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MONTHLY REPORT, EMILIA REGION
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Executive Commissioner

Emilia Region report for the provinces of Forli, Ferrara

to Ravenna is at 29. An extremely good report.

DL. 25/6/45

26/8

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Executive Commissioner

Please see Report for May on 6 of the provinces of Emilia.
A good report.

DL 29.6.45

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C.S.O.

Please see Min. 32

Letter (see 33) is submitted for signature.

DL 2/7/45

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C.S.O.

51 is a very good report from Emilia

Si 20/5 25/6/45 775/47

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Executive Commission

Please see Report for May on 6 of the provinces of Ecuador.
A good report.

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775 29.6.45. 775/46

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C.S.O.

34 44

Please see ^{Min.} 32 }
Letter (see 33) is submitted for signature.

775 27/45

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C.S.O.

51 is a very good report from Emilia
for June. Passengers of interest are marked.

17/7/45

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Exline

etc.

Monthly report for India Region
is at 69-63- see packages marked.

Σ 11/8

Σ 10/8

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A good ref. at 11/8

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TO: C.O.S.

1. Submitted for reading in EMILIA Regions Monthly Report for November. This is very brief as one would expect.

2. Note particularly, para 5, where additional flooding by the army of RAVENNA Province is reported. Para. 7, reference is made to the new administrative HQ which, for your information, formally came into being on 9 Dec.

14 Dec 44.
Office, Chief of Staff,
Tel: 735

Sharden
Captain.

→ 17/12

18 16/12

C.O.S.

Please see EMILIA Region report for December.

C.O.S.
19.1.45

ph
Si fu cos
8/12. 19.1.45
H.N. com. 7/12.

Executive Commission

Please see Monthly Report on Forlì & Ravenna provinces for April 44. A good report.

ph
8/12. 19.1.45

Mr. Llewellyn

Ex Com has seen 19.1.45
and instructs that the
with a view to some Sect be

14 Dec 44.
Office, Chief of Staff,
Tel: 755

755/17/20

C.O.S.

Please see EMILIN Region report for December.

C.O.S.
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Executive Commission

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for April. A good report.

23/12/45
24/12/45

24.

Miss Llewellyn

Ex Com has seen 23/12/45
and indicates that the
attention of Ex Com Sect be
drawn to paras 2 & 15.

24/12/45. Done (proforma).
25/12/45.

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TO: Acting Chief of Staff.

1. Reference 11. This is really the first operative report from EMILIA Region which we have had. Last month they had only just got into the fringe of one Province. It is good to note that the problem of mine clearance is being tackled realistically (see paras 5 and 6).

W. G. G. G.

14 Nov 44.

C.S.O.,
Office, Chief of Staff.

15/11 noted. 7

14.

Yes. I like the effort of the AG Office as C.N.C.O.

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15/11.

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Weekly Report? Although it does show that some progress has been made & it may be discouraging to the Region if it is left out.

With end Weekly Sitrep Day send as the new location of Provincial teams.

WTR

14/10

The matter.

If you can work in a short reference to all N. Region, that would be.

Col To be 3.

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6.

I don't like Pt II 2 g (d). We must have ~~co~~ coordination & P. 101 is an administrative act P. 101 is The Police approach would be wrong. Ask & Co. CAS to instruct accordingly.

17/10/15

Capt Madan

Pl take up with CAS. I know Ex-Capt Blayson has a hand in this.

16/10

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Ref 7 same way Dillard. Point made & action will be taken by CAS.

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PA.

C.S.O.

Reference Weekly report at 11. Emilia Region has little to report as no part of the area is yet under regional control. Para 5 & 6 (Part 2) in which fields are interesting. Reference para. 6 (b) would it not spread things up if there were 2 mobile schools to instruct farmers?

(WTR)

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

REFERENCE: REM/HQ/SZ/R/1/6

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for July 1945
Emilia Region

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TO : HQ Allied Commission
DOWNS 132nd Army Group
4th 5th Army
R.C. Venezia Region
R.C. Lombardy Region
R.C. Piedmont Region
R.C. Liguria Region
SCAO Venezia Region

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PART II

POLITICAL REACTIONS AND POPULAR OPINION.

Although there has been a general decline in open Political activity during the last month, it is obvious that under the surface the Communists are carefully preparing their plans for the future.

Many of the more intelligent people consider that, in numbers at least, the Christian Democratic Party is predominant, but as usual, the Communists with their more active leadership and "persuasive" propaganda give the opposite impression.

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Commerce.
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Food.
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Production of bricks, tiles, lime and cement is sufficient to cope with local demand and to leave an exportable balance, but all Sections of industry are severely handicapped by insufficient supplies of coal.

There are about 15,000 tons of salt on hand at Cervi but difficulties are being experienced in the warehousing of this quantity.

AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES.

There were few changes in personnel of Italian organizations during the month.

The acting director of the Bologna inter-regional Office of the Consorzio Agrario Federativo was recalled to Rome on the appointment of a permanent director: Prof. Achille Secchi.

Imports:
Cattle in Modena, Reggio and Parma Provinces had to be exported owing to the extreme forage shortage.

During the early part of the month, fairs or raduni were held daily, and farmers or accredited representatives of farmers, came from other parts of Italy (with permits of UPEA or the Istituto Agrario) to buy cattle for "allevamento" or restocking purposes. The prices at the fairs were controlled.

Stock sold was mostly calves and yearlings of local dairy breeds. The following numbers were sold during the month:

Reggio Emilia	- up to 21 July	45	11,449
Modena	- up to 18 July	45	7,506

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Grain del Popolo.
Although up to date only 59% of the expected total weight of wheat has been amassed, it seems probable that the early estimated total will be exceeded.

So far there has been considerable delay in the thrashing due to shortage or late arrival of fuel for tractors. Another factor was the unrest in the country side, caused mainly by agitators who demanded 60% of the product on behalf of the "mezzadro" or tenant.

Crop prospects.
The heavy falls of rain at the end of July, came too late to benefit most of the present crops, and the outlook is still far from promising. The vines however, due to the low rainfall, are almost entirely free from disease, and a large crop of high quality grapes is expected. A normal to bumper crop of soft fruit is being harvested.

LABOUR.

Unemployment.
The unemployment figures of last month have been considerably reduced by the speed up in the Public Works Programme.

Wages.
In every section there have been many new wage contracts. Generally, the wages called for have been kept to the agreed level, except in the Province of Ravenna where special agricultural conditions prevail.

Cost of living.
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The principle reason for this reduction is the fall in open market prices, which is general throughout the Region.

Strikes

There was one strike in Ferrara during June, this lasted one day only. Numerous demonstrations and parades however were reported, but these were of an orderly nature, and as usual ended with the presentation of demands to the authorities through the C.L.N.

Camera del Lavoro

After considerable observation it is now apparent that the Camera del Lavoro is without doubt the most corrupt organization of its kind in Italy.

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The financial operations of the Post Office are on a normal basis. Postal savings deposits exceed withdrawals, and the sale of Postal bonds exceeds repurchases.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES

General

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Water Supply and Sewerage

In Bologna Province, repairs to the water supply systems of Castiglione dei Pepoli, Loiano, and Molinella were completed.

In Bologna city, the work of laying 2-10 inch pipes across the Reno river was finished, and the water supply is now back to 72 million gallons a day - or about 90% of the pre-war city demand.

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In spite of the many difficulties which had to be overcome, work on all the electric systems is progressing favourably, and full advantage is being taken of the summer months to effect the heavier repairs.

LEGAL

During the 3 1/2 Months of A.M.G. Administration in Emilia, there have been very few serious proclamation violations. Only two cases were tried before a General Military Court. It is felt that the Region is sufficiently far advanced to enable the handover to be completed without undue complication or adverse results. Following the A.C. directive AC/4183/L, some 5 receivers were appointed by the Regional Commissioner during A.M.G. administration in Emilia Region: The Italian authorities have since appointed a receiver for each of the properties in question, and the appointments of former receivers were cancelled. The Italian Courts are all functioning and are prepared to handle any cases involving Allied interests.

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Allied Courts.

There has been an increase in the number of cases tried, but no difficulties were experienced at Summary, General, or Superior Courts, and all cases have been dealt with speedily. The majority of cases have been for illegal possession of arms, and possession of Allied Property. Arrangements have been made to hand over all future cases to the Italian Courts.

