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o. Rep. Market. The market has improved in the  
past few days. That the 25th of March, the  
market is all there for many the 25th of  
due to a slight increase of stocks,  
which are taken for statistical purposes  
in view of black market figures on the 25th.



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Copy to Com.

Please see Aueona commune report to November. Passages of interest are sidelined.

BS 4/1.

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Please see Aueona commune monthly report to November at 88-91. Passages of interest are marked.

BS 11/1

Help

Please see Aueona Commune report to January at 93-97. Passages of interest are marked. A good report.

BS 12/2

Copy

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I agree - a good report. I should like the last page checked with Econ Sec or Harro figure of cost of living.

BS 10/6

Balance

see Min 11/11/52. A report received by the labor 1/2 from the Institute of Statistics, Stat, Govt, which is their source of information, is as follows.

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This figure for January is approximately 75% of Capt Vagghans' 1/5/52 11/1/52 11/1/52



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Please see  
December

Aueona

conune monthly report  
passages of interest are

marked.

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See by 10/11

HWP

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I should like to read more

checked with Econ Sec. a Murro figure of cost of living.

11/10/11

Belmont

see Min 9/11/11

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SPK 25/2/46 H.S. 25/12

What about Huma figures?

H.S. 25/12



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Executive Commissioner.

Reference minute 51, please see this sub-commission's letter to

Min. G-2, at Folio 50.

Legal sub-commission,  
6 October 1945.

*W. J. Weber*  
W. J. WEBER, Colonel,  
Chief Legal Advisor.

57.

Ex. Com.

x 4

1. Ref minute 57, please find answer now C.L. 4 at  
56, embodied in a letter to G-2 at HQ.

*W. J. Weber* 8/10.

*W. J. Weber* 9/10

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Ex. Com.

Please see Arizona report in September at 64.  
The Bancroft are now in Italian hands.

*W. J. Weber* 12/10, 60 12/10.

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Ex. Com.

Ask C.A.S. to affix finger regarding

"Financial" (L.S.S.) & C.A.S. to note First Brigade

Does it necessary to remove all 3?

*W. J. Weber* 12/10

79.

*W. J. Weber*

Please see October report for answer at 78-73.  
Passages of interest are wanted. Some of the ideas  
re unemployment are rather worthless.

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*W. J. Weber*

Ex. Com. (of folio 58 (last) & your minute 67 re  
see 80 for info

W. J. Weber 28/10



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CSO X 44

1. left minutes 57, please find answer from C.I. # at SS. embodied in a letter to G-5 AFHQ.

Fin 8/10. 9/10.

HR 3/10

66.

Ca. Com.

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CSO

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"Financ" (LSS) & CAS to note Fin Bureau.

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Repl. (ref. p. 58 (last para) & your minute 67 re see 80 for info

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Executive Commission

Please see report from Bureau 40. 30 August at 10:00 43-48. Passages of interest are marked; the position in the commune appears very satisfactory apart from the difficulty arising between the AIG and Italian law courts.

100/30 BO 2/10 50

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C. L. A.

What is position about these counts: | X

C. L. A.

Do use the AIG to contact less paper in an presentation of proposal ✓ Done 10/10 903

Ex. C.

What is the staff account at Huedon. Is it independent. Is it necessary? 10/10

10/10 3/10

52.

C. L. A.

Could you please deal with Ex. C's query at minute 51.

10/10 4/10



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between the ATG & Italian law courts.

Two 3/10 BO 2/10 5/10

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C. L. A.

What is position about these courts? | X

C. L.

Do we have the ATG to submit these papers in law  
presentation of papers ✓ Done 1/10 903

For Doc.

What is the staff account at the end of  
independent. Is it necessary? 1/10

1/10 3/10

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BO 4/10.



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Ex lmr

A checked report from HRCome  
at 12. We have not received  
PPSO's report. On page 13  
para 10 is here fact for  
the de-representing letter.

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Ex 12/17

MS 13/17

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Ex lmr  
CSO

Monthly Report for Arizona Commission  
is at pages 40-24. Pages marked are of  
interest. There is nothing reported here  
which could conceivably justify retention of

AMG.

9/8/45

MS 18/8



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A checked report from Helene  
of 22. We have not received  
RPS's report. On page 13  
para 10 is where first  
the de-representing letter.

See 12/7

MS/13/7

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Ex Comm.  
CSO.

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January 1946.

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L. P. VAUGHAN, Capt. M.A. (Ment.),  
A.C. Liaison Officer (Tn)  
ANCONA.

6 Feb 46.

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1 F. Sec

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A. C. Liaison Officer (Th)  
ANGORA.

6 Feb 46.

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- 2- Econ Sec
- 1 PR Br
- 1- Fr Rep
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MONTHLY REPORT

COMUNE OF ANCONA

January 1946.

POLITICAL SITUATION AND PUBLIC FEELING.

1. The general political situation continues being normal.
2. In view of the forthcoming administrative elections a meeting of all the Sindaci of this Province took place. The Prefect attended and notified the elections would be held within March all over the Province, the date in the case of Ancona Commune being the 24th of that month. The representatives of the different political parties have invited their followers to see that order and quiet obtain during the elections.
3. No trouble is anticipated in this forthcoming election.
4. The a/m meeting of Sindaci have expressed their confidence that Allied Authorities will see that the military under their command abstain from any demonstration during election days.
5. The public are looking forward to the administrative elections as the first step towards Italy's return within the community of democratic nations.
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PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY.

8. Conditions here continue comparing favourably with those prevailing in most other Provinces.
9. The Police Agencies, Questura and GCRP have worked well in detecting and arresting persons responsible for a number of robberies which occurred in the past months. Crimes reported during January are few and unimportant.
10. The Police action for the repression of illegal Black Market activities resulted in the sequestration of about 80 Qls of commodities.
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#### PUBLIC WORKS.

##### Roads and sewerage.

12. More than 4700 cubic metres of rubble have been brought on the territorial roads since the repair work on them started.
13. The maintenance of inner roads and sewerage is carried on within moderate limits as the general overhaul which would be urgently needed cannot be taken in hand from lack of funds.
14. Plans involving an outlay of 14,750,000 Lire were submitted to Genio Civile months ago but their sanction is still outstanding. Consequently contracts with transportation firms for the carriage of rubble, involving payments on account, could not be entered into, and the supply of rubble slowed down.

##### ELECTRIC POWER AND LIGHTING.

15. Owing to the prolonged drought the reservoirs of the Terni Company which provides electric power are more and more depleted and a 35% cut in the supply thereof to various Electrical Companies had to be enforced in agreement with the competent Ministry. While commerce and industry depend on a larger supply of industrial power for the rehabilitation of the Province no application for such a purpose can be considered at present although the hardships entailed thereby and the adverse consequence on the unemployment problem are realized.

16. Even electric lighting will have to be rationed and the local UNES (Unione Esercizi Elettrici) decided that the City is to be divided into zones which by turns will go without power 3 or 4 hours a day.

##### SCHOOLS.

17. Notwithstanding the bad conditions of premises which had to be repaired and adapted at considerable costs the situation has now greatly improved.

18. 7000 pupils attend elementary schools (the figure is increasing owing to the continuous repatriation of refugees) and about 2000 pupils secondary schools.

19. From 90 at the beginning of the school year the figure of available class-rooms has risen to 180, and it is anticipated that school accommodation will gradually improve within 1946 so as to become eventually fully adequate to requirements.

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22. So far 1500 applications have been received for State subsidies to assist house repairs; also 154 final accounts relating to repairs already accomplished, 55 of which have been forwarded for approval to Genio Civile. State subsidies with additional premiums, totalling 471,862 Lire, have been paid out to 18 applicants.

#### FINANCIAL SITUATION OF THE COMMUNE.

23. The financial movement in January has been normal but rather restricted.
24. The small yield of Communal taxes (Consumption Taxes roughly 3,500,000 Lire) and the previous month's balance provided just enough funds to meet the pay-rolls of personnel.
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29. Roughly 1500 Qls of APPLES sold at steady prices.

30. 300 grammes of MEAT per person have been distributed on ration cards. Meat on the free market sold at unvaried prices but was in shorter supply.

#### FISHERIES.

31. Adverse weather conditions greatly hampered fishing. 20 days out of 31 were lost as the motor ~~boats~~ boats were unable to go to sea.
32. 500 Qls of fish, worth 8,000,000 Lire, were brought to the local market and sold at even higher prices than in the previous month: 1st quality: 250-300 Lire, wholesale (300, retail) per kilo; 2nd quality: 100-120 (120-140 retail); 3rd quality: 65 (80, retail).

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36. The sanitary conditions of CATTLE remained good.
37. Poultry suffered from infectious laryngo-tracheitis.

HYGIENE AND SANITATION.

