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WEEKLY BUREAU NO. 52

Political:

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

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

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

Public Safety:

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

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

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Refugees:

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

Wheat Collection:

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

Olive Oil Collection:

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

General Remarks:

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

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

Additional materials decontrolled from AFHQ(1)S list were tin solder and white metal for bearings.

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

The S. Alpidio superphosphate factory near Macerata has started production. Full production is estimated to be 2000 tons a month. This factory is controlled by the Consorzi Agrari **4138**

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

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CIVITAVECCHIA to SARDINIA and the recruiting programme continued.

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

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

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 51

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

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

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

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

Public Safety: About 40,000,000 lire worth of counterfeit 500 and 1000 lire notes confiscated, together with approximately 24,000,000 lire worth of counterfeit 500 lire Bank Drafts on Cassa di Risparmio of GENOA. Four arrests have been made in GENOA.

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

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

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

No new cases of typhus have been reported.

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

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

Olive Oil Collection : Total amassed to 7 August - 524,030 quintals (no change from last week).

General Remarks: The 1945 Italian crop report dated 15 July has been distributed. The wheat crop of all ITALY is estimated as 4,133,533 metric tons- a reduction of 238,412 metric tons from the 15 June 1945 figure. The barley crop is estimated to total 133,000 metric tons and rye 86,400 metric tons. The corn crop is estimated at 2,165,000 metric tons to be supplemented later by a summer crop in the PO Valley which may total 200,000 metric tons. The present rice crop is estimated at 440,000 metric tons.

1,570 tons of sulphur have been shipped to GREECE and 214 tons of wine to MALTA since 31 July.

Subscriptions to the 5% Five-Year Treasury Bonds in North ITALY now exceed 30 billion lire. 4135

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

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

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

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

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

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EMERGENCY NO. 53

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

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

Federico RINALDI (Independent) appointed Minister of the Treasury.

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

Socialist Congress started on 29 July; after three days' discussions, during which complete agreement on practical matters ⁴³³³ was reached, the motion by PERTINI (ex-secretary of the Socialist Party in Northern ITALY and now member of the central directorate) asking for complete

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

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

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

Refugees: Approximately 35,000 Italian refugees have been repatriated by SEASF and from SWITZERLAND during the period 23-26 July. During the week 15,000 Italian refugees were evacuated from the North to ROME and the South by rail and sea for dispersal to their homes, while 21,000 were returned to their homes in the Northern Regions. 10,000 Italian refugees were transported by rail to the South from Rome, for dispersal to their homes.

Wheat Collection: Total assessed to 31 July - 2,213,190 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection: Total assessed to 31 July - 528,000 quintals.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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26 July 45

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WEEKLY SUMMARY NO. 42.

Political:

Council of Ministers (18 July) approved institution and functions of Ministry of the Consulta to consist of one cabinet and two offices. Ministry of Post War Relief also approved. It will direct and coordinate all forms of moral and material assistance and will replace High Commissariats for Partisans, veterans, prisoners, internees, civilian victims of war, etc. DE GASPERI spoke on the possibility of obtaining coal from POLAND and UPPER SILESIA.

General strike broke out in TRIESTE (19 July) and then extended to whole of VENETIA GIULIA in protest against AME arrest of several journalists. In VENEZIA, another strike (19 July) broke out which was settled the same afternoon. Regional Commissioner stated that military discipline would be enforced on the whole civilian population should more strikes interfere with communication and transport.

Minister of the Treasury, Signor SCLENI, died suddenly on 23 July.

ROSSI, in MILAN on 22 July, stated to MORANDI, President of the CLNAI, that the Ministry of the Costituente is more of a centre of ⁴¹³⁰

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propaganda set up to call attention to the importance of the problem it will have to solve through the Costituente and that institutional problem is only the first of a long series of problems concerning economic, agrarian and industrial reforms. He said that the "pre-constituente" period will start as soon as the AMG administration comes to an end.

Public Safety:

Reports from Northern Regions describe a static prison situation with the greatest overcrowding and very slow Italian judicial processes in LOMBARDIA and VENETIA Regions.