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Italian Courts are functioning in every Province, but the usual slowness is experienced. The Peoples Courts are going ahead fairly well, although the judges frequently threaten to resign when the public express dissatisfaction with a decision against a Fascist. Delay in carrying out death sentences against convicted Fascists has caused an occasional outburst from the people.

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The termination of the service of all forms of auxiliary civil Police, and enrolment into proper service of all recuperated CC.RR. have also increased morale to a great extent.

The total number of Police Agents for the whole Region is given below:

	Officers	Men
CC.RR.	63	3896
Agents of Questura	73	1305
Guardia di Finanza	24	1038
Vigili Urbani	13	761
Corpo Forestale	17	310

PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE.

General.
The health position throughout the Region continues to be relatively good, and so far no unsurmountable problems have been encountered.

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Diseases.

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One case of small-pox occurred in Modena, the patient being a 22 years old man who had recently arrived from Naples.

The case was hospitalized and a vaccination programme carried out in the commune.

Medical Services.

There are enough hospital beds in the Region to cope with ordinary demands.

Welfare.

The Ente Comunale di Assistenza is functioning satisfactorily, and should be able to carry on with reasonable efficiency. 16,850 blankets and 74,000 garments were distributed in Bologna Province during the last month.

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There was no serious outbreak of disease in any of the camps.

PATRIOTS.

The payment of grants and issue of Alexander certificates is progressing, although some difficulties are being encountered, the chief of which is the constant discovery of new bands of Patriots who had long since returned to their homes in the mountain areas.

3707 arms of all type were collected during July and although every effort has been made to ensure a complete hand in, it is considered that sufficient arms and ammunition have been hidden in the mountains to re-arm 50% of the Patriots.

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Road communication is excellent throughout the Region, and good progress is reported on the replacement of temporary bridges by permanent structures.

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Throughout the Region the military are using civilian operators on both their local and long distance switchboards.

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On the 1st July the postal rates for all Emilia were equalized with those of Southern Italy.

Correspondence is now permitted to circulate from Italy to all countries of the world, with the exception of Germany, Austria, Hungary and Japanese territory.

PROPERTY CONTROL.

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MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS AND ARCHIVES.

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Colonel, Infantry
Regional Commissioner.

Exposition Return (30 35)

Province of Modena Month of luglio 1945

Number of Expiration Commissions appointed and functioning

Schede Personali

Investigation completed and
no further action proposed
Suspension proposed.....
Investigation not completed.....
Total schede received.....

Objections

Objections

Hearing completed and
Suspension not ordered.....
Suspension ordered.....
Hearing not yet completed.....
Total objections received.....

Suspensions

No objection having been lodged..
By Order of Commission.....
Total suspensions.....

	Category	
	Immediate	Deferred
	7	925
	12	73
	3	7
	22	1005

18	47	92
7	28	26
4	13	19
6	5	52
35	93	189
1	1	2
4	13	19
5	14	21

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Investigation completed and no further action proposed	7	25	925
Suspension proposed.....	12	31	73
Investigation not completed.....	3	5	7
Total schedule received.....	22	62	1005

Objections

Objections	18	47	92
Hearing completed and Suspension not ordered.....	7	28	26
Suspension ordered.....	4	13	19
Hearing not yet completed.....	6	5	52
Total objections received.....	35	93	189
Suspensions			
No objection having been lodged..	1	1	2
By Order of Commission.....	4	13	19
Total suspensions.....	5	14	21

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Epuration Return (SO 35) Province of Bologna Month of Luglio
 Number of Epuration Commissions appointed and functioning (1a Sezione)

Schede Personnel 326

	Category	
	Immediate	Deferred
Investigation completed and no further action proposed	41	-
Suspension proposed	10	-
Investigation not completed	25	-
Total schede received	76	250

Objections

Objections

Hearing completed and Suspension not ordered

Suspension ordered

Hearing not yet completed

Total objections received

Suspensions

No objection having been lodged ..

By order of Commission

Total suspensions

(1) Membri 2:

Il Presidente Stagni e il Commissario Longo. Essendo detta Sezione incompleta per mancanza del numero legale dei suoi Membri, ha potuto tenere solo sporadicamente qualche seduta con la presenza di un Membro tolto per poche ore ad altra Sezione. Durante tutto il mese mentre il Presidente e' stato completamente assorbito da attivita' concernente l'indirizzo ed il funzionamento di tutte le Sezioni, il Commissario Longo ha partecipato costantemente alle udienze pubbliche e alle sedute istruttorie delle altre due Sezioni (prevalentemente la Ila) alle quali egli non appartenebbe.

IL PRESIDENTE DELLA COMMISSIONE
 (Avv. G. Stagni)

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Epuration Return (GO 35)

Province of Piacenza Month of _____

Number of Epuration Commissions appointed and functioning

Scheda Personali	Category	
	Immediate	Deferred
Investigation completed and no further action proposed.....	8	402
Suspension proposed.....	28	285
Investigation not completed.....	2	105
Total schede received.....	76	760
		1828

Objections

Objections

Hearing completed and Suspension not ordered.....
 Suspension ordered.....
 Hearing not yet completed.....
 Total objections received.....

-	-	4
1	3	10
-	1	1
10	37	190

Suspensions

No objection having been lodged..
 By Order of Commission.....
 Total suspension

-	-	1
1	3	10
1	3	11

Epuration Return (GO 35)

Province of Modena Month of Luglio

Number of Epuration Commission appointed and functioning:
(Commissione unica di epurazione per i Mandamenti di Mirandola e Finale Emilia).

Schede Personali

Category		
Immediate	Routine	Deferred
14	28	736
19	11	118
1	-	43
34	39	897

Investigation completed and
no further action proposed.....
Suspension proposed.....
Investigation not completed.....
Total schede received.....

Objections

Objections

Hearing completed and
Suspension not ordered.....
Suspension ordered.....
Hearing not yet completed.....
Total objections received.....

Suspensions

No objection having been lodged ..
By Order of Commission.....
Total suspensions.....

1	2	3
9	1	28
8	8	87
18	11	118
1	-	11
8	1	17
9	1	28

N.B. Oltre alle schede comprese nel prospetto di cui sopra, questa Commissione ha ricevuto a suo tempo ed esaminato oltre no.341 schede personali riguardanti i dipendenti degli Istituti Scolastici di questa giurisdizione. Tali schede sono state trasmesse in data 17 c. m. alla Commissione recentemente istituita per l'epurazione nel campo della Scuola, e sono state accompagnate da opportuna lettera che si allega in copia al presente prospetto, e dalla quale emerge la natura dei provvedimenti adottati da questa Commissione per dette schede.

Mirandola, 24 Luglio 1945

IL PRESIDENTE DELLA COMMISSIONE
(Avv. Oscar Pacchioni)

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Spuration Return (GO 35)

Province of Ferrara Month of Luglio 45

Number of Spuration Commissions appointed and functioning. (una Comm. Provinciale con 4 Sezioni)

Schede Personali

Investigation completed and
no further action proposed

Suspension proposed.....

Investigation not completed.....

Total schede received.....

Objections

Objections

Hearing completed and
Suspension not ordered.....

Suspension ordered.....

Hearing not yet completed.....

Total objections received.....

Suspensions

No objection having been lodged..

By order of Commission.....

Total suspensions.....

Category		
Immediate	Routine	Deferred
135	962	-
24	90	-
38	183	834
197	1435	834

-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
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-	-	-
-	-	-
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135	962	-
24	90	-
38	183	834
197	1435	834

no further action proposed
Suspension proposed.....
Investigation not completed.....
Total schede received.....

Objections

-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
4	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
4	-	-

Objections
Hearing completed and
Suspension not ordered.....
Suspension ordered.....
Hearing not yet completed.....
Total objections received.....
Suspensions
No objection having been lodged..
By order of Commission.....
Total suspensions.....

