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MINE CLEARANCE, REPORTS, VOL. II
DEC. 1944 - MAR. 1945

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SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
ATTN: 34
DINI: 34

Ref: 2/8/68

2 Feb 68

1. The Clearance - Ref: 1.

2. Ministry of War
Italian Government
in Rome
R.O. 2

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3. As soon as possible, the supply of petrol oil and lubricants
to the Italian Government will be resumed. The supply of petrol oil
to the Italian Government will be resumed as soon as possible.

4. The following will be dealt with as follows:
- a) Our liaison officers will be responsible for originating the
demand and for making it to the Italian Government. The demand will
be made to the Italian Government as soon as possible.
 - b) Your liaison will include the demand in the consolidated
demand for the Italian Government. The demand will be made to the
Italian Government as soon as possible.
 - c) Supplies will be made as soon as possible to the Italian Government.
 - d) Supplies for the Italian Government will be made as soon as possible.

This letter is being sent to the Italian Government.

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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R.H. G. PHS Col.
for the C. Gen.

Copy to : The Secretary of Defense (Ref: 1)
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Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO
Uff. Centrale B.C.M.

Divisione
Det. V. 971343 *Allegati*

34 *Risposta al foglio del*
Gen.

OGGETTO: Bonifica campi minati.-

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto - S E D E
ALLO S.M.R.E. - Ufficio Operazioni - S E D E

Riferimento foglio N. 11905/O.P. del 10/11/944
dello S.M.R.E. - Ufficio Operazioni.

Trasmetto l'allegato specchio relativo alla boni-
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al 20/3/945.-

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE DEL GENIO
-Gen. Div. O. Crivaro -

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SICR A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

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20 MAR 1945

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REPORT OF LT. HACHAB AT CHIETI,
PESCARA AND TERAPO PROVINCES.

1. I left Rome at 0930 hrs on 01st March 1945 and arrived at CHIETI at 1500 hrs.

At 1000 hrs on the 22nd I met Capt. Spampinato at PESCARA who informed me that he was then leaving for Rome and accordingly detailed 2/Lt Sachet to accompany me round the various areas in which detachments of No. 562 Company were operating.

We went to the Mine Clearance Instruction School at SILVI where I saw 2/Lt Meloria instructing a class of Carabinieri. The lesson was explained to me by the interpreter and it was apparent that this Officer knew his work and was a capable instructor. He was working with wall diagrams of the subject concerned and at the end of the lesson I suggested that when so many mine specimens were available they would be much more effective and this method will be used in future.

I feel certain, however, that the School is well run and that 563 Company who are going to have a course there at the beginning of April should derive considerable benefit from it. In the afternoon I visited the beach areas surrounding the town of PESCARA and those areas appear to have been fairly well cleared of mines.

2. Next day I visited the ORSOGNA-ORTONA area accompanied by two Officers of the Company and I was able to take them to a British minefield which I had been responsible for laying last spring. This minefield contained about 3000 British Shrapnel Mines and I lifted four of those in order to show them how to deal with this type of mine. They professed themselves satisfied and noted the position of the minefield for future reference.

3. The next detachment I saw was at GUARDIAGREZZE. This detachment was not working as the day before an "S" mine had exploded and killed two of the clearance party and they were completely demoralized. I went into this minefield and I saw that it was uniform in pattern and consisted of a large number of "S" mines all armed with S.M.I. 2.35 igniters (3 pronged). Exercising normal caution this type of field should present no difficulties. The accident was caused, I am

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3. The next detachment I saw was at GUARDIAGHELLE. This detachment was not working as the day before an "8" mine had exploded and killed two of the clearance party and they were completely demoralized. I went into this minefield and I saw that it was uniform in pattern and consisted of a large number of "8" mines all armed with S.M.I.Z.35 igniters (3 pronged). Exercising normal caution this type of field should present no difficulties. The accident was caused, I am certain by the fact that this particular minefield had been heavily shelled, as a result of which the shell fragments were setting up a constant reaction to the electrical circuit of the mine detector, an exactly similar reaction in fact, to that which would be caused by the detector plate passing over an "8" mine.

