territorial Office of the "Consorzi Agrari".

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The supplies programme so far submitted, which includes the increased food ration for POLA, and the special two months reserve, has been approved by the combined chiefs of staff.

5. Food.

During the month rations on the normal AC scale were issued to the population.

Special Christmas issues were made to the very needy classes and although the amounts involved were small, (in relation to the stock position) the issues were very well received.

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6. Transportation.

The first consignment of the vehicles promised by 13 Corps has arrived at REME Workshops, and will be taken over by the Transportation Di . ion on 7th Jan 46.

7. Agriculture.

Supplies for forestry and fisheries are coming in, and with seed and fertiliser requirements arriving in increasing quantities, the whole agricultural position is very much improved. Seed potatoes are expected in before the middle of February.

8. Labour.

Both the Sindacati Unici and the Camera del Lavoro came forward on the 24 Dec to request an extension of the recent temporary wage adjustment until the wage position can be stabilized. It was agreed to extend this adjustment until the end of January, b with the stipulation that if no agreement is reached by the 6th Jan, the Labour Office will intervene.

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Supplies of raw materials for Public Works projects are becoming available in increasing quantities, and greater progress in many repair schemes is being made.

Many of the villages which were destroyed during the war, and are now declared distressed areas, have been inspected, and work on repairs started.

12. Public Health and Welfare.

The health of the people in the area has been excellent although sporadic cases of infectious disease have occurred.

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13. Displaced Persons.

The flow of displaced persons continues, and as expected, the numbers month by month show a downward tendency.

14. Finance.

State and Para-State budgets have been received from practically all Agencies and have been approved.

No further progress has been made since Nov on the establishment of economic control line between the Anglo-American and Jugoslav controlled Zones of VENEZIA GIULIA. The matter rests with AMG.

15. Property Control.

During the month 95 additional properties of all classes were recorded and taken under control making a total of 325. No additional properties were returned to owners, and the number remained at 58.

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Summary Courts - During Dec 45, a total of 294 accused were tried on 335 charges.

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Efforts have been made to increase Allied Military Government publicity in the local press and over the radio. Since 12 December over 30 news stories and items, emanating mainly from divisions in the HQ AMG building, have appeared in Allied daily papers, and most of them in other newspapers. All items have been broadcast. These stories and items are in addition to those obtained and put out by the news Divisions of AIB.

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20. Monuments and Fine Arts.

The work of repairing war damage to monuments in this area has continued steadily.

The area was visited by Capt.T.H.BROOKE, MFAA Branch Land Steiermark, between 4th and 7th Dec 45.

21. Intrists.

Up to the end of the year approximately 500 claims were received, and out of these 34 payments were made to next of kin, and 24 to wounded. This amounted in all to 920,000 lire.

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The identity card programme has been completed, except for a few stragglers (composed mainly of invalids) in outlying areas.

5. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

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2) On the 24th Dec, near MARTESINO, an American soldier who was employed on repairs to sabotaged signal lines, was shot and killed by persons unknown.
The CMP took charge of enquiries. Two Jugoslav soldiers are suspected, and are required for questioning.
Application has been made by the British Military Authorities to the Jugoslav Mission, for these suspected assassins to be extradited.

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE. (Cont.)

(a) Black Market -

The situation regarding black market activities still remains around the same level. Finance guards and Municipal guards, together with harbour patrols, are all combatting this menace with the utmost zeal.

It is difficult to prevent food etc. from being taken illegally into Zone 'B' and JUGOSLAVIA. A considerable amount of merchandise and food is being purchased in the POLA Area, and is going into Zone 'B', where it is sold at a high price.

(d) Prostitution and Brothels -

In TRIESTE Area, prostitutes examined during the month of December are shown as below. (November figures are quoted for comparison).

	Dec.	Nov.
1) Examined and found clean	127	134
2) Examined and found infected	49	47
3) Examined - Result awaited	18	12

Cases of Allied Troops infected in the territory of 5th Area totalled 68.
Registered practising prostitutes have decreased by 64, there being 595 at the end of the period under review, compared with 659 at the end of November.

(e) Conduct of Allied Service Personnel -

Discipline in the area continues to be good. All Allied Police have dealt energetically with military offenders, particularly in regard to traffic contraventions.

(f) Fire Brigades and Civil Defence -

At 13.40 hours on 7th Dec, a call was answered to the Arsenale Governative Munitions store, at POLA. The building appeared to be completely destroyed by the force of an explosion which had previously occurred. The fire service was among the first on the scene, and removed one dead and 13 wounded to hospital by brigade transport. Excellent work appears

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In THIENNE Area, prostitutes examined during the month of December are shown as below. (November figures are quoted for comparison).

	Dec.	Nov.
1) Examined and found clean	127	154
2) Examined and found infected	49	47
3) Examined - Result awaited	18	12

Cases of Allied Troops infected in the territory of 59 Area totalled 68.
Registered practising prostitutes have decreased by 64, there being 595 at the end of the period under review, compared with 659 at the end of November.

(e) Conduct of Allied Service Personnel -

Discipline in the area continues to be good. All Allied Police have dealt energetically with military offenders, particularly in regard to traffic contraventions.

(f) Fire Brigades and Civil Defence -

At 13.40 hours on 7th Dec, a call was answered to the Arsenale Governative Munitions store, at POLA. The building appeared to be completely destroyed by the force of an explosion which had previously occurred. The fire service was among the first on the scene, and removed one dead and 13 wounded to hospital by brigade transport. Excellent work appears to have been done; two detachments were sent to the coal quay where a big fire had developed, and they succeeded, after working under conditions of great danger, in preventing another explosion of the large amount of munitions in the vicinity. Another detachment attended the rope factory which was well alight, and within a short time of arrival, succeeded in bringing this fire under control. The brigade returned to station at 17,30 hours. The monetary loss is unknown.
At 7 p.m. on 17th December, a call was received from the Electric Society - Societa' Elettrica della VENEZIA GIULIA -, where a transformer had caught fire. After an hour's hard work the fire was brought under control. The loss was estimated at 150,000 lire. Cause was probably due to the overheating and subsequent ignition of the oil.

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE. (Cont.)

(g) Civil Prisons -

Prisons in VENEZIA GIULIA are still very full, but there is now a slight tendency towards a general decrease in the number of detainees.

A request has been made by the Chief of Police to 13 Corps Commander, for all prison staff to become members of the VENEZIA GIULIA Police Force. This will ensure that a suitable guarantee can be made to prison personnel for a minimum salary, and for the issue of suitable clothing and rations etc. In the meantime prison guards continue to do outside guard duties under trying climatic conditions, wearing their own civilian clothes, or dyed khaki drill supplied through the kindness of Army Quartermasters.

(h) Forgery and Uttering of Allied Currency Notes - One case has come to light at GORIZIA during the month, of two forged notes being received at the Bank: -

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2) 100 " " No A 52342683 A

Enquiries were made by CID, but with a nil result.

4. ECONOMICS.

(a) General -

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(b) Price Control -

During the month the Price Control Order has been published, (General Order No 26) and three Commissions, as follows, and common Secretariat have been appointed:-

1) Price Fixing Commission - The inspectors of this Commission are now working on the costing of the commodities to be controlled, and it is expected that in the near future new prices will be fixed for many items.

2) Price Enforcement Commission - A paid director has been appointed, and 100 civilian controllers are now being trained by the VENEZIA GIULIA Police Force.

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4. ECONOMICS. (Cont.of Price Control)

3) Price Equalisation Commission - This Commission consists of an economic expert, a commercial expert, and three qualified accountants. The commission has already made investigations into the position of three electricity concerns: SELVEG, SVEM, and GORIZIA MUNICIPALITIES, and as a result the tariffs of these concerns have been adjusted. The Commission is now investigating the following: -

I) Cost of coke production at ILVA
II) Costing of work by Cantieri Riuniti
III) Financial position of ACEGAT
IV) Financial position of SOCITSIO.

5. FOOD.

Rations on the normal AC scale were issued to the population. To all consumers these items were distributed: -

Commodities	TRIESTE Town	TRIESTE Province	GORIZIA Town	GORIZIA Province	POLA	
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Pasta gr.	2000)	2000)	2000)	2000)	2500	" "
Fat gr.	180	180	180	180	180	" "
Sugar +) gr.	500	500	500	500	500	" 0-4 years
" gr.	250	250	250	250	250	" 4-19 "
" gr.	200	200	200	200	200	"19-65 "
" gr.	250	250	250	250	250	" up 65"
Milk powd. gr.	1000	-	-	-	-	" 0-1 "
" " gr.	-	-	-	-	1500	" 0-4 "
" evap. gr.	1000	-	1000	-	-	" 0-1 "
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The Allied Military Government supplies which arrived during Dec.45 were made up as follows: -

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IV) Financial position of AUSTRIA.

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	Net metric tons.
Flour	750
Barley	44
Cons. fish	6

Latest ration card statistics show the population of the territory as follows: -

TRIESTE	325,520
GORIZIA	123,288
POLA	33,168
	481,976

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6. TRANSPORTATION.

(a) General -

The first consignment of the vehicles promised by 13 Corps has arrived at REME Workshops, and will be taken over by the Transportation Division on 7th Jan 46.

A meeting was held by the Chief Transportation Offr in GORIZIA, and cordial relations were established between the Area President and representatives of Autotrasporti in GORIZIA Area. The Centro Autotrasporti GORIZIA Agency should now function more smoothly.

(b) Port and Warehouse Sections -

The following table will show details of tonnages handled in these sections during November, -

	Cargo handled	
	Inwards Tons	Outwards to Consumers Tons
Ships (Military) Coal (Military, Railways and Allied Military Government)	15,242	15,242
Ships (Allied Military Government Supplies) received Warehouse 6	823	1,336
Urcna (Schooners) Mixed Cargoes	2,496	1,177
Total tonnages handled	18,561	17,755

(c) Road Section -

Tonnages hauled by Autotrasporti and Allied Military Government Truck Pool: -

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POLA "	1,203	553
	19,911	7,234

(d) Rail Section -

Total of bids accepted by 'Q' Movements for Dec 45: tons. 26,632

Total of bids for Movements into TRIESTE tons. 9,014
" " " " " from " tons. 17,818

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7. AGRICULTURE.

(a) General -

Supplies for forestry and fisheries are coming in, and with seed and fertiliser requirements arriving in increasing quantities, the whole agricultural position is very much improved. Seed potatoes are expected in before the middle of February.

Drainage ditches are being cleared in the MONFALCONE and GRADO Districts, despite the cold weather and icy water. This provides a great deal of employment, and further work which will drain and irrigate other extensive areas during the coming spring, is in the hands of Public Works Division.

(b) Amassing -

The total amount of wheat amassed to date is 12,800 quintals. This brings the campaign practically to an end.

(c) Livestock -

One hundred mules and fifty four horses have arrived from AUSTRIA and have been distributed in the GORIZIA Area. Previously one hundred and sixty captured enemy horses were distributed to farmers in the TRIESTE Area.

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The forestry police are controlling to some extent the damage which is being done in the forests, although a great deal of reforestation will have to be started in the spring to try to repair damage already done.

8. LABOUR.

(a) General -

Both the Sindacati Unici and the Camera del Lavoro came forward on the 24 Dec to request an extension of the present temporary wage adjustment until the wage position can be stabilized. It was agreed to extend this adjustment until the end of January, but with the stipulation that if no agreement is reached by the 8th Jan, the Labour office will intervene.

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A strike was called for 24 hours commencing on the 15 dec. This was called as a protest against the suspension of the Slovene-Communist paper "BORBA". The strike did not have the full sympathy of the workers, and was considered a failure.(Full details are under "Political Situation").

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8. LABOUR. (Cont.)

(b) Unemployment -

The unemployment register shows a slight decrease due to requests for extra help over the holiday season. Figures are as follows: -

	November	December
TRIESTE	21,223	20,965
GORIZIA	3,510	4,045
POLA	3,803	3,427

(c) Cost of living -

Cost of living in the territory shows a slight tendency to rise and the latest figures (food items only) are as follows: -

TRIESTE	13,156	lire monthly
GORIZIA	13,331	" "
POLA	14,040	" "

9. INDUSTRY & UTILITIES.

Under supervision of the Industry & Utilities Division, 1,680 tons of coal, 12,160 litres of petrol, 27,975 litres of Kerosene and 22,425 litres of Gasoil were allocated to Industry. Most raw materials continued to be in short supply, and the shortage of Carbide was especially felt, as shipyards and metal working industries cannot continue production without it. The list of materials required for the industries of VENEZIA GIULIA in the first half of 1946, was completed and forwarded to HQ ALLIED for onward transmission to AFHQ.

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For the first time in approximately 9 months, TRIESTE City has been supplied with gas. Although supplies were only for 3 hours - 11,00-12,00 and 18,00-20,00 - the service was very much appreciated. Similar rationed supplies were also available in GORIZIA and POLA.

The following work was carried out by the different yards and work shops of the Company: Cantieri Riuniti dell'Adriatico: -

(a) S.MARCO Shipyard: Work on the construction of two floating cranes, on the repair and reconstruction of eight ships and a R.N. floating dock, continued.

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9. INDUSTRY & UTILITIES. (Cont.)

(b) MONFALCONE Shipyard: Construction continued on four 400 tons cargo motor-ships, on two 1000 tons cargo motorships, and on two 9000 tons motortankers. The Merchant Aircraft Carrier "Empire Macdabe" arrived for reconversion into a tanker.
All materials and machinery moved from this yard to Villa Vicentina for protection during the war, were returned to MONFALCONE.

(c) S.ROCCO Shipyard: Repair work on four ships and work on the conversion of a motortanker continued.
Construction work on 6 small coasters continued, one of which was completed and launched in December.

(d) The Dock and Harbour works in the port of TRIESTE (Magazzini Generali) continued their work of rehabilitating TRIESTE's port facilities. Repairs on warehouses, light and water plants, wharves, cranes, grain elevators etc, continued.

10. COMMERCE.

(a) General -

During the month many requests have been received for goods to cross the Morgan Line to Zone 'B' and JUGOSLAVIA. Permits have been given in cases where the goods were originally from old stocks in TRIESTE, but for fresh supplies which are imported from ITALY and are in transit through this territory, suppliers have been told that they must have: -

1) export permit from the Italian Government
2) import permit from the Jugoslav Government.

Permission will be sought in ROME for a small Committee to visit VIENNA and to contact ACA&RIT and the QUADRIPARTITE Committee, with a view to establishing trade between VENEZIA GIULIA and AUSTRIA. This would be a big step forward, and would in time extend to visiting and establishing trade relations with other countries.

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Cotton is arriving in reasonable quantities, and two consignments, one of 800 bales and one of 1,200 bales, will enable the GORIZIA mills to continue working. Approximately 210 tons of Sicilian cotton are expected, although many difficulties were encountered in obtaining release of this. The cloth produced from the first consignment of 800 bales, has a poor appearance, due to the low quality of the cotton.

An allocation of 166 quintals of hemp per quarter has been secured. This was originally intended for the Canapificio Istriano at POLA, but this factory was destroyed in the recent explosion. If the Jutificio & Canapificio Triestino are able to make the type of materials most needed in the territory, arrangements will be made to turn over the allocation to them.