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Epuration Return (GO 35) Province of Parma Month of Luglio 945
 Number of Epuration Commissions appointed and functioning

	Category	
	Immediato	Deferred
Schede personali		
Investigation completed and no further action proposed	-	393
Suspension proposed	-	305
Investigation not completed	-	284
Total schede received	-	982
Objections		
Objections		
Hearing completed and Suspension not ordered.....	-	27
Suspension ordered.....	-	60
Hearing not yet completed....	-	217
Total objections received....	-	304
Suspensions		
No objection having been lodged	-	58
By order of Commission	-	107
Total suspension.....	-	165

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Suspension proposed	-	43	393
Investigation not completed	-	42	305
Total schedule received	-	-	284
Objections	-	85	982
Objections	-	-	-
Hearing completed and Suspension not ordered.....	-	6	27
Suspension ordered.....	-	5	60
Hearing not yet completed....	-	7	217
Total objections received....	-	18	304
Suspensions	-	-	-
No objection having been lodged	-	11	58
By order of Commission	-	72	107
Total suspension.....	-	83	165

Expiration Return (GO 35)

Province of Bologna Month of Luglio

Number of Expiration Commissions appointed and functioning (3a Sezione)

Schede Personali 388

	Category	
	Immediate	Routine
Investigation completed and no further action proposed.....	36	290
Suspension proposed	12	20
Investigation not completed.....	3	4
Total schede received.....	51	314
		23

Objections

Objections 42 (udienze in opposi-

zione n. 5)

Hearing completed and

Suspension not ordered.....

Suspension ordered.....

Hearing not yet completed.....

Total objections received.....

3	5	2
4	11	5
3	9	-
10	25	7
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

Suspensions

No objection having been lodged...

By order of Commission

Total suspension.....

Il Presidente della 3a Sezione
(Cevidalli Avv. Achille)

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Epuration Return (CO 35)

Province of Reggio E. Month of _____

Number of Epuration Commissions appointed and functioning

Schede Personali

6	Category		
	Immediate	Routine	Deferred
Investigation completed and no further action proposed	6	17	1101
Suspension proposed	3	12	455
Investigation not completed	-	8	112
Total schede received	9	37	1668

Objections

Objections

Hearing completed and
Suspension not ordered.....
Suspension ordered.
Hearing not yet completed

3	5	28
1	7	34
2	12	66
6	24	150

Total objections received.....

Suspensions

No objection having been lodged
By order of Commission

-	-	9
-	-	-
-	-	9

Total suspensions.....

Eputation Return (GO 35)

Province of Bologna Month of luglio

Number of Eputation Commissions appointed and functioning 1 (2a Sezione)

Schede Personali 1482

Category		
Immediate	Routine	Deferred
68	869	179
19	65	-
92	199	-
179	1124	179

Investigation completed and
no further action proposed

Suspension proposed.....

Investigation not completed

Total schede received.....

Objections

Objections 81 (udienze in opposizione
n. 7)

Hearing completed and
Suspension not ordered.....

Suspension ordered

Hearing not yet completed.....

Total objections received.....

Suspensions

No objection having been lodged

By order of Commission.....

Total suspensions.....

IL PRESIDENTE DELLA 2a SEZIONE
(Sbrocca Dott. Nicola)

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FORECAST ON FUTURE CONDITIONS
EMILIA REGION

Many conflicting reports have been received from the Provinces as to the possible political and economic future of Emilia Region. After careful study of these reports, and independent observation, it is the opinion of this HQ, that the following conditions will prevail:

Politically:

There will be no major disturbances while Allied troops are stationed here and AMG is established in neighbouring regions.

Economically:

Unless adequate preparations are made immediately to re-activate industries on a large scale, unemployment will assume dangerous proportions during the coming winter.

With the withdrawal of Allied troops and the cessation of all AMG control, the political position may change immediately, and the rougher elements resort to force in their attempts to gain power. The passivity of the remaining political parties tends to encourage the success of an uprising on the part of a minority.

These facts influence a possible change.

The Communists, although in the minority - possibly representing 35% - 45% of the population in Emilia Region - are well organized and are taking full advantage of the existence of such organizations as the Camera del Lavoro and ANPI to place their own Communist members in prominent official positions.

Many of these Communists are young ex-Patriots with arms hidden away, and their past attempts at taking the law into their own hands, although temporarily curtailed, are likely to be increased in the future with far worse results.

The CC.PP. are still badly equipped, and although their efficiency and morale has increased during the last months, they are not likely to have a deterring influence on any determined law-breakers.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 324

SUBJECT: Monthly report for June 1945
EMILIA REGION

TO : HQ Allied Commission
DCCMO 15th Army Group
AMG 5th Army
R.C. Venezia Region

R.C. Lombardy Region
R.C. Piedmont Region
R.C. Liguria Region
R.C. Venezia Giulia

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POLITICAL REACTION AND POPULAR OPINION

1. There were no major political changes during June, and on the surface at least, the political atmosphere remains calm.

2. Most people sense a deliberate policy of deferred action on the part of the more lawless elements, who are obviously awaiting eagerly the departure of the Allies. This is further borne out by the attitude of the CC.RR., who feel that any action on their part now, will be the cause of reprisals against them later.

3. The Communists are still the most aggressive of all parties, and are continually pushing their own men into public office under the guise of ex-Patriots.

PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATION

4. Provincial Administration is functioning satisfactorily, and few changes in office have been made during the month of June.

RELATIONS BETWEEN THE MILITARY AND THE CIVILIAN POPULATION

5. In general relations between Allied troops and the civilian population still remain extremely satisfactory.

Numerous complaints however have been received regarding the Polish Troops in Verli' and Bologna, who are in the habit of entering premises and requisitioning property indiscriminately regardless of the protests of the Italian police and public.

ECONOMIC RESOURCES AND SUPPLY

6. Commerce - Owing to the transportation difficulties, only a small percentage of the cement allotted to the Region was received, and therefore the need is still acute.

7. POL - The POL situation remains serious, largely owing to the difficulty of effecting distribution.

8. Industry - During the past month rapid strides have been made in the re-activation of industries in the Region. Eighty-two factories which at the beginning of the month were closed down are now operating and are in actual production. A further twenty-one are continuing necessary repairs, and will be in operation within the next month.

9. Obstacles to recovery - The greatest obstacle to the recovery of industry continue to be the extreme shortage of coal, and lack of transportation.

10. Food conditions - Apart from the shortage of fresh meat, due to the ban restricting slaughtering, food conditions throughout the Region remain exceptionally good.

11. Food Administration - During June the Province of Modena was threatened with economic sanctions in the form of complete cessation of all imported supplies. The reason for this action, was the need to combat all forms of economic isolationism on the part of provinces. In this case, Modena had refused to part with surplus foodstuffs except on a barter basis. The threat was sufficient to produce prompt action on the part of the Prefect, and sanctions were postponed

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TRANSPORTATION

12. The Autotrasporti now have 4912 vehicles of all sizes registered throughout the Region: 60% of these are operating.

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13. 39532 tons of various commodities were transported within the Region during the month of June.

AGRICULTURE, FORESTS AND FISHERIES

14. Livestock - During the month about 5000 head of cattle were moved from the provinces of Parma, Reggio Emilia and Modena, to Bologna, Ferrara and Ravenna. Over 1000 head were sold to Toscana, and between 500 and 1000 to northern compartments. There is still an acute shortage of cattle fodder in all provinces.

15. Graini del popolo - Wheat crops, after first thrashing results are estimated to be 40-50% down on previous yields.

16. Crop prospects - Continuation of the drought has caused the crops to suffer badly, in areas where normally the fourth crop of the hay would be seen, the second cutting is not yet made. Rice alone shows an almost normal crop.

FINANCE

17. a. Nearly all banks report an excess of deposits over withdrawals.
b. Currency movements during the month of June were:

30,000,000 Lire transferred from Banca d'Italia Forli' to Ravenna
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18. The Bank of Italy, Forli', stated that 175,000,000 lire previously held as reserve for the North, has now been transferred to Venezia Region.

PUBLIC HEALTH

19. General - The health of the people continues to be relatively good, with the exception of local outbreaks of Typhoid-Paratyphoid Fever in Bologna Province. No Typhus fever has been reported.

20. There have been two outbreaks of acute dysentery occurring in very young children (all Poles) in Refugee Camps. 130 cases have so far occurred in Riccione Camp (10 deaths) and some 30 cases in Reggio (3 deaths). Suitable control measures have been taken, but the source of these infections is not yet clear.