Practically the entire population of Regina Coeli Prison, ROME, numbering 2,360, participated in a riot on 21 July which continued throughout 22 June. The Carabinieri fired first for intimidation, then for effect and one prisoner was killed and two wounded. The situation is under fair control by Italian authorities. The Ministry of Grace and Justice plans to evacuate the prison almost entirely in order to institute a program of repairs.

Public Health:

Ten million multi-vitamin tablets, surplus to American military stocks, were released during the past week for the Italian Government.

No new typhus cases reported.

Refugees:

During the week 21,947 Italian refugees were repatriated.

On 15 July, 927 Allied and other nationals left AVESSA for FRANCE. 710 Greeks were repatriated to GREECE by sea on 21 July.

Wheat Collections:

Wheat assessed to 23 July totalled - 801,270 quintals.

Olive Oil Collections:

No figures available.

General Remarks:

The financial section of the MACMILLAN directive has been received in PAN 583. It is now in process of implementation and the President of the Council of Ministers has been informed of the

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relaxation of certain controls over Italian external financial transactions.

Production of Sardinian coal has increased to 1,901 tons a day. 400 additional workers have been recruited on the mainland and are awaiting shipment to SARDINIA.

A preliminary allocation of 3,000 tons of sulphur for distribution in ASB territory has been received from the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

The G.I.S.A. Vercosa plant in ROSS commenced production on 19 July of 3,000 kgs. a day of synthetic staple fiber.

Cement production for the week totalled 1,953 tons, a decrease of 112 tons on the previous weeks.

Authorization has been received from AFIR to take into custody and have returned to the Abyssinian Government the crowns of the Abyssinian Royal House. Steps are being taken to expedite the reconstruction of the vaults of the refectory of S. Maria delle Grazie, MILAN (urgently necessary to protect the "Last Supper" of Leonardo da Vinci). An exhibition of Five Centuries of Venetian painting opened 21 July in VENICE.

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19 Jul 45

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WEEKLY BULLETIN NO. 43

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

French troops in VESTIGNIA and adjoining comares replaced by Americans on the 12th.

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

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Public Safety

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

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is unparalleled in AMG history in ITALY.

On 6 July the prison at SCHIO, VENETIE Region, was invaded by an armed band and 48 political prisoners were massacred and 23 wounded.

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

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

Public Health

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

Refugees :

During the week 19,290 refugees were repatriated.

Personnel :

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

General Remarks :

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

Work in the SICILY sulphur industry was resumed 9 July. Cement production totalled 2,055 tons, a decrease of 861 tons over previous week.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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12 July 45

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 47

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

BENZI (Liberal) was named High Commissioner for Health and FERROTTI (Socialist) Associate Commissioner.

General strike in MILAN and TURIN (4 and 5 July). After conference between PARRI and other Ministers and representatives of workers it was decided - subject to consent of Allies - to legalize agreement of 23 June between Camera del Lavoro and Unione Industriale. On 9 July Press Office of CLNAI announced it had been decided to give ⁴¹²⁴ all workers in North a special indemnity.

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

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

ITALY officially recognized new Polish Government (7 July).

Refugees:

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

General Remarks:

The amassing season ended on 9 July with 520,341 quintals of olive oil and 26,736,000 quintals of wheat, of which latter, 15,045,899 quintals were amassed in Northern ITALY.

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

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

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

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

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Cement production totalled 2,926 tons, an increase of 786 tons over the previous week.

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

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

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

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

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Political:

Following SUCCHIGARO's visit to RARI Province and report to Government, an official communique was issued saying calm had been restored and there had been no further disturbances and that in SIBRIA and MINGWINE MESSA the representatives of the parties "have pledged themselves to cooperate in the maintenance of order" and in disarming of civilians. In both towns SUCCHIGARO held meetings and stressed importance of concord and respect for law at this crucial time.

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

Undersecretaries appointed 3 July as follows: Industry: Ivan Mattei LAMMUDO (Socialist) in place of GIANFANI as previously reported.

Reconstruction: Ernesto REBBI (Action) in place of FGA as previously ¹²⁰

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reported. Post War Relief: Brigade BELLARDINI (Communist).

Refugees:

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

General Remarks:

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

First official notification has been received that cases believed to arise from MONTICASSINO are at ALT AUSSEE (AUSTRIA), checking however remains to be done. *(Monument and Line Art)*

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

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

Export shipments during week totalled 1,118 tons.