38. Conditions continue being fairly good.
39. The following cases of infectious diseases have been



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reported:

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Diphtheria                | 8 |
| Chicken-pox               | 2 |
| Cerebro-spinal Meningitis | 2 |
| Measles                   | 2 |
| Paratyphoid               | 1 |
| Typhoid                   | 1 |
| Scarlet fever             | 1 |

UNEMPLOYMENT

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|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Clerks      | 4832            | 1947              |
| Industry    | 21694           | 6770              |
| Commerce    | 3390            | 1527              |
| Agriculture | 2863            | 1055              |
|             | <u>32767</u>    | <u>13299</u>      |

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|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Clerks      | 2608            | 1246              |
| Industry    | 5128            | 1801              |
| Commerce    | 1835            | 1034              |
| Agriculture | 313             | 6                 |
|             | <u>9884</u>     | <u>4087</u>       |

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|                                                           |                                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Monthly expenses of an average family of 5 persons - Lire | Comperative figures (Food only) |
| Food only                                                 | - Lire                          |
| 13,875,20                                                 | Basis 1940=100 Basis Jan. 43    |
|                                                           | <u>898</u>                      |
|                                                           | 2234,5                          |
|                                                           | 123                             |

*K. E. Vaughan*

K. E. VAUGHAN, Capt. Mar. Regt.  
A.C. Liaison Officer (Tn)  
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ANCONA.

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December 1945.

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Prices have been rather steady, except for an increase regarding Fish consequent to the price control on this commodity being abolished for the time being.

The number of Unemployed in the Province is given as 13,000. **897**

Health conditions fairly good. 17 cases of infectious diseases have been reported, as against 31 in the previous month.

8 Jan 46.

*V. P. Vaughan*  
V. P. VAUGHAN, Capt. Man. Regt.  
A/ Liaison Officer, Ancona.

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3. A large distribution of gift parcels on Christmas by Allied Authorities to the poorer classes of the population has been gratefully welcomed by the public.

COMMUNAL ADMINISTRATION.

4. The Communal Departments for Water, Tramways and Gas have been successfully re-activated.
5. The Aqueduct which used to supply water on a reduced scale is now utilised to its full capacity.
6. The "Tramways" Dept. is really running a truck service within the City and to the localities under this Commune for passengers transport.
7. Finally, Gas in small supply, just enough for domestic cooking purposes, is now available.
8. A "Populay Mess, controlled and assisted by the Commune, has been established.

9. The Electoral lists, which have now been approved by the Polling Commission, are ready and comprise 55,000 voters, divided into 59 Sections.

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13. Work of repair and adaptation has been carried on, especially in buildings newly handed over for the use of schools.

#### HOUSING ACCOMMODATION.

14. The number of applications for State subsidies to assist repairs, which have been received by the relevant Communi Committee, has risen to 1300, of which 357 have been examined and forwarded for approval to the Genio Civile.

15. The repair work of "Popular" houses started by the "Istituto Autonomo per le Case Popolari" is being actively pushed on in the Montinaccio and Posatora quarters, while the building containing 40 flats in Via Toti is being completed by the Firm Ianari.

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17. The housing problem remains difficult but 61. Area has greatly assisted the Italian authorities in the matter by speedily de-requisitioning as many properties as possible. Under the administration of the present Housing Commissioner, who is assisted by a Housing Committee, disturbances arising as a result of people occupying de-requisitioned or empty housing accommodation without permission from the appropriate Italian authority have been avoided.

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23. GARDEN PRODUCE is very abundant and prices are decreasing.

24. There was a weekly distribution of MEAT on food cards (100-200 grammes per person).



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FISHERIES.

25. It was pointed out in previous Monthly Reports of this H.Q. that the supply of fish was scanty, mostly because the fishermen brought this commodity to other markets outside this Province where fish sold at 100 lire higher than here.

26. In order to meet this situation a new experiment was tried this month by abolishing price control on fish. As a result ~~market~~ 602 Qls of fish, worth 7,705,000 lire, were brought to the local market as against 143 Qls in the previous month. The prices rose of course (wholesale prices from a previous average of 110, 64, and 26 lire, according to quality, to the present average of 230, 100 and 60 lire respectively) but it is anticipated that the plentiful influx of this commodity will result in its becoming cheaper.

AGRICULTURE AND CATTLE.

27. Weather conditions have favoured all kinds of agricultural output.

28. GRAIN grows vigorously but shortage of chemical manures is felt.

29. GRASS FIELDS are in excellent shape and cattle rising will benefit from the plenty of fodder available.

30. The sanitary conditions of cattle are generally good.

HYGIENE AND SANITATION.

31. Conditions continue being fairly good notwithstanding adverse housing conditions, lack of soap, and shortage of fats and sugar which particularly affects children and sick persons.

32. The following cases of infectious diseases have been reported:

|                           |    |
|---------------------------|----|
| Diphtheria                | 14 |
| Typhoid                   | 1  |
| Chicken-pox               | 1  |
| Cerebro-spinal Meningitis | 1  |

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UNEMPLOYMENT.

33. The unemployment situation has not changed much during the month of December. The following data, applying to Ancona Province, have been supplied by the local "Ufficio Provinciale del Lavoro":

|          | Employed | Unemployed |
|----------|----------|------------|
| Clerks   | 4839     | 1872       |
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| Clerks      | 4039     | 1072       |
| Industry    | 21777    | 2976       |
| Commerce    | 2855     | 1157       |
| Agriculture | 2613     | 1075       |
|             | 32204    | 13080      |



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34. Ref. para 4 of this H.Q. Report on Unemployment attached to the Monthly Report of October 45 it is pointed out that a number of industrial premises have been decommissioned since, or will be released within January 46. If, and when, these factories are re-activated a number of workers will find employment there.

COST OF LIVING.

35. Ref. para 34 of the previous Monthly Report the following statistic figures have been supplied for the month of December:

| Monthly expenses of an average family of 5 persons - Lire |                | Comparative figures (food only) - Lire |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------------|-----|
| Food only                                                 | Total expenses | Basis 1340=100 Basis Jan. 45=          | 100 |
| 13715,60                                                  | 18938,80       | 2209                                   | 124 |

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A/Liaison Officer, Ancona.

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ABRIDGED MONTHLY REPORT - ANCONA COMMUNE  
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Prices for food commodities are looking up except those for vegetables, which remain steady.

The Commune is still waiting for the State contribution for the balancing of the Communal Budget to be paid in.

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MONTHLY REPORT.

COMUNE OF ANCONA.

November 1945.

PERSONNEL.

1. On 3th Dec Capt. J.W. Guthrie Squair, A.C. Liaison Officer, Ancona, left here to proceed to HQ AC, Rome, and the undersigned who is the Senior Transportation Officer attached to this HQ took over from him.

POLITICAL SITUATION.

2. An orderly meeting called by the six major parties took place in order to demonstrate against the Government crisis and for the formation of a democratic Government and speedy elections for Parliament.

COMMUNAL ADMINISTRATION.

3. The number of Municipal Guards has been increased by a Deputy Commander and some 20 guards.
4. The census of houses is being effected by the Statistical Office for National Reconstruction, not only for statistical purposes but also to get a better control on available accommodation.

5. In order to counteract the steady increase of prices communal shops for the sale of the most necessary commodities, particularly meat, have been established and a popular Mess and cheap restaurant opened.

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6. The plan for the reconstruction of the City, drafted by Architect Minucci and his collaborators, has been approved and published.

PUBLIC WORKS

Roads and Sewerage.

7. Work is being continued but cannot be sped up owing to shortage of adequate transport facilities. This applies both to city streets and territorial roads which could not yet be supplied with the necessary amount of rubble.

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anticipated 700.000 Lire for this purpose.

10. The Comune could so far obtain only a half of the quantity of glass required for window panes. Consequently a number of class-rooms are still uninhabitable.

11. All the Elementary Schools in localities under the Comune have been re-opened except for the school of Pesetora which is still occupied by Refugees who could not be accommodated elsewhere.

#### HOUSING ACCOMMODATION.

12. The relevant Communal Committee has received up to the end of November 1200 applications for State subsidies to assist repairs, of which 587 have been examined and forwarded for approval to the Genio Civile.

13. C.A.M.A. (Cooperative Anconitane Muratori ed Affini) has undertaken the building of the first lot of "popular houses" on orders of the Comune.

14. Besides the 48 apartments which will thus be made available, the building of another lot of 18 apartments will be started as soon as approval to this effect has been obtained from Genio Civile.

15. Repair work of "Popular Houses" is being carried on satisfactorily.

#### FOOD SUPPLY.

16. There has been a plentiful supply of FRUIT this year (about 4500 Qls) but prices are still increasing owing to great demands.

17. More than 2000 Qls of CHESTNUTS were brought to this market; here too prices are rising.

18. POTATOES, in small supplies, sold at 40-45 lire per kilo, as against 35-40 lire in the previous month, owing to increased costs at places of production.

19. After the recent rainfalls the local production of VEGETABLES covers the requirements of this market and prices are steady.

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AGRICULTURE, CATTLE, POULTRY ETC.