I pointed out to them that in this type of mine field it is better to lift the mines without the detector and in order to demonstrate this I lifted two of the mines, but they were so completely demoralized by the fatal accident of the day before that even this was not successful in getting them to resume work. My own impression is that this detachment will not be induced to resume work in this minefield again and I suggested to the Company Officers that the ORSOGNA detachment be moved there and the GUARDIAGHELLE detachment be employed at ORSOGNA.

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4. Next day I went down to LAMOLAO and I was informed that the detachment was working somewhere in the SAKERO Valley but gathered that nobody was quite sure of the exact location. This party also had a fatality the day before. In this region during the month of March they claim to have lifted 1200 mixed Teller and Hole mines and destroyed approximately 5000 more in situ. They state that they are encountering many mines with A/P mechanisms attached, which makes lifting much more difficult.

This seems accurate enough because R.A. reports of last year stated that about 70% of the mines laid in the R. SAKERO area were booby trapped.

5. The last detachment I visited was the one at ATRI which was awaiting the arrival of mine detector batteries in order to resume work. This sort of trouble was occurring with most of the detachments I visited and no amount of talking on my part would convince them that it is possible, and indeed often safer to operate without a detector in many cases.

B. VISIT TO 153 COMPANY

1. Acting on the instructions of Major Reakes I paid a visit to the newly arrived 153 Company. They are at present occupying a hill near SILVI and they complain of lack of lighting facilities and overcrowding. I referred them to Capt. Spennato in both instances and informed them that he was at that moment in Rome with a view to improving their general welfare.

2. I was singularly unimpressed by the Officer Commanding this Company and he appeared to have lost control as far as the men were concerned. The men themselves were badly disciplined and dirty, also ill-equipped, as far as uniform or anything was concerned.

3. None of the Officers or men have any knowledge of mine clearance. Taking into account the fact that the first mine clearing course for this Company starts at the beginning of April I consider that they will not be able to operate

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4. I suggest that in the formation of future Companies a nucleus of experienced Officers and NCOs be posted ³²⁰³ to them so that while the Company is forming a system of training could be carried out.

C. General Impressions Gained During Tour of
503 Company.

1. I am very familiar with the area in which this Company is operating and I do not believe that the figures submitted are a true indication of the number of mines cleared, certainly the work done when I was there was practically negligible. This was explained by the Officers as being due to the unfortunate accidents which occurred and also by the shortage of selector batteries.
I, personally, do not accept this as reasonable, as they have been working under similar conditions all along.
2. The system of paying 35 lire per mine lifted seems to me to leave many loopholes which could be turned to the advantage of unscrupulous persons and I suggest that in-

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stead of paying this amount per mine, raise the wage scale of the Companies.

The alternative to this is, that in the regions where mine clearing is in progress Provincial Officers should check dumps of mines lifted per month.

I believe that this Company has done some good work in this area and I formed a good impression of the Officers and men in general but although there is now no method of discrediting the figures submitted from my own knowledge of the area and Mine Clearing experience I feel that they are greatly in excess of the actual numbers of mines cleared.

29 March 45.

A. BLACKBURN Lt.
Cameron Highlanders

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29 Mar 45

Report - Mines Disposal.

5 Army A.M.G.

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1. PROGRESS.

(a) PISA. Work continues at Riglione, Terricciola, Salvatelle Casatore, S. Rossore e Castellofranco di Sotto. 56,710 M have been cleared and 1,535 mines lifted.

(b) PISTOLA. Work continues at Retro Saturnus, Cugamili, Boroncini and Cavone. 23,000 M have been cleared and 793 mines lifted.

(c) LUCCA. Work continues at Diegino, Vecchiano, Palaveni, Modione Madonna dell'Acqua, Rigoli and Arena. 72,995 M have been cleared and 4,031 mines lifted.

2. CASUALTIES.

There has been one further total casualty at Pisa, due to an "ag" mine.

3. MEDICAL SERVICES.

It would be greatly appreciated, and considerably bolster the morale of workmen, if authority could be obtained for these men to be treated in military hospitals, if they should be injured.