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10. COMMERCE.(Cont. of General)

220 tyres and 30 tubes from the monthly allocation, were stolen on the night of 12 Dec 45 from the warehouse of Viale Miramare 29. These tyres were stored pending allocation by Buoni. The matter was immediately reported to VENEZIA GIULIA Police.

(b) Firewood -

It was expected that 12,500 tons of firewood would arrive from UDINE Province for the months of Nov - Dec, but the actual quantity received was 6,098 tons. Fortunately the public demand in the whole area has been less than half the amount originally allowed for and the deficiency will not have any serious effect. Present stocks of firewood in TRIESTE total: -

5,830 tons.

(c) Coal -

Of the 20,913 tons of coal received during December, 15,536 tons were distributed. The balance was not unloaded by the end of December, so will be carried forward for January. 25,339 tons are expected in for January.

11. PUBLIC WORKS.

Supplies of raw materials for Public Works projects are becoming available in increasing quantities, and greater progress in many repair schemes is being made.

Many of the villages which were destroyed during the war, and are now declared distressed areas, have been inspected, and work on repairs started.

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12. PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE.

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(a) General -

The health of the people in the area has been excellent although sporadic cases of infectious disease have occurred.

The diphtheria epidemic previously reported in GORIZIA has subsided.

Steady progress is being made in the rehabilitation and repair of hospitals and institutions.

The anti-rat campaign in TRIESTE continues, and approximately a further 10,000 rats have been accounted for.

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12. PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE. (Cont.)

(b) Hospitals General -

The general situation with regard to hospitals has been satisfactory, in spite of some financial and supply difficulties.

The coal problem in the hospitals became critical during the last week of December, but energetic action on the part of Allied Military Government's Fuel officer averted a serious situation.

Efforts are still being made to find a Capo Sanitario for the POLA Area but so far without success. A similar situation occurred in GORIZIA. This seems to have been due to the misinterpretation of General Order No 11 by the President of the Zone. A conference was therefore held with the Area Commissioner, the Public Health Officer of the Area, the President, and the C.P.M.G., and a general policy agreed upon in regard to the appointment of medical officials and the formation of the local medical councils.

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(c) Medical Supplies -

Normal distribution has been maintained, and the situation is satisfactory.

(d) Veterinary -

Estimated requirements for drugs and dressings necessary for the treatment of animals in VENEZIA GIULIA, have been submitted through the Economics Division.

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50,000 blankets have been received for distribution to poor and sick in the Area.
It has been recommended that the issue should be free.

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13. DISPLACED PERSONS.

The flow of displaced persons continues, and as expected, the numbers month by month show a downward tendency.

During the month the Assembly Centre in TRIESTE dealt with the following persons :-

	Arrived	Evacuated
Civilians	879	875
Ex-POW	217	253
	1096	1128

An index of persons deported from this Area (now known as Zone 'A') into JUGOSLAVIA during the Jugoslav occupation, is being compiled and will soon be completed.

14. FINANCE.

(a) State Expenditure -

Statal and Para-Statal Budgets have been received from practically all Agencies and have been approved. Communal Budgets show a great improvement, and only a few communes have not yet submitted requests for funds.

(b) Legislation -

Four new orders were completed and became law during Dec.

Although moving slowly due to lack of suitable staff, the introduction of new revenue legislation is proceeding with [illegible] urgency.

(c) Customs -

No further progress has been made since Nov on the establishment of an economic control line between the Anglo-American and Jugoslav controlled Zones of VENEZIA GIULIA. The matter rests with AFHQ.

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(d) Contraband -

Seizure of contraband continues in ever increasing quantities.

(e) Monopoly -

Tobacco and salt prices have been raised to the level existing in Italian Government territory.

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14. FINANCE. (Cont.)

(f) Insurance -

Unemployment Benefit - Payments to unemployed on the basis of Disoccupazione Dopoguerra will be discontinued as from 31 Dec 45. Henceforth the unemployed in VENEZIA GIULIA will be on the same footing as the unemployed in Italian Government territory, viz: they will receive 30 lire per day, plus 5 lire for each child. Additional assistance will be provided by E.C.A. which will investigate individual cases of hardship.
The payments from Cassa Integrazione which were to cease on the 31 Dec 45 will be continued for a further three months.

15. PROPERTY CONTROL.

(a) Allied Owned Property -

During the month 95 additional properties of all classes were recorded and taken under control making a total of 325. No additional properties were returned to owners, and the number remained at 50.

(b) Italian State, Para-Statal, and Ex-Fascist Property. -

The recording and classifying of this is now well advanced and it is hoped to supply accurate figures next month.

(c) Abandoned Property - Property of Absentee owners -

The necessary Orders and instructions for dealing with this have now been issued, and reports from Areas are awaited.

(d) Confiscated Jewish Property -

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16. LEGAL.

(a) Military Courts -

Summary Courts - During Dec 45, a total of 234 accused

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Summary Courts - During Dec 45, a total of 294 accused were tried on 335 charges. These figures compare with 275 accused and 318 charges in November, an increase in December of 19 and 17 respectively.

Superior Courts - Cases disposed of by the Superior Courts during Dec showed a sharp decrease. Superior Courts during Dec tried 12 accused (as compared with 23 in Nov) on 16 charges (as compared with 44 in Nov). Charges for the illegal possession of Firearms dropped from 29 in Nov to only 9 in December.

General Court - No General Court cases were tried during December.

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16. LEGAL. (Cont.)

(b) Civil Courts -

All Ordinary Civil Courts are functioning with reasonable satisfaction. The Ordinary Court of Assize which has jurisdiction over the more serious offences, has been functioning on the investigative side but has not yet held public trials. This Court, which is a section of the Court of Appeal, consists of a President and 4 lay assessors. The delay in holding trials has been due to the difficulty of selecting suitable assessors. A list of 80 has now been chosen and an Order is now being prepared appointing them.
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This Court deals with charges of collaboration with the Fascist Republican Government and the Germans (Proclamation No 5).

Seven public trials were held during Dec, resulting in 4 convictions and 3 acquittals.

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The new elementary school programmes for the Italian schools were distributed free to all elementary school teachers of the three Areas.
The Slavic (Slovene language) elementary school programmes are being printed by the Allied Information Service, and it is hoped that they will be distributed by the early part of January.

The TRIESTE and POLA secondary school students went on strike protesting against the lack of heat in their school. The strike lasted from one to two days, and only a comparatively small number of students missed classes.

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17. EDUCATION. (Cont. of General)

In TRIESTE, the Slovene secondary school students (only those sympathizing with the Slavic National Liberation Committee) went on strike. They included in their requests: -

1) the immediate heating of their school
2) the dismissal of all professors not of their political creed i.e. approved by the ENOO
3) the re-instatement of the "PRIMORSKI DNEVNIK" suspended Slovene daily paper.

At GORIZIA the Slovene secondary school students went on strike, chiefly as a protest against the suspension of the "PRIMORSKI DNEVNIK".

The above strikes occurred during the week beginning 2 December. However all schools were kept open until the established date for the beginning of Christmas vacation.
Coal, wood, and gas were immediately made available (the responsible agencies had already begun distribution) and by January all schools will have sufficient supplies of fuel so that work may be resumed without loss of time.

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Nothing further has been arranged about a LUBLJANA Telegraph circuit, as so far, contact has not been made with the appropriate responsible official in Zone 'B'.

There still exists a misunderstanding at the Genoa Civil Censorship Office, over countries with which VENEZIA GIULIA is able to conduct non-transaction correspondence.

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18. TELECOMMUNICATIONS. (Cont.)

The Telecommunications Division has been besieged by local merchants who have had their correspondence returned with a slip of paper referring them to the "Local Postal Officer of Allied Military Government".

19. PUBLIC RELATIONS.

Efforts have been made to increase Allied Military Government publicity in the local press and over the radio. Since 12 December over 30 news stories and items, emanating mainly from divisions in the HQ AMG building, have appeared in Allied daily papers, and most of them in other newspapers. All items have been broadcast. These stories and items are in addition to those obtained and put out by the news divisions of AIS.

The AIS Daily Press Summary staff now works in close cooperation with Public Relations. This staff supplies a translation service when required.

Public Relations is now represented on the following:-

1) Electricity Sub-Committee of Industry Division
2) Economics Section weekly conference
3) Welfare Entertainment monthly conference
4) War Booty Committee.

This is in addition to the SCAO's conference, the SCAO's weekly press conference, and the AIS weekly conference.

Nine press correspondents, American, British, and Swedish, visited VENEZIA GIULIA during December, and were looked after by Public Relations.

Public Relations has made a substantial contribution, in the form of articles, to the educational scheme for the troops.

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The work of repairing war damage to monuments in this area has continued steadily. The area was visited by Capt.T.H. BROOKS, MFAA Branch Land Steiermark, between 4th and 7th Dec 45.

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POLA - Work is progressing on the Temple of Augusto, the Cathedral, and the Chiostro of S.FRANCESCO, all of which were damaged by bombs.

GORIZIA - Schemes and estimates are being prepared for the restoration of the Castles Lantieri at RIFEMBERGO, and Coronini at MONCORONA.

21. PATRIOTS.

With the start of payments to next of kin and to wounded partisans, the Division has had to expand. Up to the end of the year approximately 500 claims were received, and out of these 34 payments were made to next of kin, and 24 to wounded. This amounted in all to 920,000 lire.

The Associazione Partigiani Giuliani has been very active in pressing the claims of its members, both by visits to the Patriots Office and in the local press. A number of its' members attended the reception of the "Special Battalion" held at POSTUMIA on the 23rd Dec. A letter of protest at the suspension of "PRIMORSKI DNEVNIK" was sent by the Associazione Partigiani Giuliani to "Il Lavoratore" and published on 15th Dec. The Associazione Partigiani Giuliani considers that all persons holding their "Partisan Identity Card" should be accepted by this Division as true partisans without further enquiries. However some of the documents issued by this Association have been found to be false.

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APPENDIX 'A'

GENERAL ORDERS, ORDERS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS PUBLISHED DURING DECEMBER 45.

a. General Orders:

No 28 - Protection of buildings and other property
No 29 - Repeal of General Order No 19
No 30 - Repeal of fascist and racial laws; abolition of death penalty and other changes in penal laws and procedure
No 31 - Tax concessions to assist the re-building of war-damaged buildings
No 32 - Turnover tax
No 33 - Public Wages - Revision of Gen.Order No 15
No 34 - Annulment of fascist pensions; general and special increase in public pensions; and temporary cost of living allowances to public pensioners.

b. Orders :

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No 50 - Failure to possess identity card or special registration certificate - Supplement to Order No 14
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5. Food.

A plan was laid down which will give SEMIRL the means to purchase and transport foodstuffs at low prices for the population. The planned creation of the Ente Autonomo Comunale, composed of wholesalers and retailers, is not yet fixed, but good results may be expected when this organization starts to function.

6. Transportation.

All services are functioning satisfactorily and an increased number of autobus services have been put into operation during the month.

7. Agriculture.

It still appears that all ITALY is determined to hamper the delivery of agricultural supplies into VENEZIA GIULIA. Italian officials have claimed that they feared supplies intended for this disputed zone might not be distributed as designed, but will fall into the wrong hands. The Province of UDINE has been especially guilty, having made many excuses at times to send trucks back empty, trucks which had been dispatched there for properly allocated grain for seeding.

8. Labour.

There has been increased activity on the part of the workers seeking new wage adjustments. Many new wage agreements have been ratified by the Labour Division.

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There was a small epidemic of diphtheria in the GORIZIA Area, but energetic action was taken, and the epidemic has now subsided.

13. Displaced Persons.

The flow of displaced persons continues.

Movement of Jews has to be watched carefully, as it is thought that Jews from Central EUROPE are entering various fishing villages on the coasts of ITALY and JUGOSLAVIA (and possibly here) and bribing fishermen to take them out to sea where they would be smuggled aboard genuine refugee ships bound for PALESTINE.

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14. Finance.

State expenditures are continually growing, especially because of the increase in salaries. A complete numerical report will be given at the end of December with the closing of the 2nd quarter of the financial year 1945-46.

15. Property Control.

During the month 12 additional properties were taken under control bringing the total to 230. Up to date 58 have been restored to their owners.

16. Legal.

All the Civil Courts are functioning except three Pretura Courts in the Area of GORIZIA which is predominantly Slovene territory. As pointed out in the October report, the Slovene judges who were appointed as Pretori of these Courts, have refused to serve unless Slovene is accepted as one of the official languages in the Courts. For that reason, it was decided to attach these areas to the Pretura of GORIZIA for jurisdictional purposes, in order that the people there would not be deprived of a judicial forum.

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Throughout November the tone of the VENEZIA GIULIA press has tended to become more violent on both the Italian and Slovene sides, and some of the so-called "humourous" weeklies had to be sharply checked by AIS for their excesses. Attacks on Allied Military Government have come with greater frequency and boldness from both Right and Left.

20. Patriots.

During the month 551,000 lire have been paid out mainly to widows. Some payments have been made to seriously wounded patriots. Many claims are still being received.

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2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

There have been no important changes in Local Government.

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Steps are being taken to implement General Order No 11 in all communes, and those communes which still remain uncco-operative will come under direct CMG rule.

The issuing of identity cards is proceeding well, and the whole programme should be completed shortly. Up to date, the following totals have been issued: -

VENEZIA	Area	190,798
POLA	"	22,895
GORIZIA	"	42,717

In VENEZIA, an order providing for the inspection of all houses is now in effect, and over 100 inspectors are carrying out a survey of all available accomodation in the city. The results should enable a more equitable distribution of available living accommodation to be made, and provide a reserve of space for future requirements.

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

(a) Civil Police -

During the month of November the position as to this Force has become even more satisfactory. These police are performing their duties in a manner which is evoking laudible comment in the press, and there appears to be no doubt whatsoever that the population of VENEZIA GIULIA has accepted the new Force with a genuine feeling of welcome.

The improvement in public morale and confidence has been marked by the desire of the public to co-operate with the new Force, and persons who were previously reluctant to attend Police Stations with complaints and denunciations are now coming forward and reporting them. As a direct result, several good arrests have been effected.

Two items of interest during the month were: -

(1) The visit of Lt.Gen.Sir William MORGAN, KCB DSO MC Supreme Allied Commander Allied Forces, to the Police Training School on Saturday 24th November. The Supreme Commander inspected and took the salute at the "Passing Out Parade" of 261 recruits and expressed his satisfaction and pleasure at the efficiency and appearance of the school and the recruits.

(2) An instance of gallantry by three young guards, all of whom had no previous police experience. The three guards, stationed at GORIZIA, came to TRIESTE to draw rations, and whilst in the city, were called to the scene of a shooting affray. They were fired at, but although they were unarmed, closed with the assailants and effected an arrest. During the scuffle one of the guards was slightly injured.
A commendation and reward were awarded to these young guards by the Chief of Police and the commendation appeared in the "Police Orders" of the Force for the information of all ranks.

The present strength (all ranks) of the Police Force is 1699.

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(2) An instance of gallantry by three young guards, all of whom had no previous police experience. The three guards, stationed at GORIZIA, came to TRIESTE to draw rations, and whilst in the city, were called to the scene of a shooting affray. They were fired at, but although they were unarmed, closed with the assailants and effected an arrest. During the scuffle one of the guards was slightly injured.
A commendation and reward were awarded to these young guards by the Chief of Police and the commendation appeared in the "Police Orders" of the force for the information of all ranks.