22. Thanks to favourable weather conditions there has been an exceptionally good growth of GRAIN.
23. Grass FIELDS are in fairly good condition after the last rains.
24. It is anticipated that the OLIVE crop will yield good, though not abundant, produce.
25. GARDEN PRODUCE is good and plentiful.
26. Hygienic conditions of OXEN and HOGS are good but the difficulty in feeding them persists.
27. There have been only sporadic cases of infectious diseases among POULTRY.

HYGIENE AND SANITATION.

28. Conditions have continued being fairly good although housing accommodation is as bad as ever and adversely affected by the cold season.

29. The following cases of infectious diseases have been reported:

|               |    |
|---------------|----|
| Scarlet Fever | 1  |
| Polyomyelitis | 4  |
| Chicken-pox   | 8  |
| Diphtheria    | 15 |
| Measles       | 2  |
| Paratyphoid   | 1  |

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FINANCIAL SITUATION OF THE COMMUNE.

30. The situation is difficult because the State contribution for the balancing of the Communal Budget has not been paid in yet. In spite of the good yield of local rates and taxes the cash deficit at the end of the month amounted to 500,000 Lire, and the treasury had to use funds of other branches for urgent payments while waiting for the Prefecture to anticipate a further sum on the a/m State contribution.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

31. Reference para 1 of the Report on Unemployment attached to the previous Monthly Report, the general situation in Ancona Province at the end of Nov 45 was as follows:

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| Clerks | 4807            | 2561              |

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| Industry    | 21404           | 5510              |
| Commerce    | 2942            | 991               |
| Agriculture | 2553            | 1068              |
|             | <u>31806</u>    | <u>13130</u>      |



The situation has deteriorated, especially in respect of clerks and unskilled labour.

32. The Comune plans employing 250 workers for four months on removal of debris.

33. The figure of unemployed personnel, comprising a considerable number of clerks, in respect of Ancona City is 2300.

# COST OF LIVING.

34. The statistics hereafter, which have been supplied by the Ufficio Provinciale del Lavoro, show the steady increase of prices in the last months:

| MONTH | Monthly expenses of an average family of 2 persons - Lire | Comparative figures (food only) - Lire |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
|       | Food only                                                 | Total expenses                         |
| AUG   | 10,125,85                                                 | 14,171,95                              |
| Sep   | 11,947,55                                                 | 16,928,55                              |
| Oct   | 13,382,30                                                 | 18,520,30                              |
| Nov   | 13,751,30                                                 | 19,216,00                              |
|       |                                                           | 1630                                   |
|       |                                                           | 1924                                   |
|       |                                                           | 2155                                   |
|       |                                                           | 2214                                   |
|       |                                                           | 89                                     |
|       |                                                           | 106                                    |
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Columns 3 and 4 show the sums required to purchase food which sold at 100 lire in 1940, respectively in January 1945.

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Rome, 24th November 1945.

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Subject : Fire Service Vehicles at Ancona.

To : Civil Affairs Section, H.Q., A.C.

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1. Reference is made to paragraph 3 of letter No. 838/69/BO dated 10th October, 1945, from the Office of the Executive Commissioner which deals with the withdrawal of three fire engines from the Fire Brigade of Ancona.

2. The matter was brought to the attention of the Ministero dell'Interno (Direzione Generale dei Servizi Antincendi) and a reply (No. 7930 of 15/11/1945) states that other vehicles have been substituted and the position is now normal.

*W. Wilson Cap*  
John W. Chapman, Col.  
Director,  
Public Safety Sub-Comm.

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ANNEXED MONTHLY REPORT - ANTOIN C. L. L.  
October 1945.

About 5500 Polish troops comprising 14,000 soldiers and attached units arrived in Antwerp.

The various Polish parties continue to collaborate amicably.

Some orderly demonstrations of the public regarding food supply difficulties have taken place.

Nothing new regarding prices, except that vegetables have remained at a reasonable level.

The number of unemployed in the Province has been given as 11,053 (Antwerp City, 2000).

Housing accommodation remains an acute problem with the approach of winter. Schemes for the building of "mini-houses" etc. are under way. 1000 applications for State subsidies for repairs to damaged property have been submitted to the Communal Committee.

The financial situation of the Commune was affected owing to strike of collectors of local taxes. The Prefect anticipated 10 million lire for payment of wages and subsidies to hospitals, water, tramways and Gas Dept. of the Commune.

The service communications have greatly improved.

Work on Streets and Sewerage has been held up as the Civilian did not grant funds already applied for by the Commune.

A plan for the Reconstruction of the City has been drafted.

Schools not yet re-opened, but situation should improve in certain localities by clearance of refugees from some school buildings.

Health conditions fairly good, notwithstanding overcrowding, and shortages of soap, fats and sugar. There have been 34 cases of infectious diseases, against 21 in September.

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Liaison Officer, 1st Corps  
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Health conditions fairly good, notwithstanding overcrowding, and shortages of coal, fats and sugar. There have been 34 cases of infectious diseases, against 31 in September.

7 Nov. 45

*Paul Fournier*  
Lieutenant Colonel, 1st Lt. Corps  
Liaison Officer, 1st CCN.

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MONTHLY REPORT.  
COMUNE OF ANCONA.  
OCTOBER 1945.

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POLITICAL SITUATION.

5. The various parties continue to collaborate amicably.
6. The news about general elections for Parliament, which will take place next Spring, has been greeted with much satisfaction.
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11. 400 tons of coal will be obtained monthly for the Gas Works, and a sum of 4 million lire has been anticipated to this effect by the Banca Commerciale.

12. The local Truck Pool has allotted a truck and trailer to the Tramways Office for organising transports of persons and goods.

13. An uninterrupted supply of Water has been ensured, and expenses will be balanced by a slight increase in the price of Water.

14. Steps have been taken for the timely drafting of the City reconstruction plan. A Statistics Office for National Reconstruction will investigate the present availability of accommodation, considering the urgency of solving this very serious question; and a census of the population will take place.

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#### COMMUNICATIONS (LOCAL).

17. Bus service communications have considerably improved during last month. New lines have been established, connecting Ancona City with Favennelle and Montegranaro.

18. The Tramways Office has added to their line



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PUBLIC WORKS.

Roads and Sewerage.

19. Rubble has been brought on the roads Ancona-Montesciaro and Camerano-Ancona. But owing to shortage of means of transport the numerous remaining roads could not be provided with the necessary rubble, which work should be completed before the rainy season starts.

20. Work on streets and sewerage is being held up by Mario Civile not having granted yet the funds applied for previously.

21. However, work on sewers continues in a moderate measure, and the macadamised city streets are being repaired with fair speed.

PUBLIC LIGHTING.

22. Work is being carried on and extended to some localities of this Commune.

SCHOOLS.

23. The schools have not been re-opened yet owing to shortage of premises.

24. Most of the schools not destroyed by War were occupied by Allied Troops. Some of the latter buildings have now been turned over to the Italian Authorities but are still in bad repair and, it is stated, are not fit for School purposes. Roofs and ceilings especially must be repaired and window panes fitted. Some small supply of glass for this purpose has been allotted to the Commune on 23 Oct 45. The Sindaco has stated that if the requisition of two more School buildings could be effected, the Commune would be able to organise Elementary and Medium Schools in a fairly satisfactory manner.

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27. The influx of Polish troops cited in para 3 has not involved the requisitioning of premises, but merely the occupation of premises previously occupied by Allied troops.

28. The relevant Comunale Committee is dealing with more than a thousand applications for State subsidies to assist repairs.

29. The building of a first lot of "Popular" houses, entailing an outlay of 20 million lire, is being taken in hand. 45 apartments will thus be made available.

30. A plan has been submitted to Genio Civile for the building of a house of 10 flats, the costs amounting to 9,935,000 lire.

31. The "Istituto Autonomo per le Case Popolari" has undertaken the repair work of "Popular" houses in the Montecitorio and Pinciana quarters. They will also complete the building containing 40 flats in Via Toti.

#### HYGIENE AND SANITATION.

32. Conditions have been fairly good in October in spite of bad housing conditions, shortage of soap, fats and sugar (the latter commodities being especially required for children and sick persons).

33. The following cases of infectious diseases have been reported:

|                |    |
|----------------|----|
| Dysentery      | 13 |
| Scarlet Fever  | 5  |
| Typhoid        | 1  |
| Whooping-cough | 6  |
| Chickens-pox   | 4. |

#### EMPLOYMENT.

34. This forms the subject of a separate Report attached herewith.

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31. The "Istituto Autonomo per le Case Popolari" has undertaken the repair work of "Popular" houses in the Montetresco and Pesaterra quarters. They will also complete the building containing 40 flats in Via Toti.

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| Whooping-cough | 3  |
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and beginning of October, the ground could be made ready for sowing again, without additional chemical manure (which is in short supply) being applied. Thus the manuring of the previous months must suffice.