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It would be greatly appreciated, and considerably bolster the morale of workers, if authority could be obtained for these men to be treated in military hospitals, if they should be injured.
It appears, that owing to existing conditions Italy, the civilian hospitals are sometimes without the necessary expert staff or equipment to deal satisfactorily with a severe injury.

W. Short 3206

W. SHORT
Capt. R.A.S.C.

Copies to:

- 1. 5 Army A.M.O.
- 1. Col. Cripps
- 1. R.C. Toscana
- 1. P.C. Pisa
- 1. P.C. Lucca
- 1. P.C. Pistoia
- 1. File

*He has taken no action time to get
Particularly the Privilege given this
is not through yet*
W. Short
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Subject:- Mines r arm

35 C.R.1 (Works),
C. M. F.
Tel: 39 ring 2
Ref: 1003/30
26 March 45.

CAO, MOTA, HQ, A.C.

30 MAR 1945

As requested, herewith the first of our
fortnightly returns of mines lifted by 561 Compagnia Pionieri:-

C.S.2

Tellermine 42

Tellermine 43

"S" Mine

3615

3401

240

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240

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Lt.-Col., S.A.E.C.,
35 C.R.E. (Works).

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24 March 45

Report- Mines Disposal

5 ARMY A.M.G.

1. PROGRESS.

(a) PISA.

(I) Week ending 10 Mar. Work continued at Lido di Camaiore, La Rotta S. Rossore and Terricciola. 66,000 M. were cleared and 1,011 mines destroyed.

(II) Week ending 17 Mar. Work continued at Rigliano, Putignano, San Rossore, Torre del Lago, Camaiore, Terricciola and S. Rossore.

78,450 M. were cleared and 1,769 mines destroyed.

(b) PISTOIA.

(I) Week ending 10 Mar. Work continued at Bivio di Saturnino, La Piana, La Calde and Cugnelli. 39,470 M. were cleared and 1,095 mines destroyed.

(II) Week ending 17 Mar. No figures have been submitted by this Platoon commander.

(c) Lucca.

(I) Week ending 10 Mar. Work continued Ponte al Serchio, Diacino, Metato Rodice, Madonna dell'Acqua and Malventre. 72,330 M. were cleared and 3,169 mines destroyed.

(II) Week ending 17 Mar. Work continued at Diacino, S. Pietro a Vico Ponte al Serchio, Metato, Vecchiano, Madonna dell'Acqua, Arena and Rignoli. 78,165 M. have been cleared and 4,121 mines destroyed.

2. CASUALTIES.

continued at Rignano, Patignano, San
Roverso, Torre del Lago, Camiere, Terricciola and S. Romano.
78.450 M. were cleared and 1.365 mines destroyed.

(c) PISTOLA.

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There have been one fatal casualty and three seriously injured,
all caused by "8" mines. 3205

3. Materials.

The matter of a regular supply of batteries for Italian mine
Detectors has again been taken up with the Ministry of War.
At present small quantities are supplied at irregular intervals,
and after repeated demands from June V M.Q. backed up by this office.
The Ministry of War state that they cannot maintain any regular
supply, as they themselves have no source.
At present, unlimited time may elapse between the demand for batteries
and their receipt, and in the meanwhile detectors lie idle.

4. INSURANCE.

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On the inception of the scheme for training civilian mine clearance

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squad, the Ministry of War allowed it to be understood that these men would be covered by a special insurance scheme, other than the normal Industrial Insurance.

This matter remained under discussion with the Italian Ministry of War until the end of 1944, when it was decided that the normal Insurance would have to suffice.

This decision has caused some little discontent, but it was decided by Col. Cripps that these men are already receiving such preferential treatment in the matter of rations and wages, that no further privileges could be granted.

5. INSTRUCTION.

A request has been received from XV Army Group French Liaison Detachment, that a squad of 1 French Officer and twelve O.R.s be trained at one of the Zone V Schools.

Subject to the matters of rations, accommodation and interpreters being settled, provisional agreement has been given.

