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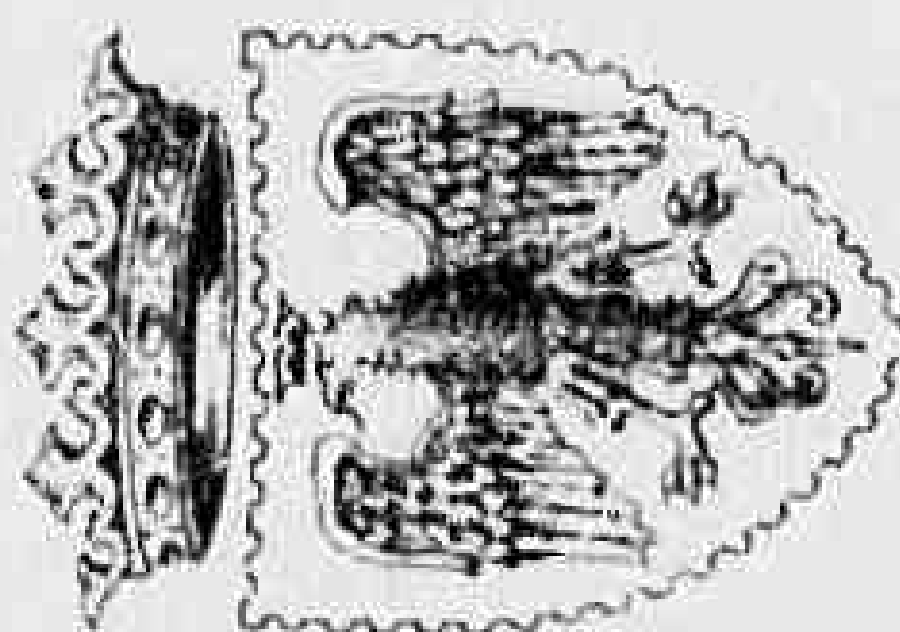
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ALBANIA MILITARY MOVEMENTS
DURING 1946

Subject: reports 10/13 - Month of August, 1946.

To : Headquarters,
ALLIED COMMISSION,
Rome.

1. POPULATION QUESTION AND POPULAR OPINION

One such uncertainty as to the future of Vardar Galla, and particularly the Eastern boundary of this Province, has preoccupied the attention of most of the Albanian population.

Amongst them even been circulated to the effect that the Province would be incorporated in the new Free State of Kosovo.

There, together with numerous Albanian men, at the Albanian National, are the defensive attitudes of the Slavs, aided and abetted by Moscow, are causing considerable disaffection everywhere.

The intention of Yugo-Slavs into the Province, in groups of up to twenty in number, has been noted in the past few weeks. These are reported to have been armed, and to have contacted a number of local Communist or pro-Slav elements in the region. In the district of Gornje, and have caused, which appears to be their meeting-place.

In the district of Gornje, a Slovene patrol attacked an Alpine frontier post, which successfully drove it off, in the hope of a further wave of distribution, and to a third detachment of station on the Italian border of division of the 5 Italian Territorial Division, and succeeded to cause two officers, the Province Minister to command all the supply in his recent visit to the Province.

It is common with so many of them per y, he described all were more not as fascists, or supporters of reactionary groups, strongly organized by Casper, for his handling of Italian affairs, and the recent Communist - and attacked Allied Military Government. It is failing to check the so-called reactionaries, to remove posters offered to the party from the wall, to ensure that the wall is not

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Major J. Campbell, M. R. S. O., left for England on release during the past year and his place has been taken by Major A. G. H. Hay. The officers performing public safety duties in the province there are now Major Hay, SRSC., Capt. A. J. Hopkins, SRSC., and Capt. S. A. ...

Under attack of personnel remains an over present problem, the rest of the organization is very satisfactory and their morale and efficiency are good.

The auxiliary police force still leaves a good deal to be desired, but a gradual improvement is being effected, and within a reasonable time it should grow a useful and reliable body.

The Guardia di Finanza are carrying out their very important duties in a most satisfactory manner, particularly in regard to the prevention of illegal transport of opium in connection with which they have captured approximately 91 quintals during the course of the month.

"The grade of the prison is satisfactory. There is no overcrowding, and clergo have been no disorders or escapes during the month."

Censorship, therefore, is maintained by the police against clandestine prostitution and the spread of venereal diseases, and some 24,000 men have been arrested during the month.

in general, despite order throughout the province in 1964 and 1965 the level of political activity increased in various orders.

Monday there has been a marked increase in the number of demonstrators in each day's demonstration, such incidents have been noted in our other various disorders. There appears to be a certain lack of unified sentiment, and this is largely attributable to differences of opinion with the Paris Conference and the anti-appeal of Wilson and Venustiano Carranza. On the few occasions when these demonstrations have been manifested, the presence of military police supporting the police forces in the course of these days has been an explanation for the same.

consideration in which all vehicles are involved are always reported in the *Giornale*, both in the Italian newspaper, and invariably in such a way as to give the impression that Allied military personnel are to blame. The papers usually avoid stating, what is apparently a fact, that these vehicles are driven by German prisoners of war, and

...one satisfactory factor, particularly in regard to the prevention of illegal transport of grain in connection with which they have acquired approximately 915 quintals during the course of the month.

The state of the prisons is satisfactory. There is no overcrowding and there have been no disorders or escapes during the month.

General warfare is maintained by the police against clandestine prostitution and the arrested venereal disease, and some 214 cases have been arrested during the month.

In general, public order throughout the province is good and there has been a noticeable decrease in serious crimes.

There have been a marked increase in the number of demonstrations, such as to unemployment, such incidents have increased in number and have taken on a more serious character. There appears to be a certain amount of ill-organized sentiment, and this is largely directed towards the Italian Government and the anticipated fate of Italian and Venetian families. On the few occasions when it has been manifested, the presence of auxiliary police purporting to be working in the course of their duty has been an unpleasant factor.

Accidents in which vehicles are involved are always reported at an early date. In the Italian newspapers, and invariably in the press, they do give the impression that Allied military personnel are to blame. The reports usually avoid stating, what is frequently a fact, that these vehicles are driven by German prisoners of war, and even more frequently, by Italians.

Individually, the province has been quiet, but there is still a certain amount of guerrilla activity, and there have been in cases of grain, to unproductive and in the province for the purpose, it is believed, of obtaining food for units and providing income, and in addition, to a situation in certain selected localities.

3. Summary.

The situation in general is satisfactory.

The P. S. situation has now improved as the new allocation, in 1944 July last, was received in the third week of the month. The only serious shortage is of milk, which generally is good throughout the month.

The situation is satisfactory, although some serious cases have been reported by the police of the Corps Forestale and again in the month of June. Reports of forest fires are numerous.

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Barley: 100,000 bushels
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(normal distribution) plus
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The average of the wheat stocks has been shown during the month. The new wheat ratio of 85% as against 81% has been reported in weekly, as the population was willing to accept a decrease in the bread ration in order to have a better and more reliable bread.

On a million basis of 23, wheat of bread and 2,000 bushels of wheat, the stocks of wheat on hand will lead to the March, 1947 for bread, and to the end of the current year for wheat.

A number of counterfeited ration cards have been discovered, and a special investigation is being made.

There is a steady increase in the consumption of livestock feed. The amount has been lifted and production has been created for not only wheat but also for livestock feed. It is expected that the production of wheat will be a larger factor in co-operative, and also in livestock feed.

A total of 104,000 bushels of surplus wheat has been sold to the federal and state co-operative unions. The wheat, which is in the hands of the co-operative unions, will be a larger factor in co-operative, and also in livestock feed.

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ADMINISTRATIVE (continued)

21 further cases of foot and mouth disease have been reported during the month.

Sale of war booty horses to detainees began during the month, the prices ranging from 24,000 lire to 50,000 lire per head. Details of sales effected will be included in the report of next month.

30 tons of slag fertilizer allocated to this province by the Italian Government, have been on sale at Consorzio Bracciano.

5. FINANCE

The bank position is as follows:

Bank position of the Bank of Italy	
as of 24 Jul 46	Lire 2,252,473,650
as of 24 Aug 46	" 1,423,493,650

698 million lire affecting 64 statal bodies were transferred during the month and a further 223 million lire were granted for payment of past due bills. In respect of the third quarter 1946 133 unusual budgets have been approved for a total amount of approximately 99 million lire.

16 road projects of military interest totalling roughly 20 million lire were approved during the month.

6. MILITARY WORKS AND UTILITIES

During the month 74,373,458 lire worth of projects have been prepared by the Dada Civile, bringing the total to date to 318,559,244 lire. The Directorate alle armi have approved 90,210,500 lire, bringing their total to 707,755,315 lire. 16,398,000 have been advanced from the funds under the decree of the President in anticipation of final approval in specially urgent cases, and 8,150,000 lire worth of military projects have been initiated.

The amount of bicarbon has been renounced and it is hoped to secure a substantial amount in the immediate future. The most important work of military priority will be completed before the cold war sets in.

Cash position of the Bank of Italy

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Public Health

During the month, anti-leishmaniasis campaigns elaborated some 2 million doses to the most badly damaged villages in the province.

Sanitary and pest-control further allocated the sum of 1,500,000 for the purchase of drugs and facilities for various institutions and villages of the province.

Dr. Hueschke, a doctor of the State, has been appointed Director Provincial of the province.

The new development zone for medical and pharmaceuticals will be opened at Caracas within the help of assistance institutions.

121 prescriptions of new drugs have been reached within the month.

The following are the number of infectious diseases which occurred in the province during the month: measles - 313, scarlet fever - 143, chicken pox - 11, typhoid - 40, diphtheria - 35, whooping cough - 24, malaria - 25, infectious mononucleosis - 27.

9. Vaccinations

In a review of the 203 reduction in the tariff rate of the month, a substantial increase in the transport demand has been observed. A further reduction in tariffs is contemplated for the month of October.

Vaccines registered with USFSA (USFSA) (per 10 percent)

of which within, solely in behalf of holder..... 1,236
respective in the for third parties..... 532
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During the month 13 new registrations occurred.

10. New vaccines are now 535. This number practically covers all necessary vaccine supplies and in running order.

The vaccine allocation has been extended - satisfactory. Until a definite date cannot yet be effected it is certain that a certain number of vaccines will be available.

The total quantity carried during the month is 21,730,000 doses shown an increase of 120,730,000 quantities over last month.

The following table shows the number of doses transported

the following are the number of unfilled orders which, according to the province survey, are available: 33; surplus force 15; children per - 11; tobacco - 44; cigarettes - 35; whiskey - 30; surplus - 35; infantile products - 2.

5. Registered

As a result of the 25% reduction in the tariff rate of the month, a considerable increase in the transport demand has been observed. A further reduction in tariffs is contemplated for the month of January.

Vehicle registration with official transport (per 10 vehicles) 1,200
of which: trucks, solely in behalf of holders 592
and used in other for child parties 534

Since the month 12 new registrations occurred.

As the new registrations are now 125. This number practically covers all necessary needs, as assigned, and in running order.

In transportation various technical, material, and financial deficiencies have been noted and it is certain that a serious transport deficit will be inevitable.

The total quantity carried during the month is 32,790,000 tons, which is an increase of 100,753,000 pounds over last month.

The following table shows the quantity of goods transported in the month of January and exports during the month:

Country of Origin	Imports	Exports	Provision
Algeria	20,275,000	7,275,000	10,774,000
Libya	12,553,000	3,553,000	3,500,000
Italy	2,000,000	39,521,000	75,321,000
France	2,221,000	14,125,000	12,079,000
Spain	2,572,000	2,572,000	13,672,000
	40,571,000	73,553,000	167,325,000

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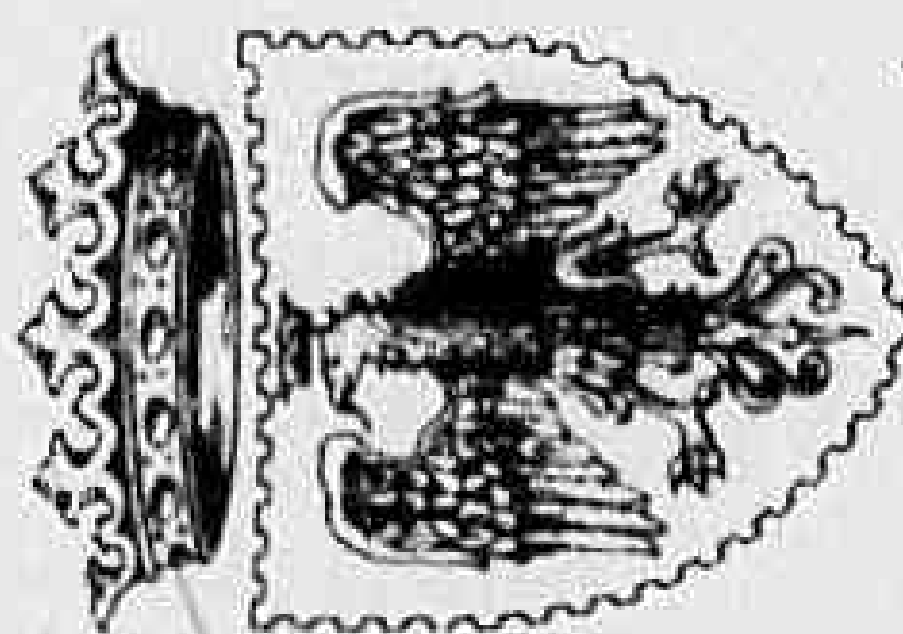
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Subject : Report No. 14 - Month of July 1946.

To : Headquarters,
ALLIED COMMISSION.
Rome.

1. POLITICAL REACTION AND POPULAR OPINION.

This has been a difficult month chiefly due to three main causes :-

- a) Economic situation.
- b) Reaction of the population to the Foreign Ministers recommendations regarding Venezia Giulia.
- c) Resentment of the population to further requisitioning.