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

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

Brigadier,
Executive Commission.

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Political:

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

1. Preparation of Constituents.
2. Appeal to Allies to replace armistice clauses by peace treaty.
3. Direct negotiation with Tugelavs on VINCENIA GIULIA question.
4. Reorganization of High Commission for Sanctions against Fascism.
5. Recognition of advisory function of CLM.
6. Early administrative elections.
7. Inclusion of Northern representation in Consulta.
8. Cooperation with CML and other workers' groups on problem of labour and supply.
9. Reconstruction.

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

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

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

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

Public Safety:

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

Public Health:

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

Refugees:

During the week 11,080 refugees were repatriated. 18,599 refugees arrived in ROMA from the North. Arrangements are completed for sending 600 Greeks to GROSSETO from BARI by air in batches of 100 a day commencing 25 June.

Wheat Collections:

Wheat amassed to 26 June totalled - 11,711,553 quintals.

Olive Oil Collections:

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

ARMY AREA:

See special sitreps.

General Remarks:

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

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

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

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

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

The University of MEDUSA was formally opened 18 June.

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

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for Brigadier JCA
Executive Commissioner

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Political:

PARMI Government formed on 20th. Cabinet as follows: President -
 PARMI (Action), Vice-presidents - DEBISI (Socialist) and BORSIO (Liberal).
 (DEBISI is to have charge of anti-Fascist sanctions and preparations of
 Constituents, BORSIO of Municipal elections and formation of the Consulta).
 Air - GIVELOTTO (Labour Democrat), Navy - DE COURTESI (Ind), War - IACINI
 (Christian Democrat), Agriculture - GULLO (Communist), Education - ARANCIO
 RULLI (Liberal), Finance - SOCCIMARRO (Communist), Food - MELI (Labour
 Democrat), Foreign Affairs - DE GASPERI (Christian Democrat), Industry
 and Commerce - GRONCHI (Christian Democrat), Interior - PARMI (Action).
 Justice - TOGLIATTI (Communist), Labour and Social Welfare - BARTARESCCHI
 (Socialist), Post and Telecommunications - SCALBA (Christian Democrat),
 Post War Relief - LURSE (Action), Public Works - BORGATA (Socialist),
 Reconstruction - RUINI (Labour Democrat), Transport - LA MALFA (Action),
 Treasury - SOLERI (Liberal).

Candidacy of PARMI was accepted by six parties on 13th. On 14th
 Presidency of Council stated Allies had communicated obligations which new

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

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

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

Public Safety:

GI appointments to positions as Quastore in the North are not proving successful and many are being replaced.

Overcrowding in prisons continues to cause grave anxiety.

Refugees:

During the week 16,860 Italians were repatriated.

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

Personnel:

Colonel Nelson J. BERGENT, (A), appointed Senior Civil Affairs Officer, AMG XIII Corps.

Wheat Collections:

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

Olive Oil Collection:

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

ARMY AREA:

See special sitreps.

General Remarks:

One thousand tons of binder twine have been delivered for the harvest in North ITALY. One thousand tons of sulphur have been unloaded at GENOA and are now being distributed throughout the Regions in the North. 4113

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

500 Italian ex-POW and Service personnel have been repatriated by air from PRAGUE.

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

At a Conference at BELGRADE between AMIG and BELARF a policy regarding the repatriation of 500,000 Italian Nationals from GERMANY to ITALY and 100,000 GERMAN PW to GERMANY was decided upon.

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

J. H. Newell
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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 43

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

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

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

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

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

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

40 Armoured vehicles have been reconditioned and sent North.

Refugees : During the week 6,173 Italian refugees were repatriated to the South. 11,653 reached ROME from the North.

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

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

Army Area : Nothing unusual to report.

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

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

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

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

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

Preparation of electoral lists having urgent attention.

In MILAN seven Patriot Centres are now operating. 4,077 out of a total of 4,334 patriots have dispersed. Disbandment of patriots not required operationally has been almost completed in the cities of VENICE, PADUA, ROVIGO, VICENZA and VERONA. All Patriot Centres in EMILIA with the exception of MODENA are being closed.

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

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

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

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

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WORLDY SITREP NO. 42.