21. Hospitals - The hospital situation is improving. Almost all large institutions have surplus beds available.

PUBLIC WORKS

22. General - Progress on all works is seriously hampered by lack of transport and critical materials, although in the latter case, supplies are beginning to come through at a better pace.

23. Drainage and flood control - Twenty-one drainage and flood-control projects have been completed during the month of June. 5007

24. Water supply and Sewers - The water supply at Bologna has been augmented by making available an additional 1,000,000 gallons per day from the Setta Aqueduct. It must, however, be remembered that whereas the population of Bologna City was normally 300,000 it is now approximately 500,000.

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26. The Reno and Savio Canals, principal sewage collectors through Bologna City, have been repaired and are diluting the exposed solid sewage 3 kilometers north of the city. The health hazard which existed there previously, has now been eliminated.

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27. Electricity - There is now sufficient generating capacity in the North of Italy to supply all power needs in this Region. However, in localised areas some difficulties have been met due to damage to transformers, circuit breakers etc. Transmission lines have been damaged in many places, but service has been restored to all areas in the North.

PUBLIC SAFETY

28. The general situation is still far from good, although the number of major crimes committed has steadily decreased.

29. Intimidation of land-owners and even of public officials still continues in the form of anonymous threats and acts of extortion.

30. One serious crime occurred at Ferrara, where a number of armed men wearing British battle-dress, with one of the party acting as a prisoner, entered the prison and shot the chief guard and 17 prisoners. Nine others were injured and 34 escaped. 18 of the escaped prisoners have returned of their own accord.

Another serious crime occurred at Modena province. At Capri, a band of unknown persons, armed with automatic weapons, gained admission to the local prison which was guarded by Partisan police, and shot 16 well-known Fascist political prisoners. It is believed that the local Partisans were implicated, as admission to the prison, a small mandamentali, was gained by using a password said to be given only to the Partisan police - and changed nightly.

31. The total number of police agents for the whole of the Region, is given below:

CC PR	Officers	Men
Agents of Questura	58	3701
Guardia di Finanza	76	1341
Vigili Urbani	24	995
Corpo Forestale	15	820
	18	365

EDUCATION

32. General - The Provincial School Office in each province has been placed in order, and the Provveditore agli Studi in each one is performing his tasks satisfactorily.

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Parma	-

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28. The general situation is still far from good, although the number of major crimes committed has steadily decreased.

29. Intimidation of land-owners and even of public officials still continues in the form of anonymous threats and acts of extortion.

30. One serious crime occurred at Ferrara, where a number of armed men wearing British battle-dress, with one of the party acting as a prisoner, entered the prison and shot the chief guard and 17 prisoners. Nine others were injured and 34 escaped. 18 of the escaped prisoners have returned of their own accord.

Another serious crime occurred at Modena province. At Carpi, a band of unknown persons, armed with automatic weapons, gained admission to the local prison which was guarded by Partisan police, and shot 16 well-known Fascist political prisoners. It is believed that the local Partisans were implicated, as admission to the prison, a small mandamentali, was gained by using a password said to be given only to the Partisan police - and changed nightly.

31. The total number of police agents for the whole of the Region, is given below:

	Officers	Men
CC RR	58	3701
Agents of Questura	76	1341
Guardia di Finanza	24	995
Vigili Urbani	15	820
Corpo Forestale	18	365

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The total number of proposed suspensions from the 26th May to the 30th June was.....1295 and the actual number suspended was.....136.

A complete progress table is being prepared, and will be attached to the next report.

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SECRETPATRIOTS

36. Patriot Centres - All Centres in Emilia Region were closed on or before the 10th June 45. Patriots Offices are functioning in all Provinces. Patriots in transit are fed and accommodated in Refugee Centres.

37. 801 arms of various types were handed in during the month of June.

PROPERTY CONTROL

38. An additional list of 21 properties belonging to British Nationals was received from the Intendente di Finanza, Bologna Province. This makes an up-to-date total of 338 sequestered properties, and 24 blocked accounts of various types in Emilia Region.

LABOR

39. Labor Offices are now established in all provinces.

40. Unemployment - Unemployment is widespread throughout the Region, and the estimated numbers in four of the Provinces are as follows:

Forli:	-	-	35,000
Ferrara	-	40	-
Ravenna	-	30	-
Piacenza	-	-	35,000
Reggio E.	-	-	15,000
Bologna	-	70	-
Parma	-	-	20,000
Modena	-	-	80,000
	-	-	15,000
	-	-	15,000

41. Wages and cost of living - In Bologna Province, industrial wage agreements are based on the 186,181,196 levels approved in the first general increase recommended by the Regional Italian Joint Advisory Committee. Regional approval has also been given to all Provincial Commissioners to approve without Regional clearance any agreements which do not exceed 150,165,180 lire including family allowances of 16.40 lire for a national family, husband and wife with two children. Only in exceptional cases of supervisory workers or dangerous work, have these wages exceeded in approved agreements.

42. Strikes - Demonstrations in the form of parades and short work stoppages have been frequent, in nearly all provinces, but no actual strike occurred during the month.

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DISPLACED PERSONS

44. More than 140,000 refugees, both Allied and Italian, passed through the camps during the month of June.

45. The following is the location and capacity of the Displaced Persons Camps:

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Modena	-	-	-	-	8000
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Perli:	-	-	-	Dorchester	3000
Perli:	-	-	-	Caserta	3000

46. At Riccione, a new building is being prepared for use as a hospital and convalescent home. This building is expected to hold approximately 1,500.

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MINE CLEARANCE

47. The following table will show the progress made in mine clearance during June:

Work done by No 1 Mine Clearance Battalion.	Mines neutralized and lifted " destroyed in situ Artillery shells made safe Unexploded bombs	3,183 5,920 1,200 1,562
Zone civilian scheme	Mines neutralized and lifted " destroyed in situ	2,157 3,211
Casualties	Military Killed 2 - Wounded 13 Civilian " 11	

POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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TELEPHONE

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From Bologna direct telephone service is available to Roma, Florence, Milan, Padova and Venice.

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Reference: RLV/SE/R/1/11

3 July 1945

Subject : Amendment to Monthly Report for May, 1945, covering the Provinces of Forli, Ravenna and Ferrara.

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission

1. Reference para 60 of the a/m Monthly Report, the first sentence should be amended to read:

"The vetting of school officials was continued under Executive Memorandum No. 67 in the provinces of FORLI and RAVENNA."

For the Regional Commissioner:

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Ref: 625/201/EC.

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2 July 1945.

SUBJECT: Emilia Region Monthly Report for May.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
EMILIA Region.

The Executive Commissioner has asked me to thank you for your report for May which he has read with great interest. The report has given an excellent picture of your work and the conditions in the Region and has been much appreciated.

/s/ E. TARBOT
Lt Col

Chief Staff Officer,
To Executive Commissioner.

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Reference: RIX/SE/R/1/11

23 June 1945

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To : S.C.A.O., Fifth Army AMT

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3. The relations between Allied troops and the civilian population have been extremely satisfactory.
4. Coal supplies are totally inadequate. The POL situation is acute. These and the lack of civilian transport constitute the greatest obstacles to industrial recovery.
5. Food conditions are exceptionally good. The city of Bologna alone affords a problem.
6. The cost of living is steadily rising, and a new private wage scale has been approved for Bologna Province.
7. Drought and damage caused by war will lead to a heavy reduction in this year's harvest.
8. All banks are open and deposits are considered satisfactory.
9. Diseases have been few. The sanitary conditions and the water supply of Bologna city have been a major problem.
10. The supply of electricity is good in all provinces except Bologna, where heavy damage was done.
11. The initial phases of wild liquidation of Fascists by Patriots and others has been succeeded by a wave of crimes of murder, extortion and abduction, often to further private ends. The witnesses dare not come forward and the Carabinieri are afraid to press their investigations for fear of reprisals.
12. The Carabinieri are badly officered and poorly equipped, which adversely affects their self-respect, prestige and effectiveness.
13. The Committees of Liberation, led by their left-wing members, are endeavoring to form cells within statal and para-statal organizations. Like the Patriots who are, with the blessing of the Italian Government, building a nationwide organization with branches in every comune, they are said to be amassing large funds.
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16. With few exceptions, Italian Courts are functioning.
17. The Special Assize Courts ("People's Courts") are ready to function.