The present strength (all ranks) of the Police Force is 1639.

(b) Crime -

Crime generally shows no increase, although reports are now coming forward in greater numbers. This is an indication of the publics' increased confidence in the new force.

A few of the more serious crimes which have come to light, are reported as follows: -

(1) On the 4th Nov, at Servola,(suburb of TRIESTE) ALBUCI Filippo of Catania (SICILY) was shot and killed by 3 men who had demanded to see his identity card (reasons unknown). A political motive was suspected. 4 arrests were made. Investigations are proceeding under difficulties owing to reluctance of witnesses to come forward for fear of reprisals.

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE. (Cont. of Crime)

(c) On the 6th Nov, at San PANCRAZIO Bello Valle, two men entered the house of LOVRIHA Grgur and requested her to accompany them outside. On her refusing to do so, they, it is alleged, shot and killed her and afterwards decamped into Jugoslav territory. Enquiries are proceeding.

(b) On the 22nd Nov at [illegible], the bodies of an unidentified woman and of a P.G. Agent, ANICCHINI Costantino, who disappeared from [illegible] on the 6th April 1945, were discovered. Death believed due to partisan atrocity. Investigations continue.

(c) Black Market -

The Black Market continues to function in this area, in common with all parts of ITALY. The newly formed Finance Division is, however, making steady progress in combatting the Black Market operators and a section of the Municipal Guard Branch is also assisting in this sphere, and every means available is being utilised to reduce the success of the Black Market operator.

(d) Prostitution and Brothels -

Generally, the situation throughout the area remains satisfactory although there is still a slight increase in clandestine prostitution.

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Examined - Result awaited	12	14

Civilian brothels situated in GORIZIA, [illegible] and GRADISCA have been subjected to periodical visits and have been found to be conducted in an orderly manner; there is no reason to believe that Allied troops are making use of these houses.

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(Via MIL A Prison 304 and Via MIGOM Prison 259)

The position is as follows: -

(1) Awaiting trial by AMG Court	41
(2) " " " Italian Court	180
(3) " " " Assize Court	91
(4) Disposition of POW or MIB or CID	44
(5) Sentenced	207

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA ADMINISTRATION. (Cont. of Civil Prisons)

SBOTTAR Carlo, a prisoner in the Via TIGOR Prison, escaped on 25 Oct 45, but was recaptured by the guard DE VAL on 17 Nov 45. This guard, after the escape of SBOTTAR, was enclosed in a cell in accordance with prison regulations, and later, having promised to recapture the prisoner, obtained his liberty.

On 10 Nov 45 NOVAK Giovanni, already condemned by an Italian Court, escaped during his transfer from Via TIGOR to Via NIZZA Prison. On the 19 Nov he gave himself up at Via NIZZA Prison.

CICELI Carlo, a guard of Via TIGOR Prison, was arrested on 14 Nov 45, being in possession of a letter addressed to a prisoner.

11 new guards have been assigned: 4 are reporting to Via NIZZA Prison, 7 to Via TIGOR Prison.

(f) Forgery and Uttering of Allied Currency Notes.-

The following two cases have been reported this month: -

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Most of the month has been spent in drafting the new Price Control Order. It has now been finally agreed by Economics, Food, Finance, Public Works and Legal, and the SCAO. It will be translated and published during December. The machinery for enforcing the order will require a civilian staff of about 50 persons, in comparison with the present 16. It is intended to engage the extra staff in two stages, and those for the first stage have been chosen and vetted by the PSS. Under the new order, the price of all food, and the cost of all services considered necessary to the average family will be strictly controlled and enforced.

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5. FOOD.

A plan was laid down which will give GENRAL the means to purchase and transport foodstuffs at low prices for the population. The planned creation of the Ente Autonomo Comunale, composed of wholesalers and retailers, is not yet fixed, but good results may be expected when this organization starts to function.

Rations on the normal AC scale were issued to the population with the exception of pasta-rice.

To all consumers these items were distributed: -

GORIZIA	1,000	grams of pasta
FOGLIA	1,000	" " "
TRIESTE	(400	" " "
	(300	" " rice

and to the TRIESTE Communes a further 300 grams of Rice.

The reason for the short issue, is that the "Pastifici" which are situated in UDINE Province, had not enough coal to produce the "pasta" for this region.

The following Allied Military Government supplies arrived in this area during November 1945 (weight in net metric tons) : -

Bagged wheat	7,690
Barley	86
Soup	7
Milk evap.	155
" pond.	107
Soap	93
Fats	80
Cons.fish	20

Latest ration card statistics show the population of the territory as follows: -

TRIESTE	331,905

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Soap	95
Pats	80
Cons.Fish	30

Latest ration card statistics show the population of the territory as follows: -

TRIESTE	251,903
GORIZIA	124,013
POLA	33,291
	409,207

6. TRANSPORTATION.

(a) Port and Warehouse Sections.

The following table will show details of tonnages handled in these sections during November.

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6. ADMINISTRATION. (Cont. Port and Warehouse Sections)

	Cargo handled	
	Inwards Tons	Outwards to Consumers Tons
Ships (Military) Coal(Military, Railways, and Allied Military Government)	5,844	7,994
Ships Allied Military Government supplies received Warehouse 6	2,036	1,673
Bulk grain received shipside by SEMRAL from SS [illegible]	8,444	7,849
Ugoma (Schooners) Mixed Cargoes	2,726	2,194
Total tonnages handled	19,142	19,510

(b) Road Section.

	Freights hauled	
	Inwards Tons	Outwards Tons
Tonnages hauled by Autotransporti and Allied Military Government Truck Pools:		
[illegible]	81,883	27,356
POLA	360	1,905

Autobus Services - More services have been put into operation this month, and outside firms continue to ask for Allied Military Government approval at Allied Military Government tariff rates.

(c) Rail Section.

Total of bids accepted by "Q" Movements	25,172 tons
Bids for movement into [illegible]	12,791 "
" " " Ports [illegible] to other points	4,964 "

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Bids for movement into TRIESTE	12,791 "
" " " from TRIESTE to other points	4,964 "
" " " " Zone 'B' and JUGOSLAVIA	2,736 "
" " " to Zone 'B' and JUGOSLAVIA	171 "

7. AGRICULTURE.

(a) General.

It still appears that ALLIED MILITARY is determined to hamper the delivery of agricultural supplies into VENEZIA GIULIA. Italian officials have claimed that they feared supplies intended for this disputed zone might not be distributed as designed, but will fall into the wrong hands. The Province of UDINE has been especially guilty, having made many excuses at times to send trucks back empty, trucks which had been dispatched there for properly allocated grain for seeding.

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7. AGRICULTURE. (Cont. of General)

Seed wheat and bran have finally come in satisfactorily. Of the 20,000 qls of seed potatoes requested, none has arrived, and the entire potatoe crop of the territory is in danger if this situation is not corrected.

It is still too early to predict the future general crop and wheat production with any degree of accuracy. A great deal of land has been plowed over last year's acreage, but considerable parts of this new area are suffering from lack of drainage. However, drainage projects have been started and are giving work to many of the unemployed shipyard workers from the [redacted] Area.

The voluntary marketing of sun flower seed has been completed most successfully. More than double the production of [redacted] Area has come in for pressing into oil. This proves that voluntary marketing, giving a fair return to the producer, is one of the keenest weapons against black market operations. Had the seeds been forced at an uneconomic price, very little, if any, would have come under supervision and control.

(b) Livestock.

In order to prevent the spread of animal diseases from one district to another, all livestock movements are to be restricted, and closer control kept by the Inspectorate of Agriculture. Through improved veterinary services, no serious disease epidemics have occurred.

Horses have been distributed in the [redacted] Area, but GORILLA Area is urgently awaiting the 500 work animals that have been promised from the war booty remount station at CARVEL. It is hoped that HQ AG at HOME will press for the early delivery of these horses so that spring plowing in the GORILLA Area will not be delayed through lack of horses or mules.

Lack of salt for animals in the GORILLA Area has been ameliorated by shipments which have arrived during the past month, and the danger line from the health stand

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(c) Forestry.

While awaiting the new order that will re-create the Forestry Corps, steps are being taken to prevent illicit wood cutting, keep up inspections of all legal cutting operations, and patrol the forests wherever possible. Gradually, all those competent in this type of work will be incorporated into the permanent Forestry Corps.

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7. AGRICULTURE. (Cont.)

(d) Fisheries.

As outlined in Order No 20, discipline has been initiated in the fishing industry to avoid clandestine deliveries in VENEZIA GIULIA and to the black market. The flow of fish into the legal collecting centres is increasing, although in winter a decrease would be normal. The Guardia di Finanza are assisting in the good work, checking on the methods of fishing, on boats that come in, and inspecting the credentials of boat owners.

In collaboration with the office of price control, a study is being made so that correct maximum prices may be established for various kinds of fish.

8. LABOUR.

(a) General.

There has been increased activity on the part of the workers seeking new wage adjustments. Many new wage agreements have been ratified by the Labour Division.

Two strikes were called during the month, one by printers in GORIZIA, and one by the bakers of TRIESTE Area. The printers' strike started on the 6 Nov and ended on the 17 Nov. The bakers' strike began on the night of the 26 Nov and ended on the 30 Nov. Approximately 60 men and women were involved in the printers' strike, and the whole matter was settled when employers agreed to double the contingency indemnity as from 1 Nov 45, and to make small salary adjustments. The bakers demanded an increase in baking costs, from 500 lire to 991 lire. After some discussion, they agreed to carry on working until an agreement was reached.

(b) Unemployment.

The latest unemployment figures in this territory are as follows: -

TRIESTE	Area	21,223
GORIZIA	"	3,510
POLA	"	3,805

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POLA	"	3,003

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(c) Cost of living.

The cost of living figure in TRIESTE, food items only, is now 12,707 lire.

9. INDUSTRY & UTILITIES.

In line with changes at AC Headquarters on 19 Nov 45, the Industry Division was reconstituted as the Industry and Utilities Division with Maj.J.E.PORTER G/L as Chief Ind & Util Offr.

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9. FUEL AND MATERIALS. (Cont.)

By local arrangement Public Works was made a separate section effective the same date. The Division is fortunate at the moment in having an almost 100% technical staff familiar with engineering and industrial manufacturing processes. This has made possible an effective sifting of statements of production capacity and applications for fuel and raw materials, many of which have been found to be exaggerated.

The Nov allocation of coal arrived on 25 Nov just in time to avoid serious difficulties with the ILVA gas plant. The first gas was made on 28 Nov, and clearing air from the mains began next day. A supply to the first section of the city was made on 1 Dec. Resulting coke has turned out much better in both quantity and quality than anticipated, and will be a great help to local foundries.

Negotiations for supplies of timber from North Italy are still proceeding. Meanwhile the lack of constructional timber is retarding the wood-working industry.

A further supply of raw cotton has been obtained for the Ostenditalia Trieste and the Jugoslavs are placing a contract for processing their own raw cotton.

Directors of C.C.I.A. and officials of Allied Military Government met during the month to resolve some of the shipyards' difficulties and ease the way for future work. The Asco works at [illegible] are being converted for repairs to railway rolling stock and the G.Andreo Engine works are repairing main line steam locomotives.

Considerable stocks of coal and coke dust are being turned into briquettes and local stocks of waste and raw oil are being refined to produce lubricants, fuel oil and pitch.

A survey of present industrial capacity has been started.

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10. COMMERCE.

(a) General.

Through the non-arrival of coal, the general situation has deteriorated since the last month.

The cotton mill at [illegible] is still working satisfactorily, but more machinery could be put into operation if increased supplies of raw cotton were available.

9,250.99 metres of glass were received, and distribution is being made through the Genio Civile and the Chamber of Commerce under instructions of the Public Works Division.

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10. CLOTHING. (Cost. of General)

A further consignment of 2,093 pairs of boots and shoes has arrived, and an allotment of 1,670 pairs of boots to workmen employed by local authorities was made.

The 3,300 cubic metres of constructional timber received from the RAE 15 Corps have been used and distributed by the Public Works Division.

(b) Firewood.

The total quantity of firewood received up to the end of Nov was 5,318 tons. Essential consumers (hospitals and schools, etc.) have now received sufficient supplies to cover a two months period.

A distribution of 15 kilos per head to inhabitants of the KALGOORLIE Area who are without other means of cooking, will be made during the first part of December. If possible, regular fortnightly distributions will be made until the end of March.

(c) Coal.

Of the 15,012 tons of coal advised, only 5,890 tons were actually received, and most of this total was distributed to the 3 areas for gas production; a negligible quantity being left for industries.

11. PUBLIC WORKS.

(a) General.

During the past month, Public Utilities was separated from this Division and incorporated with Industry, that Division is now known as Industry and Public Utilities, and this Division as Public Works.

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Offices are maintained at the Area Headquarters of [illegible] and [illegible].

(b) Public Buildings.

The repair of public buildings is progressing in a satisfactory manner except in [illegible] Area where, through lack of initiative on the part of the Genie Civile, repairs are being delayed.
It is hoped that changes in the Genie Civile will rectify this.

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11. PUBLIC WORKS. (Cont.)

(c) Roads and Bridges.

The Public Works Division is co-operating with and helped by the Chief Engineer 1 Corps.

State roads are excellent, and the provincial roads are fair, but in the communes they are in very poor condition. In order to facilitate repairs and maintenance to all roads except military routes, all civilian road departments are to prepare their works programmes on a three months basis, starting 1 Jan 46, covering all roads. It will be necessary to place more importance on road repairs as this type of project requires a great deal of labour with the minimum amount of material.

12. PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE.

(a) General.

The health of the people in the area has been extremely good during the month.

There was a small epidemic of diphtheria in the GUIZIA area, but energetic action was taken, and the epidemic has now subsided.

The anti-rat campaign has been energetically carried out in TULEAR during the month, and the number of baits laid has grown to 44,400. 15,000 rats are estimated to have been killed. The anti-rat week passed over very successfully and full use was made of radio, pictorial, and newspaper propaganda. On an average 50 rats per week, selected at random from different parts of the city, have been examined for plague and found negative. Active steps against rats have also been initiated and carried out at FORT DAUPHIN.

(b) Hospitals General.

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(c) Medical Supplies.

Normal distribution has been maintained from stocks in hand, which are sufficient to last until the end of the year. The estimate of medical supply requirements for the first six months of next year has been submitted through the Industry and Commerce Divisions.

12. PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE. (Cont.)

(d) Veterinary.

As there was an outbreak of rabies-fever among the local population when the cattle returned from the hills to the plain last year, a conference was held with the Agriculture Division and it was decided to block the movement of all cattle until the necessary tests had been carried out. At the same time it was decided to test all the cattle at present in the area. Those cattle found to be infected are to be slaughtered. 3,000 doses of brucellin vaccine are being obtained for this purpose from UNRRA through the Ministry of the Interior.

(e) Organization.

During the month, the Welfare Division and the American Red Cross War Relief Section, both of which formerly worked primarily with the Displaced Persons and Refugee Sub-Commission Centre in the Area, were amalgamated with the Public Health Division. This Division will now be known as the Public Health and Welfare Division. This is a much more convenient arrangement, as in addition to making the division more representative of the Public Health Sub-Commission to which it belongs, overlapping and duplication of effort will be avoided.

(f) Welfare.