36. GARDEN PRODUCE, for which more ground is being used this year, will be more plentiful and help in feeding the population.

37. GRASS FIELDS held out the promise of a better supply of fodder so that the cattle situation will be stabilised.

38. HOGS, owing to difficulty in feeding them adequately, are being slaughtered prematurely.

39. About 800 qts of FRUIT have been brought to this market during October. Owing to costs at places of production the prices are rising.

40. CHEESE which sold at 60 lire per kilo at the beginning of October are, however, paid 17 lire now; but the prices are looking up again.

41. Only 600 qts of TOMATOES have arrived here and sold at 65-40 lire per kilo.

42. There has been a fair supply of other Vegetables and the local production goes on increasing. Prices have remained at a reasonable level.

43. There have been only two regular distributions of MEAT on food cards.

44. RATIONED FOOD has been dealt out regularly. In the last 10 days of October a great *many* of the population had used up their bread coupons and had to be assisted by the Prefect and Sindaco.

# FISHERIES.

45. The supply of Fish on the local market has shrunk this month to 200 qts while most of this commodity was sold outside this Province where Fish sold at 100 lire higher than here. Owing to shortage of boats the fishermen bought it on the Black Market, paying 60 lire per kilo, which put them at a disadvantage in respect of the prices offered them for fish at Ancona. The Sindaco has, therefore, instructed that the prices be altered to meet the demands



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39. About 600 qts of RUM have been brought to this market during October. Owing to costs at places of production the prices are rising.

40. CHESTNUTS which sold at 80 lire per kilo at the beginning of October are, however, sold at 47 lire now; but the prices are looking up again.

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7 Nov. 1945.

*John G. Fisher*

J. G. FISHER, Captain, Int. Corps  
Maison Officer, ANCONA.

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HEADQUARTERS  
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ANCONA COMMUNE

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UNEMPLOYMENT IN ANCONA PROVINCE.

1. The general situation as at 31 Oct 45 was as follows:-

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|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Clerks      | 4021            | 1595              |
| Industry    | 20819           | 7637              |
| Commerce    | 2860            | 832               |
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2. It is expected that the figure of unemployed during winter will rise to about 20,000.

3. There has been practically no unemployment problem up to June 45. During the winter 1944-45 there has been a constant request for labour from the Allied authorities for military reasons, so that even agricultural labour was called upon to help in re-building roads, railways and bridges. Between July 44 and June 45 several tens of bridges have been repaired or re-built; moreover, several kilometres of railway lines; and all kind of provincial and communal roads have been re-activated. At the end of the war this kind of activity has slowed down considerably.

4. Unemployment is most felt in industry, as industrial activity has been very considerably reduced, owing to: destruction of factories by war events, small supply of Coal (the monthly distribution of coal in Ancona Province in normal times was 4000 tons as against the present rate of 300 to 500 tons for the whole Marche Region), shortage of Electric Power (which will be remedied as soon as the power plant of Central Italy is linked up with North Italy where there is overproduction of power), shortage of iron, (there is however a large supply of Scrap Iron which could be made available if there was enough transport. The No. 7 Truck Pool of Ancona has 200 trucks, which are, however, mostly employed for food transport. The lack of Tyres is most serious but it is hoped that the Firm Firelli will be able to supply a considerable number of them in the near future). It is also pointed out that many factories cannot be reactivated as they are still requisitioned by the military.

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6. Agriculture could be helped by derequisitioning areas still held by military.



7. Special unemployment problems are those of ex-servicemen and female labour.

8. Under Decree Law of the Lieutenant of the Realm No. 459 of 4 Aug 45, 50% of vacancies in both public and private bodies should be reserved to ex-servicemen. Even more than that has been done practically, but the general unemployment problem has an adverse influence on this particular one.

9. As to female labour it is felt that men should be given priority generally, except when women are heads of families or their essential supporters.

10. The steps suggested to meet unemployment are the following:-

(a) Wherever possible, former agricultural workers who have been employed on other tasks by the Allies owing to urgent need of labour should be made to return to their old job.

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13. Jesi: There are now 1000 out of work; their number will rise to 2 or 3 thousand when the Allies leave there. (A considerable number is now employed by 25 A.O.D.).



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14. The well known Savoia-Marchetti factory, producers of Airplanes, are now dealing with repairs to railway cars and engines for road building.

15. Fabriano: Unemployment figure: 2200. Bad prospects. The Paper Factory is working in full and employs 4000 men. (one thousand men); (production of paper currency, debentures etc.).

16. Land-owners have been taxed one work day each to form a fund for unemployment subsidies (some 8000 work days will be offered during winter). A good deal of the local labourers used to work at Toligno and Terni where work is at a standstill for the time being. It is suggested to employ them later on at Rimini where large-scale building financed by U.S. is planned.

17. The Fidrentini Corp. are ready to employ labour for repairing railway cars, huts etc. if plans are approved at Florence.

18. Senigallia: 800 unemployed, probably 1000 in Nov. There is no prospect of employing them unless public works are taken in hand. A Flax manufactory could work if premises were derequisitioned.

19. Osimo, Castelfidardo and Loreto: could find work for thousands if a) materials could be provided for Accordion manufacture; and b) if accordions could be exported into U.S.A. at 40 to 50 thousand Lire a piece.

20. Another important industry of this province is the firm Montecatini, managers of the Sulphur Mine of Cabernardi. They used to employ 2000 workers; they have now 900 ~~878~~ 878 workers, and 500 employed on turns, with Government subsidies. Emigration to Belgium is proposed. ???

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 838/69/EC

16 October 1945

SUBJECT: Ancona Monthly Report

TO : Civil Affairs Section

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2. The Executive Commissioner wishes this to be brought to the notice of the Italian Government, requesting them to speed up the contribution for the budget.

3. The AC LO also states:

"The withdrawal of three fire service vehicles from the Civilian Fire Brigade on orders from Public Safety Subcommittee caused keen disappointment on the part of the Commandant of the Italian Fire Brigade, and the military fire-fighting company who so ably assist him."

4. Was it necessary to remove all three vehicles?

C. R. BRAYBROOKE

Chief Staff Officer  
To Executive Commissioner

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~~CHIEF OF BUREAU~~  
B. SAMPSON  
Chief Staff Officer  
To Executive Commissioner

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MEMORANDUM  
FOR THE COLLECTION  
DIVISION

Subject: Monthly Report

To: Mr. J. C. (6th Div of Exec Comm.)

Ref: AEC/4/10/44

From: Mr. J. C. (6th Div of Exec Comm.)

Date: 9 Oct 45

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1. Acknowledges your letter of 10 Oct 45.
2. The monthly report for September/1945 is herewith. This is the first report submitted by yourself and I had already been asked to provide to allow the Board to get a better picture.

H. H. Walton Capt.

Mr. Walton,  
Capt., Gen. Dist.,  
A.E.C., ADONAL.

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(Mrs. S. S. S. S.)



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ABRIDGED MONTHLY REPORT - ANCONA COMUNE.  
September 1945.

The Military situation remains practically unchanged, save for the movement of certain troops into Winter Quarters.

The Area Commander has represented that punishments inflicted by Italian Courts in offences against military property are inadequate. Delays occur in bringing cases to trial.

Political situation remains unchanged. Interest is shown in recent meeting of Consulta.

There is dissatisfaction with rising prices.

With the approach of winter housing accommodation has presented a more urgent problem. The military and civilian authorities are in touch on questions of derequisitioning.

Some progress is being made towards the work of reconstruction in the Comune. There is considerable call for materials of all kind to assist in this work.

The health of the Comune remains good despite overcrowding and unsatisfactory housing conditions.

Schools are not yet functioning satisfactorily

The Comune anxiously awaits its 1945 budgetary contribution from the Ministry of the Interior.

*H. M. Walton Capt.*

8 Oct 45.

H. M. WALTON, Capt. Gen. List.  
Liaison Officer  
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MONTHLY REPORT

COMMUNE OF ANCONA

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On 19 Sep Lt.Cbl. O.J.MAUNDER left his HQ for release in U.K. With the departure previously of the Legal Officer and the Public Safety Officer, this HQ now consists of 1 Captain, 1 Staff-Sgt. and 3 Drivers i/c. An officer of the Food Sub-Commission, a Port Liaison Officer and an AC Warehouses Officer are attached.

The military situation in Ancona remains practically unchanged. Problems of housing and accommodation arising out of the presence of Allied troops in Ancona are the subject of a separate report.

The presence of Polish troops in the district has called for some discussion in the local press, one writer rather naively suggesting that the Poles be given the choice of going back to Poland or being sent to South America. Isolated incidents between Polish troops and civilians are quickly seized upon and given publicity.

The Italian Courts are now dealing with all types of cases previously dealt with by AMG Courts. The Area Commander has expressed concern at the number of suspended sentences of imprisonment awarded, and the comparative leniency of the fines inflicted. He has recently drawn attention to a number of such sentences in cases involving military property. The number of cases tried still lags behind the number of arrests made and the attention of the Procuratore del Regno is being drawn to this state of affairs.