6. OTHER MATTERS.

Requests are continually being received by this office to remove unexploded aerial and artillery projectiles, also dumps of abandoned ammunition.

Definite instructions have been given for the disposal of these materials, and it would be appreciated if it could be pointed out to G.A.O.'s that Mine Clearance Squads were not established for this work.

Copies to:

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W. Short
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- 1. Col CRIPPS L
- 1. P.O. LUCCA
- 1. P.O. PISA
- 1. P.O. PORTOJA
- 1. C.A.O. VIAREGGIO
- 1. FILE

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M. SHURT

Capt. R.A.S.C.

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TRANSMISSION NO. 601

MINISTRY OF WAR
ENGINEERS GENERAL DIVISION

ROME, 15 MARCH 1945

Ref. S/71078

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO: Allied Commission,
Civil Affairs Section,
A P O 394.
and for information
TO: Ministry of War,
Cabinet - C.A. Office.

We herewith forward a report on:

- 1). Training courses for civilian workers of the mine-clearance service up to 12 Mar 45;
- 2). Mine Clearance carried out up to 12 Mar 45.

For the Minister,
General of Division,
O. CRIVANO.

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Enclosure No. 1 letter No. of 15th March 1945

MINISTRY OF WAR
MAIN ENGINEERING DIVISION

Report on training courses up to 13th March 1945

No.	Training center	Students in Training	Students who qualified	Remarks
1	Pistoia - Pisa - Lucca	-	-	-
2	S. Martino al Cimino	70	-	Course not over
3	Chieti	25	-	Course not over The 1th course ge results: No. of students 29 " " " who qualified 22 " " " " did not qualify or dropped from the course
4	Spoleto	20	-	Course not over
5	Campobasso	70	-	Figures on the cour been received yet.

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Enclosure No. 1 letter No. 8/71078
of 15th March 1945

MINISTRY OF WAR
MAIN ENGINEERING DIVISION

Report on training courses up to 13th March 1945

Training center	Students in Training	Students who qualified	Remarks
Le - Pisa - Lucca	-	-	-
Cino di Ciano	70	-	Course not over
	25	-	Course not over (5th)
			The 1th course gave the following results:
			No. of students 29
			who qualified 22
			did not qualify or dropped from the course 7
	20	-	Course not over
	70	-	Figures on the course have not been received yet.

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Enclosure No. 2 to letter
of 15th March 1945

WAR MINISTRY
MAIN ENGINEERS DIVISION

MINE-CLEARANCE

Report on mine-clearance up to 13th March 1945					
No.	Zone	Localities	No. of Working days	No. of neutralized or destroyed mines	
1.	Tuscany	Communes: FIRENZA-LIVORNO PISTOIA - PONTASSERCHIO - BALDANO - VIAREGGIO - LA ROTTA - CASCINA - PISA -	1,082	9,587	From 20th/2/1945. The figures for the period to the period have not been
2.	Lazio - Umbria	FIUMICINO - PRESIARONE - CASTELPERZIANO - OSTIA - CAMPOMERITO - CAMPO DI CARNE - TERMI	1,285	61,357	From 1st March 1945 The figures for the period to the period Feb. have not yet.
3.	Abruzzi - Marche	CHIETI - DEL FILLI locality COSTACARRARA - CONTRADA FINIZZI COPPITELLI - LA NERUSA - ARIELLI COLOMBO - S. ILICIA - ACQUAVIVA - SALVAGROSSO -	630	11,291	From 1st Feb. The figures for the period 16/Feb/ - 28/Feb/ have not been sent with 28 Feb; the figures for the period to the period have not been

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Enclosure No. 2 to letter No. B/71070
of 15th March 1945