Political:

Developments in government crisis; differences between Liberals and Leftist Parties over functions of GLTs have been removed and six party agreement (issued 3 June) rules provincial and communal GLTs should have advisory functions until after elections; subordinate GLTs should be reduced to their exclusively political character. Proposed Government program published 5 June being fusion of this agreement and MELAN agreement. Article in PORO (3 June) advanced candidacy of Christian Democrats for leadership in new government. Leftist parties consider this an attempt to "torpedo" the six party accord. NORDI had conference in HARLES with GROSS (3 June), interpreted as indication of Liberal willingness to accept him as President of Council. Labour Democrats were reported (5 June) favouring Socialist candidacy. NORDI wrote letter to party leaders pointing out that there had been time enough for consultation and government business was waiting on solution. Present position is Communists, Socialists, Action Party and Labour Democrats willing to accept NORDI, Christian Democrats reluctant and Liberal position not entirely clear. General situation *(148)*

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DE CAMPERI gave interview to French paper 'OUESSANT' (21 May); expressed admiration for FRANCE and said that French should not confuse Italian people with MESSOLINI. Stated that TRIESTE is for ITALY what STRASBOURG is for FRANCE.

Public Health

MAYES smallpox returns in May against April showed City figures fell from 126 to 54 cases, Province from 148 to 155.

Public Safety

Nothing unusual to report.

Refugees

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

During the week, 11,876 Italians were repatriated to the South. 13,131 Italians reached ROMA from the North. The total refugees and displaced persons moved by all means during MAY south of NAPOLI - SALERNO - LIGNON was 71,794 persons.

Personnel

Colonel W. S. B. BISHOP (B) appointed Director, Legal Sub-Commission and Chief Legal Advisor.

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

Wheat Collections

Wheat assessed to 4 June totalled - 11,640,322 quintals.

Olive Oil Collections

Olive oil assessed to 21 May totalled - 503,190 quintals.

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General Remarks

It is estimated that wheat and small grain crop for 1945/46 will be 25 to 35% less than the good crop of last year, due to weather and war damage. 4106

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

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

OSKIBELLO (Montecatini Co.) started production of superphosphates on 3 May at the rate of 2,100 tons a month.

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

The Italian Government made substantial increases in the rates of bonus payable to Patriots. Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia has been recognized as the official Veterans Association of the Patriots. The clothing situation has been relieved by a substantial release of salvaged material with a total of 75,000 garments, 25,000 boots and 11,800 blankets. 47,862 Patriots were demobilized in Lombardia up to 26 May.

for *[Signature]*
Brigadier, USA
Executive Commissioner.

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SICILY SITREP NO. 43.

Political:

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

ROTTAI, PIETRIZZI and BOSSONI Fascist hierarchs condemned to life imprisonment, AGESSE to thirty years (26 May).

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

See signal 8620 dated 28 May for report ^{SECRET} on ~~secret~~ incident.

Public Health:

A report from CAPRELLI in SICILY says that there have only been 37 cases of typhus instead of 38 as previously reported, with nine deaths. No more cases have been reported from RANDOCCO. One case of

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typhus has been reported from AOSTA in North ITALY.

Public Safety:

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

Ministry of Interior records have been found intact at VALDARE and VERONA.

Ten counterfeiters were sentenced to ^{10m} four to fifteen years in NAPLES Ass Courts. Another eleven counterfeiters responsible for making 4,000,000 lire have been apprehended.

Refugees:

During the week 8,347 refugees with homes in the south left USSR.

Russian refugees arriving in ROME are to be treated as arrivals and sent to IN Repatriation Unit.

Wheat Collections:

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

Olive Oil Collections:

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

AND FIFTH & EIGHTH AREAS:

See special airtels.

General Remarks:

The production of fish has risen to 300 tons a day on the LIGURIAN Coast with the port price of fish dropping from 130 lire to 5 lire a kilogram.

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

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

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Solvay Plant in ROSSIGNANO has resumed production at the rate of 240 tons of sodium carbonate a day and as a result prices for caustic soda and sodium carbonate dropped very considerably.

Manufacture of Nitric acid has begun at FERRA MONTEORO (Terni Co.).

3,428 tons of cement have been produced this week by A.C. controlled works at NAPOLI, COLLANEREO, GUIDONIA and MONOPOLI. This is an increase of 1,036 tons over previous week.