The political situation remains unchanged. It is said that the meeting of the Consulta Nazionale in Rome has raised hopes in the people that the Government will now be more in touch with the population but it is felt that only the Costituente can find the solutions to the great national problems on which local problems depend.

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The Communist Party recently conducted a very orderly Provincial Congress in Ancona in the building of the Prefecture.

There is dissatisfaction with rising prices but local officials hold that prices are even higher in other communes and any fall in prices here would lead to shortages of commodities. The local press has reflected this dissatisfaction with rising prices.

Perhaps the most urgent problem is the shortage of housing and other accommodation. The approach of Winter has made obvious the unsatisfactory condition in which many are living. Public order remains good at present but some local officials see in the housing problem a potential threat to public order. So far as requisitioned buildings are concerned representations have been made to the military authorities who are fully aware of the problem and are dealing sympathetically with it. The whole question has formed the subject of a separate Report.

The Communal Administration continues to function well. Offices have been set up to deal with the problems of repairs and rebuilding in the Commune. The Water supply has recently been greatly improved. Work towards the partial reconstruction of the Gas Works continues and steps are being taken to improve the public transport system. From all sides and not least from the Commune officials come requests for transport, tyres and materials of all kinds. Great interest is shown in the reported negotiations between the Italian Government and the Allies for the transfer of War Material. The tendency persists for civilians, official and unofficial, to ask military authorities for materials rather than to submit their requests through proper Italian channels.



Agriculture.

Ploughing is in progress; the ground is hard owing to lack of rain; recent rain falls will improve the situation.

Numerous productive areas are still occupied by allied troops; and a large portion of those already derequisitioned cannot be tilled owing to the ground being hard, and owing to the presence of stones and other materials, and shortage of agricultural implements.

Garden produce.

Potatoes, tomatoes and other garden produce fair.

Wine good but insufficient.

Olive harvest bad and scarce.

Good production of chestnuts, almonds, pears and apples, but damaged by parasites.

Grass better owing to rain.

Oxen. Situation still bad owing to fodder shortage. There will be little meat and milk this winter.

Hogs. Owing to food scarcity animals will not make good weight and fats will be in short supply.

Poultry suffering from infectious diseases.

Fisheries. 530,53 Qls of fish brought to the market sold for Lire 2,637,834,90.

Prices cheaper in this province than elsewhere; consequently fish is being sent to other markets.

Public Works.

Roads and sewage. Work on road building is being held up owing to lack of transport. The Commune has asked for 20 m/trucks. If these can be obtained the transport of rubble will be facilitated. 871

Street and sewerage repairs are held up for financial reasons as the Genio Civile has not yet appropriated funds.



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Work on sewerage in the old part of the city is being carried on on a modest scale, much more remains to be done, e.g. the total removal of debris and complete repair of sewers.

Schools. Situation unchanged as the Commune has not obtained the promised derequisition of school buildings. The Mazzini school building only has been re-opened.

Public Lighting. Work is being continued.

Reconstruction plan. A summary plan is ready and the matter is being studied; surveying of the industrial area is continuing at Baraccola.

House repairs. 1000 Qls of cement will be distributed for repair of private buildings with ration-cards issued by the Camera di Commercio and visted by the Sindaco.

House building and repairs. The 100,000,000 Lire obtained by the Sindaco for Ancona have been divided as follows:

- 10,000,000 for urgent work regarding communal services (water, gas, etc.)
- 15,000,000 for Communal roads;
- 65,000,000 for house building;
- 10,000,000 for preliminary work for the reconstruction plan.

The Technical Communal Office has prepared plans for 4 "popular" houses, comprising 48 apartments of 2 rooms each (with accessories).

Hygiene and sanitation.

Fair notwithstanding overcrowding in unsanitary houses, and shortage of water and soap.

Public refuse services are hampered by the shortage of tyres.

Normal figure of infectious diseases.  
The following cases have been reported:



Diphtheria 13  
Scarlet Fever 1  
Typhoid Fever 6  
Paratyphoid 1.

Finances.

The Ministry of the Interior has not yet advanced the usual contribution for the budget 1945.

The only income of the Commune has been 3,000,000 from taxes, with which it was impossible to pay "liberation bonus" to personnel, and arrears of increased wages from Nov 43 to July 44.

Schools.

In order that the schools can function derequisitioning is necessary. Even if this is done there would not be sufficient for requirements considering premises destroyed by war events.

Moreover, all kinds of school materials (furniture etc.) have been destroyed and cannot be replaced by the Commune.

M/transport.

There are vehicles enough but there is shortage of tyres. It seems that the northern provinces obtained tyres through the Ministry of Transport. The Camera di Commercio has been requested to do the same. The allotment of fuel is not sufficient. The Truck Pool is employed for food transport only.

Transportation of rubble for road building has been started by the Communal Transport Office.

Fire Brigade.

The withdrawal of three fire service vehicles from the Civilian Fire Brigade on orders from Public Safety Sub-Commission caused keen disappointment on the part of the Commandant of the Italian Fire Brigade, and the military Fire-fighting Company who so ably assist him.

8 October 1945.

*H.M. Walton*  
Capt.

H.M. WALTON, Capt. Gen. List.  
A/Liaison Officer,  
Ancona Commune.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

AC/4011/L.

LCB/lc.  
4 October 1945.

SUBJECT : Allied Interest in Trials at Ancona.

TO : AMHQ, G-5 Section.

1. Reference your G-5,250.5-3 dated 21 September 1945.
2. In view of the shortage of legal officers, it is not intended to replace the departing AMG legal liaison officer at Ancona.
3. Complaints and enquiries relating to cases in Italian courts affecting Allied Forces may be directed to the Ministry of Justice through the Allied Commission.

For the Chief Commissioner.

G. G. HANNAFORD, *See 2604/EC*  
Lt. Col.,  
Deputy Chief Legal Advisor.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 838/54/EC

4 October 45

SUBJECT: AC Liaison Staff at Ancona

TO : Establishment Section

1. I refer to the AC Liaison Staff in Ancona Commune.
2. Could you please let me know how many men are on the staff, whether it is independent, and whether, in view of the general shortage of personnel, its function is necessary any longer.

Chief Staff Officer  
To Executive Commissioner

(FURTHER ACTION 1002/EC)

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Ref: 838/53/BC

4 October 1945

SUBJECT: Monthly Reports

TO : AC Liaison Officer  
Ancona Commune

1. Reference your reports for the months of July and August.
2. The setting out of these reports is much appreciated by this Headquarters from the purely artistic angle. However, although the days of rigid paper economy are happily over, it is thought that their clarity and legibility would not be spoilt if the margins were much narrower and only two spaces left between the paragraphs, instead of three. Paper is still in fairly short supply in this theatre, and the report for August could well have been typed on two, instead of four, pages, without rendering it illegible or muddled.
3. It would be very much appreciated if the ensuing reports could have a slightly more orthodox and economic appearance.

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Brigadier  
Executive Commissioner

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Subj: Monthly Report

To: HQ

From: HQ

1945 Aug 16/10

Date: 8 Sep 45

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Herewith monthly report for the month of August 1945.

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C. H. CARTER, Lt. Col., R.A.  
Vice Officer,  
AFSCNA.

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ABRIDGED MONTHLY REPORT - ANCONA COMUNE.  
August 1945.

On August 4th the Comune of Ancona was handed over to the Italian Government.

As the military situation in Ancona remains unchanged the Commander 61 Area made a request that A.M.G. Courts should be retained.

The present situation is unsatisfactory as the Italian Authorities are not dealing with cases handed over to them by the Military Police.

The political situation remains quiet and unchanged. The end of the war with Japan, in which the people had little or no interest, had no noticeable effect.

The food situation is satisfactory, and the distribution of rationed commodities is regularly maintained.

Unemployment is increasing, but when the scheme of reconstruction of the city which is now being prepared is commenced, it is expected all surplus labour will be absorbed.

The health of the city remains on a high level despite shortage of water and overcrowding, and health services are functioning satisfactorily.

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1 September 1945.

*Commander G. Col. 4th*

O.J. MAUDER, Lt. Col. R.A.

A.S. Liaison Officer

Ancona Comune.



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MONTHLY REPORT

A.C. LIAISON OFFICER.

COMBINE OF ANCONA.

AUGUST 1945.



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On August 4th the Commune of Ancona was handed over to the Italian Government.

Warning of the changeover was received at this HQ only two days before, and the information was immediately passed on to HQ 61 Area.

The military situation in Ancona remains practically unchanged; large warehouses, installations and dumps still exist in the Area, and A.M.G. Courts have been the principle factor in keeping down crime.

The Area Commander was therefore chiefly concerned about the trial of offences against military property and personnel, which up to this time had been dealt with by A.M.G. Courts every week, and a signal was despatched from Area to HQ 1 District requesting the retention of A.M.G. Courts for the time being.