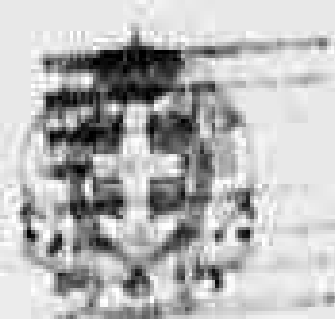
WAR MINISTRY
MAIN ENGINEERS DIVISION

MINE-CLEARANCE

Report on mine-clearance up to 13th March 1945

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Communes: PISTOIA - LIVORNO PISTOIA - PONTASSERCHIO - BALLEANO - VIAREGGIO - LA ROTTA - CASCINA - PISA -	1,082	9,587	From 20th/2/1945 to 3rd March 1945. The figures pertaining to the period after 3/3/1945 have not been received yet.
MUSCINO - PESCIAROSSA - CASTELPORZIANO - OSTIA - CAMPOREALE - CAMPO DI CARO - FERRI	1,286	61,357	From 1st March to 13th March 1945 The figures for Umbria pertain- ing to the period after 16th. Feb. have not been received yet.
FERRI - DEL FILLI locality SPACAPRANA - CONTRADA FINIZZI SPITELLI - LA NERNA - ARIELLI LONBO - S. LUCIA - ACQUAVIVA - SILVAREGGIO -	630	11,291	From 1st Feb to 15th Feb 1945 The figures pertaining to the 16/Feb/ - 28/2/45 period have been sent with the report dated 28 Feb; the figures pertaining to the period after 28/2/ 1945 have not been received yet.

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21 MAR 1945

Ricevuto 15 MAR 1945

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Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

COMANDO A.C.
CIVILIS AFFAIRS SECTION
AFO 394

Decreto 8/7/45 Allegato

Risposta al f. del
Gen. Div. O. Crivaro

Oggetto Rastrellamento mine.-

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto -
Ufficio A.C. S E D E

Si trasmettono:

- 1 situazione corsi di addestramento per operai civili alla b.c.m. alla data del 13/3/1945;
- 1 situazione lavori di bonifica campi minati alla data del 13/3/1945.

p. IL MINISTRO
(Gen. Div. O. Crivaro)

Crivaro

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MINISTERO DELL' GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

allegato n.1 al foglio
in data del 15 MAR 1945

Situazione corsi di addestramento al 13/3/1945

N°. d'ord.	Centro di addestramento	allievi in addestramento	allievi qualificati idonei	N O T
1	Pistoia - Pisa - Lucca	-	-	-
2	S.Martino al Cimino -	70	-	Corso in atto
3	Chieti -	25	-	Corso in atto Il 4° corso ha seguenti risu - partecipant - idonei - non idonei dimissionari
4	Spoleto -	20	-	Corso in atto
5	Campobasso -	70	-	Non sono anc venuti 1 ris corso.



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

allegato n.1 al foglio 771078
in data del 15 MAR 1945

Situazione corsi di addestramento al 13/3/1945

Addestramento	allievi in addestramento	allievi qualificati idonei	N O T E
- Lucca	-	-	-
Simino -	70	-	Corso in atto.
	25	-	Corso in atto (5°).
			Il 4° corso ha dato i seguenti risultati:
			- partecipanti 29
			- idonei 22
			- non idonei o dimissionari 7
	20	-	Corso in atto.
	70	-	Non sono ancora per- venuti i risultati del corso.



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HEADQUARTERS
MOTOR TRANSPORT GROUP
ALLIED COMMISSION
APC 394

6 A Sec
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23 MAR 1945

Tel. 890122
Ext. 139

330/48.

Ref. AC/TE/126/1

23 March 1945

SUBJECT : Clearing of Mines.

TO : Civil Affairs Section E. I., A.C.
(Attn.: Major Restes)

It is requested that an Italian Mine Clearing party be detailed to clear mines in the vicinity of the CISTERNA at Civitavecchia.

Since accidents have occurred recently in this area, it would be appreciated if action could be taken as soon as possible.

James J. James
JAMES J. JAMES
COLONEL, INF.
COMMANDING.
MOTOR TRANSPORT GROUP.

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23 MAR 1945
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Major as per letter = 40.
Yes.