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18. Out of approximately 31,000 Patriots, all but 500 have returned to their homes. The total number of weapons surrendered was 29,157.
19. Though there have been no strikes, the labor situation is far from serene. The Camere del Lavoro are aggressive in character and jealous of the Labor Offices.
20. 60,000 Italian refugees and other nationals passed through the displaced persons camps during the month. Camps to hold a total of 32,000 are now available in the five provinces.
21. Limited telephone and postal services are now available.

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Sheet 3PART IIPOLITICAL REACTION AND POPULAR OPINION

1. It is generally felt that the Communist Party has the greatest numerical strength of the political parties, particularly in Bologna, although the fact that Communists are more vocal and active may tend to magnify this impression. The party is, in any event, well-organized and exercises very strict internal discipline.

2. The Socialist Party has many capable, efficient and acceptable men who did genuine work prior to the Allied occupation to prevent destruction. It has reasonable numerical strength, and is strongest in the central provinces of Reggio-Emilia and Parma, where it has the support of the middle and agricultural classes. There seems a possibility, however, that even in those provinces it may eventually be absorbed by the Communist Party, with which it is at present united on most major matters of policy.

3. The Democratic Christian Party and the Liberal Party have not been very active in comparison with the Communist and Socialist Parties, and are only now beginning the process of formation.

4. So far there have been no inter-party clashes directly due to political activity.

PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATION

5. A Prefetto Reggente has been appointed in each of the provinces, and their names are:

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Modena	-	Marchese Tricoli	-	Christian Democrat
Reggio-Emilia-Pellizzzi, Vittorio	-		-	Party of Action
Parma	-	Ferrari, Giacomo	-	Communist
Piacenza	-	Minola, Vittorio	-	Christian Democrat

The reorganization of provincial administration is proceeding satisfactorily.

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6. Relations between Allied troops and the civilian population have been extremely satisfactory. In general, the people have expressed the wish to see more soldiers in the towns, stating that it would help to combat the present swing of the pendulum toward lawlessness and violence.

ECONOMIC RESOURCES AND SUPPLY

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b. POL - The POL situation is acute. An Army pipehead supplies 500 gallons per day to Bologna Province. The minimum needs of the province are 2,000 gallons per day. The production and distribution of methane gas is being organized by CIP.

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b. Administration - The Federazione dei Consorzi Agrari in Milan issued instructions to its branch offices in the provinces of north Italy, laying down policies to be followed regarding the declaration of hemp stocks and the amassing and recovery of hemp sent north of the Po by the Germans. Provincial Orders are now being prepared which will bring the entire control of raw materials under the direction of the Hemp Control Office, A.M.C.

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c. Repairs to the various warehouses are under way and provincial orders directing the declaration of hemp stocks have been posted.

d. Obstacles to recovery - The greatest obstacles to the recovery of industry are: first, shortage of coal and lignite, and second, lack of adequate transportation facilities.

9. Food - a. Administration: Italian provincial alimentation agencies are functioning as well as can be expected. The activities of the Committee of Liberation and the insular attitude of some provinces with surpluses have hampered food administration. The Regional Committee of Liberation has organized an economic committee, the functions of which duplicate those of the Commissario Regionale, and a clarification of the position is imminent.

b. Food conditions - Food conditions in Piacenza, Parma, Reggio-Emilia and Modena are exceptionally good, with adequate supplies of milk, butter, meal and cheese. The situation is least satisfactory in Bologna, partly owing to the inherent difficulties of feeding a large city, but fish is beginning to reach this city. The supply of fresh fruit and vegetables seems adequate throughout the Region.

c. Imported supplies - Allocations of all categories of imported supplies were made to the five provinces for the month of May.

d. Ration scale - The complete A.C. ration scales, including supplementary ration scales A and B were put into effect, with a basic 200 gram bread ration (plus pasta). The salt ration amounted to only 100 grams. There was no general soap issue, nor was it possible to make an issue of olive oil to hospitals.

e. Local resources - An exportable surplus of approximately 120,000 tons of fruit and vegetables is anticipated for the Region. The shortage of transport and of fruit crates (due largely to lack of nails) will make the disposal of this surplus difficult. Exportable surpluses of butter, cheese, and tomato paste are expected.

f. Miscellaneous - Milling facilities are more than adequate. Pasta factories can make only a small percentage of requirements.

TRANSPORTATION

10. During the month Autotrasporti offices were organized in all five provinces. The number of vehicles registered is as follows:

Modena	-	865	of which 92 are over 35 quintals
Reggio	-	483	" " " "
Bologna	-	1981	" " " "
Parma	-	344	" " " "
Piacenza	-	51	" " " "

Figures not available at 31 May.

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11. Tariff rates - The rates set by General Order No. 42, A. 8, 9 which is in operation in the five provinces, are considered to be inadequate for the proper maintenance and operation of the trucks. It is felt that unless the rates are raised to a considerable extent, truck owners will be unwilling to hire out their vehicles, or will remove them to other northern Regions where rates 100 per cent higher are in effect.

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12. All Italian Agricultural organizations are now fully operative.

13. Livestock - At the beginning of the month Prefect's Decrees were issued ordering all persons to stop and hold all livestock found wandering or abandoned, and to declare any livestock not legally in their possession. Immediate preparations were made for a full census.

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14. On instructions from 5th Army, 5000 to 6000 captured horses, which were found to be dying of thirst, were distributed among the five provinces. This emergency distribution, which was a major operation involving many factors, was planned and completed in five days. All the horses were saved and accounted for.

15. There was found to be a surplus of cattle in Modena, Reggio-Emilia and Parma. Parma has exported 1000 head to Bologna, Ravenna and Forli, and 700 to Toscana. Modena still has approximately 15000 head available. These are being sold to different provinces. There is a grave shortage of forage in Parma, Reggio and Modena. Poultry losses have been very heavy, more from disease than from German depredations.

16. Granai del Popolo - All offices of the Granai del Popolo are now ready, and General Order No. 40 is in effect.

17. Rice - The number of hectares sown for rice this year is only 600, in contrast to the normal 3000. This is chiefly due to flooding caused by damage to the pumping system.

18. Crop forecasts - The combination of the drought and damage caused by the war will lead to a heavy reduction in all harvests.

FINANCE

19. The following currency movements were effected in May from the Banca d'Italia in Bologna:

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To meet these requirements, an additional 175,000,000 lire was transferred from ABA Headquarters.

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22. All post offices are open for finance services.

PUBLIC HEALTH

23. Diseases - Diseases have been few. Scattered cases of typhoid are reported. Inola and the communes along the "winter line" still have cases of liphtheria. This has always been an endemic area, and the present increase is probably related to crowding into shelters and subsequent focalizing as people returned to their homes. There has been an epidemic of mild dysentery in Bologna city. One case of typhus has occurred in Castelnuovo Monti (Reggio-Emilia), but there have been no secondary cases. The patient was a man of 24 years, recently returned from Germany. So far venereal disease has not been a real problem, since troops are well dispersed in the area.

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23. Diseases - Diseases have been few. Scattered cases of typhoid are reported. Imola and the communes along the "winter line" still have cases of liphtheria. This has always been an endemic area, and the present increase is probably related to crowding into shelters and subsequent focalizing as people returned to their homes. There has been an epidemic of mild dysentery in Bologna city. One case of typhus has occurred in Castelnuovo Monti (Reggio-Emilia), but there have been no secondary cases. The patient was a man of 24 years, recently returned from Germany. So far venereal disease has not been a real problem, since troops are well dispersed in the area.

24. Hospitals - Hospitals are gradually being restored. There is still a great deal of crowding, especially in Bologna city. There are numerous mine casualties in the mountain communes.

25. Medical Supplies - Emergency medical supplies have been distributed in the Region. EMILIA is limited in Bologna where a warehouse has already been reserved. No representatives have so far appeared.

26. Sanitation - Sanitary conditions in Bologna city have been a major concern. Throughout the winter, cattle from the neighboring countryside were kept in the courtyards of the houses, and the manure was stacked in the open spaces, yards, and roads of the town. The fly menace is therefore serious, but may be expected to diminish now that all livestock with the exception of the horses necessary for civilian functions have been ordered from the town, and the manure stacks

are being treated with DDT.