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The present situation is most unsatisfactory; up to Aug 31 over 60 arrests have been made by the Military Police and not one case has been dealt with by the Italian Authorities. If this state of affairs continues there is bound to be a large increase in Crime in the Area.

The political situation remains quiet and unchanged. The end of the war with Japan, in which the people had little or no interest, had no noticeable effect.

The Communal Administration is functioning well, and the new Sindaco, a most capable and conscientious official, has lost no time in tackling the many urgent and difficult problems of the badly damaged city.

The food situation is satisfactory, and the distribution of rationed commodities is regularly maintained. Fruit



and fish are both very plentiful and reasonable in price.

The clearing of debris from the streets, repairs to roads, sewers, gas works, water mains and street lighting continues. Plans for the reconstruction of the city are being prepared, and authority for a grant of Lire 2,000,000 to commence the work has been received from Rome.

Unemployment has increased, but it is expected that all surplus labour will be absorbed in the work of reconstruction.

The health of the city remains on a high level despite shortage of water and overcrowding, and health services are functioning satisfactorily.

The following infectious diseases have been notified during the month:

Diphtheria 11

Paratyphoid 33

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A.C. Liaison Officer  
Ancona Commune.

1 September 1945.

Typhoid fever 3,  
Acute anterior polyomyelitis 1,  
Spurious small-pox 1.

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Subject: Monthly Report.

To: HQ A.C.

Ref.: ANO/E/16/9

From: A.M.C. Ancona.

Date: 6 Aug 45.

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Herewith 6 copies of report for month of  
July together with abridged report.

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O. J. MAUNDER, Lt. Col. R.A.  
Commissioner  
Ancona Commune.

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Exec. Sec

Photo sec to Sec. Gen.

For Adv.

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ABRIDGED MONTHLY REPORT - ANCONA COMMUNE.  
July 1945.

The Italian Government's declaration of war on Japan has met with the approval of all parties, but very little interest is taken in the Far Eastern War.

The British Labour Party's victory in the General Election has met with all-round satisfaction, particularly among the left wing parties. No change in the composition of the Communal Giunta which continues to function well.

Instructions have been given to a group of technicians to prepare and submit plans for the reconstruction of the City.

Popular control commissions have been set up to fight the Black Market.

The food situation has again improved during July. Fruit is plentiful and cheap, but vegetables are in short supply owing to the prolonged drought. Good catches of fish continue to be made and prices are still dropping.

Threshing of grain has been completed, and although results are not yet known the crop is expected to be 30% below that of last year.

Vines are in good condition and it is expected last year's crop will be exceeded by about 50%.

There are still a large number of civilians employed by the Military, 5000 of whom actually live in the City.

General state of health good and despite overcrowding there have been no epidemics.

31 July 1945.

*O. J. Mauder*  
O.J. MAUDER, Lt.Col.R.A.  
Commissioner  
Ancona Commune.

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MONTHLY REPORT.

COMMUNE OF ANCONA.

JULY 1945.

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MONTHLY REPORT ANCONA COMMUNE.

July 1945.

(A) Political Reactions and Popular Opinion.

The decision of the Government in declaring war on Japan has been generally approved by all parties, but very little public interest is being taken in the Far Eastern War.

The success of the British Labour Party in the recent General Election has given great satisfaction to the left wing parties.

A demonstration of some 1500 people took place outside the Prefettura on the morning of July 19, and a deputation representing the Camera del Lavoro and dock labourers was received by the Prefect. Complaints were made about the housing situation and high cost of living. There were no incidents.

Information was received that further demonstrations were planned which might be of a more violent nature, and it was decided to call the secretary of the Camera del Lavoro, who is known to be an extremist agitator, to this H.Q. This gentleman was told in no uncertain terms that he personally

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would be held responsible for any further demonstrations which took place in the City, and up to the moment of writing everything has been quiet.

(B) Local Government - Communal.

No change in the composition of the Giunta which continues to function well.

Instructions have been given to a group of technicians to prepare and submit plans for the reconstruction of the City.

Popular control commissions have been set up to fight the Black Market.

Buildings and flats are being requisitioned each week by the Town Major, and the rehousing of civilians is running more smoothly under the new Commissario Alloggi.

(C) Economic Resources and Supply.

The food situation has again improved during the month.

Fruit is more plentiful and cheaper, in fact on many occasions supplies have been so plentiful that prices have dropped to an absolute minimum.



There is a shortage of vegetables owing to the drought, and prices have slightly increased.

The shortage of fats, sugar and soap is the cause of many complaints.

Wine, which was plentiful at the beginning of the month, is now in short supply, probably due to the requirements of Northern Italy where prices are much higher.

Good catches of fish continue, and prices are still dropping.

#### (D) Agriculture and Fisheries.

The threshing of grain has been completed. Results are not yet known, but the crop is estimated to be 30% below last year's.

A poor maize crop is expected, probably 60 - 70% below that of last year, and vegetables, potatoes and fodder will also be scarce.

Vines are in good condition and it is hoped to increase last year's crop by 15%.

The good catches of fish have been maintained during July. During the first 20 days 274 qls have been sold for Lire 1,634,873.

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(E) Labour.

A conference has been held at this H.Q. to discuss the future employment question in Ancona after the departure of the Allies. At the moment there are about 8000 civilians living in the city employed by the Navy and Military. There is a large amount of reconstruction work to be carried out, but the big snag which the Civilian Authorities are up against is the lack of materials and equipment, without which very little can be done.

A meeting of the Wages Sub Committee, held at H.Q. 61 Area on July 30th, decided to make certain recommendations to Higher Authority for increased wages to be paid to civilians employed by the Allies.

(F) Finance.

No improvement in accommodation situation of Banks and Post Office.

(G) Public Works and Utilities.

Street and sewage repair works have been given to contractors of the Genio

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Civile.

The re-establishment of public lighting continues, but the work is hampered by lack of materials.

(H) Legal.

See separate report from Legal Officer.

(I) Public Safety.

See separate report from P.P.S.O.

(J) Public Health.

General state of health remains good.

The following diseases have been notified:

Typhoid 3, paratyphoid 2, diphtheria 2, chicken-pox 5.

A serious situation is likely to arise in the near future when the military withdraw the 6 trucks now on loan to the Commune for refuse clearing and street cleaning. The Commune has civilian vehicles to do this work, but no tyres. 61 Area cannot help, and application has been made to War Material Disposal Sub Commission for authority for the tyres etc. to be purchased from salvage.

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(K) Education.

It is hoped the Military will be able to derequisition the 6 schools, which are now occupied by troops, before the beginning of the next school year. Unless the middle schools are handed back it will probably be necessary to transfer them to another part of the Province.

(L) Refugees.

Several times during the month large numbers of refugees from the South have arrived at Ancona station by rail en route for the North. No warning has been given of their arrival and it has not been possible to allow them to continue their journey north by train. This has caused considerable confusion to the Military and Civilian Authorities.

(M) Patriots.

Nothing to report.

(N) Communications.

Rail, Post and telecommunications functioning well.

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(C) Property Control.  
Nothing to report.

(F) Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives.  
Nothing to report.

31 July 1945.

*O. J. MAUNDER, Lt. Col. R.A.*

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Commissioner  
Ancona Commune.

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## HEADQUARTERS

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ANONNA COMITTEE

MARIA MARCHE

O.E.P.

SUBJECT : Monthly Legal Report  
 TO : C.I.A. Legal Sub Commission A.C. - ROME  
 FROM : Senior Legal Officer - Ancona Commune  
 REF. : Arc/11/3  
 DATE : 31 July 1945.

I took over charge here on 14 July 1945. Lt.Col.  
 Troxell had already left for Rome when I arrived.

1. ALLIED MILITARY COURTS.a) General Courts : Noneb) Superior Court: 1 - particulars of which are:

| Name       | Charge       | Plea            | Pending | Sentence            |
|------------|--------------|-----------------|---------|---------------------|
| RITA BRUNO | Viol. Trool. | 1 - 5 - 35=N.A. | G.      | L.40.000,=) Fines   |
| "          | "            | 1 - 5 - 27= G.  | G.      | " 5.000,=) paid     |
| "          | "            | 1 - 5 - 27= G.  | G.      | " 10.000,=) Rec.327 |

This case was tried by my predecessor.

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b) Summary Courts: an analysis is attached. Cases fixed  
 for 31 July will be included in next monthly report.

Owing to the overcrowded and unsatisfactory state of  
 the jails, the majority of the cases since my arrival have had to be  
 dealt with by fine in lieu of imprisonment at the special request of  
 the P.D.S.O.



2. ITALIAN COURTS

Whatever reports from the various courts have been received after the close of the month: hence it was only possible to report these in the following monthly report. Apparently Lt. Col. Trovelli asked the Procure Generale to issue orders to Courts to close their lists and report on 20 of each month.