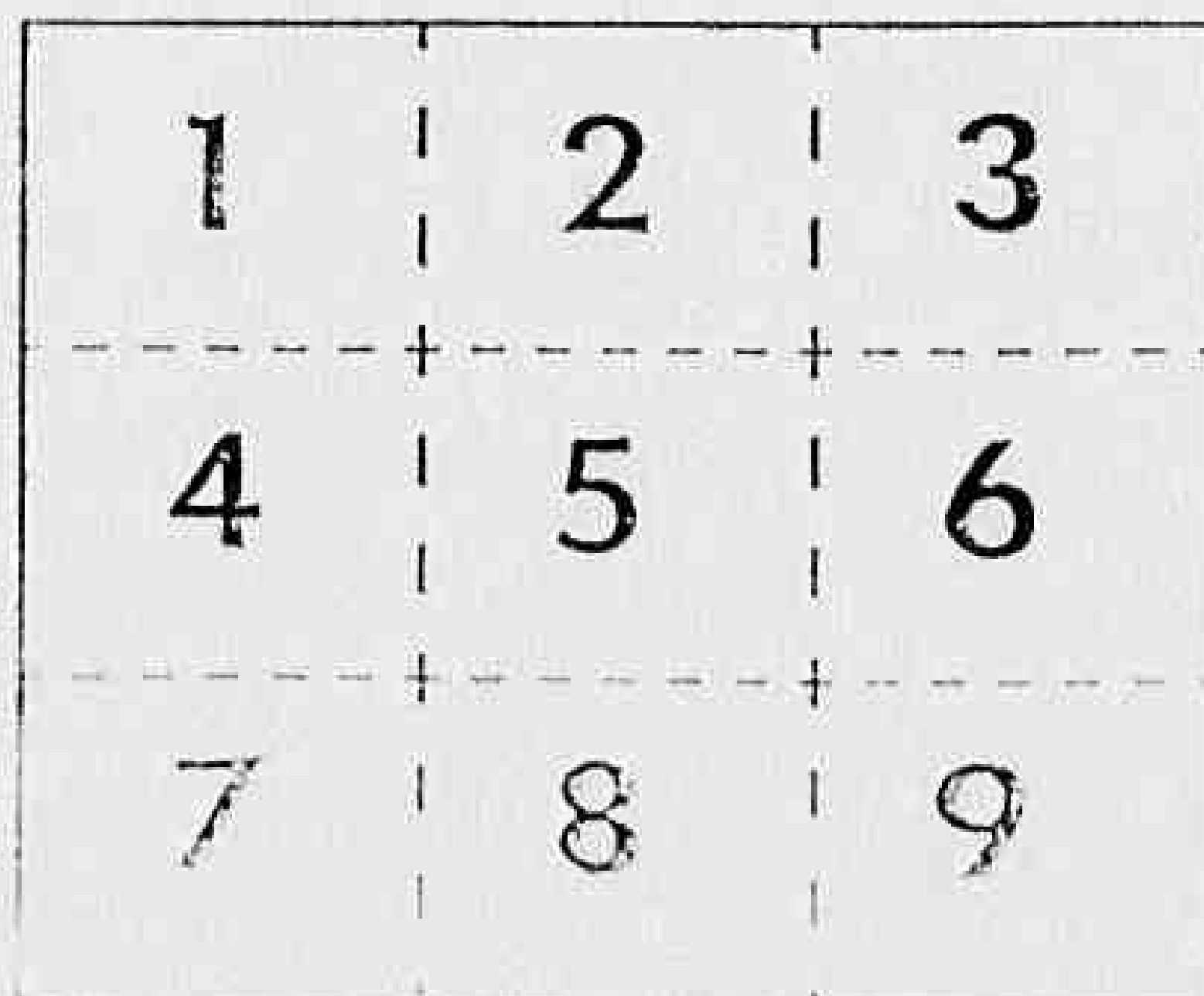