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

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

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

Report received that all English art property sent to the Leonardo da Vinci exhibition, is safe in MILAN.

Civilian telephone circuits to FLORENCE and BOLOGNA were made available.

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WEEKLY SUMMARY NO. 10

Political:

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

Field Marshal ALLOTTI's message on VIGEVANO GIBLIA applauded by all
 parties particularly since it stresses the principle involved. Consider-
 able attention given also to situation in PISA.

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WEEKLY BINSUP NO. 141.

Political:

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

Field Marshal ALEXANDER's message on VERDELLA GIBLIA applauded by all
 parties particularly since it stresses the principle involved. Consider-
 able attention given also to situation in FISCHER.

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Food & Supplies:

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

Public Health:

Thirty eight cases of typhus with two deaths are reported from the village of CARRIHI in SICILY. Ten cases are reported from the village of RAINCOO. USRA has sent a team of workers to organize disinfection.

Public Safety:

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

An increase in ceiling of Carabinieri to 68,000 has been approved.

Refugees:

During the week 10,060 Italian refugees left ROME for homes in the South of ITALY and 18,325 Italian refugees arrived in ROME from the North.

Wheat
Collection:

Wheat assessed to 21 May - 11,534,411 quintals.

Olive Oil
Collection:

Olive oil assessed to 21 May - 491,783 quintals.

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See special airtels.

General Remarks:

A programme of distribution for the loan of captured enemy draft animals to farmers in Northern ITALY is now in progress.

Approximately 23 tons of gold, discovered by FIFTH Army in 4100 caves near PARTINIA, has been brought to ROME and placed in the vault of the Allied Financial Agency, Sub-section of the Finance Sub-Commission, pending receipt of further instructions.

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

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

Damage to monuments in CEMOA extensive and often severe.
 TURIN - badly damaged. Large loss of books at University Library.
 TRIESTE - monuments suffered badly.

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USCIB REPORT No. 39.

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

Delegates of GLSRI conferred with the Government and leaders of six parties several times during the week. MORANDI, head of GLSRI, spoke in RAVENNA (14 May) on urgency of change in Government. Members of GLSRI have already returned to the North. Government representatives to follow shortly for further conferences. Socialist rally (10 May) speakers MORANDI, BONTINI and RENZI urged calling of Constituent without delay and indicated their desire

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

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

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

Food & Supplies: Nothing unusual to report.

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

Public Safety: A review and inspection of the Carabinieri of ROME was held by Field Marshal ALEXANDER at G.I. HQ. Headquarters on 12 May.

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

Refugees: During the week 2,325 refugees with homes in the South were repatriated. 5,186 refugees arrived in ROME from the North. 1,695 of these came from the BONOMI area.

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

Olive Oil Collection: Olive Oil amassed to 15 May - 483,340 quintals.

AGC Fifth & Eighth Areas: See special sitreps.

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General Remarks:

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

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

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

Twenty thousand tons of hemp reported available in the North. AFHQ confirmed authority for demobilisation of 50,000 Italian soldiers of older classes belonging to all three categories.

Movements and Fine Arts: reports from Northern ITALY state little damage or loss. AITO ANICE deposits housing treasures from Central ITALY, especially FLORENCE, undergoing inspection.

MILAN:

Of the 27 churches listed as National Monuments, only five remain undamaged. Cathedral virtually unharmed. Leonardo's painting "The Last Supper" still under its heavy protective covering; condition uncertain. Refectory in which it stood severely damaged. Library and archives collections reported in large part safe. MONTECASSINO Abbey intact.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner, VCA.

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 38.

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

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

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

Delegates from CLNAI reached ROME 5 May. Received by BONOMI, MIRABELLI, (Socialist) President of CLNAI, expressed desire of North for complete democratic revival in life of nation. CLNAI presented five point programme

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to BONOMO:

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

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

Food & Supplies:

Nothing to report.

Public Health:

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

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

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

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

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- Personnel: Air Vice-marshal I. S. BRODIE (B) appointed Director, Air Forces Sub-Commission.
- Wheat Collection: Total wheat amassed to 9 May - 11,423,583 quintals.
- Olive Oil
Collection: Total olive oil amassed to 9 May - 474,241 quintals.
- FIFTH and EIGHTH Armies: Refer to special sitreps.
- General Remarks: Production commenced at RAVENNA of a substitute for machinery belting in the form of a rubber impregnated canvas 5 ply belting. 800 metres, width 64 cms. already available. Provided sufficient light canvas and scrap rubber made available the month production of this plant will be about 3,000 metres.