Reports have however only been received from a few Courts in Marche for the period 20 June - 20 July 1945, and from only 1 Court in Umbria. Fresh instructions have now been issued.

Cases reported are as follows:

MARCHE.

Pretura Pesaro - 2 accused - Section not specified -  
" Camerino - Unknown - Theft of W.D. property -

In addition 2 reports of 2 arrests for theft and wrongful possession of W.D. property are stated to have been sent to "Istruzione" at the Pretori concerned.

Other reports received are as follows:

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|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------|----|
| Pretura Ancona           | - 2 accused  | - Theft and wrongful possession of W.D. property. | do |
| Procure del Regno Ancona | - 32 accused | do                                                | do |
| Tribunale Ancona         | - 4 "        | do                                                | do |
| Pretura Fano             | - 2 "        | do                                                | do |
| Procure Regno Pesaro     | - 11 "       | do                                                | do |
| Tribunale Ascoli Piceno  | - 1 "        | do                                                | do |
| Pretura Jesi             | - 1 "        | do                                                | do |
| Tribunale Fermo          | - 1 "        | do                                                | do |
| Pretura Pesaro           | - 2 "        | do                                                | do |
| Procure Regno Pesaro     | - 2 "        | do                                                | do |

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|--------------------------|-------------|----|----|
| Tribunale Terni          | - 9 accused | do | do |
| Pretura Gualdo Tadino    | - 1 "       | do | do |
| Pretura Castiglione Lago | - 1 "       | do | do |
| Pretura Terni            | - 1 "       | do | do |

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3. From what I have seen I am not satisfied that the cases are being dealt with either expeditiously or firmly. I therefore propose to send to the Procure Generale for circulation to all Courts a copy of the circular from the Ministry of Grace and Justice dated 8 March '44.

Copies are awaited from the Italian Courts section, Legal Sub Commission, to whom I telephoned on 20 July. I would like to emphasize that the original Italian version is required, and not the translation.

4. COURT OF APPEAL. - It has not yet been found possible



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dated 2 March '44.

Copies are awaited from the Italian Courts section, Legal  
Sub Commission, to whom I telephoned on 20 July. I would like to  
emphasize that the original Italian version is required, and not  
the translation.

4. COURT ON APPEAL. - It has not yet been found possible  
to accommodate all the members of the Court of Appeal of Ancona in  
Ancona. The Commissioner for Accommodation has promised to do what he  
can, but there are many other applicants and derequisitioning goes  
on slowly. The president has been asked to state if sufficient  
accommodation is now available to enable the Court to be held here.

The Procuratore Generale has now taken over (see para 5,  
last monthly report).

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5. ITALIAN MILITARY PRISONER. - This has been transferred from MACERATA to FLORENCE leaving, I understand, many cases undecided. I recall Lt. Col. HAMMARFORD on 18 July and was told that every effort would be made to have this Court reestablished. It is most important that this should be done without delay.

E. T. DRYNUS, Major  
Senior Legal Officer  
Ancona Commune

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## MONTHLY REPORT - SUMMARY COURT CASES.

District, Province of ANCONA. <sup>62</sup> <sub>4</sub> ~~COMMUNE~~.Ref: ANC/L  
Analysis G

Period 30 June '45 to 31 July '45.

| Offenses.               | Total | N. G. | Cau-<br>tioned | Fined | 1 No<br>or<br>less | 2<br>Mos | 3<br>Mos | 4<br>Mos | 5<br>Mos | 6<br>Mos | 7<br>Mos | 8<br>Mos | 9<br>Mos | 10<br>Mos | 11<br>Mos | 12<br>Mos | Susp. | Fine in<br>add to<br>impr. | Comments |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|----------------------------|----------|
| few.                    |       |       |                |       |                    |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |           |           |       |                            |          |
| Black-out               |       |       |                |       |                    |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |           |           |       |                            |          |
| Permit                  |       |       |                |       |                    |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |           |           |       |                            |          |
| Theft &<br>Possession   | 124   | 21    |                | 28    | 33                 | 22       | 12       | 2        | 1        | 4        |          | 1        |          |           |           |           | 13    | 15                         |          |
| Food Coll.<br>& BI-Mkt. |       |       |                |       |                    |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |           |           |       |                            |          |
| Possn. Arms<br>& Ammn.  | 3     |       |                |       |                    |          |          |          | 1        | 1        |          | 1        |          |           |           |           |       |                            |          |
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| Other<br>s.             | 20    | 12    |                |       |                    | 7        | 1        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |           |           | 3     |                            |          |
| TOTAL.                  | 147   | 33    |                | 28    | 33                 | 29       | 13       | 2        | 2        | 5        |          | 2        |          |           |           |           | 16    | 15                         |          |

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# MONTHLY REPORT - SUMMARY COURT CASES.

District, Province of ANCONA. COMMUNE.

Ref: ANC/L/  
Analysis Cases

Period 30 June '45 to 31 July '45.

| Total | N. G. | Cau-<br>tioned | Fined | 1 No<br>or<br>less | 2<br>Mos | 3<br>Mos | 4<br>Mos | 5<br>Mos | 6<br>Mos | 7<br>Mos | 8<br>Mos | 9<br>Mos | 10<br>Mos | 11<br>Mos | 12<br>Mos | Susp. | Fine in<br>add to<br>impr. | Comments. |
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SUBJECT: Monthly Report.  
TO: HQ. AC/AMG  
(Public Safety Sub-Commission)  
FROM: P.S.I.C. Ancona.  
REF: Anc/P/25

A.M.G. Headquarters,  
Ancona Commune,  
4th August, 1943.

| 1.                          | Agency          | Officers. | ORs | Remarks |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----|---------|
| Civil Police.<br>(strength) | CC.RR.          | 3.        | 92. |         |
|                             | A. di P.S.      | 2.        | 57. |         |
|                             | GG.FF.          | 2.        | 70. |         |
|                             | Gds.Municipale. | 1.        | 22. |         |
|                             | Corpo Forestale | Nil.      |     |         |

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- (c) The standard of efficiency is maintained, but all agencies are still suffering from lack of transport, in all that it means, and this naturally impedes efficiency.

2. CRIME.(a) The situation in this respect is satisfactory and there is no outstanding class of crime other than possession of Allied property.

(b) A case of some importance has been dealt with here during the past week involving 20 prisoners from Rome and Ancona, for a series of offences in particular "Black Market" of large quantities of Allied foodstuffs and clothing, possession of forged documents and Allied vehicles.

3. Three (3) persons have been dealt with for possession of Firearms.
4. The conduct of Allied troops in the area is excellent.
5. This subject is receiving the constant attention of the Questore and the C.M.P. and the matter is well in hand.
6. Relations with the FSS, SIB and CMP are excellent.

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(a) The functioning of Italian Courts is very slow, and I hesitate to think of the fate of prisoners arrested by the CMP in the sense of their waiting lengthy periods for trial. There are 90 persons waiting trial by the Italian Courts now.

(b) The AMG Court is held regularly, and the last one is fixed for Tuesday the 7th August, when all outstanding cases against the Proclamations will be dealt with.

8. The co-operation of the Italian Police Agencies has at all times been satisfactory, but housing conditions and living standards leave a lot to be desired.

- II. SECURITY. 1. There have been no reports of sabotage during the month.
2. No disputes or strikes have been reported.
3. No civil disturbances have occurred.
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6. The situation can be described as highly satisfactory.

7. (a) Close co-operation with the PSS is maintained in this respect.

(b) There are 14 civilian internees in the prison.



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III. REGISTRATION & LICENSING.

1. This is in the hands of the Italian Chamber of Commerce.
2. The delays previously reported are still apparent.
3. No Change.

IV. FIRE.

- (a) The efficiency of the Fire Service is very high.
- (b) The conditions of such equipment as is possessed is quite good, though inadequate.
- (c) There have been no serious fires during the month under review.

V. CIVIL DEFENCE. This matter has now been closed down.

VI. PRISONS. 1. There is one prison in the Commune.

2. The general conditions so far as relates to (a) (b) (c) (d) and (e) are satisfactory.
3. The prison is overcrowded at all times.
4. (i) Nil.  
(ii) None.

VII. FORCED CURRENCY.

1. None.
2. None.

VIII. Major G.W. Manifold, PRSC, Ancona Commune.

The Public Safety situation can be described as satisfactory. If the Italian Officials would expedite the trial of persons in custody, and improvements were made in the transport and communications for Police Agencies the situation would be much better.

One point of paramount importance is the Prison. At present two (2) AC water carts are employed for the Prison and civil hospital. Unless some alternative arrangement can be effected with the Military units here, a situation will arise no doubt with serious consequences. In particular the prison is without water and light, a condition that has obtained for a year.

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(sgd) G.W. Manifold,  
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Ancona Commune.

Lt.Colonel,  
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Subject: Monthly report

To: AC HQ

From: AMG Ancona

Ref.: AMG/R/16/8

Date: 30 June 45  
JUL 4 1945

Herewith Monthly Report for June 45 from Ancona Commune.