27. Water Supply - Owing to the overcrowded state of Bologna city and to the presence of large numbers of troops, the water situation is extremely hazardous. There is not, at May 31, sufficient water to meet demands.

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36. One of the worst factors is the apparent contempt with which official Italian police are regarded both by law-abiding persons and by the criminal elements. This applies particularly to the CC RR, who are traditionally unpopular in this Region, and who are in such small numbers and so poorly officered and equipped that they are in no position to show the force and determination necessary to command

respect. Loss of Carabinieri prestige has also been caused by the introduction of Partisan auxiliary police. The situation is beginning to parallel 1920 and 1921, and many law-abiding people are afraid and wonder what is going to be the outcome when the Allies go. The Committees of Liberation are endeavoring to form cells within statal and para-statal organizations, such as banks, post offices and railways. The Patriots, who are closely linked with the CLN, are, with the blessing of an Italian Government decree, building a National organization, with branches in every commune. Both CLN and Patriots are amassing large funds, and arms in large quantities are said to be hidden in the countryside. The people are, as it were, mesmerized. There is no sign as yet of any important right wing movement to counter-balance the swing to the left.

37. There were two serious crimes during the month. a. Seven alleged Fascists who were being transferred from one prison in Modena to another were shot by their guards, who stated that the prisoners "attempted to escape". b. Owing to the mechanical breakdown (possibly deliberately planned) of a vehicle which was transporting 16 prisoners accused of atrocities, news leaked out in the town of Imola that the vehicle would be passing through on the following day. Several thousand people gathered in the main square, and when the vehicle appeared, it was stoned by the crowd, and 12 out of the 16 prisoners were killed by bodily assault. No shots were fired and no firearms of any kind were seen.

38. In general, the situation as of the date of this report cannot be considered satisfactory. It is quite evident that many unauthorized persons are still in possession of firearms, and the police are ineffective. The first step toward a re-establishment of law and order must be to re-organize and strengthen the CC RR. It may prove necessary to request that the regular police service be reinforced by groups of Allied Military personnel, in order that vigorous action may be taken and thus restore the confidence of the CC RR and regain for them the respect of the people.

39. The total number of police agents (excluding recuperated CC RR) of all kinds in the five provinces is given below:

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Guardia Finanza	28	692
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40. Five hundred Patriots are serving as auxiliary police. There is considerable doubt as to the wisdom of employing these Patriots, who, being untrained, are often more likely to contribute to further disorder than to produce security and good order.

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45. Miscellaneous - 1 gram of radium, valued at about 100,000,000 lire, has been restored to the University of Bologna, to which it belonged. The radium was taken from the university during the summer of 1944 by a group of eight partisans.

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and deposited by three of them under the floor of the basement of an apartment house about three streets from the university. Two of the three were killed, and the sole survivor directed the party to the location of the radium, which constituted a fifth of the world's total supply.

46. Schools - Provveditori agli Studi have been appointed in all five provinces. Education is proceeding under General Order No. 35. Schools reopened in all provinces except Piacenza, where the date has been set for 1 June.

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upward. The first general retreat from General Order No. 41 has already been approved with the establishment of the new private wage scale for Bologna Province. These rates have been set at L. 150, L. 165 and L. 180 daily for three categories of workers (unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled respectively) and include all indemnities and family allowances for a notional family of mother, wife and two children. The industrialists agree with this, but the Camera del Lavoro feels that even these rates are not adequate.

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POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

68. Telephony - At Bologna the telephone service has reached a capacity of 1400 subscribers for essential civilian work. There exist inter-urban telephone circuits between Bologna and Florence, and Piacenza-Parma-Pavia.

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69. Telegraph - Work is in progress for the reactivation of the civilian telegraph service.

70. Postal - Letter service has been instituted in all provinces except Piacenza, where it has been necessary to postpone commencement owing to lack of non-republican postage stamps. Civil censorship is now reduced to the study of a limited quantity of material.

71. Personnel - Personnel problems have arisen only in Bologna Province, where the CLN has been endeavoring to insert a group of its own men into the post office, and attempting to discredit the anti-Fascist Director of Posts and Telegraphs in the hope of replacing him by one of its own members.

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GENERAL

1. These three provinces are in different stages of rehabilitation, their problems are different and they are in no way an entity. Whereas Forli was wholly liberated before Christmas, 1944, the province of Ravenna was out in two by the winter battle-line and bears a scar of devastation ten miles in width along its whole length. Its western extremities were not liberated until April, 1945. Ferrara, on the other hand, remained wholly in German hands until the April advance through the Argenta Gap, which left an area six miles wide and eight miles long in which the day station is second only to Cassino.

2. The problems of Forli are bridge-building, the reconstruction of Rimini, and the accommodation of 130,000 surrendered German troops without undue disturbance to the population.

3. Ravenna is mainly pre-occupied with mine clearance and reconstruction of the battle-zone.

4. Ferrara, the Fascist stronghold, while still engaged in the re-establishment of government and of law and order, is faced with the threat of malaria and typhoid at Comacchio, in addition to the problems of its devastated area around Argenta.

POLITICAL REACTION AND POPULAR OPINION

5. The Committees of Liberation in the capital cities of Forli and Ravenna have been trying to cooperate, but local committees in the communes continue to attempt to exercise powers to which they are not entitled.

6. In Ferrara city the committee has at times been actively obstructionist although the Prefect was formerly its president. The Communists and Socialists are the strongest parties.

7. In Ravenna the feeling against the monarchy is beginning to crystallize, and Socialists, Republicans and Communists agree on this point. An obscure party called the "Democrats of Labor" is trying to organize in Ferrara.

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4. Ferrara, the Fascist stronghold, while still engaged in the re-establishment of government and of law and order, is faced with the threat of malaria and typhoid at Comacchio, in addition to the problems of its devastated area around Argenta.

POLITICAL REACTION AND POPULAR OPINION

5. The Committees of Liberation in the capital cities of Forlì and Ravenna have been trying to cooperate, but local committees in the communes continue to attempt to exercise powers to which they are not entitled.
6. In Ferrara city the committee has at times been actively obstructionist although the Prefect was formerly its president. The Communists and Socialists are the strongest parties.
7. In Ravenna the feeling against the monarchy is beginning to crystallize, and Socialists, Republicans and Communists agree on this point. An obscure party called the "Democrats of Labor" is trying to organize in Ferrara.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

11. The process of reorganizing the administration of Ferrara Province is progressing actively. Practically all of the provincial administrative personnel were strongly Fascist, with the result that few senior officials remained. In the prefettura, the Prefect is much hampered by lack of trained personnel. There

is no Vice-Profitto Vicario; the Capo Regimero is functioning also as Vice-Profitto Ispettore; and there is only one Consigliere instead of four. A number of communes still lack secretaries. The most troublesome area is Copparo, where the administration is inadequate, and where it is impossible at the moment to find any capable persons not quailing strongly of Fascism.

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23. Grain - There is in Emilia-Romagna an amassed exportable surplus of 50,000 tons of wheat, the greater part in Ravenna in Ferrara. Unfortunately, some of this grain is going bad. There are substantial quantities of grain not yet assessed, partly owing to lack of space. The prevailing opinion is that very little of this grain will come in at the present price of 360 lire per quintal. Milling facilities are now more than adequate.

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34. The question of converting foreign and Allied-issued occupation currencies brought into the area by refugees from internment camps in many countries is a serious one and deserves urgent consideration. The figure to convert this

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44. All work is hampered by shortage of materials and transportation.

45. The work of rehabilitation in Rimini is progressing. 84 projects costing 40,800,000 lire are in progress there. Two projects amounting to an additional 94,000 lire have been completed.

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46. Flood Control - Approximately 2,000 hectares of land are under water in Ravenna province and approximately 15,000 hectares in Ferrara. Work is in progress for the necessary drainage. In Ferrara all the pumping stations received heavy damage or were destroyed. Pumps are being dismantled and the damaged parts are being shipped to Milan for repairs. Italian engineers estimate that the time for repairs and pumping the land dry will be two months. The banks of the Po River are being surveyed and projects for the urgent works are being prepared.