The unemployed figure now stands at approximately 54,000, nearly double that of Venezia Giulia. This has been responsible for a number of demonstrations (all orderly) and public opinion generally is seriously disturbed by the lack of emigration facilities, and the slow progress of the Magistrato alle Acque's Office in financing public works schemes.

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There has recently been a difference in feeling between the Allies and the population chiefly due to the alleged harsh terms of the proposed peace treaty.

Further requisitioning has also led to many complaints, and there has been a noticeable lack of cooperation by officials in Udine excluding the Prefect.

In consequence, a firm attitude has been adopted and 56 of the Commissioner of Lodgings for Udine city has been replaced.

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POLITICAL SITUATION AND PUBLIC OPINION (continued)

Blat propaganda appears to have decreased recently, but a strong rumor that Peruvians might be coerced to the Elmer exchange for some part of Iquitos gained so much currency that a statement from that Comandante called on the Prefect protesting against any such suggestion.

Since then the Prefect has received a telegram from the Foreign Ministry to the effect that the rumor is without any foundation.

The rumor is believed to have originated in France.

2. PUBLIC SAFETY.

The officers performing public safety duties in the Province now consist of Major J.T. Manuel, 3PISO, Capt. D.J. Hopkins, 1PISO, and Capt. G.E. Lee, 1PISO.

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The position in regard to the prisons has been greatly eased as a result of the recent amnesty.

A number of grievances in regard to pay and allowances of prison guards were cleared up by the new Director of the Prison System, R. Vitale, during his recent visit to Rome, and this has resulted in a sharp improvement in internal discipline.

With the arrival of more troops in the area, large numbers of undesirable women are following them and energetic steps are being taken by the police service to send these women back to their homes of origin.

From the normal standpoint, the state of public safety shows some improvement during the month; there having been 1 murder and 9 armed robberies reported during the month as compared with 1 murder and 10 armed robberies during the previous month.

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PUBLIC SAFETY (continued).

There is a general decrease in the number of crimes, and robberies reported, are not of such a serious nature as formerly. Unemployment and economic conditions give rise to considerable uneasiness and have been the cause of numerous strikes and demonstrations during the month. Fortunately no serious disorders have occurred.

Statistics from military police sources show that the number of accidents in which Allied military vehicles have been involved has greatly decreased; only 3 having been reported during the month. There is an unfortunate tendency on the part of the Italian population, and sometimes of the Italian authorities, to assume that every time an accident occurs, and that appears to be a military lorry is engaged, the Allied forces are to blame.

International questions, rather than internal politics, are absorbing the public interest at the present time, and feeling is still more keen in regard to the settlement of the Venezia Giulia problem. A number of posters have been published by way of protest but there does not appear to be any anti-Allied demonstration at present time.

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A total of 1,247 head of livestock (845 of cattle and 402 of pigs) were exported to other Provinces during the month; further export is interrupted for the present in consequence of an outbreak of foot and mouth disease.

Plans are being drawn up to establish statal and parastatal cooperatives which will be supplied with available surpluses.

Recently there has been a certain amount of carelessness and laxity in reference to substantial illegal export of wheat from this Province to Yugoslavia. Comments of this nature have emanated from somewhat surprising sources including the sober pages of the Allied Commission Weekly Bulletin. There is no stated that the Provincial Commissioner of Udine had been told to look into the matter and take action. The possibility of attempts to conduct such traffic had long been foreseen in this Province and every practicable step taken to forestall them.

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ECONOMICS (continued).

These steps include: a) publication of special prefectural decrees, b) organization of special squads in plain clothes working in conjunction with the Guardia di Finanza to control the bands of grain collection, c) organization of a special squad of Guardia di Finanza assigned solely to the enforcement of grain laws, d) the establishment of road blocks operated by the Questura service, e) special checks at all road posts on the eastern boundary of this Province, f) additional controls on the line of the Isarco in conjunction with ILM, 13 Corps, g) surveillance of all river mouths and all the coast lines where small boats might land.

From all these agencies only one attempt to export grain illegally has come to the notice of this Headquarters and this attempt was circumvented by Questura Agents.

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A scheme for the sale of war booty horses has been prepared and is expected to be in operation by the end of the month.

Finance.

Cash in the Bank of Italy as at the 24th of July was L2,252,478,650, an increase of L917,164,600 over the amount held as at 24th of June.

Twenty budgets in respect of statal and para-statal financing have been submitted. Thirteen were approved and a total amount of 269,726,123 lire authorized. Eighteen communal budgets were approved, totalling 21 million lire.

A further 32 million lire were authorized in respect of supplementary budgets relating to the second quarter of 1946. 581/5.

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ADMINISTRATIVE (continued).Finance.

During the month 10 roads projects of military interest totalling approximately 7 million lire were approved.

During the month of June one employee was dismissed.

4. PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES.

During the month 46,832,775 lire worth of projects have been approved by the Genio Civile, bringing the total to 835,470,000 lire, which nearly completes the first half year programme. The Magistrato alle Acque have approved 86,775,278 lire worth, bringing their total to 610,618,845 lire, to which must be added a special grant for Genoa amounting to 100,875,000 lire, 13,700,000 lire advanced from ANS funds, and the military projects amounting to 12,600,000 lire, so that the unemployment relief may now said to have reached its full volume though the position in some places may still be unsatisfactory as compared with others.

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The Medico Provinciale, Dr. Nocchia has resigned and been replaced by Prof. Calotti.

The following infectious diseases are reported during month:-

Measles - 100; Scarlet Fever - 24; Chicken Pox - 23; Typhoid - 17; Diphtheria - 22; Whooping Cough - 74; Mumps - 17; Infantile Paralysis - 17; Malaria - 9; Scab - 40; Typhus Fever - 6; Tuberculosis - 31.

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I. TRANSPORTATION.

A 25% cut in the transportation rates in the Province was welcomed alike by the transporters and public, and a further cut may be necessary.

Incidentally, cheaper transport means cheaper food, and it is urged that freightage rates for all kinds of transportation should be reduced to the lowest economic figure possible.

The monthly allocation of POL could with advantage be increased.

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Provincial imports and exports total 39,000 and 67,000 cll. respectively, while over 109,000 cll. has been carried within the province.

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A.S. Orders.

No Provincial Orders were issued during the month.

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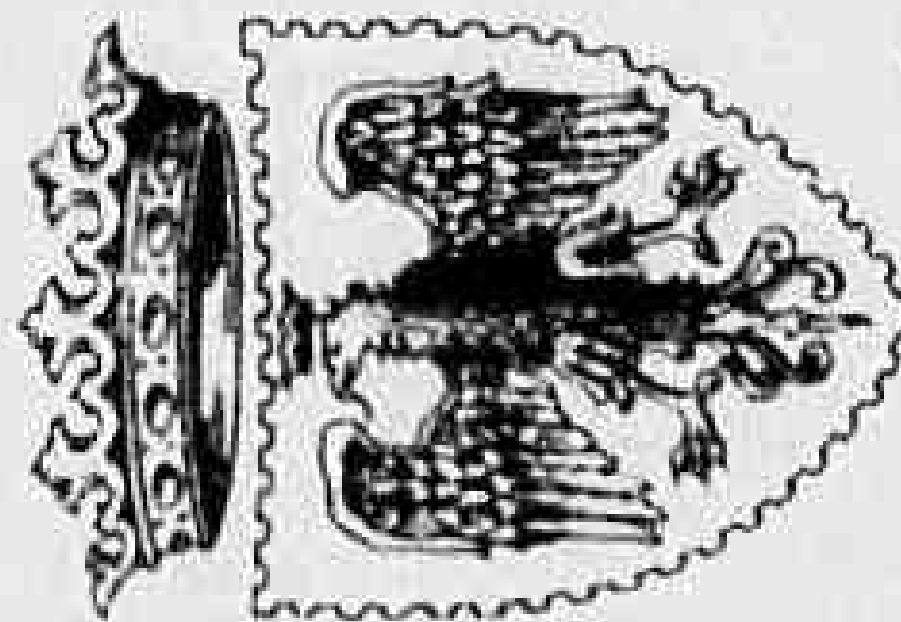
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In this connection it is noteworthy that polling during the elections was particularly high in those areas to which the Slavs lay claim.

Unemployment still attracts considerable attention throughout the Province, and there have been a number of demonstrations during the month.

Numerous public works projects have been approved, which will relieve this problem to some extent, but not until mid-July on the pre-war scale is approved, and fostered, will any appreciable reduction in the over-all figure of 60,000 be effected.

A serious strike involving all statal and semi-statal employees, including railway workers and postal officials, and which is believed would have spread to a general strike, was narrowly averted by the decision of the Treasury to increase the "congrua" allowance for these employees and to apply the "indennita di buonuscita" allowance to this Province.

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POLITICAL OPINION AND POPULAR OPINION. (continued).

It is difficult to see to Mr. F.M. Braine of the British Embassy, the President's recommendations and to the Vice President of the Senate, Allied Commission, who warmly supported these proposals to the Secretary.

The number of fatal accidents caused by Allied military vehicles is still causing serious concern, although the military police are doing everything possible to effect a reduction.

Let weather was undoubtedly responsible for a number of these accidents, but it is doubtful whether drivers yet realize the treacherous way of the roads are in wet weather.

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The appointment of new officials to the Questura has greatly assisted in improving the efficiency of this service, but already complaints are numerous about the difficulty in finding accommodation for themselves and their families in Udine.

It is hoped that the Auxiliary Police will be able to attend the course of instruction prescribed by the Ministry as early as possible, in order that this force may be still further screened and only qualified units retained.

The prison situation following the revolt in the Udine jail on the 30th. of May is much improved. The repairs resulting from the damage caused to cell doors and furniture is nearing completion.

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1. THE SITUATION (continued).

130 male detainees were transferred to other prisons, and prisoners of the revolt, 16 in number, have been sentenced to the judicial authorities.

At present there are 300 detainees as compared with a normal capacity of 550, and this figure will be sensibly reduced as a result of the recently proclaimed amnesty.

The public safety situation generally is somewhat disappointing owing to a small increase in the number of armed robberies during the month as compared with the numbers for February and March.

On the other hand, an encouraging number of good arrests, including 9 members of an armed band, have been made and resolute and efficient action is being taken by all police services to combat crime.

Some hidden arms have been recovered during the month but there is little doubt that there is still a large number concealed throughout the Province.

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The Province was supplied with imported wheat up to the 17th of June, when wheat from the local harvest has been used to date. An allocation of 4,600 tons of imported flour is expected to cover the local requirements for the Province during the month of July.

The wheat message is progressing satisfactorily and has already reached the figure of 33,000 quintals. As usual, attempts have been made on the part of numerous individuals to export wheat from the Province for the black market, but so far such attempts have been frustrated, and violators of the banning laws are being denounced, with widespread publicity in the local press.

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The wheat harvest is progressing satisfactorily and has already reached the figure of 33,000 quintals. As usual, attempts have been made on the part of numerous individuals to export wheat from the Province for the black market, but so far such attempts have been frustrated, and violators of the existing laws are being denounced, with widespread publicity in the local press.

Some twelve hundred head of live stock have been exported during the month to all parts of Northern Italy, and as far south as Calabria and Florence.

Food prices generally remain at a high level, and there is no indication of any fall in the near future.

The serious situation covering supplies of coal was somewhat relieved by the arrival of some 1500 tons, and though the reasons for the shortage are well known, it is hoped that our minimum requirements of 6,000 tons per month be met at the earliest availability.

The RCL situation is now satisfactory although means of transport for the provincial allocation to Urbino and final distribution in the Province still leaves room for considerable improvement.

The tyre situation has recently been improved slightly as a result of the issue of approximately 350 permits for tyres of Allied origin.

A more numerous allocation of tyres through the Chamber of Commerce is still most necessary if essential transport services are to remain as efficiently efficient.

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ECONOMICS (continued).

Industry, generally, throughout the Province has reached an average of 43% of normal production and the number of workers employed is approximately 58% of normal.

Even these figures represent a very substantial increase since liberation of the Province.

AGRICULTURE.

The agriculture position is very satisfactory and wheat averaged to date totals 33,600 quintals, but the threshing of barley, rye and oats has not yet begun.

Strict control against abuses of the harvesting decrease has been established.

A great increase in the potato crop is expected, and the situation regarding vines and fruit trees, in spite of the recent hail storms, is promising.

There have been 50 new cases of foot and mouth disease during the month, bringing the total number now to 145, the majority of which have already recovered.

The recent supply of vaccine from Rome has given excellent results.

FINANCE.

Cash at the Bank of Italy shows a decrease of 1,200,000,000 lire for the month.

Approximately 43½ million lire were authorized for communal budgets, as were some 11½ million lire for military road projects.

A further reduction in the Headquarters' staff of the Province has been effected during the month.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES.

Over 103 million liras' worth of public works projects have been approved by the Consiglio Civile and forwarded to the Magistrate delle Leggi which in turn has approved some 219 million liras' worth of projects, much of which was outstanding in the previous month.

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FINANCE.

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Approximately 1.5 million lire were authorized for communal budgets, and were some 114 million lire for military road projects.

A further reduction in the Headquarters' staff of the Province has been effected during the month.

4. PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES.

Over 103 million lire's worth of public works projects have been approved by the Senate Civile and forwarded to the Magistrate alle Leggi which in turn has approved some 719 million lire's worth of projects, much of which was outstanding in the previous month.

The total of work now approved by the Magistrate totals some 517 million lire, or approximately 60% of the programme authorized by the Ministry.

A further provision of over 1,000,000,000 lire for the next six months has been put forward to the Magistrate for provisional approval.

The severe storms which occurred during the month not only caused great damage to the roads, but considerable delay in the seasonal seal opening of the principal routes.