*C. J. Maunsholt*  
C. J. MAUNSHOLT, Major, R.A.  
Acting Comm. officer,  
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COMUNE OF ANCONA.

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MONTHLY REPORT ANCONA COMMUNE.

June 1945.

1. Political Reaction and Popular Opinion.

No change in the political situation; very little activity among the different parties.

The Committee of National Liberation held a meeting on June 3rd to discuss the problems concerning the reconstruction of Ancona City.

There has been dissatisfaction amongst the Italian State Railway Employees over the lack of accommodation in Ancona City. The majority are at present living in the surrounding areas and have difficulty in getting to and from work.

A General Meeting of the Ancona Section of Railwaymen was held on June 17, when it was decided to go on strike unless accommodation was found by the end of



the month.

HQ 61 Area were informed of the situation and the problem has been solved. A large block of flats, partly occupied by Italian military, is to be made available to Railway employees and their families as a temporary measure, and in the meantime the Railway properties, situated in the Restricted Military Zone, are being wired off, provided with a new entrance, and made suitable for civilian occupation in this zone.

Apart from this trouble, there has been no apparent dissatisfaction amongst the large number of workers employed in the Area.

## 2. Local Government - Communal.

At the request of the National Committee of Liberation for an equal representation of all Political Parties on the Giunta Comunale, the Sindaco and Giunta resigned at



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the beginning of the month.

A new administration, under RUGGERI Luigi, (Communist) a member of the former Giunta and at one time Director of the Provincial Labour Office, has taken over.

Ruggeri is level headed, capable and energetic, and appears most anxious to cooperate with A.M.G. Without doubt an improvement on his predecessor, who talked a great deal and did very little.

The re-settlement of civilians in derquisitioned property has been badly handled by the Housing Committee. The climax was reached early in the month when one particular small property was promised to no less than 40 different applicants.

Finally one was selected to occupy the property (probably the highest bidder) and the remainder were told that the decision had been made by the Town Major,



whereupon 39 infuriated people besieged the offices of the T.M. demanding justice. Shortly after this episode the Housing Committee resigned on the grounds of "ill health".

A new Committee was appointed and has taken over this extremely difficult task.

### 3. Economic Resources and Supply.

The food situation, in general, has been good.

Considerable quantities of wine and fruit have been imported from the south.

Fish is becoming more and more plentiful and prices are still dropping.

The manufacture of pasta has increased. Vegetables, however, are becoming scarce owing to the prolonged ~~f~~rought.

### 4. Agriculture and Fisheries.

Threshing has commenced, but in consequence

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of the serious drought it is estimated that crops will be 20% smaller than last year.

Maizá, vegetables, potatoes, and particularly fodder, have also been seriously affected by the lack of rain.

Fish continues to be more plentiful.

During this month up to and including the 26th the total catches have amounted to 350 Qls selling for Lire 2,069,146.

5. Labour.

Nothing new to report.

6. Public Works and Utilities.

Work on the reconstruction of the gasometer has commenced, and every endeavour is being made to get the gasworks functioning again by the coming winter.

Damaged water mains supplying the city are being relayed, and upon completion



of the work, estimated within 30 days, there should be a considerable improvement in the water situation.

#### 7. Communications.

Several motor bus services have commenced during the month, and services now run between Ancona and the following places: Arcevia, Ascoli, Bologna, Camerano, Fabriano, Falconara, Fermo, Jesi, Loreto, Macerata, Montesicuro, Osimo, Ostra, Pescara, Rome, S.Elpidio, S.Marcello, Senigallia, Serra dei Conti, Sirolo.

Three times a week civilians are allowed to travel by rail to Rome and return, and there is also a workers train service between Ancona and Rimini.

Post and telegraph services functioning well.



8. Public Safety.

See P.P.S.O.'s report.

9. Public Health.

General standard of health good.

Following infectious diseases have been reported:

Chicken Pox 3, Diphtheria 3, Whooping Cough 1, Typhoid 4, Scarlet Fever 2, -  
One death from Typhoid.

10. Education.

The school year has finished this month; and in both elementary and middle schools examinations have commenced.

Of the 9 elementary schools in Ancona 3 are still occupied by Military, one is uninhabitable, three have been destroyed. There are six middle schools, three of which are requisitioned by the Allies, and two have been destroyed.

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11. Finance.

Post Office.

Several more rooms in the Post Office Building, occupied by Y.M.C.A., have been handed back to the Post Office Authorities.

Banks.

No change in the accommodation situation.

12. Property Control.

Nothing to report.

13. Civilian Transport.

No change. No improvement can be made in the situation unless a supply of tyres is made available. There are many good trucks off the road for the lack of tyres.

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30 June 1945.

*O. J. MAUNDER*

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To. HQ AG  
From. SIC HQ Ancona  
Subject. Monthly Report

Ref. AMM/1/15/6

Date. 24 Jun 45  
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Herewith Monthly Report from Ancona Command for  
the month of May 1945.

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Acting Commissioner,  
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MONTHLY REPORT ANCONA COMUNE.

May 1945.

1. Political Reaction and Popular Opinion.

Apart from Mayday celebrations, which were held for the first time for over 20 years and which were without incident, there has been little activity by any of the parties during the month.

2. Local Government - Communal.

Communal administration working smoothly and quite satisfactorily.

The lack of accommodation in the City is one of the biggest problems with which the local authorities are faced.

The Italians imagined that within a few days of the cessation of hostilities Allied troops would have left the Area, and now everyone is screaming for the derèquisitioning of their property.

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Civilian Housing Committee has been instructed to do everything possible to accommodate these people when property is released by the Town Major.

3. Economic Resources and Supply.

The steady improvement in the economic life of the Commune is being maintained.

The cost of living is definitely on the down-grade, meat, vegetables, fruit and fish are plentiful and prices of these commodities are becoming more reasonable. Very few grumbles are heard these days about the food situation, a striking contrast to the position in this city only a few months ago.

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are kept well supplied daily.

Fishing restrictions have been removed since when the catches have been more than doubled and consequently prices have dropped considerably. There is now an ample supply of fish of various kinds for the commune. The fishermen, however, still have a grouse, the lack of sufficient naphta for the motor boats and lack of facilities for producing ice, suitable premises for which are still occupied by the Military.

#### 5. Labour.

The majority of labour is still in the employ of the Allies, and there is no unemployment problem here at the moment.

#### 6. Public works and utilities.

The water supply in Ancona is still a most serious problem. The repairs to the reservoir are nearing completion, and the relaying of two water-mains will be commenced next month. Until this



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work has been completed there can be no improvement in the situation.

Approval from the R.N. has been obtained for the release of certain steelwork for the reconstruction of the gasometer. The work is to be commenced as soon as possible, and should be finished by the coming winter.

#### 7. Communications.

Regular train service for civilians is now running between Ancona and Rome.

The military signals are gradually turning over telegraph and telephone facilities to the civilian authorities; many lines to various parts are now at their disposal.

Civilian employees are now operating the telephone exchange under the supervision of the military.

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#### 8. Public Safety.

See report from P.F.S.O.

9. Public Health and Welfare.

General health of commune remains at a fairly high level. Due to overcrowding, lack of water and soap scabies has increased in the City, and it has been necessary to establish an anti-scabies centre where necessary treatment is given.

The following infectious diseases have been notified during the month:-

Cerebro-spinal meningitis 1, diphtheria 4, paratyphoid 1, measles 4, varioloid 1, tuberculosis 1, chicken-pox 4, typhoid fever 2, scarlet fever 1.

Welfare has been under the supervision of Mrs. Battiaty (I.R.C.) whose activities have included:

1. Reorganization of I.R.C.
2. Collecting Salvage from Army Stores and subsequently distributing it.
3. Visiting hospitals and providing medical supplies.
4. Visiting institutes and providing clothes for children.

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5. Supervising refugees assistance as liaison between A.M.G. and I.R.C. Prov. Committee.

6. Supervising Communal Committee for E.N.D.S.I. clothing distribution in Ancona and Province.

7. Supervising distribution of blankets c/o Welfare H.Q. Rome.

10. Education.

Functioning as satisfactorily as possible under difficult conditions brought about by shortage of accommodation. Two schools have recently been derquisitioned; but many are still occupied by the Allies.

11. Finance.

Post Office.

Most of this building is still occupied by the Y.M.C.A. and is likely to remain so for some months to come. It is hoped, however, that a few rooms will be released next month by the Military Authorities.

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Banks.

Shortage of accommodation for Bank premises and employees still a trouble.

12. Property Control.

Nothing to report.

13. Civilian Transport.

Position has improved very slightly owing to this H.Q. obtaining a number of W.D. tyres from the dump at Jesi which have been sold to essential civilian firms and industries. Authority to obtain further supplies has been requested from War Material Disposal Sub-Commission.

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2 June 1945.

*C. J. Maunder*

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Ancona Commune.



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