In the burnt out villages in GORIZIA Area, the following Allied Military Government supplies were distributed: -

1,725 blankets and comforters
1,400 salvaged mess kits
900 pairs of military shoes

15,000 additional blankets are to be allocated to GORIZIA Area, as soon as shipments are received from AC HQMS.

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Movement of Jews has to be watched carefully, as it is thought that Jews from Central EUROPE are entering various fishing villages on the coasts of ITALY and JUGOSLAVIA (and possibly here) and bribing fishermen to take them out to sea where they would be smuggled aboard genuine refugee ships bound for PALESTINE. Accordingly, Displaced Persons regulations have been tightened up in this respect, and the leader of one suspected Jewish organisation arrested in TRIESTE.

During the month the Assembly Centre in TRIESTE dealt with the following persons: -

	Entered		Evacuated	
Civilians	1,430	Civilians	1,570	
Ex-PW	412	Ex-PW	408	
	1,842		1,978	

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14. FINANCE.

(a) Statal and Communal Financing.

The Agencies have acquired more familiarity with the processing of these budgets and the centralization of their approval at a regional level is producing uniformity throughout; on the other hand, now more time is necessary for their examination.

State expenditures are continually growing, especially because of the increases in salaries. A complete numerical report will be given at the end of December with the closing of the 2nd quarter of the financial year 1945-46.

Repairs of war damages and other public works are the most important item of the public expenditures.

A number of semi-autonomous agencies like hospitals and welfare institutions, municipal bodies, which in normal times were self supporting, have been subsidised with state funds. These subsidies must be reduced, if it is not possible to annul them, and in order to reduce them the hospitals must be allowed to increase their patient fees and the municipal bodies must be allowed to increase the tariffs for water, light etc.

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Little progress has been made in this Division's efforts to set up an economic and customs control along the Morgan Line. Again the political view is standing in the way of what is obviously an economic necessity.

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14. FINANCE. (Cont. of Customs)

The arguments in favour of establishing a customs barrier are: -

(1) To prevent the flow of unwanted merchandise and persons into Zone 'A' from Zone 'B' and JUGOSLAVIA.

(2) High value goods as imported E.C. tobacco and cigarettes, UNRRA drugs, paper for propaganda purposes, salt and cement, are sold on the TRIESTE black market enabling foreign persons to obtain lire for: -

A. The purchase for shipment to JUGOSLAVIA of non-exportable commodities from northern ITALY and Zone A

B. Financing political activities.

15. PROPERTY CONTROL.

(a) Allied Owned Property.

During the month an additional 12 properties were taken under control bringing the total to 230. Up to date 58 have been restored to their owners.

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A close examination of the situation recently revealed the fact that in a number of cases the terms of Order No 12 had not been fully observed, and that in fact the Intendente di Finanza had not yet got the situation properly under control. The alleged difficulties regarding this have been discussed, and further instructions have been issued. It is expected that at an early date all such properties will be properly inventoried and allocated.

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Real Estate - During the month 6 more properties were taken under control making a total of 136 (118 owners). 35 have been restored to the owners or their legal representatives.

(d) Blocked Accounts.

The unblocking of accounts belonging to nationals of United Nations has, in all cases where applications were made, been completed.

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16. LEGAL.

(a) Military Courts.

Summary Courts - During November a total of 275 accused were tried on 318 charges. The total number of accused was less by 25 than the number for October 1945. Theft charges, always high, increased by 10 over October 1945. 51 of the charges were for offences against penal order, the majority arising out of the demonstration held at TRIESTE on 3 and 4 November 1945.

Superior Courts - During November Superior Courts tried 23 accused (compared with 35 in October) on 44 charges (as compared with 46 in October). Of the cases tried, 29 charges were for illegal possession of arms, compared with 19 in October. The sentences imposed in 3 of these cases, was imprisonment for one year, and in 2 cases, imprisonment for two years.

General Court. - No General Court cases were tried during November.

(b) Civil Courts.

All the Civil Courts are functioning except three Pretura Courts in the Area of GORIZIA which is predominantly Slovene territory. As pointed out in the October report, the Slovene judges who were appointed as Pretori of these Courts, have refused to serve unless Slovene is accepted as one of the official languages in the Courts. For that reason, it was decided to attach these areas to the Pretura of GORIZIA for jurisdictional purposes, in order that the people there would not be deprived of a judicial forum. This has been done. In this connection, it may be stated that the Slovene judges appointed to these Pretura Courts, as well as those appointed to the Tribunals of GORIZIA, now show a disposition to compromise somewhat on the question of language. Two of these judges, presumably acting on behalf of all, have made a proposal in this respect, and this is now under consideration by the Legal Division.

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(d) Proclamations and Orders.

Details of the proclamations, general orders, orders etc. published during November are attached as Appendix 'A'.

17. EDUCATION.

(a) General.

In the majority of Slovene schools visited during the last week of November the picture of Marshal TITO was found exhibited in each classroom. In one not recognized school a large picture of LENIN was elaborately exhibited over the desk of the teacher. In OPICINA Slovene elementary school the director persuaded the local Liberation Committee to remove the picture of TITO; however, pictures of each of the three great Allied leaders have been requested so that together with Marshal TITO's they might be exhibited in the lobby of the school.

Italian schools seem to be keeping completely out of all political conflicts, at least there has been no recent evidence of a desire for nationalistic emphasis in their schools.

During the month the School Section of the ENCO took a strong rebellious and a rather vicious stand in regard to the teachers and professors who were not within the ranks of the liberation movement and who were appointed to teaching posts in the Slavic schools of this territory. The situation was grossly exaggerated. It was related by the "Primorski Dnevnik" (Communist organ) in rather malicious and falsely interpreted terms.

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(2) Teachers will be elected, appointed, and assigned by each Sovraintendente Scolastico. The Education Division will control appointments and vetting of all school personnel. (Committees will have the privilege of suggesting suitable and available teachers).

17. EDUCATION. (Cont. of Education Policy)

(3) Italian language will be taught semi-compulsorily in all Slovene schools, and as with religion, parents any request in writing to the teacher that their children be excused from attending the Italian class. (The teaching of Italian language will begin with the third class with three hours per week, and five hours weekly in the fourth and fifth classes). In the Italian schools Slovene language will be elective.

(4) Italian history will be a compulsory subject in the Slovene schools. Slavic history will be a compulsory subject in the Italian schools,

(5) The programme will not include the present Italian or Slav "War of Liberation" history.

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(7) The Italian and Slavic school programmes, as regards both the elementary and secondary schools, will have the same basic curriculum characteristics.

(8) Recognition will not be granted to schools not conforming with this policy.

16. TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

During the month the following circuits were opened to Zone 'B': -

Telephone : - FIUME, CAPODISTRIA, POSTUMIA, COSINA, ABBAZIA.

Telegraph : - FIUME, CAPODISTRIA, PORTOROSE, ABBAZIA, ISOLA, PIRANO, COSINA.

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19. PUBLIC RELATIONS.

Extended reports of the SCAC's weekly Press Conferences are now circulated to all Allied Military Government officers in the Region, and to various Military Headquarters and diplomatic agencies.

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19. PUBLIC RELATIONS.(Cont.)

Throughout November the tone of the VENEZIA GIULIA press has tended to become more violent on both the Italian and Slovene sides, and some of the so-called "humourous" weeklies have had to be sharply checked by AIS for their excesses. Attacks on Allied Military Government have come with greater frequency and boldness from both Right and Left. While control of the press is a responsibility of AIS, Allied Military Government Public Relations Section is directly interested, and more and more time is being taken up in translating editorial comments and news articles for distribution to Divisions concerned. AIS have proposed to turn over their 'D' Section Daily Press Summary staff and machinery to PR, so that the Summary may be expanded to include a greater number of full texts of immediate interest to Allied Military Government.

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PROCLAMATIONS, CENTRAL ORDERS, ORDERS, ETC. PUBLISHED DURING MOP.AM.

a. General Orders :

No 22 - Export of Foodstuffs and other Commodities.
No 24 - Motor Vehicle Taxation.
No 25 - Provisions governing Direct Taxes.
No 26 - Price Control of Essential Commodities and Services.
No 27 - Repairs to War Damaged Houses - Supp.to G.O. 14

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SUMMARY
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The new "Centrale Controllo" Autotrasporti is now functioning. A new transport tariff rate has been adopted and was put into effect on the 1st of November 1945. This rate is lower than that previously in force, and is based on the A.C. directive to Allied Military Government territory.

7. Agriculture.

Production during the next year is likely to be heavier, as even the small quantity of supplies already received, will enable a larger programme to be carried out.

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8. Labour.

Many factors remain which seriously retard the desired and urgent return to normal labour conditions.

There is still no general change in wage levels, but the cost of living increased by just over, 26% during October.

9. Industry.

Industry in VENEZIA GIULIA is continuing to recover, although progress is somewhat slow. The chief handicap is still the lack of raw materials, but another detrimental influence has been that of the confused war booty situation. Now that a final date for the filing of war booty claims has been settled, a faster rate of progress should result.

10. Commerce.

A slight improvement in the general situation was noticed during the month, and small monthly allocations of raw cotton, glass, boots and shoes, calcium carbide, motor and cycle tyres have, and will be received.

11. Public Works and Utilities.

The work of this division is proceeding smoothly and good progress is being made. Civilian engineering departments are making serious efforts to complete such work that is dependent on good weather conditions, before winter sets in.

12. Public Health.

The general health situation still remains good, and no serious epidemics were reported during the month.

13. Displaced Persons and Welfare.

During October, 3,903 persons entered the centres, and 3,537 persons left.

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18. Education.

During this month the Army has continued to requisition schools indiscriminately and the situation is extremely critical, particularly in the cities of TRIESTE and GORIZIA where a large number of the best school buildings are occupied, destroyed, or need extensive repairs. In these centres, the school population has increased during the last few years.

19. Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives.

An estimate for the cost of repairs to GRADO Cathedral has been approved and submitted. Other projects are being prepared and estimates will be submitted in due course.

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The issuing of identity cards is continuing, and up to the end of October the following numbers were issued: -

POLA	12,250
GORIZIA	8,446
TRIESTE(up to 24 Oct)	10,161

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2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT. (Cont.)

the system of workers' cooperatives. This seemed to be a renewed effort to further the policy of using this type of organization to cover pro-Jugoslav activities formerly carried out by the N.O.O., and since neutralised by General Order No 11.

In a further conversation Mr.RENK intimated willingness on the part of the Regional National Liberation Committee to assist Allied Military Government. This included a proposal for participating in local government in Slovene Communes where direct Military Government is the only other alternative. The proposal does not mean that the CLN has decided to cooperate under General Order No 11, but only to give assistance in such things as food and clothing distribution.

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GORIZIA reports that conditions are improving, and that the new police force have so far, been well accepted.

The following are a few of the more important cases that have come to light.

At VOLANO on 15th October 45, unknown persons entered temporary Commune Offices and set fire to documents, including records of payments made to families of persons who had been arrested.

3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE. (Cont. of Crime)

In GORIZIA Zone, a case of attempted armed robbery occurred, during which the intended victim shot and killed one member of the gang. Agents of the CID arrested two other members elsewhere. The possession and capture of one dead and two live criminals in this case has had a good effect in the area.

A British OR reported that he was assaulted by six civilians at OPICINA. The CID have been unable to identify or trace the alleged criminals.

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(f) Control of Civilian Movement.

It has been noted that a daily average of 100 persons who have entered the area without permission, make application for permits to leave. It seems that the Western Boundary controls, and whatever control may exist on VENEZIA GIULIA Eastern Boundary, have no specific interest in who or what leaves VENEZIA GIULIA. APHQ have laid down that entry into ITALY by anyone except an Italian national is barred without prior reference to APHQ.

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE. (Cont. of Control of Civilian Movement)

Entry into VENEZIA GIULIA is theoretically similarly sealed, but it is well known that numerous persons continue to enter the area from the East without valid permits, and many claim that no machinery exists whereby such permits can be obtained. One instance is known in the case of a former head of the Eastern Department of the Latvian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, a Mr.KARLIS PRIEDNIEKS, who entered the area from Zagreb armed with a enemy Jugoslav pass to enter TRIESTE, and which had not been referred to 13 Corps for approval. The pass is said to have taken over 2 months to obtain.

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(h) Forgery and Uttering of Currency Notes.

At GORIZIA on the 10th October 1945, a forged 1,000 lire note was handed in at the Banca Commerciale Italiana. Enquiries continue.

On the 11th October 1945 at MONFALCONE a 500 lire note was presented to the Cassa di Risparmio. Enquiries show that the note was listed as a forgery through Allied Military Government, on 11th October 1945.

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4. ECONOMICS.

(a) General.

The civil supplies planning for the period Jan/June 46 is progressing well, and with the help of Industry and Commerce representatives sent from AC RGHQ, the programme should be completed shortly.

(b) Price Control.

The price control section has been working on the cost of essential needs of life, in conjunction with Allied Military Government Labour Division and civil Labour. The items covered were food, fuel and electricity.

5. FOOD.

Rations, in accordance with the normal scale laid down by AC RGHQ, were issued to the population with the exception of Pasta/Rice.

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(b) Roads Section.

The new "Centrale Controllo" Autotrasporti is now functioning. A new transport tariff rate has been adopted and was put into effect on the 1st of Nov 45. This rate is lower than that previously in force, and is based on the A.C. directive to Allied Military Government territory. The new rate will be used by all Autotrasporti and Allied Military Government - M.G. Truck Pools.

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6. TRANSPORTATION. (Cont. of Roads Section)

Copies of the new tariff are being printed and will be issued to all divisions and given full publicity. A 10% reduction to SEIRAL for conveyance of rationed food-stuffs has also been authorized.

The tonnages hauled by Area Autotrasporti are as follows: -

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Production during the next year is likely to be heavier, as even the small quantity of supplies already received, will enable a larger programme to be carried out.

(b) Grain.

The remaining goal of 10,000 qtls has been exceeded, and a new total of 12,000 qtls has been set.

(c) Livestock.

All livestock in this area is suffering acutely from lack of salt. Efforts are being made to obtain allocations for this purpose.

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7. AGRICULTURE.(Cont. of Livestock)

This division received and distributed 123 horses during the month.

(d) Forestry.

Dr.DICKERLN, the Chief Forestry Officer of AC ROZ arrived here during the month, and is doing valuable work in an endeavour to solve the wood problem.

(e) Fisheries.

There is nothing further to report on this department.

8. LABOUR.

(a) General.

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Industry in VENEZIA GIULIA is continuing to recover, although progress is somewhat slow. The chief handicap is still the lack of raw materials, but another detrimental influence has been that of the confused war booty situation. Now that a final date for the filing of war booty claims has been settled, a faster rate of progress should result.

Good allotments of coal and cotton have eased many of the more serious problems, but increased supplies are still required.

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10. COMMERCE.

(a)General.

A slight improvement in the general situation was noticed during the month, and small monthly allocations of raw cotton, gloves, boots and shoes, calcium carbide, motor and cycle tyres have, and will be received.

Allocations of hemp manufactured products, sufficient to meet requirements for 6-9 months were also received.

Timber is still urgently required for housing and building schemes, and AFHQ's intervention has been sought in an effort to obtain a fair share of available stocks.

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11. PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES.

(a) General.

The work of this division is proceeding smoothly and good progress is being made. Civilian engineering departments are making serious efforts to complete such work that is dependant on good weather conditions, before winter sets in.