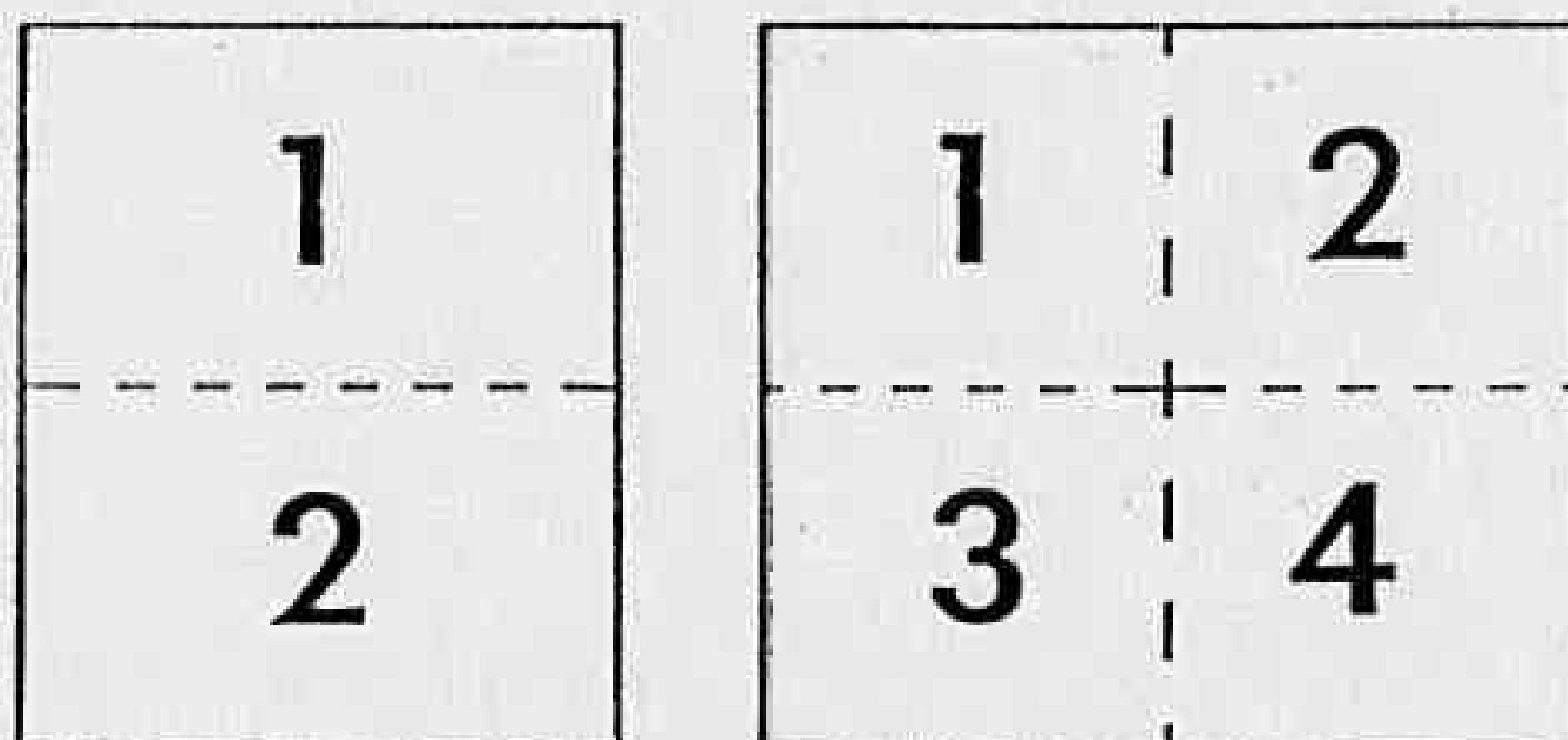
Have written for more details.