In one storm some 13 million lire's worth of damage was done to Route 13 (L. of C. to Uine and Austria).

Much of the bitumen which is arriving is of poor quality and will have to be distilled before use, thereby resulting in considerable expenses and delay.

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5. DISMISSED

During the month a total of 1,580 refugees passed through the Refugee Center, of which 1,162 were Italian. Amongst the remainder were 18 Swiss, 9 Russians, 74 Yugoslavs, 40 Romanians, 34 Austrians, and 15 Rumanians.

A train load of Italian ex-prisoners of war officers is expected daily.

6. WARMS.

Arrangements are being made for the immediate opening of a room for unemployed ex-prisoners of war. This room will supply approximately two hundred meals a day at a price of 15 lire a meal. The difference between this price and the actual cost will be covered by the R.C.A.

Similarly a room is being arranged for all state employees.

Though public health generally is good, there are a number of infectious diseases throughout the Province; in particular, measles - 345 cases, scarlet fever - 22; chicken pox - 49; diphtheria - 12; whooping cough - 42; meningitis - 1; polio - 20; infantile paralysis - 20.

Towns in which infantile paralysis is reported and which are occupied by troops are as under:-

Udine - 2 cases; Verbania - 3 cases; Sadio - 3 cases; San Vito al Tagliamento (recently evacuated by troops) - 4 cases.

One case of this disease occurred among the troops in San Vito al Tagliamento.

7. TRANSPORTATION.

Provincial Order No. 18, established a reduction of 25% of the transportation tariffs set out in Tables 1 and 11 of General Order 42. This order became effective on the 15th. of June.

A total of 79,000 quintals were carried during the month and there has been some improvement in the public transport services.

The returns for sales of scraps during the month amount to over 600,000 lire.

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Umuho - 2 cases; Perimano - 3 cases; Sadike - 3 cases; San Vito al Tallero (recently evacuated by troops) - 4 cases.

The case of this disease occurred among the troops in San Vito al Tallero.

7. TRANSPORTATION.

Provincial Order No. 10, established a reduction of 25% of the transportation tariffs set out in Tables 1 and 11 of General Order 42. This order became effective on the 15th. of June.

A total of 73,000 quintals were carried during the month and there has been some improvement in the public transport services.

The returns for sales of scraps during the month amount to over 600,000 Lira.

8. LEGAL.

The number of cases tried by Allied Military Courts was 22, of which 2 were Superior Court Cases.

The Special Session of the Court of Assize tried 26 cases during the month and dismissed 1, leaving 67 cases for trial.

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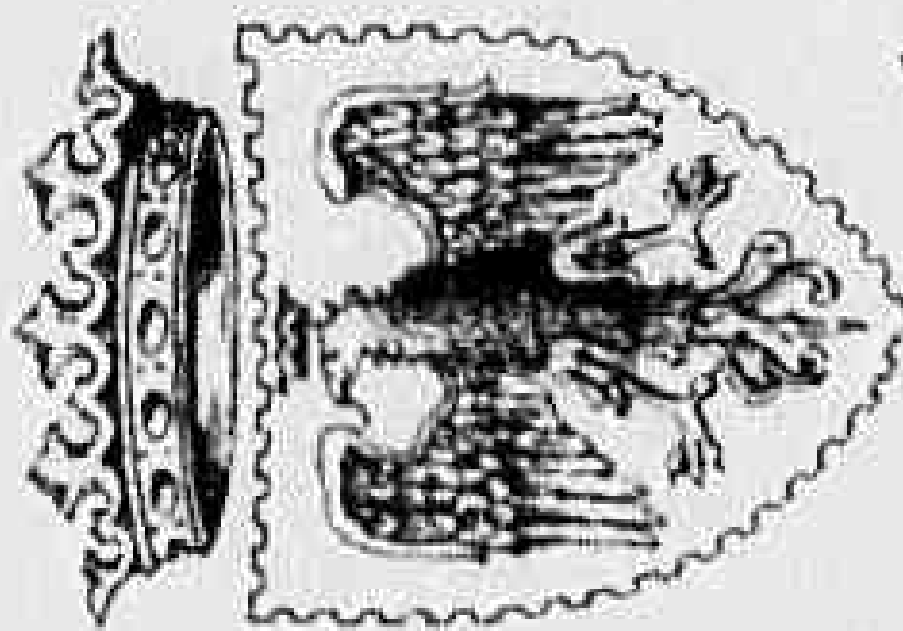
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AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION

INDIAN PROVINCE

Subject: Report No:12 - Month of May, 1946.

To : Headquarters,
ALLIED COMMISSION,
New York

1. POLITICAL SITUATION - INDIAN PROVINCE

Political activity was intense immediately prior to the elections, and every form of propaganda was employed.

With the exception of one or two very minor incidents, all meetings were conducted in a most orderly way.

The Communists appear to be somewhat disheartened as a result of their cooperation by the Socialists, and their failure to impress the people that they will be able to do all that they promise.

The very active and intelligent propaganda by the Democratic Christians, under the direction of the ex-prefect, Camellini, has been responsible for the great increase in the support of that party.

Intensive communist propaganda was noticeable in the past three weeks, though this was too late to secure a majority at the Referendum.

2. Further appeal by the Sindaco of the Marzotto Valley against annexation by Italy-Slovenia received, and my impression that a part of this Province should be added to the Slavs aroused the strongest resentment throughout the Province.

There is general disappointment at the failure of the Foreign Ministers to agree on the frontier question, and the general attitude of Russia is severely criticized.

Unemployment is responsible for some discontent in the Province, though the recent financing of some 200 million lire's worth of public works projects has relieved the situation to some extent.

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After protracted negotiations with the Labour Section of the Allied Central Commission for Austria, agreement was eventually reached and 600 Italian worklayers and kindred tradesmen left for Austria a week ago.

This has had a marked effect throughout the Province, there it is hoped that it will be the beginning of an action on which the unemployed problem, (in this Province), hinges.

Public opinion has been somewhat disturbed by the recent increase in the number of accidents in which Allied vehicles have been involved, but arrangements are in hand to improve the traffic routes, particularly in Milan city.

Though the overall political situation is calm, there is some uneasiness as to the outcome of the boundary problem.

The new Prefect, Mott. Vitenanti, has made a very good impression and is much appreciated by all respectable sections in the Province.

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2. Public Safety.

The perceived increase in the strength of the Carabinieri is most welcome, and will be even more so after the extra 150 men arrive.

High cost of living, with low wages is having a detrimental effect on the morale of the Carabinieri.

Summer uniforms are very urgently required, as also are shoes and underclothing.

Military trucks assigned to the Carabinieri are being fully utilized and have contributed considerably to the efficiency of this force.

There is little change in the crime records for the month, and of the few armed robberies some are believed to have been committed by criminals from outside the Province.

As a result of General Order No. 1, the following arms were surrendered:-

7 automatics
25 rifles
5 pistols
Small quantity of ammunition.

The majority of these were handed in by railway police, the public generally contributing only a fraction.

The first of May celebrations were very quiet.

Strikes employed were on strike between 6th and 11th May. The 'chour attaché' of the British Embassy arrived shortly after and made recommendations to the Italian Government which so far has given no decision.

Conditions in Uffizi Hall are being much improved, but the reduction in number of auxiliary guards is affecting their morale. As has often been requested previously, more career guards are urgently required to replace these auxiliaries.

The Guardia di Finanza are reasonably efficient; they are, however, in need of pistols and harness equipment. In connection with other public services, they complain about the difficult economic conditions.

All Police Officers in the Province are due for release in the near future, and as far there is no information as to how those will be replaced.

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Slow and steady propaganda continues in conjunction with certain sections of the Communist Party, but nothing definite has so far been realized.

The general public safety situation in the Province can be described as good.

2. ECONOMICS

Regular distribution of all ration commodities continues.

Present stocks of flour on hand will enable the ration to be continued until 14 June, but the planned distribution of 500 grams of pasta for May is cancelled in accordance with the new instructions.

The Gross Income of 500 grams of sugar to residents of Udine City up to 18 years old, given by Ireland, was gratefully received.

The final remainder of the livestock census has given a total of 545 192,356 head of cattle.

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A total of 217 tons of livestock, cattle and pigs, have been exported during the first month to all parts of Northern Italy.

Food prices generally are still high and do not at present show any tendency to fall.

Essential commodities for both industry and commerce were satisfactory except for imported coal, tyres and fuel oil.

After some resistance from the Province, the RSI situation was satisfactory.

The RSI situation is still unsatisfactory and the allocation of 147 tonnes for civil supplies was only a fraction of what is required to relieve the great shortages.

The coal shortage is being acutely felt throughout the Province and only 3,300 tons out of a minimum requirement of 6,000 tons have been received.

Medical supplies, totalling approximately 250 million lire, have been received but so far it has not been possible to get an official price list.

An agreement has recently been reached between the Allied Central Commission for Austria and the Italian Government, with the approval of the Labour Attache' of the British Embassy, for the transfer of some six hundred building trade labourers to Austria.

Agriculture.

Heavy rains and further deliveries of fertilizers have greatly improved agricultural prospects.

Wheat cultivation in the Province shows a 20% increase in 1945, rice a 50% increase, in barley a 33% increase. Sweet beans and sunflower also respectively 24% and 13% increase, while there is a decrease of 21% for potatoes and 7% for tritic.

Vines have not suffered by drought, and a good crop is forecast.

A total of 49 new cases of foot and mouth disease have been reported, bringing the total number up to 95. In consequence, the export of livestock from the Province has been forbidden without veterinary certificates.

The coal shortage is being seriously felt throughout the Province and only 3,300 tons out of a minimum requirement of 5,000 tons was received.

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Finance.

The cash position of the Bank of Italy for the month shows an increase of approximately three quarters of a million lire over last month, bringing the total of currency to over two and a half thousand million lire.

The decline in the lire was very noticeable during the month, particularly against gold.

Over 61.45 million lire were authorized for communal expenses and approximately 163 million lire has been authorized for the second quarter to meet stated communal budgets.

Military road projects were financed to a total of 15,700,000 lire.

A beginning has been made in the reduction of the staff of this headquarters.

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4. PUBLIC WORKS AND FINANCING.

Public works projects totalling approximately 205,000,000 lire have been prepared by the Santo Spirito of the Province. During the month it was necessary to visit the Magistrato alle Acque di Torino, in order to obtain a further financing of public works projects submitted to them. As a result, that office financed public works for this Province to a total of 14.2 million lire. The visit had a most stimulating effect on that office, and the co-operative attitude of the present Magistrate is in great contrast to that of his predecessor.

Elaborate preparations for the refurbishing of military roads have come to a standstill for the lack of equipment of which approximately three thousand tons are required. This will have the effect of delaying work on the less important military roads until the promised shipment arrives.

5. DISPLACED PERSONS.

During the month, a total of 2,322 refugees passed through the Centre, of which 783 are aliens, divided as follows:

French	4	Austrians	37
Polish	13	Rumanians	29
Russians	24	Turks	114
Greeks	398	Yugoslavs	1
Spaniards	90	Belgians	2
German	20	Swiss	1

One half of the above displaced persons arrived from Venezia Giulia, and the balance from Austria and the Udine area.

6. WELFARE.

In a variety of ways, Welfare Office continues to give active support throughout the Province, and was largely responsible for the provision of an ambulance for the Palazzo S.B. Hospital. The Ministry of Post-war Assistance has provided some seven million lire towards the electric lighting scheme for the community of the Salsomaggiore.

No increase in the number of UNRRA rations for the poor and needy of the Province have yet been authorized, though claims for any increase have been received.

The general health of the Province is good, but 173 cases of measles and 21 cases of diphtheria have been reported.

5. Displaced Persons.

During the month, a total of 2,322 refugees passed through the Centre, of which 723 were aliens, divided as follows:

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No increase in the number of official rations for the poor and needy of the Province have yet been authorized, though claims for new rations have been received.

The general health of the Province is good, but 175 cases of measles and 21 cases of diphtheria have been reported.

7. Transportation.

There is some transportation in the Province to meet all ordinary requirements, except for the passenger-carrying vehicles, which are urgently required by state and private enterprises and in the animal camps.

The bus situation is still insufficient to meet requirements.

The bus situation is still unsatisfactory, and an increase in the monthly allocation is most necessary.

Approximately 165,000 quanta were carried by vehicles operating under the British Auto-transport during the month.

Further five million lire has been deposited in the account by the sale of ex-military vehicle scrap.

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3. Results.

The number of cases tried by Allied Military Courts was 39, of which 12 were Superior Court cases. Six of the Superior Court cases resulted in acquittals and three in the Summary cases.

The Italian Courts are working satisfactorily and the Special Session of the Court of Assize tried 18 cases and dismissed 4, leaving 101 awaiting trial.

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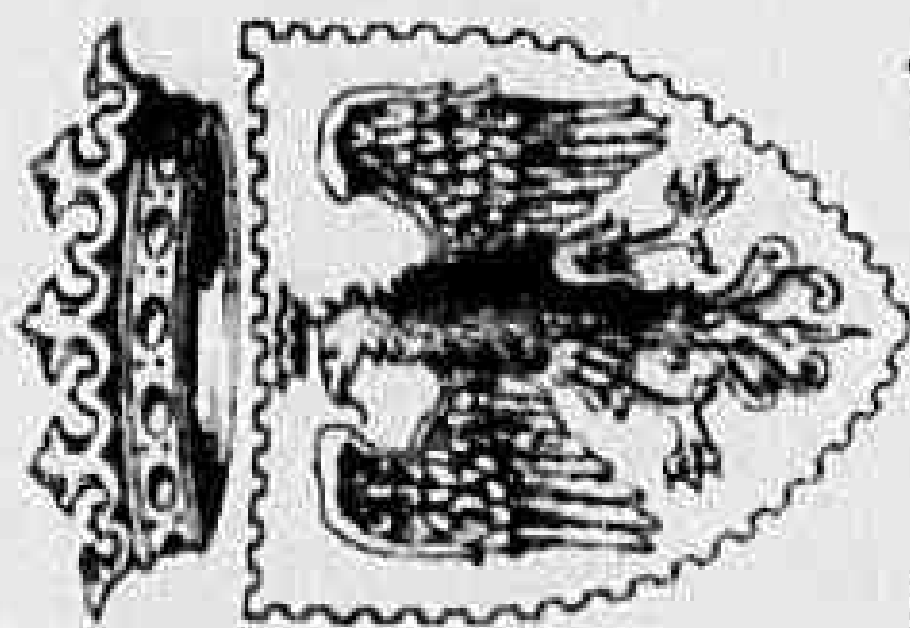
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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

VIENNE PROVINCE

Subject: Report No. 11 - Month of April, 1946.