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11. PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES. (Cont. of General)

Repairs to Public Buildings are progressing satisfactorily, but the amendments to the General Order concerning first aid repairs to war damaged private property have still to be published, and meanwhile any real progress is delayed.

Work on burnt-out villages in GORIZIA is making headway, and an improvement in the supply of transport and materials has greatly assisted.

Contracts for a total of 50 million lire have been let for repairs in the Port of TRIESTE, other projects in preparation will shortly double this figure.

Work schemes involving land reclamation have been initiated jointly with Agriculture and Labour Divisions and are already providing work for 1,000, who would otherwise be unemployed. A large scale salvage scheme in POLA is serving the same purpose.

With the exception of timber and glass, supplies of building and constructional material have been available in reasonable quantities. The timber situation was eased by a R.E.release of 12,000 cu.m. from BOLZANO as advised by AFHQ. Glass is more difficult, but resumption of production by the VENEZIA glass-works gives definite promise of supplies in the near future.

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12. PUBLIC HEALTH.

(a) General.

The general health situation still remains good, and no serious epidemics were reported during the month.

(b) Local Administration.

Local administration during this month has been marked by numerous appointments of physicians to positions of responsibility and by changes in medical staff of Ospedale Maggiore.

12. PUBLIC HEALTH.(Cont. of Local Administration)

A new director Dr.FAUSTO PECORARI was nominated and has since been accepted to replace Dr.D'ESTE who was acting as interim director.

A medical officer for the VENEZIA GIULIA Police Force has also been selected. This post was advised in the papers, and the applicants interviewed by the Police Officer and the C.P.H.O. assisted by a committee of local physicians. Dr. VERGILIO TRAVAN was nominated.

Another nomination was that of Dr.GIOVANNI DI CASTRO to the position of assistant to Medico Provinciale. Three applicants presented themselves for this position.

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(c) Hospitals General.

There is no change to report in the generally satisfactory situation of the hospitals.

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(d) Medical Supplies.

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(e) Veterinary.

The danger of swine fever which was reported earlier has now ceased.

After a meeting with the Chief Veterinary Officer of the Zone, it was decided to enlarge the present veterinary staff.

13. DISPLACED PERSONS AND WELFARE.

(a) Refugee Centres.

During October, 3,503 persons entered the centres, and 3,537 persons left.

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13. DISPLACED PERSONS AND WELFARE.(Cont. of Refugee Centres)

The Jugoslav frontier was closed against displaced persons who were returning to Rumania via Jugoslavia, and arrangements have been made to transport these people via Austria and Hungary.

(b) Welfare.

The American Red Cross Welfare Officers in GORIZIA and TRIESTE continue to distribute clothing through the local committees which they have organized in the communes.

To date, 89,543 articles have been distributed in the following areas: -

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GORIZIA	"	30,116
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14. FINANCE.

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(3) Securities, Bank Balances & Misc. (excluding Blocked Accounts under Category E: - During October, 12 additional properties of this category were taken under control bringing the total to 34 (13 owners). Two of these have now been restored.

(b) Ex-Fascist Property.

(1) Work by the Intendente di Finanza under Order n.12 is proceeding satisfactorily. Inventories are being compiled and assignments of property for use are being made.

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15. PROPERTY CONTROL. (Cont. of Ex-Fascist Property)

(2) Order No 21 provided for the appointment of a special Commissario for Ente Nazionale Industrie Cinematografiche (E.N.I.C.) Although this was only a joint stock company, it was virtually under the control of the Fascist Organization and was extensively used for propaganda purposes. The real necessity for this appointment arose when the Director abandoned his post. The concern is now satisfactorily conducting the normal business of distributors and exhibitors under the newly appointed management.

(3) Order No 22 dealt with the liquidation of the local Provincial Butchers Association. This Association also consisted almost exclusively of Fascist nominations. The liquidation is proceeding satisfactorily but will take some time to complete.

(c) Miscellaneous Moveable Property.

(1) Fascist and other confiscated Property: - General Order No 18 has been published freezing all such property pending determination of true ownership. An order has now been drafted and will shortly be published, which provides for the restoration of such property and sets up Commissions to adjudicate on disputed items.

(2) Property of absentee Owners and Abandoned Property: - Instructions have been issued to Area Commissioners to cause curators to be appointed for the purpose of conserving all such properties. Powers of control and direction are retained by the Property Control office.

(d) Blocked Accounts.

Unblocking of accounts in category E(i.e. accounts of nationals of United Nations) is proceeding satisfactorily, and will soon be completed.

16. LEGAL.

(a) Military Courts.

During October 1945 a total of 292 accused were tried by the Summary Courts on 318 charges. The total number of [illegible] for September 1945.

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During October 1945 a total of 292 accused were tried by the Summary Courts on 316 charges. The total number of accused is less by 207 than the total for September 1945. The major difference was at TRIESTE (September, 348; October, 240) This decrease is undoubtedly due largely to the elimination of the curfew. Curfew cases dropped in October from 261 to 99.

Theft and possession charges, which have always been in the majority, showed a slight increase in October (September, 118; October, 137).

During October, Superior Courts tried 35 accused (as compared with 22 in September), on 46 charges (as compared with 28 in September). Of the cases tried, 21 charges were for theft and illegal possession of Allied Property, and 19 for illegal possession of arms.

16. LEGAL. (Cont. of Military Courts)

No General Court cases were tried during October.

(b) Civil Courts.

All of the Civil Courts are functioning except three Preture Courts in the Area of GORIZIA. These are in predominantly Slovene territory. Slovene judges who were appointed as Pretori of these Courts have refused to serve unless Slovene is accepted as one of the official languages of the Courts. As the people of these areas should have a judicial forum, it has been decided to attach these areas for jurisdictional purposes to the Pretura of GORIZIA, and the President of the Court of Appeal of TRIESTE is now preparing the necessary decree to accomplish this.

There is at present a shortage of civil judges in the territory. To remedy this, an Order is being prepared authorizing the selection of additional judges from a list of competent and trustworthy attorneys.

(c) Special Court of Assize for Fascist Crimes.

This Court was organized in accordance with General Order No 5 in August 1945. Since it began functioning, 894 denunciations have been received by the Public Prosecutors Office, of these 556 are pending. During the month of October 121 denunciations were received. Twenty three cases were tried and disposed of. Ten accused were convicted, and 131 acquitted. Those convicted received a total of 84 years and 20 months imprisonment. The average sentence was 6 years and 2 months.

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(3) An Epuration Commission of Appeal at TRIESTE, to hear appeals from the Commissions above described.

(e) Proclamations and Orders.

Details of the proclamations, general orders, administrative orders etc. published during October are attached as Appendix 'A'.

(f) Miscellaneous.

Three editions of the Official Allied Military Government Gazette were issued during the month, namely No 2 ,

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17. LEGAL. (Cont. of Miscellaneous.)

1 October 1945; No 3, 9 October 1945 (special issue); No 4, 15 October 1945; No 4b (special issue limited to civil notices), 27 October 1945. With issue No 5, 1 November 1945, the Gazette is nearly up to date, and every effort will be made to keep it so, both as to Allied Military Government Orders and Civil Notices.

18. EDUCATION.

(a) General.

The opening of both elementary and secondary schools, Italian and Slavic, during the month of October, has kept the Education Division busy.

During this month the Army has continued to requisition schools indiscriminately and the situation is extremely critical, particularly in the cities of TRIESTE and GORIZIA where a large number of the best school buildings are occupied, destroyed, or need extensive repairs. In these centres, the school population has increased during the last few years.

At POLA city the school building situation is somewhat better, although in the Commune's suburbs, some premises are not usable. However the Sovraintendente Scolastico is satisfied with the situation.

(b) Education of Teachers.

There are sufficient permanent teachers for the Italian elementary schools of the entire territory administered by Allied Military Government. Teachers from the Carso and Istria have been aggregated to the various Sovraintendenze, and only those who have expressed the explicit desire to transfer into ITALY have been approved for transfer.

In all Areas there is a shortage of professors for the Italian secondary schools, this has to a certain extent been remedied by the employment of "supplenti" and "incaricati". Only teachers and professors needed for specific positions in VENEZIA GIULIA are being approved

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(c) Text Books.

A number of Italian text books for both the elementary and secondary schools have been approved by the appropriate text book committees, (appointed by the Sovraintendenza Scolastica of TRIESTE). These books are now on sale. Most of the texts so far adopted have been edited and printed by the publishers "Editoriale Libraria" of TRIESTE. The prices have been kept as low as possible, within reasonable reach of everyone.

Text books for the Slavic schools have been more difficult to procure.

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18. EDUCATION. (Cont. of Text Books.)

The Slovene elementary school text books ordered from Jugoslavia through proper channels, and which had previously been examined by a qualified and objective text book committee and found free of any nationalism that might be offensive, were classified as Fascist, and the order was rejected.

(d) Miscellaneous.

All schools have submitted, either through the Education Officer or the Communal authorities, their fuel needs for the coming winter. There is a great scarcity of glass; and unless the quantities of fuel provided are sufficient, it is probable that all schools will be ordered to close for several weeks during the worst part of the winter.

19. MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS AND ARCHIVES.

An estimate for the cost of repairs to GRADO Cathedral has been approved and submitted. Other projects are being prepared, and estimates will be submitted in due course.

20. PUBLIC RELATIONS.

The recent revival of political activity amongst citizens of Italian descent in VENEZIA GIULIA has livened up the local press and sharply increased the responsibility of the Public Relations Section.

Local Government agencies are being encouraged to communicate directly with the press on purely routine administrative matters, with copies of release to the Public Relations Section, so that supervision and the necessary co-ordination with other organs of government can be maintained.

The SCAO's weekly Press Conferences now draw nearly 50 local newspapers men, and visiting correspondents almost invariably attend. The proceedings are reported fully and commented on freely in the TRIESTE Press. Since questions of policy tend to come up with increasing frequency, arrangements are being made for sending full reports of the proceedings to all Allied Military Government officers in the region.

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Allied Military Government broadcasts over Radio TRIESTE and Radio POLA continued through October. AIS and PR Section are working out a new series of programmes, which in November will replace the present "Voice of Allied Military Government" talks. Local newspapers have shown considerable interest in some of the broadcasts and have reported them occasionally.

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APPENDIX 'A'

PROCLAMATIONS, GENERAL ORDERS, ORDERS, ETC. PUBLISHED DURING OCT 45.

a. General Orders:

No 17 - Increase of certain Social Insurance Pension and Grant of Bonus to Permanently Disabled Workers and Employees.
No 18 - Prohibition on dealings with and movement of property seized from Jews and other persons.
No 19 - Repeal of existing law making Italian citizenship a pre-requisite to the holding of public position.
No 20 - Reorganization of the professions.
No 21 - Amendment of law-governing taxes on transfer of shares, capital of foreign companies; Stock Exchange contracts and Insurance contracts.

b. Orders:

No 19 - Changing name of R.A.C.I.
No 22 - Liquidation of CO.MRO.MA.
No 24 - Special Commission for engineers and architects.
No 25 - Creation of Centro Autotrasporti
No 26 - Repeal of certain security regulations.
No 27 - Payment of Liberation Bonus to public employees.
No 29 - Amending and consolidating orders regarding crossing Western Boundary and repealing orders 16 and 23.
No 30 - Creation of Ente Radio Teatro, TRIESTE.
No 31 - Creation of Commune of Volzano.
No 32 - Reduction of prescribed period of practice to qualify as a lawyer.
No 33 - Change in name of Ente Italiano per il Diritto d'Autore (E.I.D.A.)
No 34 - Increase of direct tax collectors Commissions.
No 35 - Permission to accept a request made to the Evangelical Methodist Episcopal Church of GORIZIA.

c. Administrative Orders:

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No 9 - Confirming certain judges and Court officials in present positions.
No 10 - Appointment of Honorary Vice-Pretore GORIZIA.
No 11 - Appointment of Director to SEIRAL.
No - Appointment of sequestrator for S.A. Intercontinentale.

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SUMMARY
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2. Local Government.

A conference between representatives of the Regional National Liberation Committee and Allied Military Government was held on the 7th September 45. During the conference Mr.Bevk, President of the Regional National Liberation Committee handed in a letter which clearly indicated that he would not cooperate with the Allied Military Government under the terms of General Order No 11.

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Due to the timely arrival of stores and equipment, difficulties regarding the formation and operation of the Civil Police Force in Venezia Giulia, as reported last month, have now largely disappeared, and it will be only a matter of days before the police are carrying out their duties properly armed and equipped.

4. Economics.

In accordance with a request from AFHQ, a survey of all the needs of this area has been started. This will cover requirements for the period 1 Jan 46 - 1 July 46.

5. Food.

The distribution of Allied Military Government foodstuffs is proceeding satisfactorily, but whilst the present rations supplemented by local produce, are for the moment sufficient to prevent serious malnutrition, they cannot be considered adequate to maintain the health of the people for a long period.

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6. Transportation.

A "Controllo Ufficio Autotrasporti Venezia Giulia" has been organized to exercise control over the Consorzio Autotrasporti of Trieste, Gorizia and Pola. It is expected that this new office will eliminate the many abuses and irregularities which are known to exist in the Consorzios.

7. Agriculture.

The ammasing programme improved considerably during the last month, and to date over 90% of the goal total of 10,000 qtls has been ammassed.

Release has been obtained from Military Government Austria for 500 draft horses, delivery to start on the 8th October 45.

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8. Labour.

The events of main interest during the month were the 48 hours strike, the inauguration of the special Unemployment Compensation Programme, the formation of a committee for economic reconstruction, and the completion of the registration of unemployed.

No general change in wage levels was made, and the cost of living increased only 0,8% from the 31st August 45 to the 30th September 45.

The present unemployment registration figures in the territory are as follows:

Trieste area		16,242
Pola	"	4,500
Gorizia	"	2,421

9. Industry.

In the industrial field the general situation remains very much the same.

Difficulties are still being encountered, mainly due to the political uncertainty on the future of this area, and the shortage of raw materials which is still causing great delay in the reactivation of heavy industries.

10. Commerce.

A slight improvement is expected in the raw material situation. Supplies of raw cotton and hemp have been promised for the near future. There is still no news however, regarding fats and oils for soap manufacture, and the lack of calcium carbide is retarding shipbuilding and ancillary trades.

Firewood still presents grave problem. The quota allotted from Udine Province to Venezia Giulia, plus local resources, amount to just over one half of essential needs, or only 14,000 tons as against 25,000 tons.

Coal tonnage is still low, 5,000 tons were supplied this month, and so far only 5,000 tons are advised for October.

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12. Public Health.

The general health situation still remains good, and no serious epidemics were reported during the month.

13. Displaced Persons and Welfare.

During the month of September, 4,834 persons passed through the refugee centres. Of that number, 4,028 were displaced civilians, and 806 were ex PWs.

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14. Finance.

The net currency movement this month showed a sharp intake, in contrast to the heavy outflow which marked the June-August period.

Post Office financial transactions with Italy were resumed.

15. Property Control.

The chief property control officer, by direction of the S.C.A.O. has been given responsibility for the administration of Italian State Property, including semi-Statal Property, Abandoned Property, Property of absentee owners, and Property of private concerns for which Commissari have been appointed.

During September 52 additional properties were taken under control.

16. Legal.

All but one of the regular Civil Courts in the Trieste, Corizia, and Pola areas are now functioning satisfactorily.