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Guardia Municipale	7	297
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	46	1,111
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55. There are 150 Patriots serving as auxiliary police in the province of Ravenna, 50 in Forlì, and 84 in Ferrara.

56. The Carabinieri are afraid to press home inquiries, and it is difficult to bring criminals to book because the witnesses refuse to give evidence. A terrorism is thus developing in the country. The people lack security and dare not take action. They look to the Allies for the necessary measures, but the instrument of Public Safety which the Allies have chosen to use as a matter of policy, is ineffective. The position is made still harder by the lack of arms, equipment, uniforms and even boots for this force which is supposed to keep order.

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65. The work of the Tribunale at Ferrara has been retarded by reason of the destruction of its premises. Alternative premises have been found and it is planned to hold the first session at an early date.

66. Extraction - The Extraction Commission has been appointed in Ferrara, and the People's Courts are ready to begin investigations as soon as the prisoners have been screened. Delay was caused in this province by the failure of the Questore to file any Denuncia. He was relieved from office on 29 May and replaced by the Questore from Pesaro. DIL 159 has been implemented in Forli Province. DIL 142 has not been extended to Forli or Ravenna.

PATRIOTS

67. In the province of Ravenna there were 1,800 Patriots, 800 of whom fought in the 26th Garibaldi Brigade under "Colonel Bulow" with the 8th Army. Nearly all have dispersed. A "laying down of arms" ceremony was held on 20 May, and the arms belonging to 8th Army were returned. After the ceremony the Patriots returned to their homes wearing the British battle-dress in which they had fought, as no civilian clothes were available for issue.

68. In Ferrara arms have been handed in and all of the 250 Patriots have been dispersed. No Patriot Center has been established. There is, however, a Provincial Patriots Office.

69. Though many crimes are attributed to Patriots, it is felt that in fact only some 15% of the Patriots are behaving in a lawless manner. The remainder are behaving as good citizens and the crimes attributed to them are the work of others acting under the cloak of their name.

MINE CLEARANCE

70. No. 562 Company, Italian Engineers, is now located in Ravenna and Forli for mine clearance work.

71. It is estimated that there are in Emilia Region approximately 6,000 mine fields, containing in all about 1,500,000 mines. Over one half of these mines are located in the provinces of Ravenna, Forli and Ferrara.

72. The civilian Mines Clearance School at Forli and the trained civilian squads have now been absorbed into the Italian Zone scheme, which has been set up in Forli under the command of an Italian Engineer Officer, with a team of Italian Officer instructors. The civilian response to this scheme has been very disappointing.

73. All mine clearance work has been hampered by lack of transportation.

74. The total number of mines lifted under the zone scheme during the month is 1,983; the total number removed since the civilian squads began operations is 22,686.

LABOR

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68. In Ferrara arms have been handed in and all of the 250 Patriots have been dispersed. No Patriot Center has been established. There is, however, a Provincial Patriots Office.

69. Though many crimes are attributed to Patriots, it is felt that in fact only some 15% of the Patriots are behaving in a lawless manner. The remainder are behaving as good citizens and the crimes attributed to them are the work of others acting under the cloak of their name.

MINE CLEARANCE

70. No. 562 Company, Italian Engineers, is now located in Ravenna and Forlì for mine clearance work.

71. It is estimated that there are in Emilia Region approximately 6,000 mine fields, containing in all about 1,500,000 mines. Over one half of these mines are located in the provinces of Ravenna, Forlì and Ferrara.

72. The civilian Mines Clearance School at Forlì and the trained civilian squads have now been absorbed into the Italian Zone scheme, which has been set up in Forlì under the command of an Italian Engineer Officer, with a team of Italian Officer instructors. The civilian response to this scheme has been very disappointing.

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DISPLACED PERSONS

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80. Some 40,000 refugees and displaced persons passed through the camps at Forli and Riccione during the month. The capacities of the camps are: Forli, 5000 and Riccione, 2000.

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15 May 1945.

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7.

Factories.

The production of industrial belting is now in full swing at the Sacerchia Ravennate. Availabilities for May have been reported to AFERS and demands are invited.

8.

Food.

Food situation improved considerably due to ample supplies of fresh vegetables and some fresh fruit. EMILIA Region being as to basic food commodities a surplus area, the principal problems relate to getting food out, so as to prevent spoilage and make use of surpluses in deficiency areas. In this the Region is definitely handicapped by an inadequate number of supply officers and by lack of POL.

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17.

Fisheries.

A detailed survey of the fishing resources has been carried out and there are 96 motor and 284 sail fishing boats ready to fish from the 7 fishing ports of the Region. An estimated catch of 199 tons on 38 tons Netta and $3\frac{1}{2}$ tons motor oil can be expected over next three months.

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The position in the EIGHTH Army area remains unchanged with five Provincial Teams under command 15th EIGHTH Army. The personnel of those teams continue to be employed either as CAGs or in a specialist capacity.

Relations with the Republic of SAN MARINO are the responsibility of this HQ and Capt. COMPTON has taken up residence there as Political Liaison Officer. In practice the principal matter dealt with is one of supply. A fair share of the supplies available to the Region is allocated to the Republic and no difficulties are being experienced in this connection.

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2. The Provincial Teams for BOLAGNA, MODENA, REGGIO ELLIA, PARMA and PIAZZA are under command of the FIFTH Army and officers of these teams are employed either as staff or in a specialist capacity in ELLIA Army area.
3. Responsibility for matters concerning SAN MARINO was handed over to this Region on 15 Dec 44. As SAN MARINO is an independent Republic, Allied Military Government does not apply. In area and population it approximates to a county and so far no problem worthy of note has arisen.

PART II.

1. Although the staff of ELLIA Region is not actively employed in the administration of the liberated portion of ELLIA the area is not yet under Regional control and the work of the Specialist Divisions is included in the reports rendered by the FIFTH and EIGHTH Armies. There is therefore nothing to report under the standard headings.

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MONTHLY REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 1944

PART I

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1. During the month further progress has been made by the Armies and the whole of the Province of MODENA is now in Allied hands together with a large part of the Provinces of RAVENNA and BOLOGNA. Some penetration has also been made into LODIGIANA.

2. These areas are being administered by XIX ARMY and EIGHTH Armies. In the EIGHTH Army sector the Provincial Commissioners of MODENA and RAVENNA are controlling their Provinces under command of SCAG EIGHTH ARMY.

3. Following the capture of the city of MODENA, Provincial HQ was established in the Prefettura on 20 Nov. '44. This is the first provincial capital of EMILIA to be liberated. The city is still being subjected to sporadic shellfire and occasional air attack, and the setting up of the HQ was marked by the shattering of the windows of the Prefettura.

4. The RAVENNA town has also been moved forward and on 25 Nov. '44, Provincial HQ was established at GERRIA. Since the end of November the city of RAVENNA has been captured and it is hoped that this Province also will be installed in its provincial capital before the next monthly report is rendered.

5. As forecast in the last report an additional part of RAVENNA Province has been flooded by the enemy. This has been done by breaking the banks of the FIUME UNITI SOUTH of the town.

6. In both FIFTH and EIGHTH Army areas officers of EMILIA Region have been employed either as GACs or in a specialist capacity under the command of the respective SCAG.

7. In the case of EIGHTH Army a special plan has been made for the administration of the area. Under this plan the executive administration of the area will be placed under a HQ staffed by EMILIA Region. This administrative HQ will be directly responsible to the SCAG.

8. The purpose of the plan is to provide the specialist staff not normally present with Army and to make an earlier start on measures of rehabilitation than would otherwise be possible. The scheme has been approved by HQ Allied Commission and will come into operation when the SCAG considers the position has become sufficiently static.

9. To facilitate the operation of this scheme Region HQ was moved to RICCIONE 1 Dec. '44.

10. In FIFTH Army area the position remains unchanged and the SCAG continues to make full use of the Region EMILIA officers under his command to reinforce Province in FIFTH Army territory and to thicken up the GACs in forward areas. Under the plan outlined in para 7 above, Specialist Officers will remain free to devote part of their time to FIFTH Army area as and when required.

11. In order to maintain close liaison with FIFTH Army a portion of the Regional HQ staff was left at SALIZADA under the title of TSSA HQ. RICCIONE HQ moved to SALIZADA 1 Dec. '44.