To: Headquarters,
ALLIED COM. IN CH,
HANOI.

1. POLITICAL SITUATION AND POPULAR OPINION.

Election results up to 7th April, 1946, for 65 Communes were as under:

Christian Democrats	579
Republican Concentration	546
Independents	81
Socialists	29
Communists	18
Liberals	4
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The Communist party were obviously disappointed with the results, which were due to two causes:

- (a) The pro-Slav tendencies of certain Communist leaders.
- (b) Opposition by the women voters to Communist principles.

An early divorce of Socialists from Communists is foreseen.

The Allied Boundary Commission completed its survey of the southern part of the Province on the 2nd April, 1946, without incident, and was everywhere received with cordiality, though many expressions of surprise at their visit to a territory which has been repeatedly described as not in dispute.

Slight Slav infiltration and propaganda is reported from SA. 2. N. D., while various small nests of Slavs and pro-Slav elements are said to be in the mountains NORTH of SA. 1. N. D. The latter, however, had not been confirmed, but military patrols with Carebids of no visiting all suspected areas.

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Slight Slav infiltration and propaganda is reported from the SLOVAK, while various small nests of Slavs and pro-Slav elements are said to be in the mountains NORTH of BRATISLAVA. The latter, however, has not been confirmed, but military patrols with Carabiniers are visiting all suspected areas.

Increased threats of Slav penetration into the Valtellina on 1st May 1946 did not materialise. These may have been circulated by Italian agents to exaggerate pro-Slav activities or by Slav elements for purposes of intimidation.

An unfortunate incident occurred at S. IMMOLO prior to the arrival of the Boundary Commission, when a military patrol shot and killed a youth who failed to answer a challenge. The youth was suspected of interfering with telephone lines, but was actually endeavouring to hoist a large-Slav flag on a telegraph pole.

The anniversary of liberation was celebrated by a Mass Meeting at the cathedral in the Castle grounds on 25th April, 1946. Speeches were made and comments on the conduct of the crowd then and throughout the day was very orderly.

A former Mayor Prefect, Dott. Vittadini, was appointed on 7th May, the retiring Prefect, Mr. Agostino Giandolini, having tendered his resignation in order to devote his energies to the Democratic Party election campaign.

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The Provincial Commissioner was present at a small installation ceremony in the Prefettura, which has been fully reported in the local press.

With the resignation of Candelini, the Provincial Commission has accepted the resignations of the two political Vice-Prefects, thus removing all political influence from the Prefettura.

Statal and para-statal employees commenced a strike on the 5th May, for an increase in the "Carovita" allowance.

The proximity of Venezia Giulia, where a higher allowance has been authorized, is partly responsible for this, but Left-Wing political influence is a contributory factor.

Delegates from the employees are still in Rome, and have been received by the Minister who is considering their request.

Apart from this, it is the considered opinion of A.M.G. in this Province, that existing conditions are a result of the proximity of the Province to Venezia Giulia, and the presence of a large number of occupation troops in the area, should be more keenly appreciated by the Italian Government in awarding "carovita" and other allowances to statal and other employees in this Province. The following are some of the grounds for complaint which tend to disturb public opinion, and produce discontent:

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The Allies are welcome chiefly owing to the political situation, at the alleged bad treatment of P.O.W. and requisitioning of resources of the Province, give rise to many unfavourable comments.

A good harvest is foreseen, provided rain falls, but the unemployment situation is still serious.

Unemployment is still fervently desired and is the only solution to alleviating the unemployment problem.

2. Public Opinion

If the requested increase in the overall strength of Carabinieri has been authorized, it is hoped that an immediate increase will be made for this force, where the numbers are all too small.

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Rate of pay for Carabinieri requires revision, according to the present standard of living, while there is a general demand in the part of Guardia di Finanza and justice agents for higher wages and better facilities for purchase of adequate civilian food rations.

San uniforms and equipment are arriving, but much more are required, particularly automatic arms, pistols, shirts and underwear.

Improvement in morale and efficiency is being maintained as is shown by the record of only one murder and seven robberies during the month.

Repair works in Uline Gadi are being hastened, which should improve internal security, sanitation and general housing conditions.

Adequate precautions were taken against a threatened general break in Uline prison on 1st May.

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A census of livestock has been completed and over 600 head have
been distributed to other provinces during the month.

Lack of an adequate supply of coal and tyres is still grave,
impeding normal progress.

This month, 39 motor tyres were received from Fiammif, a new
in the center of one of the Province's most urgent needs.

Coal requirements at a very minimum are 6,000 tons a month. In
April 5,300 tons only have been received. The causes are known, but
plans are being made to show how trade revival will be hampered.

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A small strike has taken place in the cement factories, but the
workers have now returned.

It is interesting to note that the cost of cement in Trieste is

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20 lire per quintal higher than in this province.

A quantity of GAO Medical Supplies was received during the month and is now being distributed.

Further ammunition depots have been taken over from the army, but stock-taking is slow, owing to the danger of scattered forces.

Italian currency is being hampered by the actions of agents in its sales of to the public. However, it is hoped to hold public auctions shortly, before all the valuable items have vanished.

Unemployment is now over 50,000, largely due to the delay in receiving the financing of public works projects, and of emigration schemes.

4.2. Austria has repeatedly asked for Italian labour, which is available. With so much distress, it is urged that the Italian Government should be strongly advised to make a speedy decision on this matter.

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Agriculture.

No change in mass figures.

Recent deliveries of fertilisers have assisted agricultural prospects.

Vines show no signs of disease.

Fruit trees are infested with aphids, but otherwise show good results.

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Statel, state-owned and co-owned financing continues normally.

The Cassa di Risparmio deposits show approximately 100,000 lire increase since the Council was formed and a new director assigned at the instigation of A.S.

General confidence in the banks has been noticed amongst the population, especially during the past six months.

Public Works & Utilities.

Order to the signalling agency on the part of the Magistrato alle Acque di Venezia, it was necessary to send the Engineer Officer again to Rome, to request more energetic action for approval and financing of projects. As a result, the Minister of Public Works and the Minister of Agriculture decided to intervene effectively, and it is now hoped that the Venice Office will realise that Udine Province still exists, and cannot be left out of calculations.

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Some slight improvement has already been noticed, but more work is required.

2. DISPLACED PERSONS.

During the month a total of 4,456 refugees passed through the Province, of which 1,152 were aliens. Half of the Italians were ex-G.I.s, many of whom came from Russia.

The Communists attempted to win their confidence on arrival, but had a nasty shock when they were "seen off" by the ex-Pe.O.s, who were promptly styled "fascists" by their would-be friends.

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The Minister of Post War Assistance has assisted materially since his visit to the Province, and has allotted a further 85 million Liras for the relief of devastated areas.

Some 60,000 American blankets have been received and are being distributed on a priority basis.

The health of the Province continues to be good.

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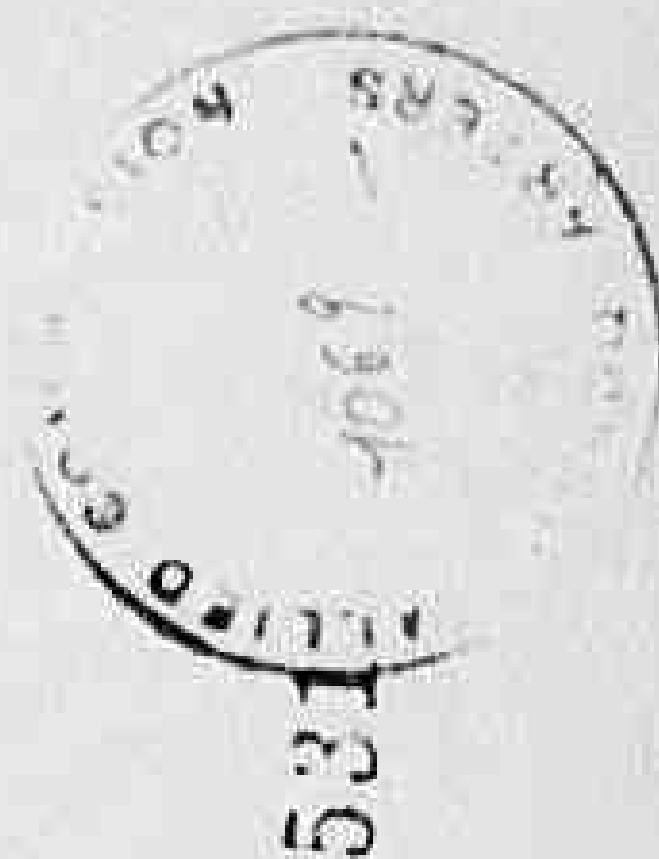
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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENTUDINE PROVINCE

Subject: Report No:9 - Month of February, 1946.

To: Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
R O M E.1. POLITICAL REACTION AND POPULAR OPINION.

The subjects most prominent in the public mind at the moment are: the visit of the Boundary Commission to consider the frontier question, and the local administrative elections.

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The public is still more concerned about the necessities of life than it is about politics. It is considered that for this reason a large number will abstain from voting, both in the administrative and political elections, even if the law is introduced compulsory voting, at present under discussion at the Consulta, be passed.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

The local government is still too dependent on ASG and apt to refer matters which could very easily be settled by the department concerned. This is due largely to the fact that many government officials are not career men and have been placed there by appointment. This applies in particular to the Sindaco in the Comunes. It is hoped, however, that after the elections, the newly elected administrators will feel in a stronger position than the present ones.

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2. PUBLIC SAFETY.a. CARABINIERI ARMI.

The present strength of Carabinieri in this province is now approximately equal to that of the Organic strength and it is appreciated that unless and until any general increase in the total strength of the CC. RR. is sanctioned, we cannot expect preferential treatment here. A tendency on the part of the Legion Command to deplete numbers in Uline, in favour of other Provinces where no Allied troops are stationed, has been checked, and they have been informed that the Italian Police are primarily responsible for public safety and that in view of the conditions peculiar to this territory, the numbers of CC. RR. must be at least equal to those authorised and movements must not be made without the prior approval of AMG.

Renewed attention is, however, drawn to the fact that in such a large Province with 65 stations, frontier control duty etc. Carabinieri are very thin on the ground and constant complaints are received that stations responsible for policing three or four cantons have a strength of four or five men only. If, therefore, any addition can be made to the authorised strength of CC. RR. in this Province it would be of the greatest possible benefit to public safety. The morale and efficiency of the Carabinieri is improving and a number of trucks recently obtained on loan from the Military authorities will be most useful. Clothing and equipment are gradually arriving but more is needed and automatic arms and pistols are constantly requested. Complaint is made that the present pay is not sufficient, having regard to the cost of living, but this of course, is common to all Services.

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c. GRUPPO DI FINANZA

This force is performing its normal functions in a fairly efficient manner and the morale of the personnel is good. Its greatest needs are new clothing and bedding for post block duty in the mountains etc, pistols and mess utensils. Complaints are constantly being made against the low rate of wages and the irregularity in the distribution of food rations from civilian sources. Some good work has been done in connection with the suppression of black market activities and finance in this has been encouraged to increase their activities in this respect.

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4. PRISONS

The prisons in this Province, and particularly Hainan and Peninsular, remain overcrowded, but probably not unduly so by comparison with jails elsewhere. The new Director has taken up his duties at Uline Gael, and is doing his best to improve the administration there. He has submitted a lengthy report to the Ministry of Grace and Justice, of his requirements etc. One step, which appears most necessary, is a general re-shuffle of prison guards, who by reason of local contacts over prolonged periods, have become frightened or otherwise influenced in the performance of their duties. In addition, uniforms are urgently required for guards, also equipment, bedding, eating utensils etc. for almost all prisons.

a. PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION GENERALLY.

By comparison with normal standards the public safety situation is still unsatisfactory, mainly by reason of the continued prevalence of armed robberies but the position is reliably reported as being much better in this Province than in many other parts of Italy and this is unquestionably due in large measure to the presence of Allied Forces in the area. The number of armed robberies reported is 31 which is an average figure over the past few months. It is, however, fair to say that the situation has improved by reason of a large number of arrests for armed robberies, possession of arms etc. in recent weeks, totalling about fifty. The provision of transport for the Carabinieri will, it is hoped, be of very material assistance in the prevention of crime. A finer attitude on the part of police generally has been observed, and it appears that the public are regaining some of their former confidence in the ability of the police services to maintain law and order and are becoming more willing to co-operate by denouncing offenders, giving information etc, which is of the utmost importance under any police system.

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The total number of cases tried during the month was 43. All those were Military Court Cases. Of the cases tried 3 resulted in acquittal and 40 in convictions. The number of cases tried month by month since the liberation of the Province is as follows: May and June - 143. July - 76. August - 75. Sept. - 94. Oct. - 107. Nov. - 85. Dec. - 99. etc. - 87. and Feb. - 43.

(a) A certain number of cases of minor importance have been transferred to the Italian Courts for trial.

2) ITALIAN COURTS.

(a) The Italian Courts are working satisfactorily.

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Justice (continued).