During the month a total of 399 accused were tried by Summary Courts on 451 charges. The Trieste Epuration Commission received 2,362 schede personali during September.

17. Education.

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18. Monuments, Fine Arts, and Archives.

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During September the demand for equal or better treatment for the partisans of this area to that given in the rest of Italy has been increasing. These demands are being fostered by the "Associazione dei Partigiani Giuliani" which is a communist organization consisting mainly of Slovenes.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
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1. POLITICAL SITUATION.

Political activity during the month was confined mainly to propaganda on the part of Communist-Slovene agitators. The main theme still being the future of Venezia Giulia and particularly the city and Port of Trieste. This propaganda has been carried out in a most thorough manner in the local press and by way of innumerable telegrams to the council of Foreign Ministers in London. The whole campaign is extremely well organized, but the response from the Italian side still remains very feeble.

Tension over national issues continues, but at present there is no apparent threat to the internal security situation.

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During the month a Committee styling itself "The Promoting Committee for the Independance of Venezia Giulia" came into being. Certain members of this Committee claimed to have the support of Allied Military Government for their movement, but when the President and Secretary of the movement were questioned by the Allied Military Government Trieste Area Commissioner, the claims were denied.

The Area Commissioner then informed the President that the Allied Military Government did not in any way lend support to their movement, or to any other political organization, and that if any such claims are made in the future, action would be taken against the instigators.

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2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

As was stated in last months' report a meeting was held towards the end of the month with Mr.Bevk the President of the Regional National Liberation Committee. At this meeting the President stated he would consult his Committee and would report again at the beginning of this month.

Another conference was held therefore on the 7th Sep 45. The President commenced the Conference by handing in a letter which clearly indicated that his Committee would not cooperate with the Allied Military Government under the terms of General Order No 11. The President was informed that under the circumstances the Allied Military Government would waste no further time and would proceed immediately with the implementation of General Order No 11 and if the different Offices and Councils were not wholly representative of the people the responsibility must lie with the Regional National Liberation Committee. It was however indicated to the President that the Allied Military Government would always be prepared to reconsider the whole situation and if necessary reconstitute the local Government Offices and Councils if at any time representative Slovene nominations were received.

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

(a) Civil Police.

Due to the timely arrival of stores and equipment, difficulties regarding the formation and operation of the Civil Police Force in Venezia Giulia, as reported last month, have now largely disappeared, and it will only be a matter of days before the police are on the streets properly armed and equipped. Progress has been so satisfactory in the past ten days, that a passing out parade of some 500 elements of the new force has been fixed for the 12th October 45.

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3. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE (Cont. sub-para (a))

The G.O.C. 13 Corps is attending the parade, and will inspect detachments of American and British Military Police and personnel of the Venezia Giulia Police Force.

Italian military rations have been adopted throughout the police force, this is certain to have a good effect on the morale of the men.

(b) Crime.

The crime position for the whole of the area is still very encouraging.

Pola reports a slight increase in the number of minor cases of crime, such as possession of GD property, but generally the all round picture there is satisfactory. The position is the same in Gorizia.

The public is beginning to show greater confidence in the police, and as time passes, fear of coming forward to report incidents will be overcome. A few of the more serious crimes which have come to light are reported as follows:
At Trieste on the 29th August 45, a civilian was arrested and charged with the attempted murder of another civilian. The reason for this attempt appears to be entirely political.

At Opicina, Trieste, on the 2nd September 45 a U.S. soldier and an Italian girl were fired upon and wounded by an unknown person. So far no arrest has been effected, but enquiries are continuing.

On the 29th September 45 at Sesana, Trieste, four civilians are alleged to have entered a house and to have forcibly removed an Italian youth. The party was followed for some distance by an aunt of the youth who states that she heard shots fired, and is of the opinion that her nephew was murdered. Two Jugoslavs are at present held in custody in connection with this case.

During September, the police raided a stable at Monfalcone and found a considerable quantity of arms and ammunition concealed in the roof. The weapons were well maintained and ready for use.

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(c) Black Market.

The activities of black market terms appear to be on the increase, especially in the Trieste area, and particularly in regard to commodities such as cigarettes, flour, sugar and petrol. With the small number of personnel available for the prevention of this sort of activity, it is difficult to gain effective control. When the customs and excise branch of the Police Force starts functioning a much stricter control should result.

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5. VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE (Cont.)

(d) Price Control.

The Municipal Guard Branch of Uniform Division have been very busy dealing with price control and proceedings have been instituted against offenders.

(e) Prostitution and Brothels.

Generally the situation throughout the area has been fairly satisfactory although a slight increase in clandestine prostitution is reported. During the coming month, many of the "black spots" of prostitution which now exist in the city will be raided systematically by Personnel of the CP Vice Squad.

(f) Conduct of Allied Personnel.

Apart from one or two minor breaches of discipline, the general behaviour of Allied Troops in this area is exceptionally good.

(g) Licensing and Registration.

The licensing of civilian motor vehicles is now the responsibility of the Transportation Division of the Venezia Giulia Police Force. The control is direct, and the division is now ready to issue permits for the second quarter.

(h) Civil Prisons.

New guards have been employed at the Trieste prison and uniforms have been obtained and issued. Structural repairs are continuing, and to date over 300 windows in the main prison at Trieste have been reglazed.

On the 20th September 45, five prisoners escaped from the Via Tigor Prison. Four of the prisoners have since been recaptured by the Municipal Guard Branch. A guard who was believed to be connected with the escape will appear before the court.

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(i) Forgery and Uttering of Allied Military Currency notes.

During the early part of September 45, a forged 1,000 lire note was received by the Bank of Italy at Pola. The note was forwarded to Rome by the bank before the police were informed.

On the 12th September 45 a forged 500 lire note was paid into Banco Nazionale del Lavoro at Gorizia during the ordinary course of business. So far no arrest has been made but enquiries are in hand.

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4. ECONOMICS.

(a) General.

In accordance with a request from Allied Force Headquarters, a survey of all the needs of the area has been started (for period 1 Jan 46 - 1 Jul 46). This is a groundnut task, and it has been necessary to enlist the help of civilian organisations without revealing the reason for such an extensive survey. Even so, the civilian population have read into this request the fact that Allied Military Government will continue to function in this area for at least one year longer. The following results have been noted:

(1) Banks have indicated their willingness to make industrial loans.

(2) Individuals who previously refused to rebuild their houses and buildings, have now indicated their willingness to rebuild, as " long as Military Government is going to continue".

(3) Requests have been made in two instances to establish new industries on the proposed site of the new Industrial Port.

(4) Workers in one shipyard have told the Internal Committee, that as long as Military Government was going to continue for a year, they weren't interested in talking politics now, and have requested that they be allowed to get to work.

(b) Price Control.

During the past month further progress has been made in forming the civilian organisation for Price Fixing, and a paper on the whole subject is now ready for examination by Finance Division and Area Commissioners prior to submission to the S.C.A.O.

Prices have been fixed for a number of specific food consignments, including yeast, biscuits, rice, milk, butter, wine, and dried peas. Other sundry commodities include cement, frosted glass, calcium carbide, washing soap, bicycle tyres, leather, and specific kinds of timber. Every effort is being made in conjunction with Transportation Division to lower

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5. FOOD.

The distribution of Allied Military Government foodstuffs is proceeding satisfactorily, but whilst the present rations supplemented by local produce, are for the moment sufficient to prevent serious malnutrition, they cannot be considered adequate to maintain the health of the population for a long period. The outlook for the winter months, when local supplies will be considerably smaller, is serious, and unless Allied Military Government rations can be increased it is felt that the health of the population will materially suffer.

Rations on the normal AC scale were issued to the population with the exception of salt. In this case, a cut from

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5. FOOD.(Cont.)

200 grams to 100 grams had to be made in the Gorizia area. The full scale is assured for October, as 270 tons have recently arrived.

The following allocations have been made to the territory for issue as additional rations over and above the Allied Military Government scale:

Soft Cheese	51 tons
Hard Cheese	26 tons
Butter(for Hospitals)	5 tons
Condensed Milk	60 tons

It was not possible to obtain an allocation of rice for September, due to short supplies of the old crop. The Food Sub-Commission expect to be able to make an allocation for October.

The salt position should ease considerably by the end of the month, as Food Sub-Commission have made bids for sea transportation of 900 tons monthly, with effect from October. 200 tons monthly by rail are also expected.

Figures for the food stocks as at 1st October 45 are not yet available but all Allied Military Government ration requirements for October are covered.

Ration cards are now being printed to cover the period November 45 - February 46. It is hoped that with the issue of new cards many of the previous abuses will be eliminated.

The latest rations card statistics give the following population figures for the area:

Trieste area	328,063
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Ship Allied Military Government supplies to Warehouse	5,165	
Supplies Allied Military Government from Warehouse		866
Ugena (Schooners) Mixed Cargoes	1,360	
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Total tonnages handled	28,525	16,334

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6. TRANSPORTATION (Cont.)

(b) Road Section.

Capt.Coleman has organized a "Controlo Ufficio Autotrasporti Venezia Giulia" to exercise control over the Consorzio Autotrasporti of Trieste, Gorizia and Pola. It is expected that this new office will eliminate the abuses and irregularities which are known to exist in these Consorzios.

The 59 captured enemy vehicles handed over to Allied Military Government by 13 Corps are being organised into a civilian truck Pool and it is hoped that this will commence to function not later than the middle of October.

The tonnages hauled by Area Autotrasporti are as follows:

	Inwards Tons	Outwards Tons
Trieste - Tonnages hauled by Area Autotrasporti	4,447	1,446
Tonnages hauled by private trucks (non-members of C.A.T.)	1,295	661
Gorizia - Tonnages hauled by C.A.G.	4,[illegible]	-
Total tonnages hauled	9,7[illegible]2	2,1[illegible]7

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(c) Rail Section.

Total of bids accepted by "J" Movements:

Tons 30,275

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Tons 4,643

7. AGRICULTURE.

(a) Grain.

The amassing programme improved considerably during the last month and to date over 90% of the goal total of 10,000 tons has been amassed.

The voluntary amassing of sun flower seed, in return for oil and oil cake, is proceeding in a satisfactory manner.

(b) Livestock.

Release has been obtained from Military Government Austria for 500 draft horses, delivery to start 8th October 45.

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7. AGRICULTURE.(Cont)

(c) Forestry.

No further progress has been made with the reorganization of a Forestry Agency owing to the unwillingness of both Italian and Slovene technicians to take part in an organization in which technical and enforcement duties are divorced. Certain technicians have been asked if they would serve in a Forestry Section of the Inspectorate of Agriculture and their answers are awaited.

The estimated maximum fuel wood production from all sources in the territory is 6,000 tons(includes stumping). A minimum of 22,000 tons must be found elsewhere.

(d) Fisheries.

General Order No 20, regulations for fishing and the sale of fish, is now in the course of preparation.

The Royal Navy has offered assistance in the patrolling of fishing fleets.

Registration of all fishing-craft is under way.

8. LABOUR.

(a) General.

The events of main interest during the month were the 48 hours strike, the inauguration of the Special Unemployment Compensation Programme, the formation of a Committee for Economic Reconstruction, and the completion of the registration of unemployed.

(b) Strikes.

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8. LABOUR.(Cont.)

(c) Wages.

While general wage levels have not changed during the month, many adjustments have been approved for industrial firms and groups of workers, particularly commercial and professional. Salary levels inclusive of family allowances, are as follows:

	1942	1944	1945
Industry			
skilled	43,51	102,36	210,94
unskilled	33,07	91,05	195,85
Commerce			
skilled	36,64	84,95	193,53
unskilled	33,99	81,19	189,75

No general change in wage levels was made, and the cost of living increased only 0,6. from 31st August 45 to 30 September 45.

(d) Organisational Work.

There have been no changes in personnel or office organization.

(e) Unemployment.

The present unemployment registration figures in the territory are as follows:

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9. INDUSTRY.

In the industrial field the general situation remains very much the same. Difficulties are still being encountered, mainly due to the political uncertainty on the future of this area, and the shortage of raw materials which is still causing great delay in the reactivation of heavy industries.

Changes which affect labour, include the recent willingness of industrial heads to accept contracts for work, which in the past was outside the usual scope of their business, and the gradual realisation on the part of the workers, that if they are to be employed, they must accept other types of work than that to which they had become accustomed in the past.

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10. CONTROL.

(a) General.

The raw material situation continues to be difficult although an improvement is expected with the promise of supplies of raw cotton and hemp.

There is still no news however, regarding fats and oils for soap manufacture, and the lack of calcium carbide is retarding shipbuilding and ancillary trades.

Absence of timber is slowing up certain Public Works projects, and a request has been made for the allocation of two saw-mills in Udine province to meet Venezia Giulia' needs.

The first tobacco supplies (7,000,000 cigarettes) from the Italian Ufficio Compartimentale dei Monopoli di Stato to reach Venezia Giulia since last April, arrived in Trieste during the last week of September. The price at which these are being sold to Venezia Giulia is most unfavourable, and the matter is being taken up by Finance Division.

(b) Firewood.

The firewood situation presents a very grave problem. The quota allotted from Udine Province to Venezia Giulia, plus local resources, amount to just over one half of essential needs, namely 14,000 tons as against 25,000 tons. It is possible this total may be supplemented by a further 5,000 tons which Venezia Region has promised to divert from Austria to Venezia Giulia. The existence of this amount however is strongly doubted. Mr.Dickermann, forestry expert of the Agriculture Sub-Commission is going to Austria to try to reverse previous decision of Military Government Austria not to supply this region.

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Distribution has been restored to the Coal Importers Association which has always operated until replaced during the last few months by Agennia Marittima. 4,000 tons of USSA Coal are being released to Zone A immediately. The coal will be brought to Pola by 13 Corps Military Forces, and shipped to Trieste. 17
900 tons of Charcoal are due to arrive from Crossato and there is a good chance that further supplies will follow.

About 300 gals of dirty Lub-oil is being bought weekly from the Royal Navy for sale to the public as a cheap form of fuel.

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10. COMMERCE. (Cont.)

(c) Chambers of commerce.

The order legalising the position of the three chambers of commerce in the Region was published on the 31st August 45. This caused great satisfaction in commercial circles.

The chambers of commerce in Trieste, Gorizia, and Pola are all rendering great assistance, not only to the Commerce and Industry Division, but to their respective Allied Military Government HQs.

11. PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES.

(a) General.

Jointly, with the Industry and Labour Divisions, the Public Works Dept has been exploring all possibilities for the re-employment of surplus workers, at the present being discharged from shipyards and other commercial establishments.

Public works have been regarded as offering the best means of relieving the labour situation, and numbers of new contracts have been placed and pressure brought to bear on contractors to employ as much labour as possible.

Repairs to public buildings, particularly schools, are progressing satisfactorily, as also are repairs to sheds, railway tracks, and cranes in the Port of Trieste.

(b) Roads and bridges.

Considerable progress has been made with road repairs both urban and rural, and contracts have been let for additional work in this field. Supplies of bitumen have met requirements, but available stock has to be distributed with care.

Plans are being prepared for the rebuilding of the main road bridge across the Isonzo at Gorizia.

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There are now definite prospects of a limited gas supply in Trieste, Gorizia and Pola, commencing about the middle of November. Sufficient coal has been released for this purpose.