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2. Since the enemy has bitterly contested our advance the liberated portion of EMILIA presents a familiar picture of destruction due to battle and deliberate devastation by the enemy. As was expected delaying action by the enemy included flooding of part of the PO valley, and it is anticipated that additional areas will be flooded as the enemy withdraws.

3. No part of EMILIA has yet been handed over to Regional control, but a number of officers of the Region are now working in their own territory. In the case of FORLI and RAVENNA the liberated portions of these Provinces are already being administered by the Provincial Commissioners under the direction of S.O.A.O. EIGHTH Army.

4. Specialist Officers from Region Headquarters are giving assistance to A.M.G. of both Armies. The greater part of the territory so far liberated however is in the EIGHTH Army area. In this sector Specialist Officers from this H.Q. are working side by side with their opposite numbers in EIGHTH Army.

5. It is already apparent that enemy minefields will be one of the major obstacles to rehabilitation of the Region particularly in the case of Agriculture. The Regional Agricultural Officer has been appointed Mine Clearance Liaison Officer and, with the approval of EIGHTH Army, plans are being made for an early start on mine clearance.

6. The scheme in broad outline is

(a) To use the official mine clearance squads supplied by the Italian Ministry of War as mobile squads to clear essential public works and particularly heavily infested areas.

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2. (a) Political Reactions and Popular Opinion.

Nothing to report.

(b) Local Government - Provincial.

Nothing to report.



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Nothing to report.

The Regional Agricultural Mission has prepared a scheme for pooling of tractors which has been presented to the Italian Ministry of Agriculture through I.R.O.: A.C.

With the approval of the Joint Regional Officers are beginning a detailed survey of the liberated territory.

1st Lieut. CHITTALL was assigned to this Region during the month but was re-posted before he had taken up his duties, and the Region is still without a Labour Officer.

Nothing to report.

(2) 90.77%

The 1420 CC. R. allocated to this Region have now all been brought forward, and are now being employed with Army and Air Force Armies. In General their morale seems to be good and will be further improved when all have been re-equipped with adequate clothing. So far only a small part of the total clothing required has been received.

Two tanks and trailer pumps have been brought in to the HICKORY area from NEW ready to move into LOCATED when required.

On the FIFTH Army side an Officer has been nominated for BOLOGNA. In the EIGHTH Army area the Regional Public Health Officer has been made responsible to the S.P.H.C. for the Southern part of EMILIA Province.

It has been arranged that the Regional Educational Officer will act as Education Officer for both WHITE and BLACK areas.

Plans have been made for printing test books in PLEINCOE, and printing of one of the ten types of book required has been begun.

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5. Labour.

1st Lieut. MARTINI was assigned to this Region during the month but was re-posted before he had taken up his duties, and the Region is still without a Labour Officer.

6. Public Works and Utilities.

Nothing to report.

7. Public Safety.

(a) CC.FR.

The 1420 CC.FR allocated to this Region have now all been brought forward, and are now being employed with Fifth and Eighth Armies. In general their morale appears to be good and will be further improved when all have been re-equipped with adequate clothing. So far only a small part of the total clothing required has been received.

(b) Fire Services.

Two tanks and trailer pumps have been brought up to the FLORENCE area from Rome ready to move into BOLOGNA when required.

8. Public Health.

On the Fifth Army side an Officer has been nominated for BOLOGNA. In Fifth Army area the Regional Public Health Officer has been made responsible to the S.P.H.C. for the Southern part of Fifth Province.

9. Education.

It has been arranged that the Regional Educational Officer will act as Education Officer for both Fifth and Eighth Armies. Plans have been made for printing text books in FLORENCE, and printing of one of the ten types of book required has been begun.

Fifth Army has approved two administrative organizations of the school system shall be begun as and when provisioned schools are occupied. They have however asked that schools should not be re-opened for the present, as the buildings are needed for troops. Exceptions to this are two schools at RICCIONE and RIMINI which have been opened for the care and feeding of small children.

10. Refugees.

Nothing to report.

11. Communications.

Plans have been made to start a Special Postcard Service in BOLOGNA City as soon as printing facilities permit.

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12. Property Control.

At the request of HIGHTWAY property in WALLA Province belonging to Mr. ANGLIM of R.O., Allied Commission is being investigated. It is at present in military occupation.

13. Finance.

Nothing to report.

For the Regional Commissioner.

H. H. S. HALL

H. H. S. HARTLEY,
Lt. Col.
Executive Officer.

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43. Finance.

Nothing to report.

For the Regional Commissioner.

H. H. S. HANLEY

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Executive Officer.CofS Distribution

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MONTHLY REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 1944

PART I

1. The outstanding event during September was the entry of the Armies into EMILIA and SAN MARINO. While penetration has not so far been great all ranks have been encouraged by the fact that personnel of this region are now working in their own territory.

2. The Provincial Commissioner of ARLI, working under command AMG Eighth Army is taking over each commune as it is liberated. This method of working will undoubtedly be a great advantage to the Region and will facilitate the transition from immediate first aid to the phase when longer term policies can be adopted.

3. Close touch has been maintained with both Armies and Regional and Provincial Headquarters have been moved forward to keep pace with their advance. All Provincial Teams are under command AMG Armies and are assisting spear head CLOs until their own territory is reached. Advance Hq with Eighth Army has been renamed East Hq. Locations are given below:

HEADQUARTERS

Main Hq
East Hq
Ferrara Prov
Forli Prov
Ravenna Prov
Bologna Prov
Modena Prov
Reggio Emilia Prov
Parma Prov
Piacenza Prov

LOCATION

Coltino
Riccione
Pano
Riccione
Pano
Bivigliano
Florence
Florence
Lastra a Signa
Montepaldi

M.P. REFERENCE

R 0266
R 9393
S 2176
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Q 3583
Q 7969
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Q 6669
Q 7158

4. Personnel. During the month 26 officers and 19 EM/ORs reported for duty while 9 officers and 6 EM/ORs were reassigned to other Regions. In addition the 41 OR of Region XI who had been temporarily attached to this Region were withdrawn. Strength at 30 Sept 44 was:

Officers
EM/ORs
American Red Cross
Italian Platoon
Officers
ORs
121
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10 (Including 7 ladies)
1
27

5. Special Divisions: Specialist Officers continued to assist AMG Armies as required. No representatives of the following Special Divisions have so far been assigned to this Region:

DEPUTIES

Labour
Commerce
Communications

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Forli Prov	Riccione	R 9393
Ravenna Prov	Fano	S 2176
Bologna Prov	Bivigliano	Q 2583
Modena Prov	Florence	Q 7969
Reggio Emilia Prov	Florence	Q 7969
Parma Prov	Lastra a Signa	Q 6669
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Labour
Commerce
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PART II

1. No part of EMILIA is as yet administered by this HQS. and there is therefore little to report under the standard headings below.

2. (a) Political Aspirations and Popular Opinion.

Nothing to report.

(b) Local Government - Provincial.

Under command SCMO Eighth Army the Provincial Commissioner of FORLI is now administering the liberated portion of that Province.

(c) Economic Resources and Supply with Special Reference to the Food Situation.

Nothing to report.

(d) Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

Preparatory planning has now been completed.

(e) Labour:

Nothing to report.

(f) Public Works and Utilities:

Normal planning activities.

(g) Public Safety:

(1) 1120 GARR have been attached to this Region and allocated to Provinces as shown:

Bologna	300	Ferrara	150
Modena	170	Reggio Emilia	100
Forli	150	Parma	50
Ravenna	150	Piacenza	50

(ii) It has been decided that in this Region Public Safety Division will be responsible for all matters concerning Patriots.

(h) Public Health:

Nothing to Report

(i) Education:

Regional Education Officer was attached to Florence City team for work in connection with the opening of the university.

(j) Refugees:

Nothing to report.

(b) Local Government - Provincial.

Under command 3640 Eighth Army the Provincial Commissioner of PGRLI is now administering the liberated portion of that Province.

(c) Economic Resources and Supply with Special Reference to the Food Situation.

Nothing to report.

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(j) Refugees:

Nothing to report.

(k) Communications:

Nothing to report.

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(1) Property Control:

At the request of AMG Light Infantry certain allied owned property is being investigated in the Province of Reggio. No details are yet available.

For the Regional Commissioner:

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