(a) A session of the Ordinary Court of Assize will sit in Udine Province from 1st to 15th of April to dispose of cases awaiting trial.

(b) With regards to the Special Session of the Court of Assize: during the month 23 cases were tried and 40 dismissed without trial after investigation. At the end of the month the number of cases ready for trial was 40. At the beginning of the period under report, the number of prisoners to be dealt with was 134; 12 new arrests have been made during the month.

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ELECTIONAL LISTE.

From the report of the Prefettura for the fortnightly period ended 31 Jan 46, it appears that the general lists of male and female electors have been completed in 144 communes. The male general lists have been approved in 35 communes and the female general lists in 36 communes. The sectional lists have been compiled in 82 communes and approved in 21. Administrative elections will be held on 24 Mar 46, in 21 communes, on 31 Mar 46, in 23 communes, and on 7 Apr 46, in 22 communes.

2. FINANCE.BANKS AND CURRENCY POSITION.

Cash position of the Bank of Italy as of 24 Jan 46. :- L. 716,898,100.

Idem as of 23 Feb 46.

" 720,404,350.

Difference. L. 3,506,250.

BANKING.

Up to about a month ago Banks were fairly liberal in granting loans to industrial concerns as well as to merchants. However, this policy has now been changed, and Banks are exerting the utmost caution in facilitating loans.

STANDARD AND PARASTATAL FINANCING.

74 Budgets have been received and 73 approved. 5 are still outstanding.

Total amount of funds authorised. L. 526,431,601,44.

COMMUNES FINANCING.

approved in 21. Administrative elections will be held on 24 Mar 46, in 21 countries, on 31 Mar 46, in 23 countries, and on 7 Apr 46, in 22 countries.

2. FINANCE

BANKS AND CURRENCY POSITION.

Cash position of the Bank of Italy as of 24 Jan 46. :- L. 716,898,100.

Idem as of 23 Feb 46.

" 720,404,350.

Difference, L. 3,506,250.

REMARKS.

Up to about a month ago Banks were fairly liberal in granting loans to industrial concerns as well as to merchants. However, this policy has now been changed, and Banks are exerting the utmost caution in facilitating loans.

STATAL AND PARASTATAL FINANCING.

74 budgets have been received and 73 approved. 5 are still outstanding.

Total amount of funds authorized. L. 526,431,601,44.

COMMERCE FINANCING.

The 172 budgets submitted to AMG were all approved. 4 are outstanding.

Total amount of funds authorized. L. 185,358,563,41.

MILITARY EXPEND.

Following projects were approved by AMG :-

Acquisition...	L. 800,000.
Reconstruction...	L. 3,341,615.
	L. 4,141,615.

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6. FOODITEMS DISTRIBUTED IN THE MONTH OF FEB 46.

Bread or maize flour : regular distribution of 200 grs. per consumer daily.

Sugar : 200 grs. per consumer.

Oil : 100 " " "

Rice : 500 " " "

Sick people at home have received supplementary rations of sugar, oil, butter and rice.

CEREAL RESERVE.

The situation during the first ten days of the month was very serious but this improved considerably later in the month owing to an arrival of imported grain. Another allocation of 4013 tons of wheat has been made to this Province so that the normal ration of bread can be maintained up to about the 26th of March. It has been necessary to issue corn flour for about three days per week instead of bread. This has enabled us to stretch our meagre supply of wheat flour.

PASTA.

No distribution of "pasta" has been possible, due to the serious situation of flour, although there has been a distribution of 500 grs. of rice.

The arrivals of rice are very slow and there are many "riserie" which are unable to consign the quantities of rice allocated to this Province.

MEAT.

"Rebuni" of cattle have been temporarily suspended, resulting from a meeting held at the Prefettura, at which, it was unanimously voted to abolish the "Rebuni."

MS has reserved the right to re-establish the "Rebuni" again if the prices become too high. Plenty of meat can be found on the market.

This Province is supplying the Provinces of Gorizia, Trieste, Pola and other quantities of cattle monthly.

A plan for a regular export of breeding cattle to other Provinces is being prepared.

MILK.

A regular supply of fresh milk has been made to sick people at home and to hospitals. In addition during the last ten days of the month, the civil population of Udine has received a daily ration of 50 grs. of fresh milk per person.

On the fruit and vegetable market there is fresh and dried fruit in abundance, as well as any kind of vegetable, but prices are still high.

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Fish, eggs, rabbits and poultry can be found easily, though at prices beyond the capacity of anyone except the rich.

PRICES

The following are the prices on the black market as compared with the fixed prices :-

Wheat	17. lire per Kg.	70.
Flour	15. " " "	30.
Maize Flour	13. " " "	110.
Pasta	23.50 " " "	130.
Rice	45. " " "	600.
Butter	350. " " "	800.
Olive Oil	101. " " "	400.
Pots	231. " " "	50.
Milk	25. " " "	700.
Eggs	167. " " "	

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6. FOOD (continued).PRICES ON THE OPEN MARKET.

Meat,	250. lire per kilo (with bone)	- 330 (without bone).
Poultry,	260. " " "	
Eggs,	17. " " "	
Rabbits,	160. " " "	
Crabs,	70. " " "	
Cheese,	320 - 550 per kilo.	
Hard Cheese,	900 " "	
Pish,	220 - 310 " "	

On the whole, prices of such items as pasta and rice are going up, whilst those of fats in general, and pork-products are slowly on the decline.

7. AGRICULTURE.(a) AGRICULTURE.

Up to date the harvesting results are as follows :-

Wheat.....	Qli.	137,566.
Maize.....	"	45,530.
Rye.....	"	2,864.
Barley.....	"	672.
Sunflower.....	"	10,551.

(b) SOWING SITUATION.

Of the average sown last autumn in the Province, wheat is slightly above the average.

The general state of vegetation is good.

(c) SPRING SOWING.

Despite the lack of fertilizers no difficulties are foreseen for the spring sowing. The mild winter has left the soil in good condition and ploughing and harrowing are well ahead.

(d) FORAGE SITUATION.

The 1945. harvest of hay was inferior to that of the past years and farmers cut down their number of cattle to the minimum; thus the situation is expected before the next harvest.

(e) VINES, MULBERRY AND FRUIT TREES.

Due to the favourable weather the vines, fruit trees etc. generally are in good condition but again owing to the lack of copper sulphates etc. the crops will be light.

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(e) VINES, NUTTREES AND FRUIT TREES.

Due to the favourable weather the vines, fruit trees etc. generally are in good condition but again owing to the lack of copper sulphates etc. the crops will be light.

(f) PRESSING OF SUNFLOWER-SEED.

A final agreement has been reached in the dispute between Consorzio Agrario and "Oleificio Friulano" of Aquileia by which 911.2700 of seed will be sent for pressing, and the balance of 911.1000 either to Montebelluna or Vermon.

g. DISPLACED PERSONS.

During the month 1490 Italians and 473 non-Italians passed through the Udine Refugee Centre.

One half of the above displaced persons arrived from Venezia Giulia and the balance from Austria and Ullan area.

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2. INDUSTRY.GENERAL.

The overall supply of essential commodities for commerce and industries is slowly improving, except for tyres and P.O.L.

Imported coal is allocated, is assisting to some degree in resuscitating industry but, as was urged by the Provincial Commissioner on his recent visit to Kulu, an allocation of 6,000 tons per month, as a minimum, would make a difference which can scarcely be appreciated outside the province.

The praise by the Economic Sub-Commission of the small increase involved was greatly appreciated.

The importance of the resumption of trade with Austria cannot be overstressed from the Provincial angle. Trade on the basis of exchange of goods is being requested by several of the Paper and Cellulose mills.

These firms had their source of first quality softwood supply, in the Austrian forests, just across the Northern borders of Ulu Province. The fact that no Italian is allowed to cross the border into Austria is also a great obstacle to the resumption of normal channels of trade in the North of Ulu Province as well as for the special cellulose industries. This matter has been taken up through the Chambers of Commerce to the Italian Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Any assistance that Headquarters, Allied Commission can give to further this exchange of goods will be much appreciated by all concerned.

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Motor Gas Kero. Lub. Oil.

Fuel allocation, 102.9 tons, 54.3 154. 103.
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January.	125.	129.	125.	13.
February.	125.	129.	122.	13.
March.	188.	117.	173.	14.
April.	108.	117.	170.	14.

FIGURES.

Nothing of importance to report, as supply is plentiful and exceeds demand :-

<u>Provision.</u>	<u>Quantity supplied.</u>	<u>Allocation.</u>
Venice.	30,375. 918.	21,000.
Falovo.	21,880. "	21,000.
Trieste.	65,055. "	70,000.
Provision.	11,615. "	12,000.
Govt. Oil.	4,130. "	6,000.
Oil.	324,611. "	354,000.
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2. POLISHIA. (continued).FLINTING. (continued).

13 Corps and 86 Sub-area have received some 100,000 qia. out of their allocation of 135,000 qia.

TIRES.

The situation shows no improvement over last month's report. The totally inadequate supply of 19 (nineteen) tyres for February has been received from C.I.A.L. Milano. Clandestine export of stolen WD tyres continues to other provinces where Military Police are few. More than one motor bus line has had to cease their services owing to lack of tyres and C.I.L.

BIOMBLE TYRES.

The allocation of 4440 tyres has been received and distributed to workers and office employees etc. It is hoped to receive the same amount next month since no allocation was received for January.

CONSTRUCTIONAL TIMBER.

Total of 3,963 cubic meters of constructional timber including hardwoods, was released during the month.

Numerous complaints continue to be received from Communes in the Carnia and Tarvisio districts regarding the 13 Corps RE timber requirements.

It is strenuously urged that the present felling programme for a week is equivalent to the pre-war programme for a month, when timber was imported from Austria, and that serious injury is in consequence being done to the Forests.

It is again requested that the availability of timber in other adjacent provinces should be seriously considered. O.G. Belluno, Dolzono, Trento, and thus relieve the hardship now being caused to the mountain communes of this Province.

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a. Allocation of 18,000 square meters of flat-bed glass including 1042 sq. meters of printed glass was received during the month. The need for glass is still large. A special allocation was received for the repair of windows broken by the Coltrape ammunition explosion.

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10. REGISTRATIONVEHICLES

Vehicles registered (over 10 ghs).....1112,
of which :-

working solely on behalf of holders..... 515,
working on hire for third parties..... 594.

45 new registrations of ex-enemy vehicles occurred this month.

AKG. 10% Hire contracts are 503.

AKG TRUCK POOL

22 trucks and 4 trailers now operating. All vehicles, except one trailer are in good repair.

PAGS

Shortage of POL (Petrol and Naptha) is creating certain uneasiness amongst transporters and holders of Public Service vehicles, and further cuts will be necessary in future allocations. The allocation for February was such below the essential needs of the Province.

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10. TRANSPORTATION. (continued).TRUCKS.

The position is getting more serious every day and it is estimated that 30% of vehicles, once the warm weather begins, will be forced off the road.

MOVEMENT.

Daily average of vehicles in movement.....170.
 Daily average of vehicles not on the road.....410.
 Monthly total kilometers..... 655,612.
 Monthly total quintals carried..... 226,376.30.

MOVEMENT STATISTICS (IMPORTS, EXPORTS BY ROAD AND RAIL - MOVEMENT INSIDE THE PROVINCE ONLY BY ROAD - FIGURES RECORD QUINTALS CARRIED), Within									
Commodity Class.	IMPORTS		EXPORTS		PROVINCE		Within		
	by road,	by rail,	by road,	by rail,	by road,	by rail,	by road,	by rail,	by rail,
	qle.	qle.	qle.	qle.	qle.	qle.	qle.	qle.	qle.
AGRICULTURE	15,123.	—	1,460.	6,700.	15,219.	—			
INDUSTRY	6,192.	—	4,082.	270.	7,438.	—			
COMMERCE	18,269.	1,560.	16,610.	100.	64,552.	40.			
VARIOUS	3,396.	200.	13,405.	—	51,745.	90.			
	2,192.	40.	3,233.	960.	3,453.	—			
Total qle.....	45,172.	1,800.	38,790.	3,030.	142,413.	30.			

ROAD CONTROL.

Traffic police not very active. It has been requested that copies of all traffic offences be forwarded to Legal Office HQ. AMG Udine Prov.

PUBLIC SERVICES.

A complete supervision of all bus lines operating in the Province will take place during next month.

11. CRIME.

Following on the negotiations between the Provincial Commissioner and Col. Mc Sweeney, 121 ROBE, 30 parcels of clothing and food have arrived. An MDEI committee has been formed for the distribution of these parcels in the distressed areas. The Committee consists of :-

The Prefect,
 The Archbishop,

	by road, Qto.	by rail, Qto.	by road, Qto.	by rail, Qto.
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L.R.C. Supervisor and acting AMG Welfare Officer.
The President I.R.C.
The Medico Provinciale.
E.C.A. Representative.
Secretary of E.C.A. of the local C.L.N.

Advisors:

The UNRRA representative has visited this Province and it is hoped that the 16,200 rations per day assigned for children and expectant mothers will be increased, as this quantity is far below the minimum requirements.

Prof. Morjugo has resigned from the post of President of the I.R.C. The former president Duca Catterio is at present in Rome negotiating for Gen. Martini, the Provincial Commissioner's nominee for the presidency. Gen. Martini has stated that his financial position does not permit him to accept an honorary appointment but he is willing to accept the post of Commissario, which carries a small emolument.

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12. PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES

(a) CURRENT

(1) The principal work of the month has been drawing up a provisional combined programme for reconstruction and unemployment relief during the next three months.

(ii) Out of budgets of 400 million lire for reconstruction, presented by the Genio Civile, 600 million lire for unemployment presented by the Prefect, and some 500 million of projects from other quarters, a provisional budget of 700 million lire was drawn up and taken to Rome for approval by the Ministry of Public Works. This is daily awaited.