(d) Bomb Disposal.

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The Bomb Disposal Squad lost 16 of its civilian members, and one British OR, when ammunition which was being unloaded near Monfalcone blew up. The cause of the accident has not yet been ascertained.

12. PUBLIC HEALTH.

(a) General.

The general health situation still remains good, and no serious epidemics were reported during the month.

(b) Local Administration.

Many difficulties in the local Administration have been experienced. The Capo Sanitario of Gorizia resigned as a result of the Allied Military Government order on Local Administration. He stated that he regretted this move but it was necessary in order not to compromise his political position if the territory should return to Jugoslavia administration.

Another doctor of Gorizia who had previously been Medico Provinciale of a different province is temporarily in charge as Capo Sanitario in Gorizia.

The Medical Director of Gorizia Hospital has also resigned on being offered a new appointment in Udine. It is going to be difficult to find a suitable man to replace him. He also held the post of Director of the Asylum.

(c) Hospitals General.

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The financial position of a number of the hospitals has been considered and approval given, in conjunction with the Finance Officer, to raising the rates.

(d) Medical Supplies.

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(e) Veterinary.

The new Veterinario Provinciale of Trieste has submitted an exhaustive report on the veterinarian situation in the whole of the area.

A few cases of swine fever are still reported, but effective measures have been taken, and the outbreak is under control.

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13. DISPLACED PERSONS AND REFUGEE.

(a) Refugee Centres.

During the month of September, 4,834 persons passed through the refugee centres. Of that number, 4,028 were displaced civilians, and 806 were ex P's. Most of these refugees were Italians coming from East of the Morgan Line and returning to their homes in Italy. The number of civilian refugees decreased to about ½ of the previous months' total, but this was due to the absence of any large train loads of repatriated ex P's.

Due to the transfer of "stateless" Italians to the refugee centre in Padova, and the decrease in the total numbers of refugees and ex P's, it has been possible to close down "F" assembly centre. As soon as it is certain that this decrease in numbers is likely to be permanent, "L" assembly centre will be transferred to Ancona.

(b) Civilian Welfare Agencies.

During September substantial progress was made in the reorganization of welfare agencies.

Reorganization of the Italian Red Cross in Pola has been completed. In Trieste a new director and an assistant director have been appointed.

A programme for giving assistance to Allied Nationals has been inaugurated.

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It was agreed that funds would be supplied to A Zone branches of banks with Head Offices in A Zone, within limits of normal drawings from pre-liberation balances. It is expected that B Zone government will soon issue occupation lire notes.

(b) Financial Institutions.

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Post office financial transactions with Italy were resumed. This is the first month showing a net increase in postal bond investment.

(c) Social Insurance.

The chief developments in social insurance were: Reinstatement of Cassa Integrazione for Payment of benefit to workers on short time, effective from 1st July 45 and increase in family allowances effective from 1st August 45. Early passage is expected of legislation for increases in social insurance pensions.

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14. FINANCE. (Cont. of sub-para (c))

Collection of insurance contributionshas shown healthy revival under Allied Military Government, although there is still much ground to cover, especially as regards agricultural employers.

Banks continue to be in a good liquid position to support agricultural, commercial and industrial enterprises.

Mutual insurance companies founded to meet war-time conditions are to be wound up under their own arrangements. There are no other developments in commercial insurance. Direct Allied Military Government operation was carried out in respect of senior officials of the leading insurance companies, the Stock Exchange, and one private bank.

Black market sterling rates are steeply down because of Balkan refugees' offerings.

(d) Statal Finance.

For the current quarter approved advances to statal agencies approximate one billion lire, covering 117 offices. Of this, 25% is on "interior" account including Venezia Giulia police, 25% is Treasury and Finance payments, 20% communications, 15% public works. Approved advances to local governments for the quarter, approximate 100 million lire, exclusive of Area Finance Officer's emergency advances not yet formally approved by this HQ.

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The chief property Control Officer by direction of the S.C.A.C. has been given responsibility for the administration of Italian State Property, including semi-Statal Property, Abandoned Property, Property of absentee owners, and Property of private concerns for which Commissari have been appointed.

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During the month of September, 52 additional properties have been taken under control, making a total of 106 and representing 93 owners. Of these, 10 have been treated as restored to owners or their legal representatives.

(2) Industrial and Commercial Concerns.

During the month 19 additional properties have been taken under control making a total of 51 to date, and representing 52 owners. Total restored to date is 21, an increase of 7 over previous month.

(3) Securities, Bank Balances and Misc.(excluding Blocked Accounts under Cat.E)

During the month 3 additional properties have been taken under control, making a total of 22 to date. Of these none has yet been restored to owners.

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15. PROPERTY CONTROL. (Cont.of sub-para (b))

(4) Miscellaneous Moveable Property.

Lists of such property are not yet completed due to difficulty in compiling records many of which are missing.

A general order covering the property of Jews is being drafted in Legal Division which will cover a large part of this type of property.

(c) Ex Fascist Property and Enemy Property.

(1) The Commission for Administration of National Property of Jugoslavia (KUNI) has shown a more cooperative attitude during the month. Several of their delegates who were administering property not properly under their jurisdiction have been removed.

(2) Order No 12 covering Fascist Property has been published. This order puts the conservation and management of such property under the Intendente di Finanza who is responsible to Chief Property Control Officer. Gathering of information for making reports on such property is under way. Some difficulty is being encountered due to some of the properties being occupied by organizations which in the past have refused access to buildings and records. This situation it is hoped will be cleared up in the near future.

(d) Blocked Accounts.

Unblocking of accounts in category B (accounts of Nationals of United Nations blocked by order of Allied Military Government) is proceeding in a satisfactory manner.

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During the month a total of 599 accused were tried by Summary Courts on 451 charges. This represents an increase of practically 90% on last month's total of 243 charges dealt with. The figures for Gorizia and Pola are both considerably reduced but the number of charges tried in Trieste area (397) shows a rise of 150% on last month's total (159). Charges for breaches of curfew, (261) theft and illegal possession of Allied Property (118) were by far the most common; this was due to activity by Military Police Night Patrols and the presence of a large number of Military dumps in the territory.

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There has been a considerable decrease in the number of charges dealt with in the Superior Courts. In particular, offences against good order have dropped from 39 to 8, due perhaps to the fact that during August, sentences of imprisonment were imposed in nearly all such cases. In Pola area this type of charge made up the whole total (28) dealt with in August, whereas during September only 3 cases were tried there by Superior Courts, none of them for breach of good order.

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16. LEGAL. (Cont of sub-para (a))

One General Court case was tried during the month. This involved one accused, who was before the Court on 2 charges. On the first of these (Procl.1, iv, 16. Shooting at an Allied M.P.) he was acquitted, and on the second charge (Procl.1, iv, 5. Possession of a pistol) he was convicted and sentenced to 2 years imprisonment.

(b) Civil Courts.

All of the regular civil Courts in the Trieste, Gorizia and Pola Areas are now functioning satisfactorily. There is one exception, and that is due to the fact that the Judges of Slovene origin appointed to preside in the Preture of Caporetto, Cannale d'Isonzo and San Daniele del Carso have refused to carry out their duties unless Slovene is accepted as one of the official languages. To overcome this difficulty, for jurisdictional purposes, the courts of these Preture will be temporarily joined to the Preture of Gorizia.

The special Court of Assize is now in full swing and cases are being tried as fast as they can be prepared.

Another judge of the Court of Appeals has been named to preside at the trials. This will make three judges available, and it is hoped that in about 10 days the Court will have scheduled sessions three times each week.

Since the Court was organized in August, 775 denunciations have been received by the Public Prosecutors Office. Hundreds of witnesses have been examined and 137 cases have already been either prepared for trial or dismissed for lack of evidence. The fact that this Court has received no serious criticism from the press appears to be the best proof that it is being conducted in a fair and impartial manner and the public generally seems to be satisfied with its work. On the 13th September 45, the Court held a session at Gorizia and this also met with public approval.

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The Trieste Commission received during the month 2,362 Schede Personali, 520 of which it examined. 104 Notices of Proposed Suspensions or Dismissal were served and await either a filing of objection by the affected person or the final order making the suspension or dismissal effective. Three final orders of suspension or dismissal were ordered. There were 660 petitions for reinstatement, 46 of which were granted and 3 denied. 11

The work of the Gorizia Commission since its inception, may be summarized as follows:
Schede Personali received, 847; Petitions for Re-Instatement, 86; Schede Personali examined, 421; Notices of Suspension served, 54; Notices of Dismissal, filed, 49; Opposition upheld, 10; Opposition rejected, 3; Pending cases for trial, 36; Petitions for Re-Instatement granted, 15; Petitions for Re-Instatement denied, 1.

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16. LEGAL. (Cont.of sub-para (c))

Pola has received 1239 Denuncie Personali, 405 of which have been examined. 91 Notices of Proposed Suspension or Dismissal have been served and 3 persons were served with the final order of suspension or dismissal. Of the cases examined, 202 persons were "cleared", that is, the Commission will not operate. 115 Petitions for Re-Instatement have been received, 22 of which were granted and 74 denied. Attention is directed to the fact that the total of important and prima facie cases of epuration dealt with by the Jugo-Slavs before our occupation was quite large. This materially lessens the number of cases to be dealt with by our Commissions, particularly cases on which the Commission would act affirmatively.

(d) Proclamations and Orders.

Details of the proclamations, general orders, orders etc. published during September are attached as Appendix 'A'.

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The second issue of the Allied Military Government Gazette appeared on October 1st, in accordance with schedule. Because of printing difficulties it contained little material. A special issue is contemplated for October 8th, and it is hoped that during October all legislation to date can be printed and the Gazette brought up to date.

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September has been a month of intense planning and work towards the opening of both Italian and Slavic schools. The Education Officer has kept personal contact with each Area Superintendent of schools and with Area Commissioners. Visits to school buildings, culture clubs and ricreatori have expedited the release and repairs of buildings. The school building situation in Trieste and Gorizia is rather discouraging, as many schools have been

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The School Section of the Slavic National Liberation Committee (N.L.C.) is still in control of the internal Slovene school situation and dictates its school policy to all Slovene teachers and parents who have identified themselves with the Slavic Liberation Movement. Reports continue to pour in that intimidation methods are being used in the Slovene Areas of Trieste and Gorizia in order to keep certain teachers, usually qualified, from teaching in the new Slovene schools. (The Education Officer has recently witnessed such a case at Sesana, Trieste Area). 10

It is known that some of the recent functions of the school section of the N.C.L. have been the following:

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17. EDUCATION. (Cont. of sub-para (a))

(1) Available Slovene teachers must first report to the N.C.L. school section and register for teaching posts in the Slovene schools.

(2) Teachers are selected. Some are sent into Zone B (East of the Morgan Line), others are assigned within Zone A(Allied Military Government Territory), and others are told that because of their political views they will not be permitted to teach and they will not be tolerated as teachers in the Slovene schools.

(3) The teachers selected are assigned "sedi", and then in order to have each teacher employed in the assigned "sedo", parents are requested to sign petitions asking for the placement of a given teacher in a specific school. These petitions are then presented to Allied Military Government.

The Sovraintendente Scolastico of Pola states that to the best of his knowledge there has been no intimidation of teachers in his area.

Reports from Sovraintendenti Scolastici and from several Civil Affairs Officers state that many Slavic teachers who had gone to Zone B - San Pietro del Carso, Aidussina, and Postumia - to attend a teacher training and indoctrination course, are now returning to this territory to teach. It is therefore expected that the number of applications for teaching positions will increase somewhat during the coming week.

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Elementary school enrollment in the Slavic schools (Slovene and Croat) started on 17 September. Very few complete returns have been received except for Trieste city, where 1,371 children had enrolled by the 1st October. For smaller Communes and for Gorizia no figures are yet available. At Pola city 3 children enrolled in the Croat schools, but more are expected from the outlying suburbs.

In Pola area 14 Croat elementary school teachers have applied for positions, ten are candidates submitted by the "Comitato Popolare Liberazione" (C.P.L.) and four are free-lance teachers with Italian credentials but qualified to teach in Croat schools. (The C.P.L., however, has expressed complete opposition to the employment of teachers other than the ten submitted by them.

Orders to establish the following Slovene secondary schools have been issued:

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17. EDUCATION. (Cont. of sub-para (a))

To be located in Trieste: a. Scuola Media Inferiore
b. Liceo Scientifico
c. Instituto Tecnico Commerciale

To be located in Gorizia: a. Scuola Media Inferiore
b. Scuola Magistrale
c. Ginnasio-Liceo Classico

The non-sectarian Boy Scouts organization "Giovani Esploratori Giuliani" held its first organizational meeting in the halls of the British Y.M.C.A., Trieste, to nominate the Regional Constituent Assembly. Colonel Alfred C. POWELL, Senior Civil Affairs Officer, present at the meeting, was elected honorary President, and the Education Officer honorary member of the Board of Directors.

(b) Text Books.

The greatest problem which faces the Italian schools in the near future is the one of obtaining elementary school text books. It is hoped that publishers in Northern Italy will have them ready by mid-October.

(c) Miscellaneous.

At Pola the "Fascicoli personali"(personal files) of all elementary school teachers were carried away by the Jugoslav Command upon leaving the area. The Administrative problems have been greatly increased because of this situation. Attempts are being made to recover these documents.

18. MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS AND ARCHIVES.

A plan is at present being completed and will be submitted in the course of the next week for the reconstruction of the mosaic floors of Grado Cathedral. The work will take about a year and will employ approximately 10 skilled workers.

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(c) The following new circuits have been opened up:

(1) Telephone.

Trieste-Pola Carrier Channel using captured equipment
Trieste-Monfalcone 1 Circuit from 13 Corps
Monfalcone-Cervignano 2 Circuits from 13 Corps

(2) Telegraph.

Trieste-Bologna
Trieste-Genoa
Trieste-Opicina-Muggia-Barcola
Gorizia-Cormons.

19. TELECOMMUNICATIONS.(Cont. of sub-para (c))

On its reopening the Trieste Stock Exchange will be connected to Venice and Milan for Telegraph purposes.

(d) The new issues of Venezia Giulia - Allied Military Government overprint stamps were released for sale on the 22nd September.

20. PUBLIC RELATIONS.

(a) There is still a great volume of work to be done in this section and still insufficient staff to cope with the work, but greater cooperation on the part of Corps PR,AIS and Divisions of Allied Military Government is easing the situation somewhat.

(b) A press room has been opened at Regional HQ for the use of local and visiting correspondents. SCAO press conferences have become more informal, and attendances have increased notably. The local press is becoming more friendly in its attitude toward Allied Military Government. The position with respect to news photography, is not entirely satisfactory, due to drastic reductions in photographic unit personnel and equipment. Communications for the transmission of press copy have been improved by AFHQ PR but the problem of getting out Italian press copy has not yet been satisfactorily solved.

(c) Two radio programmes a week from Trieste, one in Slovene and one in Italian, and one programme in Croat from Pola began on the 3rd September 45. They have burdened the PR section and the Radio Section of AIS considerably but simplifications in procedure which are contemplated should allow the broadcaststo continue.

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With the posting here of an I.M.P.R. a start has been made to carry out the policy agreed upon, i.e. payments to the next of kin of deceased partisans and payment to those who were seriously wounded.

Records are being compiled of all partisans, but no demobilisation bonus is as yet being paid.