Struria Co. at COMPTONEBI (near MARENCO) began the manufacture of sulphuric acid.

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

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

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

For the Chief Commissioner:

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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3 May 45

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WEEKLY SITREP NO. 57.

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

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

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

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must be postponed awaiting AMG administration.

Food & Supplies:

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

Public Health:

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

Personnel:

No personnel changes.

Wheat Collection:

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

Olive Oil Collection:

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

AMG Fifth and Eighth Armies:

Refer to special airtels.

General Remarks:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Brigadier,
Executive Command area.

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PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 136

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

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

Food & Supplies : Nothing unusual to report.

Public Safety : Nothing unusual to report.

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Public Health :

Nothing to report.

Personnel :

The following personnel changes have been made:

Brig. J.K. DUNLAP, OES, MC, TD, appointed Regional Commissioner, VIRGINIA Region.

Brig. M. GARR OES, MC, appointed Regional Commissioner, LIGURIA Region.

Colonel Robert B. MERRIMAN, appointed Joint Director, Finance Sub-Commission.

Refugees :

Nothing to report.

Price Tendencies :

Nothing to report.

Wheat Collection:

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

Olive Oil Collection:

Total olive oil amassed to 24 April - 449,541 quintals.

AMS Fifth and Eighth Areas :

Refer to special aitreps.

General Remarks :

Allied Commission has sent to the Italian Government an earnest recommendation that the voting methods intended to be used in Italian Government Territory, based on the 1945 law, be revised to ensure a free and secret vote. The Italian Government has also been informed that the Commission could not in any event countenance the holding of elections in AMS Territory under the 1945 system unless it was appropriately amended.

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

Arrangements have been made to hand over ten ships flying ⁴⁶⁸⁷ the Italian flag for operation by COGEMA. These ships are being allocated to regular coastwise sailings and are under the supervision of MAREO.

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

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

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

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 35.

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

Messages sent from Luogotenente and DE GASPERI to American nation and mourning decreed in ROME for death of President ROOSEVELT. (13 April).

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

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Food & Supplies: Nothing unusual to report.

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

Price Tendencies: Nothing to report.

Wheat Collection: Wheat amassed to 18 April - 11,292,334 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection: Olive Oil amassed to 18 April - 438,340 quintals.

AMG FIFTH & EIGHTH ARMIES. Special aitreps despatched on 17 April and 13 April respectively.

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

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

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

The total number of Patriots at present in Centres is 1,666 and total increase in Italian Army manpower during March was 30,860.

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

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Colonel,
Acting Executive Commissioner.

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PRIORITY

WEEKLY BULLETIN NO. 34.

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

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

MUSOLINI stated that ITALY was anxious to renew friendly relations with independent ARABIA, added ITALY's work in ETHIOPIA and SOVIET UNION should not be forgotten. GROSS wrote letter to TIMES (Published 6 April) protesting against ITALY's exclusion from SAN FRANCISCO Conference. Bomb exploded in vicinity of JUGOSLAV Partisan hideout in DASH, intensifying press interest in future of TRIESTE.

ROGLIATTI defined Communist policy at party annual congress (6-10 April). Strengthened war effort and need of unity transcended Party politics but hinted that imminent liberation of Northern ITALY would be the occasion for parties to clarify their respective positions. Warned Conservatives

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and reactionaries. Offered political pact with the Church. said that TRIESTE ^{controversy} was a result of nationalistic machinations. Suggested civil hegemony as possible solution of institutional question. Urged reorganization of present Government on liberation of the North.

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

Food and Supplies: Nothing unusual to report.

Public Safety: On 5 April there was a jail break at Regina Coeli Prison, ROME. 100 prisoners were involved, 25 are still at large.

The Italian Police report that on the 9th April at BARI an Allied ammunition ship exploded for unknown reasons firing another ship loaded with petrol. As a result of the explosion many buildings have been damaged and windows broken. The dead so far ascertained are six soldiers and 267 civilians, ~~including~~ 103 soldiers and 1,724 civilians have been wounded, among them R.E. the Prefect.