(iii) A start will be made immediately on the most obviously necessary works but this programme will require considerable revision as time goes on since only about one third of the work proposed will be able to be financed. To this end a committee on which are represented the Prefect, Genio Civile, Labour Office, Consorzio Corvara etc. has been formed to give priority to selected projects.

(iv) On works other than war damage, the communes have to guarantee repayment of half the cost, over the next thirty years. This is having some effect on the number of irresponsible projects put forward. Up to a month ago it was generally supposed that funds could be obtained in unlimited quantity from Allied finance.

(v) While these necessary paper activities are taking place, the real work in the field is increasing as weather conditions get better. It is estimated that there is an increase of some 500 on work under the Genio Civile as compared with the beginning of the month.

(b) MILITARY ROADS AND BRIDGES

(vi) Ordinary maintenance continues at winter standard in the north of the province, but activity is increasing in the south where conditions are warmer.

(vii) Surveys are on hand for the spring programme of seal coating carpeting etc. which will commence early in April, when it becomes hot enough to work economically with bitumen.

(viii) If finance and sufficiency of bitumen and transport are available from the Military at least 1000 more men will be employed on military roads.

(ix) Work on the Tre Ponte Bridge on Route 14 near Corvara has commenced. Activity is increasing on the approaches to Palassio Bridge, but soft ground has been encountered in the foundations, necessitating test piling and possible alterations in the bridge design.

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13. EDUCATION.

The only development has been the request from the German speaking minority in the Terzino area for extra curriculum German classes, which will therefore be instituted in 2 schools with the German paying the teachers appointed by the Provveditorato. No similar request was made from the Slavic minority since permission to set up German and Slavic schools was refused. The question of modifying an obsolete 1933 law regarding payment of certain teachers for work outside their own curriculum is to be taken up with the Minister; at present the rate paid was L.3. per lesson less taxes - clearly inadequate.

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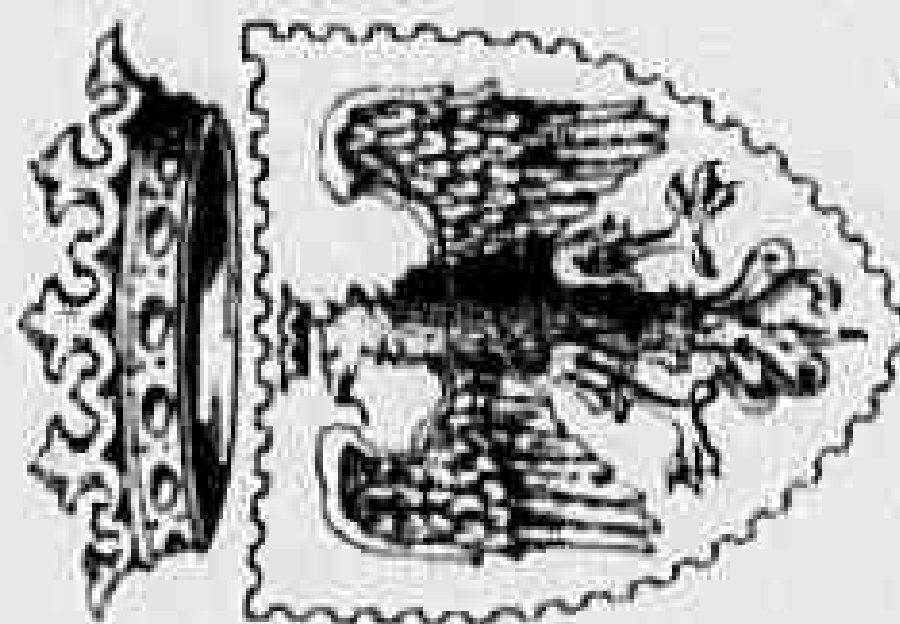
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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

UDINE PROVINCE.

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To : Headquarters,
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ROME

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Dem. Christian Party.
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Polling was carried out in a most orderly and efficient way, which augurs well for the impending General Election.

The visits of Scoccimarro and Gasparotto aroused considerable interest among their respective supporters, Communist and Labour Democrats. For a time for 3½ hours to a crowded audience on a wide variety of topics including the danger to the state of reactionary elements, the necessity for supporting the army and Police forces, a vigorous attack on the hierarchy, criticism of the Church, and support for the Italian people. In the main, his speech was moderate and very well received by his audience of several thousand.

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ADDITIONAL REACTION AND POPULAR OPINION (continued).

Gasparotto addressed his supporters in a quiet but convincing way, and urged that Democracy alone was the one stable force in a country trying to survive the aftermath of war.

The Socialist Friuli Federation Congress was chiefly concerned with the desire of the party to divorce itself from the Communists.

The Sindaco of Udine, Avv. Cosottini, a member of the Consulta, was its chief advocate, due to the annoyance of the Communists.

The New Christian Congress seemed to doubt the sincerity of the socialist desire to break with the Communist, and even more so of the suggestion that the socialists should unite with them.

It is significant that this congress recorded a vote of 14,000 in favour of a Republic and 1,200 against.

The Boundary Commission spent a strenuous four days in the Eastern Department of the province, visiting the districts of Divulio, Taranto, Gemoni and Portofino.

Everywhere the population behaved in a calm and dignified way, and preferred to rely on the Franchinista of the Province to convince the Commission of its sincerity and loyalty to the Italian Crown.

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Relations between the population and JAG continues to be good, while confidence in Anglo-American fairness in deciding the frontier issue has been freely expressed.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

No change, except that Communal Elections have been held, without incident.

3. PUBLIC SAFETY.

(a) Carabinieri Squad.

The efficiency of the Carabinieri Reali is improving, their most serious handicap is shortage of transport, and

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PUBLIC SAFETY (continued).Carabinieri Corps.

Whilst it is true that they are up to their original strength of 624, it has always been contended that in the present abnormal circumstances, such a strength is inadequate for a province the size of Udine with 65 stations to run and 172 communes to police.

All Carabinieri are now provided with one uniform, but the majority of them are in need of a second; also shirts and under-clothing. Truck transport and motorcycles provided from military sources are proving of the greatest possible service. More automatic arms are required, and it is suggested that the armament of all Police Services should receive the urgent consideration of the Italian Government, in order that a decision may be reached as to numbers and types of weapons to be authorized for specific duties, also as to the possibility of providing tear-gas or smoke grenades for use in disturbances etc.

Another important matter requiring attention is, this Service is the refurnishing of barracks. During the time of liberation many caserms were occupied and this has resulted in serious loss of furniture including cupboards, tables, beds etc. It is therefore recommended that the contractors normally responsible for providing such articles should be instructed to make good deficiencies.

(b. Auxiliary Service.

This service is improving rapidly.

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The Auxiliary Police, after much pecking, have now applied to be engaged as effective agents of P.S. and to take the course of instruction prescribed by the Ministry of Interior. They now await the allotment by the Ministry of vacancies at the school. Some members of this Corps will undoubtedly prove themselves fit for retention in the Service, but by reason of local contacts and political influences it is advisable that, as and when they are accepted for permanent service following the completion of their instruction, they should be transferred elsewhere.

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One particularly important case in which very good police work was recently carried out by the Quantum Service in that in which two persons were arrested in this Province for being in possession of, and attempting to utter, 72 forged 1000 Lire Italian Banknotes. Inquiries in this case were followed up in the Province of Genoa which resulted in bringing the forgers to light, the confiscation of 996 forged 1000 Lire banknotes and the arrest of 7 persons.

(c) QUANTUM SERVICE

The morale and efficiency of this force is improving, and the results to the Headquarters in Genoa necessitated by war damage are being completed.

PRISON SERVICE (continued).

PRISON SERVICE.

Complaint is made of the low rate of pay compared with the cost of living, and the inadequacy of the food ration obtainable from civilian sources.

A number of automatic arms have recently been distributed to Prison Guards, but pistols are needed, also transport. The technical nature of the services performed by the Prison Guards including the collection of taxes, investigation of war damage claims etc. are not always appreciated, but form an important part of the Prison Service Administration.

PRISON SERVICE.

17 persons have been denounced during the month for black market offences, and other violations dealt with, including evasion of taxes amount to 1,958,955. lire.

(A) PRISONERS.

Further unrest was recently reported in Udine Jail, and the new director appears to have become somewhat intimidated and fears more disorder. He has reported that he has no faith in any of the prison guards, and in reply to a signal sent to ALBA HQ. it has been learned that the Ministry will expedite the replacement of guards and supply of uniforms.

This is urgent as a British Military Guard cannot be maintained for ever.

Weapons are now being approved for the purchase of bedding, utensils and other equipment and for general repairs to the prison, which should improve internal security. Other prisons in the Province are reasonably satisfactory, but bedding and equipment are required in almost all cases.

(C) PRISON SERVICE ADMINISTRATION GENERALLY.

It is fair to say that the Public Safety Standard, generally, in the Province during the past five or six weeks has very much improved.

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(5) MILITARY DISCIPLINE AND PUNITION GENERALLY.

It is fair to say that the Public Safety Standard, generally, in the Province during the past five or six weeks has very much improved.

This has been brought about by more resolute action on the part of Police Services resulting in a large number of arrests of armed criminals. In consequence the number of serious armed robberies in the Province has decreased from an average of about 30 per month to 2, and whilst it is difficult to forecast whether this low level figure can be maintained, it is nevertheless distinctly encouraging.

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2 murders were reported and in each case arrests have been made.

There has been an increase in thefts of cars and tyres etc.

The provision of transport from Allied Military sources has been of the greatest possible benefit and the gradual supply of uniforms, boots and other equipment now arriving is not before time.

General Order No. 1, relating to the surrender of Allied and German forces was published in all corners of the Province on 513 1/2. Together with a Provisional Order calling upon persons to hand in all other types of arms.

Results achieved under these orders will be reported in due course.

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MILITARY SITUATION (continued).

MILITARY SITUATION GENERALLY.

Several minor demonstrations against unemployment and difficult economic conditions or calling for the replacement of certain municipal employees have been reported during the month, but no serious disorders of any kind have occurred.

Industry is still in want of food and labour conditions and there are certain signs of impotence which may lead to demonstrations and possible disorders, if improvements cannot be effected.

Whilst it is yet early to say whether the present downward trend in the number of serious crimes can be maintained, the I.G. situation in the Province is now certainly better than it has been at any time since the liberation, and there is reason to believe that the characteristic law abiding nature of the Italian population is asserting itself and assisting greatly in a return to normal conditions.

IN BRIEF.

(a) ALLIED MILITARY COURTS.

The number of cases tried by Allied Military Courts in the Province during the period from 25 Feb to 25 Mar 46, was 31, of which 3 were Superior Court Cases.

Of the Superior Court Cases, 2 resulted in convictions and 1 in acquittal; of the Summary Cases, 4 resulted in acquittals and 24 in convictions. The number of cases tried month by month since the liberation of the Province is as follows: May and June - 143; July - 76; August - 75; September - 24; October - 107; November - 85; December - 95; Jan. - 57; Feb. - 43; March - 31.

A certain number of cases of minor importance have been transferred to the Italian Courts for trial.

(b) ITALIAN COURTS.

The Italian Courts are working satisfactorily. A session of the Ordinary Court of Assize will sit in Uffice Province from 1st. to 15 April to dispose of cases awaiting trial.

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The Italian Courts are working satisfactorily. A session of the Ordinary Court of Assize will sit in Milano Province from 1st to 15 April to dispose of cases awaiting trial.

The number of cases disposed of during the month by the Special Session of the Court of Assize was 31, of which 29 were claimed - 260 are awaiting trial, and of these 158 are in process of investigation.

(c) REPARATION.

The Commission under S.O. 35, has completed its work during the month of March, and has been formally dissolved. All documents relative to reparations made by it have been transmitted to the Provincial July to of the High Commissioner for operations against fascists.

4. FINANCE.

(a) CASH AND CURRENCY POSITION.

Cash position of the Bank of Italy as of 23 Feb 46.

Same as of 23 Mar 46.

Difference.

L.	720,404,350.
L.	1,163,123,850.
L.	744,724,500.-

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FINANCIAL (continued)(a) SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCING.

79 bulgots were approved and 32,745,651. lire granted to State banks.

COMMODITY FINANCING.

5 regular and 130 supplementary bulgots were submitted since last report.

Financing of commerce totalled 10,003,596. lire.

Items concerning payment of bills to hospitals were approved. They amounted to 467,625. lire.

(a) HEALTH CARE.

8 regular projects of military interest were approved during the last month amounting to L. 12,321,615.

600,000 lire were authorized for repairs on the Ulina aqueduct.

6. FOOD.ITEMS DISTRIBUTED DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL.

Bread, regular distribution of 200 grs. per consumer daily.

Sugar, 150 grs. per consumer.

Butter, 700 " to children from 0 - 3 years.

Lard, 100 " per consumer.

Oil, 100 " " "

Pasta, 500 " " "

Salt, 500 " " "

Sick people at home have received supplementary rations of oil and butter.

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WHEAT - FLOUR - RICE.

Of the 4013 tons of wheat from the last allocation there remain 136 tons, which will have been issued by 25 Mar. This balance along with stocks on hand will last to the 28 Mar. The expected rice allocation from northern Italy did not arrive. - the first issue of pasta since Dec - 500 grs. was therefore made in lieu.

An allocation has been made of 2800 tons of flour from the "S.S. Duranotti" which when received will ration the province till 15 Apr.

MEAT.

A census of all livestock is being taken throughout the Province. This is one of the measures being employed to establish a stricter control in the illegal slaughter and exportation of livestock from the Province.

It has been necessary to establish a more rigid system of control

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MEAT (continued).MEAT.

of the movement of livestock within the Province, due to the exorbitant price of meat on the market, although meat has recently shown a decrease of L. 10. per kg.

Livestock is being exported to Venezia Giulia and other parts of Italy; a total of 470 head of cattle having been exported last month.