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MAPS AND CHARTS TOO LARGE TO FILM
ON ONE EXPOSURE ARE FILMED CLOCKWISE
BEGINNING IN THE UPPER LEFT CORNER,
LEFT TO RIGHT, AND TOP TO BOTTOM.

SEE DIAGRAMS BELOW.



REG. DELLA GUERRA
GENERALE DEL GENIO
Centrale B.C.M.
MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO

Allegato al foglio n. 8/72.949 in data 9/3/45.
della Direzione Generale del Genio.

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TERRE RIMOSSI NELLE VARIE REGIONI

SUPERFICIE BONIFICATA		N O T E
S I C I L I A		
	mq. 243.767	I dati si riferiscono al periodo 23/1/945 28/2/945
	" 21.487	I dati si riferiscono al periodo 23/1/945 19/2/945
	" 113.503	I dati si riferiscono al periodo 23/1/945 28/2/945
	" 620	I dati si riferiscono al periodo 23/1/945 28/2/945
totale	mq. 379.377	
	" 182.300	I dati si riferiscono al periodo 16/1/945 15/2/945
	" 37.000	i d e m
totale	mq. 219.300	
S A R D I N I A		
	mq. 66.100	I dati si riferiscono al periodo 16/1/945 15/2/945
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mq. 66.100

I dati si riferiscono al periodo 16/1/945
15/2/945

mq. 273.640

I dati si riferiscono al periodo 1/2/945
28/2/945

mq. 210.245

I dati si riferiscono ai periodi 16 - 31/1/45
16 - 28/2/945. Mancano i dati relativi al pe-
riodo 1 - 15/2/945

mq. 34.000

I dati si riferiscono al periodo 16/1/45 al
15/2/945

" 3.000

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" 3.000

i d e m

totale mq. 40.000

mq. 63.720

I dati si riferiscono al periodo 16/2/945
23/2/945

" 9.900

i d e m

totale mq. 75.620

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Provincia di Palermo:
Cinisi - Balestrate

Mine varie

Provincia di Trapani:

Castellammare - Guida Loca - Serrà Gonzarri

" "

totale mine ri-
cuperate o di-
strutte

(1) Le località delle Province di Arezzo e Siena sono state bonificate.

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	Mine varie	N°	18	mq.	65.720	I dati si
						23/2/945
castri	" "	"	10	"	9.900	
	totale mine ri-	N°	28	totale	mq.	75.620
	cuperate o di-					
	strutte					

Arezzo e Siena sono state bonificate dai rastrellatori della 20ma (Umbria)

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mq.	65.720	i dati si riferiscono al periodo 16/2/945
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1. PROGRESS.

- (a) PISA. Work continues at Lido di Camaiore, La Rotta, Castel del Bosco; S. Rossore, Migliorino e Terricciolo. 112,945 M. have been cleared and 2,141 mines destroyed.
- (b) PISTOIA. Work continues at S. Varnano e Pistoia. 30,170 M. have been cleared and 1,556 mines destroyed.
- (c) LUCCA. Work continues at Fiesole, Balbano, Terrigiano, S. Anna Ponte al Serchio, Metato, Rodice and Veceniano. 61,084 M. have been cleared and 3,177 mines destroyed.

2. CASUALTIES.

There has been one total casualty caused by an "8" mine at Pisa.

3. NEW TYPES OF MINE.

- (a) A new type of mine has been discovered at Livorno. It appears to consist of a bowl made of compressed paper, buried on the outside, and 30 cm in diameter. It is charged with Tritol and weighs about 1 kg. 8. The top is composed of glass and it is discharged by a 12.5 mm shell. (Detailed description attached)

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TRANSLATION NO. 574

H.Q. 562nd Mine Clearance Company

SUGGESTIONS TO INCREASE THE EFFICIENCY OF THE UNIT:

- 1) Allotment of 10 mine-detectors. Polish, Italian or American type.
- 2) Allotment of 3 flame throwers for the rapid destruction of vegetation in mined fields.

*They are
getting better
flame throwers*

Capt. Spampinato Felice
Company Commander

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562° Compagnia Autonoma « Rastrellatori Mine »
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OGGETTO _____

PROPOSTE PER AUMENTARE IL RENNIMENTO DEL REPARTO

- 1°) Assegnazione di n° 10 apparecchi cercamine di brevetto polacco, italiano e americano.
- 2°) Assegnazione di n° 3 apparecchi lanciafiamme per la rapida distruzione delle erbe nei campi minati.

IL COMANDANTE DEL REPARTO
(Cap. Spasiano Felice)

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