No support is being given to the organisers of the local associations in their efforts, as it is considered that their motives are not without a political bias.

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APPENDIX 'A'

PROCLAMATIONS, GENERAL ORDERS, ORDERS, ETC. PUBLISHED DURING SEP 45.

a. Proclamations:

No 7 - Creating Allied Military Government Gazette.

b. General Orders:

No 13 - Operation of the Professions.
No 14 - Repair to War Damaged Houses, etc.
No 15 - Public Wages.

c. Orders:

No 13 - Unemployment Benefits.
No 14 - Issue of Special Identification Cards.
No 15 - Re-Constitution of Commissions for the Issue of Commercial Licences.
No 16 - Crossing Eastern Boundary
No 17 - Increase of Fees Payable to "Avvocati" and "Procuratori".
No 18 - Management of Magazzini Generali.

d. Administrative Orders:

No 1 - Hughes Guido Appt. President - Gorizia.
No 2 - Dalla Zonca Appt. Judge of Tribunale-Pola.
No 3 - Lenzoni Anteo Appt. Judge of Tribunale-Pola.
No 4 - Janchi Antonio, Councellor of the Court of Appeal Venezia Giulia.
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for month ending 31 July 1945

1. POLITICAL SITUATION

The political situation throughout the month has remained quiet in the whole of our Area and apart from the short strike already mentioned in previous reports and one or two demonstrations of no great import, there has been little political activity in evidence. In TRIESTE, negotiations have been continuing between the leaders of the Local Communist Party and Mr. Pellegrini, a Communist leader from ROME, with a view to the Communist Party being represented on the CLN (Italian) in this Area. By the end of this month there has still been no concrete result in these negotiations, as the leaders of the party, (it is suggested being predominantly Slovene) are not fully disposed to agree to link up with the Italians. Close liaison undoubtedly exists between leaders of the Communist Party and Yugoslavia and the Secretary of the City Liberation Committee and other representatives are reported to be often at [illegible].

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demonstrations took place during the month. A Unit of the Christian Democrat Party is being formed and this will provide a counter of ideals and expressions other than those of the regimental Communist Party, which may prove valuable. Here again, the belief that the only possible solution for VENEZIA GIULIA and POLA in particular, is annexation by Jugoslavia, curtails any expression of views which may jeopardize the position of the individual in the future. The people are, however, for most part, extremely grateful to the Allied Military Government for the good work being done in their behalf and the visible signs of return to more normal times. In general activity by various parties is being encouraged with a view to establishing as broad as possible a base of political opinion and influence.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT

In TRIESTE discussions have been held with the object of setting up some form of representative local government on the Area Level. Negotiations between the Slovene Committee, Communist Party and CLN are carrying on and it is hoped that within the very near future something concrete will have been achieved. In the Communes some reorganization progress has been successfully accomplished. The City of TRIESTE has, of course, a special problem in the City "Council" of liberation whose leading personalities are extreme Communists (predominantly Slovenes) and would appear (though of course they deny this), to be predominantly pro-Jugoslavia. This Committee claims to, but does not in fact, carry on the government of the City and is generally uncooperative in its dealings with the Allied Military Government. It was recently discovered that a number of ex-Jugoslav officials were working in the general post office, but these have now left. Steps are being taken toward the removal of further Jugoslav officials who hold high positions in the Harbor offices at TRIESTE and MONFALCONE at the moment.

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3. ECONOMICS AND SUPPLY

a. Food.

As was mentioned in last week's report, there was a slight hold-up on the arrival of the mixed supplies for the first fortnight of the month. However, by 27 Jul all supplies but the flour and salt were brought here to TRIESTE by road from VENICE. SEPRAL, TRIESTE, has now been given authority to distribute supplies for the entire territory and is working extremely well. It is of interest that new ration scales

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3. ECONOMICS AND SUPPLY (cont'd)

for the sick and other special classes have been authorised. The rise of the prices of bread from 2.50 Lire per kilo to 5 Lire per kilo in TRIESTE met with almost no antagonism and passed with little comment. A price control plan has been agreed upon and will go into operation in August.

b. Transport.

The organization of C.A.T. has proved most successful and 80 vehicles have now been licensed. We are still very short of heavy transport and a considerable increase is hoped for in the near future. An autobus service in TRIESTE has been started and will greatly assist in promoting good relations. The UGENA schooner agency organized by the Minister of War Transport is assisting in shipping supplies on our behalf.

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The situation regarding agriculture in the occupied territory is better than might be expected. Yields of grain are estimated as only 10% down from last year and at the moment there are likely to be 30,000 quintals of wheat available. Certain parts of the territory, however, are suffering heavily from the present drought. Regarding livestock, no serious inroads have been made on the stock by either the Germans or the Partisans, but there will be a small percentage of fall. A store pig market is being opened at GORIZIA in the near future. Demands for horses from Austria have been made but it is understood the supply is now exhausted. Diseases - 1 case of foot and mouth has been reported near SESANA, and also some swine fever. Laryngo Tracheitis is widespread. Twenty tons of fast-growing corn seed for sowing on wheat stubble have been imported from PADUA, also 21 qutls of vegetable

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The fishing here is of great importance and the need for a Fisheries officer successfuly to coordinate this industry is considered imperative.

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5. LABOR

a. Labor Market.

The labor market remains static pending adoption of the "Cassa Integrazione" plan for unemployment or reduced employment compensation. There are about 12,000 unemployed at the moment.

b. Wages

The increased wage rates which came out this month were, of course, very well received. These increases generally parallel the Northern Italy increases considering payments already made in the TRIESTE Area. They apply to all of our area excepting POLA where a separate agreement is in course of preparation. The cost of living (as indicated in our special study dated 28 Jul 45) for a family of 4 in TRIESTE is approximately 8,200 Lire monthly on a basis of 2,100 caloric average.

c. Industrial Relationships.

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Coverage for Allied Forces employees has been arranged and plans have been begun for the Cassa Integrazione and for the increase of regular benefits under the Previdenza Sociale.

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b. Roads.

All state roads in TRIESTE and GORIZIA are being examined with a view to repair, contracts are being let and the work organized. Projects for remaking and repairs to Provincial roads in TRIESTE and GORIZIA Areas have been approved, funds are being released, and contracts are being let. A start has also been made on the removal of road blocks and debris from the streets of TRIESTE, GORIZIA and POLA. The reactivation of two bitumin works has been a great asset and they are producing 15 tons total daily. The larger plant has been converted from coal to oil-fuel and stocks of bitumin available should be sufficient for an output of at least 500 tons. In POLA, arrangements have been made which will enable the POLA cement works to produce 1300 tons of cement from clinker in stock.

c. Bridges

Few bridges have been damaged. Three in the TRIESTE Area and four in GORIZIA Area are at the moment under repair.

d. Water Supply

The water supply in general is satisfactory. The minor repairs needed in TRIESTE City have been carried out and the larger repairs required to the GORIZIA mains are well under way. The same may be said of POLA, where fairly extensive repairs were required but the work is in progress and the situation is improving.

e. Sewage.

The sewers in the 3 main towns of TRIESTE, GORIZIA, and POLA were all in some part damaged by bombing, but work is now well in hand.

f. Electricity.

A normal supply is being maintained. Repairs to the bomb-damaged intake works at PALVA power station are being hurried on and the strengthening and overhaul of pylons in anticipation of winter conditions have been commenced.

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h. Bomb Disposal.

A Bomb Disposal Squad of 50 Italians has been successfully organized and is dealing as rapidly as possible with the most important of the 89 mine fields reported. Over 15 truckloads of mines have so far been removed and disposed of.

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7. PUBLIC SAFETY.

The main problem of the Public Safety Division during this month has been maintaining of law and order and at the same time carrying on as rapidly as possible the formations and training of the new AMG Civil Police Force. In general a satisfactory standard has been maintained throughout the territory, and crime is neither serious nor showing any increase. The formation of the new Police Force progresses rapidly and it is anticipated that the first members, correctly trained, will be on duty in TRIESTE on simple police tasks within a fortnight. The training school is now firmly established and equipped and under an experienced staff is dealing as rapidly as possible with the volunteers available. Although the necessity for the Police Force as early as possible is one of first importance in this area, the time spent in preparation will undoubtedly show itself to have been well spent in the efficiency with which they will take up their duties after correct training and instruction. A full report by the Chief Public Safety officer, ref: 130/AMG/PS/507 of 1 Aug 45, has been forwarded to Headquarters, Allied Commission for the attention of Director of Public Safety Sub-Commission.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH

a. Local Administration

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b. Hospitals.

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c. General Sanitation.

An efficient job with the equipment available is being done in the collection of refuse, street cleaning and general sanitation services in TRIESTE Commune and similar arrangements to provide for the efficient street cleaning in GORIZIA and POLA have been organised.

d. Medical Services.

Numerous problems continue to occur between Italian and Slovene doctors with a view to obtaining control of the medical profession, but a small committee consisting of doctors of both nationalities has now been appointed and it is thus hoped to settle any disagreements.

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9. WELFARE AND DISPLACED PERSONS.

Initially there was considerable confusion amongst the social welfare agencies in this area. Problems created by the claimed deportation of Italian civilians and the apparent general terrorization of the entire population did little to assist us. By the end of this month, however, much has been done and the following social assistance departments are functioning.

a. Ente Comunale di Assistenza - this is operating reasonably well in TRIESTE, POLA and GORIZIA as well as some of the larger communes and it can be said that throughout the area destitute people are receiving assistance.

b. Italian Red Cross - The Italian Red Cross is functioning in TRIESTE but not as yet to any extent at POLA and GORIZIA although they are attempting to reorganize.

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Considerable work has been done in collecting information regarding people under the category of displaced persons and compiling and transmitting it to Headquarters, Allied Commission for the British and American Embassies. Considerable feeling is caused by their length of absence, and their early return is one of the utmost importance. The "F" Assembly Center has received 4,980 persons and evacuated 4,587. The "G" Assembly Center received 10,546 ex Italian POWs and 1,247 Italian civilians and nearly all of these have also been evacuated. The small number of 515 persons were dealt with by the Jugoslav Red Cross. 13 Corps and 5th Army Area have been most helpful in cooperating with us both in transport and medical services.

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10. PROPERTY CONTROL

Considerable work has been done during this month on the subject of property control. In the case of Allied-owned property sequestrated by the Italian Government, 217 cases have been handled by the representatives of the Istituto di Credito Fondiario delle Venezie, Verona. Of commercial concerns, 32 businesses have been investigated of which number 29 have been taken into control. Work regarding miscellaneous municipal property, ex-fascist property and enemy property continues to be investigated and dealt with where possible.

11. FINANCE

a. Banks.

The restrictions placed on financial transactions with Italy caused considerable alarm which was to some extent reflected in a decrease of around 200,000,000 lire in the cash holdings in the Bank of TRIESTE. Authority has, however, now been granted to the banks to allow transactions up to 50,000 Lire to take place.

b. Post Offices.

All postal rates are being increased and Italian & Republican Fascist Government stamps, over-stamped "A.M.G V-G" will be used.

c. Insurance.

Commercial insurance is undertaken for the most part by the Assicurazioni Generali and Riunione Adriatica di Sicurta, both of which have their head offices in TRIESTE. They have been allowed to resume control of their offices in Italy on stipulated conditions, but are not allowed to do any foreign business. All institutions of social insurance insurance are organizing again on normal lines and in this respect coverage for civilian employees of the Allied Forces is being arranged at the moment.

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Inquiries continue to be received regarding the exchange of Reichsmarks, Allied Military Marks and Allied Military schillings, but at present no facilities exist here for the exchange of such currencies into lire. A request has been made to the public to declare quantities of the above-mentioned Reichsmarks and Allied Military Marks in their possession.

e. Interest Rates.

The Bank of Italy official discount rate has been reduced to 4% as from 1 August 1945 and all other interest rates are also being reduced, thus bringing them into line with those obtaining in Italy.

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11. LEGAL

a. General.

The task confronting the Legal Division during the last month has been a heavy one and as no proclamations, general orders or orders of any kind being used by AMG in Italy could be used here without modification and re-drafting, the Division was faced with the duty of providing a completely new Statute Book for the territory and of laying the foundations for the building up of an autonomous military government. In addition, all the Police Forces in the territory had to be disbanded, an operation of extreme delicacy which, when carried out, further complicated the work of the Courts.

b. Legislation.

The proclamations, general orders etc listed in Appendix "A" have been published to date.

c. Allied Military Courts.

The Allied Military Courts are functioning well in all areas and are well abreast of their work.

d. Civil Courts.

The position of the Civil Courts in the Occupied Territory was clarified by General Order No.6 dated 12 July 1945 and by detailed written instructions addressed to all concerned. The order provides that the Civil Courts as constituted by the laws in force on 8 Sep 1943 should resume the performance of their duties. It further provides that there shall be no appeal to any court outside; and finally it makes it an offense for any person to act in any Judicial capacity whatsoever who has not been thereto authorized by the Allied Military Government.

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APPENDIX "A"

MONTHLY REPORT
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LEGISLATION

The following Proclamations, etc, have been published to date:

(a) Proclamations

Proc.No.1 General Omnibus Proclamation
No.2 Property Control, Currency, Rationing, price freezing etc
No.3 General Police and Security Regulations
No.4 Closing of Financial Institutions, Moratorium, etc (Reprinted)
No.5 Special Court of Assize

(b) General Orders

Gen Order 1 Taxes, etc and Termination of Restrictions on Financial Institutions and of Moratorium
2 Motor Vehicle Circulation Permits and Authorization for Supplies of Petroleum Products
3 Repeal of Anti-Jewish Laws
4 Labor Relations
5 Collection of Cereals
6 The Civil Courts of the Occupied Territory
7 Epuration of Fascist Officials and Employees
8 Epuration in Private Industry
9 Postal and Telecommunications

(c) Orders

Order No.1 Curfew
No.2 Repeal of Restrictions on Travel
No.3 Curfew Amendment Order

(d) Special Orders

Special Order No.1 - Appointment of Special Commissioner to take charge of the Trieste Syndicate of Lawyers

(e) Notices

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(e) Notices

Notice No.1 Correcting Certain Mistakes in the publication of certain laws in certain parts of the occupied territory
No.2 Disbandment of Difesa Popolare and all police forces
No.3 Restoring Guardie Municipale to performance of their duties
No.4 Temporary raising of general level of wages pending publication of appropriate general orders
No.7 Illegal and irregular epuration proceedings

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PROJECTED LEGISLATION

Many laws will have to be drafted in the future particularly with regard to revenue and other financial matters but the legislative program immediately confronting this Division is as under:

(a) A General Order to control Civilian Housing. The position under this heading is becoming serious.

(b) A General Order which will place Local Government upon a stable statutory basis. It is noted that even the terms "Prefect" and "Sindaco" which have quite a respectable democratic background to recommend them are objected to here.

(c) Two or more orders to deal with sundry financial matters.

(d) A new Proclamation to take the place of the present Proclamation No.2.

(e) A Proclamation to establish an official Gazette for the Territory

(f) A General Order to freeze Essential Supplies

(g) Special orders to appoint Receivers and Special Commissioners for various undertakings in the Territory

(h) A Proclamation to constitute the A.M.G. Police Force

A number of the measures detailed above have already been drafted but await certain final decisions from those Divisions which have asked for them before they can safely be translated into law.

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