MILK.

Sick people at home and hospitals have received a daily supply of milk. In addition, normal consumers have been issued 150 grs. per week, or three daily issues of 50 grs. Trieste is being supplied with quantities of milk and it is hoped that a figure of 6 quintals daily can ultimately be furnished.

PRICES.

The price of bread has been increased to 19 lire per kg. after a careful screening of production costs.

The following are the prices on the black market as compared with the fixed prices :-

	<u>FIXED.</u>	<u>BLACK MARKET.</u>
Bread.	19 lire per kg.	80 lire per kg.
Flour.	15 " " "	75 " " "
White Flour.	15 " " "	45 " " "
Wheat.	25.50 per kg.	120 " " "
Barley.	45 " " "	100 " " "
Wheat.	350 " " "	600 " " "
Olive oil.	101 " " "	930 " " "
Wheat.	281 " " "	320 " " "
Milk.	25 " " "	50 " " "

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Whole Flour.	13 " " "	40 " " "
Wheat	23.50 per kg.	120 " " "
Barley	45 " " "	100 " " "
Wheat.	350 " " "	600 " " "
Olive Oil.	101 " " "	530 " " "
Butter.	231 " " "	330 " " "
Milk.	25 " " "	30 " " "
Sugar.	167 " " "	800 " " "

PRICES ON THE OPEN MARKET

Wheat	250 lire per kg. (with bone).
Barley	320 " " " (without bone).
Wheat	250 " " "
Butter	24 " each.
Wheat	300-350 lire per kg.
Flour	230-310 " " "

MOB (Continued).PRICES IN THE OPEN MARKET.

Hard Cheese,	500 lire per Kg.
Hamlets,	170 " "
Grain, ea.	75 " "
Potatoes,	35 " "
Lemons,	150 " "
Apples,	350 " "

It may be interesting to note that the price of eggs is now 14 lire.

Poultry, game, fish, vegetables and dried and fresh fruit can be found in abundance on the open market.

7. AGRICULTURE.WHEAT.

Up to date the marketing results are as follows:-

Wheat,	Q14.	138.045.
Rye,	"	2.892.
Barley,	"	680.
Beans,	"	48.745.
Sunflower,	"	10.640.

GRAIN.

30,000 Hectares approximately has been sown with wheat, but a late harvest is not expected owing to the lack of top dressing (nitrogen and potash/fertilizers).

APPLES AND FRUIT TREES.

It is estimated that over a million grafted layers and several thousand fruit trees have been planted, nearly all pears and apples.

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BARLEY AND MAIZE SOWING.

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POTATOES.

Of the 3900 qli. of potatoes allotted to this province, 1200 qli. have arrived and planting is in full swing. If superphosphate had been available the yield would be greatly increased.

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The price of alfalfa and clover seeds (25-30,000 lire per qli) has fallen and the sowing of fresh seed, and although the growth at present is slow, the yield per hectare will be low.

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ADMINISTRATIVE (continued).

GOVERNMENT.

Trade in cattle has been prohibited in the areas where foot and mouth disease has been found or suspected.

DAIRIES.

Generally good. The withdrawal of certain restrictions has encouraged the use of Social Dairies and production is on the increase.

GRAPES.

Many beets are being sown on quite a large scale and tobacco growing is on the increase. It can be said generally that agriculture activity is in full swing and the farmers are doing their best to intensify production.

A further 50 horses have been distributed this month to farmers in the lower part of the Province.

B. REFUGEES.

During the period 25 Feb - 23 Mar 46, 1059 Italian and 412 non-Italians passed through the Udine Refugee Centre.

Two half of those displaced persons arrived from Venezia Giulia, and the balance from Austria and the Mine Area.

It is impossible to dispense with the Udine R.F. Centre, as with the finer weather Hqs. and P.O. W. in transit will increase.

C. INDUSTRY.

P.O.L.

The situation is at last satisfactory as allocation in accordance with L40 nitrogen 139 Appendix B of 15 Dec has been received.

COAL.

March allocation has arrived in Trieste. It is not yet known if the 6000 tons requested and promised will be available.

WHEAT.

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4. REMARKS.

During the period 25 Feb - 23 Mar 46, 3053 Italian and 412 non-Italian passed through the U.S. Refugee Centre.

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5. DISCUSSION.

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The situation is at least satisfactory as allocation in accordance with LAC criteria 139, Appendix 2 of 15 Dec has been received.

COALS.

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TYRES.

The tyre situation is still unsatisfactory. The allocation of 24 tyres for March arrived on the 22nd.

A full requirement of tyres, together with the monthly allocations for all types of vehicles is allotted to Economic Section, LAC, is most urgent.

It is further hoped that an issue of captured enemy tyres might be made by LAC.

The assistance already given by the Vice-President Economic Section, Hq. Allied Commission, is warmly appreciated.

6. MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

The arrival of these stores is expected before the end of the month.

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INDUSTRY (continued).

CAPTURED ENEMY MATERIAL.

Small quantities of the following lamps have been taken over by the Italian Army - Gleduppo, Gleduppo, S. Magherita, and Vallarum.

GLASS.

7,000 square metres of glass have been frozen at Porto Marghera for the use of this Province under control of this HQ.

10. TRANSPORTATION.

ORGANIZATION OF OFFICE TRANSPORT.

The planned reduction of staff continues. Five employees have been dismissed this month making a total reduction to date of 15 clerical employees, and 4 drivers.

All agencies and branch offices were inspected during the month, and the accounts checked except for Genua, Palermo and Tarvisio.

STATUS OF VEHICLES.

- (3) Vehicles registered with U.T. (over 10 gls).....1108,
of which
(a) working solely on behalf of HQ..... 522,
(b) working on hire for third parties..... 586.

(11) No new registrations occurred this month. 4 legally owned vehicles were transferred to other provinces.

(111) 298, 10% hire contracts are 513, with an increase of 10 since last month.

AMT. TRUCK POOL.

No change in previous situation. All 22 trucks and 4 trailers are in good condition.

P.O.L.

Allotment of P.O.L. was very late this month and caused some difficulties, as quantities given out for February were not sufficient.

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TRUCKS

If tyres are not provided, serious troubles with transport will arise in the very near future.

MOVEMENT

(1) Daily average of vehicles in movement.....123.
(11) Daily average of vehicles not on the road.....399.
(111) Monthly total kilometers.....520,499.
(111) Monthly total quintals carried.....191,550.30.

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TRANSPORTATION (continued).

MOVEMENT STATISTICS - IMPORTS, EXPORTS, PROVINCE - FIGURES RECORD ALL.		PROVINCE	
COMMODITY	IMPORTS	EXPORTS	
CLASS	by road, by rail	by road, by rail	by road, by rail
ADMINISTRATION	17625	2676	11451
AGRICULTURE	2896	300	5707.50
INDUSTRY	15621	2596	20503
COMMERCE	1874	1930	6325
VARIOUS	1573	230	2702
Total ALL	39390	5050	36562
			20735
			115395.30
			820

PUBLIC SERVICES

Supervision of all bus lines operating in the Province in progress.

11. WELFARE

Final distribution of 10,000 parcels received from INHSA has been effected.

INHSA supplementary rations for distressed areas are being issued over a period of four months.

It is hoped to increase the figure from 16,000 to an eventual 35,000 rations monthly.

A new orphanage caring for bastard children as a result of war, has recently commenced.

Stricter control of clandestine houses, hotels and other houses, the source of V.A. is being exercised.

The Salinas Sanatorium, the only one of its kind catering for Ex Pa. G.V. and ex internees afflicted with T.B. was opened on 15 March. The Minister of Asistencia Post Bellica and the Provincial 20 Insular were present.

This hospital has been sponsored by AMG, and much of its cost provided from AMG sources, with the welcome assistance of

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Stricter control of clandestine houses, hotels and other houses, the source of VD, is being exercised.

The Palmar Sanatorium, the only one of its kind catering for ex P.O.S. and ex internees afflicted with T.B. was opened on 1st March. The Minister of Assistance Post Bellini and the Provincial Commissioner were present.

This hospital has been sponsored by A.M. and much of its staff provided from A.M. sources, with the welcome assistance of HADEI recently, in providing an I Ray apparatus.

Arrangements have also been made to reopen all the summer recreation and recreation centres connected with different schools, etc.

12. PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES

Work on road under the Genio Civile and the State Highway, let in 300 projects, value 311,942,400. Lire. In addition to this, 100 projects totalling 203,439,540. Lire. have been completed by the Genio Civile, processed by A.M. and forwarded for final approval to the Legislative Council of the Ministry of Public Works during March.

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PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES (continued).

Of this, only some 30 millions worth of work has reached the stage of final approval and initiation. No approvals at all had come through until the last few days. It is hoped that from now on, the time lag having been covered, projects will be returned approved as quickly as possible.

A technical body such as the Magistrato alle Acque (which has the power of veto) will inevitably be some days over studying a project. During the past month its president (whose authority is necessary) has retired and the new president replaced him a few days ago. He has given an assurance that he will approve projects as rapidly as possible.

Another cause of delay is that each scenario must give an undertaking to repay 50% of the cost of each project over a period of 10 years, before that project could be forwarded to Venice.

The above experience shows the necessity of keeping the Military Roads financed through ADM, at any rate until the efficiency of Italian channels is proved. Preparations are being made to switch over if required at the end of June. To this end ADMs are being asked to decide upon their full year's programme at an early date, so that it can be provided for in greater detail in the half yearly budget.

The increase in registered unemployment figures gives some cause for anxiety. Two months ago there were 32,000 of whom 12,000 were thought by the Prefecture to be genuinely unemployed. To-day the registered figure has more than doubled, due chiefly to the fact that

large number formerly did not register. It is therefore of the greatest urgency that the minimum delay occurs in both the preparation, approval and execution of all Public Works projects whether civil or military.

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Another cause of delay is that each scenario must give an undertaking to repay 50% of the cost of each project over a period of 20 years, before that project could be forwarded to Venice.

The above experience shows the necessity of keeping the Military Bonds financed through ADM. At my rate until the efficiency of its own channels is proved. Preparations are being made to switch over if required at the end of June. To this end CMBs are being asked to decide upon their full year's programme at an early date, so that it can be provided for in greater detail in the half yearly budget.

The increase in registered unemployment figures gives some cause for anxiety. Two months ago there were 32,000 of whom 12,000 were thought by the Prefettura to be genuinely unemployed. To-day the registered figures has more than doubled, due chiefly to the fact that a large number formerly did not register.

It is therefore of the greatest urgency that the minimum delay occurs in both the preparation, approval and execution of all Public Works projects whether civil or military.

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Yugo-Slav propaganda continues with the aid of a few individuals of the Communist party, who maintain contact with Tito's emissaries from Zone A and sometimes beyond Zone B.

This propaganda particularly when accompanied by intimidation and terrorist methods is strongly resented by all Friulians.

In support of this some twelve instances are recorded, chiefly in the areas Val Natisone, Jaurio Valley and Tarvisio, including armed Slav patrols, strength 5 to 6, which operate during the nights and are believed to come from Collio (Gorizia).

A small infiltration of Russian elements is reported from Tarvisio, and the Val Canale, in support of Slav propaganda in that zone.

Plans for dissemination of this propaganda are believed to be found in Cave del Predil, and in houses outside the built up area of the vicinity of Pussine Caltrana.

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POLITICAL SITUATION IN VENETO PROVINCE (continued).

An instance of immediate action by American troops is reported at Cava del Fiume where they liberated two armed slaves, one of whom was resident in Treviso from 1941 till recently. The subsequent action of the C.L.G. in that area, to whom they were handed over, and who are alleged to have released them and permitted them to retain their motor cycle and arms, appears to call for investigation.

Vigilance however, such as that displayed by the American troops in this instance, especially against Allied Military Government in its primary task of maintaining law and order.

The economic situation is still serious, but with the small but noticeable reduction in prices, is inclined to be exaggerated by provincial officials as well as by the public.

The food situation is a constant source of anxiety, owing to the lack of any programme for imports of basic rationed commodities, and a tendency on the part of the Italian Officials responsible for distribution, to discriminate against Udine on the grounds that it is under A.G.

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Such action must be corrected if the province is to depend on normal Italian sources for its supplies, and it is suggested that the Italian Government should again be reminded of their responsibilities towards this Province.

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- d) Unemployment combined with general economic conditions.
- e) Shortage of transportation due to war damage and requisitioning.
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- h) Shortage of flour.
- i) Inability to supply to particularly to France and Austria.
- j) Further requisitioning by army from the Lancia Forests.

The recent visit of the Provincial Commissioner with the Prefect and other officials to see with the object of ensuring closer collaboration between the Province and the Italian Government, particularly in regard to the allocation of food supplies, and all economic requirements including relief of unemployment, should be of material assistance in the future administration of the province.

The great help rendered by the Executive Commissioner and his staff and by the full co-operation of the Allied Commission combined with the willing cooperation of the Italian Ministers, during this visit, was deeply appreciated.

2. LOCAL SITUATION.

Social order, but the lowering the standard of some of the Provincial and Communist forces tends to impede for some.

Administrative elections will be held in some 22 provinces on the 24 March. Incomplete electoral rolls prevent holding these in the remainder of the Province.

3. PUBLIC SAFETY.

The morale of the Carabinieri continues to improve in spite of all their disadvantages but grave concern is felt over their diminishing numbers.

As urged by the Provincial Commissioner in Rome to Public Safety Sub-Commission, the organic strength of 600 for a Province of 172 Communes (with a mobile population of nearly a million, in insufficient under financial conditions, when banditry is the past time of so many, and economic conditions are responsible for the poor morale of a wide section of the community.

It is therefore reported that the organic strength should be 900, allowing for an effective strength of 750.

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Only by this improvement can the 400 available Carabinieri for 65 stations hope to cope with the persistence and timing of the modern traffic.