PUBLIC HEALTH: No further cases of typhoid have been reported from AMB No.27 Evacuation Camp at MARONKE.

Personnel: No personnel changes.

Refugees: Nothing to report.

Price Tendencies: Nothing to report.

Wheat Collections: Wheat amassed to 16 April 11,253,057 quintals.

Olive Oil Collections: Olive oil amassed to 9 April 428,920 quintals.

General Remarks: A.C. has been informed by the UNITED STATES Department of State through the American Embassy, ROME, that a further credit of \$ 30,000,000 was made on 15 March to the Italian Government account in the U.S., representing net expenditures by U.S. troops

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out of their pay. A total of one hundred million has now been credited to this account covering the period to the 31st December 1944.

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

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

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

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Colonel,
Acting Executive Commissioner.

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29 Mar 45

PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 32.

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

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

Food & Supplies : Nothing unusual to report.

Public Safety: Nothing to report.

Public Health: Nothing to report.

Personnel : Nothing to report.

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

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

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

Wheat Collection: Wheat amassed to 28 March 11,023,394 quintals.

Olive Oil Collection : Olive Oil amassed to 26 March 400,079 quintals.

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

Hemp: The delayed shipment of 480 tons fertilizer now arrived NAPLES. 100 tons Turkish hemp seeds landed NAPLES, completing requisition for 200 tons.

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

Export during the week totalled 4,587 tons of a value approximating 135 million lire, constituting a record week. The above includes 125 tons of mercury and 4 tons bergamot oil to FRANCE and 3,103 tons of lemons to U.K.

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

That nearly 1000 Grade I-IV officials are subject to epuration, that cases of all but 75 have been investigated, that nearly 300 of these have been sent for trial and only 60 trials are unfinished. The 240 cases concluded resulted in 100 persons being dismissed and 4079 100 appeals outstanding, of which over half are against non-dismissal.

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

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

- 1,000 lire demobilization bonus;
- 5,000 lire to wounded patriots;
- 10,000 lire to dependents of patriots killed in action.

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

583 PW were repatriated during the week.

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

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

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

D. LLEWELLYN
Colonel,
Acting Executive Commissioner.

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22 March 1945

PRIORITY

WEEKLY SITREP NO. 31.

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

Professor GIUSEPPE SALLAGAT, Socialist party leader, appointed Ambassador to FRANCE.

Food and Supplies: Sugar ration cancelled due to non-arrival of stocks in February.

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

Health: Nothing unusual to report.

Refugees: Nothing to report.

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

Olive Oil Collections: Total to date 370,610 qtls.

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

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306 1½ ton trucks arrived at LEHORN from the U.S. and are being railed to ROME for assembly.

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

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

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Brigadier,
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15 Mar 45

PRIORITY

WEEKLY BULLETIN NO. 30.

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

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

Verdict on trials announced 12 Mar. ANFUSO condemned to death; BOATTA, MANZELLI, NAVALE to life imprisonment, JACCHINI and SVICH to twenty-four years.

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

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

Food & Supplies:

Nothing unusual to report.

Health:

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

Price Tendencies:

LARIO-SEBRIA: bread on black market rose 25%, olive oil rose 10% with passing of peak supply period.

Wheat Collection:

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

Pressed Olive Oil Collection:

Total to-date: 325,281 qtls.

Crime:

LARIO-SEBRIA: 28 fascists arrested concerned with clandestine newspaper "ONDICE".

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

Recently completed survey shows at least 1000 bridges destroyed in PISA Province.

Calcium carbide manufacture has recommenced at TRIMI.

MENTOATINI superphosphate plant at BIODOGNA is now in operation. The first distribution of anhydrous ammonia for civilian needs was made this week from RERA MENTARO TRIMI Co.

SOC. ELETTICA SARDA: OSCHINI is now producing at the rate of approximately 150 tons of ammonia per month.

The port of POMBINO is now being used for the export of 1,800 tons of pyrites destined for SARDEGNA. This together with 800 tons from CIVITAVECCHIA constitutes the first shipment of pyrites since the liberation.

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Mr. K.R.V. WADDE, British Treasury representative, arrived at
Hq A.C. for discussions on financial matters.

Capt. E S. Morden
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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