Low wages of police services compared with the high cost of living adds to the urgent situation of the Italian Government.

The Secretary of the Interior is gradually losing his service to merit but his recent request to the Minister of the Interior for the appointment of 5 or 6 senior functionaries will probably need the support of Public Safety Sub-Commission before they arrive.

It has recently been necessary to change the head of the Auxiliary Police Service which should have a beneficial effect on those surmountable agents. Their morale is good and the introduction of new auditing and area and an encouraging effect, but more work is needed.

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PUBLIC SAFETY (continued).

A further reduction in this force is necessary, but it will be appreciated that as the majority are Gariboldi Partisans, some discretion is necessary in the weeding out process which has continued since liberation.

The Corpo Forestale continue to work satisfactorily, and all have recently been equipped with boots, but 137 out of 186 are still without uniforms, and rifles or pistols are required for the majority.

The following serious crimes are recorded for the month :-

3 Murders.
26 Armed robberies.

and a further 12 cases of an aggravated nature. In addition, 11 cases of illegal possession of firearms are being dealt with.

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Total.	18,500.

The general situation shows little change over the past three months, with Public Safety services doing their best, with all too little clothing equipment and transport, against recruits believed to be organised, and certainly well equipped in all respects.

The need for an increase in the Carabinieri is obvious, and their clothing and equipment generally demand the urgent attention of the Italian Government with the vigorous support of M. Allied Garden, which has been assured.

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in LEGAL

During the month 67 cases have been tried by All Courts, of which 16 have been Superior Court Cases.

Of these 77 were convicted of theft and possession of Allied property and 19 for illegal possession of arms.

Since liberation, the number of cases tried by All Courts is 766.

As previously requested, it is very necessary for a session of the Ordinary Court of Assize to be held in Udine as soon as possible.

It is believed that the delay in convening this court is due to the scarcity of qualified judicial personnel which perhaps could be arranged by the Minister of Grace and Justice as a special case.

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2. FINANCE.

Bank and Currency Position.

Cash position of the Bank of Italy }

as at 21 Dec 1945.

Idem as at 24 Jan 1946.

L. 950.000.000.

" 715.595.100.

Difference

L. 234.404.900.

Treasury.

The sale and redemption of Treasury bonds for the month has been as follows :-

Sale. L. 225.059.500.

Redemption. " 126.314.000.

Difference.

98.745.500.

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FINANCE AdministrationRevenue NormalSalt and Tobacco Monopoly

In the month of December the revenue increased to a total of L.16,995,657. This represents an increase of about eleven million in comparison with the previous month.

Manufacturing Taxes

The yield from the principal manufacturing taxes in the month of December were as under:-

Manufacturing Tax on spirits	L. 800,546
" " " sugar	" 27,000
" " " beer	" 3,000
" " " seeds oil	" 115,733
" " " electric power	" 1,301,992
" " " coffee substitute	" 125,000

Business Taxation

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Social InsuranceUnemployment

Of the 5000 applications for unemployment indemnity submitted to the National Insurance Company till 19 Dec. 1945, 3000 have been dealt with. 1200 are pending receipt of further particulars. From 19 Dec. 1945 till 24 Jan. 1946, this Company has received 4430 new applications.

Public Works Programme

Following projects were approved by AMC since last report:-

Colleges	2	L. 176,900
Halls	22	" 11,475,400
Public Buildings	19	" 4,424,128
Rehousing of slums	4	" 600,000
Asylums	3	" 450,723
Drainage of land	2	" 493,079
Public buildings	6	" 1,636,000

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Masses of water.	4.	"
Language	3.	"
Druggs of Iowa	2.	"
Private building.	6.	"
		176,900.
		11,475,400.
		4,434,42.
		600,000.
		450,723.
		493,079.
		1,630,000.

PCPD.

RELATION

A regular distribution of flour has been made to the Communes of the Province. Indeed flour has been allocated to the Communes in proportion to several centres in the plating in order to make up the total ration of 200 lbs. per day.

During last month a considerable improvement in the Rastani situation has been noticed. Rastani have worked moderately well at 50/s. An article published recently by the C.L.M.P. in "Liberta" suggesting the abolition of Rastani has caused harm. The question of possible cancellation of Rastani decrees will be considered in conjunction with the Agricultural Officer and Italian Officials concerned. It is hoped to be able to increase the monthly quota of live cattle now being supplied to

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FOOD (continued).

Gorizia as well as the quota to Trieste.

Items distributed in the month of Jan (local products).

Flour.	Qls.	3438.
Maize.	"	7134.
Pasta.	"	123.46.
Butter.	"	56.85.
Fats.	"	377.74.

Items distributed in the month of January (imported).

Flour.	Qls.	22151.
Rice.	"	951.19.
Sugar.	"	1892.39.
Oil.	"	450.00.
Fats.	"	215.70.

Firewood.

To date the following quantities of firewood have been supplied to other provinces :-

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Padova.	20,010. "	21,000.
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Pa.O.L.

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Stock on hand	4761.	2320.	991.

The screening of all the demands for circulating permits is now ended and it is hoped that the new permits will be issued in the first days of February.

7. AGRICULTURE

Assess. Up to date the assessing results are as follows :-

Wheat.	qts. 135,462.
Rye	" 2,753.
Barley	" 661.
Maize	" 35,544.
Sunflower	" 10,000.

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AGRICULTURE (continued).Agricul. (continued).

Assessing of value is going on very slowly and it is not expected that the reduced figure of 60,000 qli. will be reached.

Anonymous Plants.

A.N.C.F. E.O.'s, propaganda to induce farmers to plant sunflower rape - soya and castor-beans, under a scheme of contracts, has begun on a large scale. Farmers should agree to cultivate these plants in certain areas and deliver the crop to the collecting centres, where they would be given a quantity of oil and residues in part payment.

Lini-Gorno Flooded Area.

The above area has been inspected by representatives of the Ispettorato dell'Agricoltura, the Civil Engineer, the Consorzio Lini-Gorno, and the Agriculture Officer. The importance of this drainage project, which the Lini-Gorno Consorzio hope to carry out this year, if funds permit, is obvious.

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Calceina (Cement).

The allocation of 110 gls. has not been received yet.

Glass.

Only 3,000 sq. meters of flat-bed glass have been received. This is totally insufficient for present requirements. Application for a supplementary allocation of glass has been made for Doppio which has lately been badly damaged by the explosion of an ammunition dump.

Paraffin.

The allocation of 23,850 ltrs. has been received for lighting purposes and 6,260 ltrs. for industry purposes. The whole amount has been distributed during the month.

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2. INDUSTRY (continued).Tyres.

The tyre situation is really critical since no civilian tyres are available. Numerous requests have been received for permits to use WD tyres which have been purchased outside the Province. It would be a great help if an allocation of military tyres could be made to this Province.

Motor bus services/have recently commenced, are expanding, but are in desperate need of tyres.

Bicycle Tyres.

No allocation for the month of January has been received in spite of the urgent needs particularly for doctors and workers.

Cotton Mills.

A small quantity of raw cotton has been received enabling factories to commence production at 5% of the normal.

It is understood that Palestine and some of the Balkan countries are interested in this production.

Horn Factories.

Have been able to work on a reduced scale (5%) owing to the lack of raw materials.

Silk factories have worked satisfactorily, as the whole production of silk cocoons of the province has been allocated to the local factories.

There are approximately 5000 unemployed in the textile industries.

The Iron-Steel-Copper foundries have worked on a scale of 75% of their normal production. The supply of coal for this branch of industry is still not sufficient. More coke is needed. At present iron and copper scrap existing in the province are a source of supply of raw material, but a reduction is foreseen in future production as this supply is limited.

The mines and quarries in the province have been able to work at a scale of 50% of their normal production. The reason for this is the lack of sufficient coal and war damage.

The Ovaro coal mine (Illyite) is preparing plans to step up their production, but at present the new plants are producing low quantities.

A small quantity of raw cotton has been received enabling factories to resume production at 5% of the normal. It is understood that Palestine and some of the Balkan countries are interested in this production.

Wool Factories.

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The Ovato coal mine (lignite) is preparing plans to step up their production, but at present the new shafts are producing low quantities.

The cement factories have recently resumed production owing to the recent allocation of a more liberal supply of coal. They are now able to produce about 650 tons monthly. "Cementi del Friuli" has been given an outside quota allocation of 2,000 tons to work for an army section of the Corps. Some 70% tons of this were received recently.

Bricks and tiles.

Almost no activity owing to seasonal weather.

China and earthenware.

The factories are working at a scale of 35% of their normal production. This reduction is due to insufficient supplies of coal and other raw materials especially "Caolin, Iron ash" and Oxide of Soda.

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9. INDUSTRY (continued).

The various hydroelectric industries are almost normal except for the poor maintenance of the lines and some replacements of worn out equipment are necessary.

The paper factories have worked at a reduced scale of 30% of the normal production owing to insufficient supplies of coal, cokefines and cellulose. Requests are being made by the owners of the local paper factories to import cellulose from Austria as was the practice before the war.

The tanneries have worked at a scale of 60% of their normal production owing to the lack of raw hides and the inadequate supply of tanning materials.

Cellulose factories have worked at a scale of 50% only, owing to the shortage of coal, sulphur and caustic soda.

10. TRANSPORTATION.Vehicles.

Vehicles registered (over 10 gts.)....., 1972
of which

407 working solely on behalf of holders. (conto proprio).
665 working on hire for third parties. (conto terzi).

An increase of 41 ex-military vehicles was registered with U.R. since last month.

17 AMG 10% hire contracts have been cancelled in consequence of vehicles of Italian army origin being restored to 5 Terr. B. Uline, thus reducing the number of AMG hire contracts to 503.

Truck Pool AMG.

22 vehicles and 4 trailers are in operation.

Bus.

Normal.
Night is scarce and insufficient.

Tyres.

Tyre problem throughout the Province is serious.
The allocation of tyres to the Province, by the Fiat Factory through the Azienda del Consorzio is very small, and totally inadequate.

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Paoli.

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The allocation of tyres to the Province, by the Provincial Factory through the Camera del Commercio is very small, and totally inadequate.

Prax. 60 to 80% of tpt will be out of commission in about two months time for lack of tyres. Larger numbers will be stopped as soon as the warm weather begins.

Transporters would be willing to buy tyres from the Black Market but as these are all of British and American make they cannot use them without a permit. They all agree to pay again for the tyres to Allied Forces if they can have in return a permit to use them.

Movement.

i) Daily average of vehs in movement 20.
ii) " " " under repairs or not on the road 465.

iii) Monthly total Kilometers 753,838.4
iv) " " quintali carried 239,407.36

Movement statistics (imports, exports by road and rail + movement inside the Province by road - figures expressed in quintale). :-

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TRANSPORTATION (continued).

Commodity Class.	Imports, by road	Exports, by rail	By road		By mail	By road, by mail
			Imports	Exports		
Alimentation	22753.	=	1366.	41090.		17425
Agriculture	16473.	=	2491.	600.		5996 50.
Industry	14660.	15395	18634.43.	7000.		59241.10.
Commerce	2381.	100.	16475.50.	5200		54689.35.
Various	2322	23.	2467	2.		2018.
	50889.	15590.	41433.95.	93895.		139379.95.

Rail.

Italian State Railway will now deal with small loads not exceeding 500 kg.

11. WELFARE.Relief and Welfare Problem and Action Factors.

A certain amount of food supplies were sent to IRC Provincial Committee and distributed in several of the most needy villages. Some old clothing has also been distributed.

The IRC representative has visited the devastated areas of the Province, to ascertain first hand information of requirements.

A letter has been sent to Col. McGOWAN, RMF, requesting that Udine Province be included in the distribution of R.R.D.S.I. supplies.

L.R.C. Provincial Committee Reorganization.

There has been some difficulty in finding a substitute for the present President of the Committee for Udine, but it is hoped that Baron KORTUSCO will accept the post.

The women's Committee has already been designated and will be officially appointed by Mrs. BATTISTI as soon as she returns.

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The IRO representative has visited the devastated areas of the Province, to ascertain first hand information of requirements.

A letter has been sent to Col. McSWENY, RCAF, requesting that United Province be included in the distribution of R.A.D.S.I. supplies.

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The Local Committee has already been designated and will be officially appointed by Mrs. BARTLETT as soon as she returns.

Soup Kitchens

Soup kitchens have been instituted in many centers, but many more are needed, particularly in the schools, and outlying villages.

Soup is distributed through R.C.s in S. Vito, and the Pontificio Commission and in all the devastated centers.

They have started to send almost foodstuffs for young children are particularly needed.

HUTS

AMG has provided huts for homeless families in devastated areas and all are now erected and occupied.

The Provincial Commissioner's Xmas Fund in aid of the Orphanages of the Province exceeded 2 1/2 million lire.

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12. PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES.

A difficult situation arose during the month as no arrangements had been made by the 31 Dec 45, for the authority to approve and finance Public Works projects in this Province.

This resulted in Udine Province being excluded from the block grant allocated to the Veneto for Public Works projects in 1945 other provinces.

In consequence of the Provincial Commissioner's visit to Rome it has now been agreed with the Ministry of Public Works and approved by HQ Allied Commission that for this quarter a separate allotment will be made by the Italian Government for all Public Works projects included in a quarterly budget for the Province and approved by the Ministry.

Military projects will be treated separately and will be the responsibility of AMG, with the approval of HQ Allied Commission.

Work on military roads continues satisfactorily but on a reduced scale owing to weather conditions.

Two new projects requested by CRE 13 Corps i.e., roads Latisana-Lignano and Cividale-Ponte Jurio are being prepared and will need review in the light of AMHQ approval requirements.

There will be some L1500000000 Lire worth of proposed work during the next four months out of which it will be necessary to select the most suitable projects at the rate of L20000000 to cure unemployment.

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