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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND  
A.P.C. 794, US ARMY

15 August 1944

GENERAL ORDERS

NUMBER 17

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

The undersigned hereby assumes command of the Rome  
Allied Area. (Auth: AR 600-20).



*Thomas K. Brown*  
THOMAS K. BROWN  
Brigadier General  
US Army

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DESIGNATION OF COMMANDING OFFICER, ROME-MONTE-NETTUNO SECTOR, PBS

Colonel MICHAEL J. GERAGHTY, O-16263, QMC, is hereby designated as Commanding Officer, Rome-Monter-Nettuno Sector, PBS, in addition to his other duties, and will assume command, administration and operational supervision of all PBS troops within the areas designated in General Orders No. 150, this Headquarters, dated 23 July 1944, vice Lt. Colonel THEODORE JANOF, O-20382, QMC, relieved. (G 323.35 BPGLP)

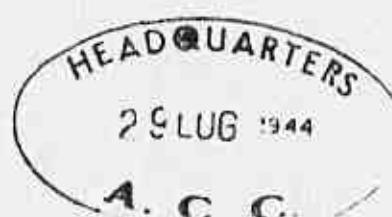
By order of Colonel G.J.:

DONALD J. LEESLEY  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

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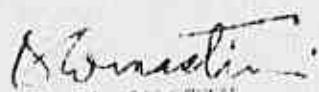
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SUBJECT: Wired Off Areas in Cassino and Vicinity.

TO : See Distribution.

1. This Headquarters has been informed by Headquarters Eighth Army Rear that the town of Cassino and certain roads in the vicinity are thickly mined and booby trapped. These areas will not be cleared at the present time but are being wired off as shown on the sketch on the reverse side hereof.
2. Personnel of the Peninsular Base Section will not visit the Eighth Army Area without specific approval of the Commanding General or Chief of Staff, Peninsular Base Section. Personnel on official business in the Eighth Army Area are cautioned to strictly avoid the wired off areas.
3. The foregoing will be brought to the attention of all concerned.

By command of Major General ILLSON:

  
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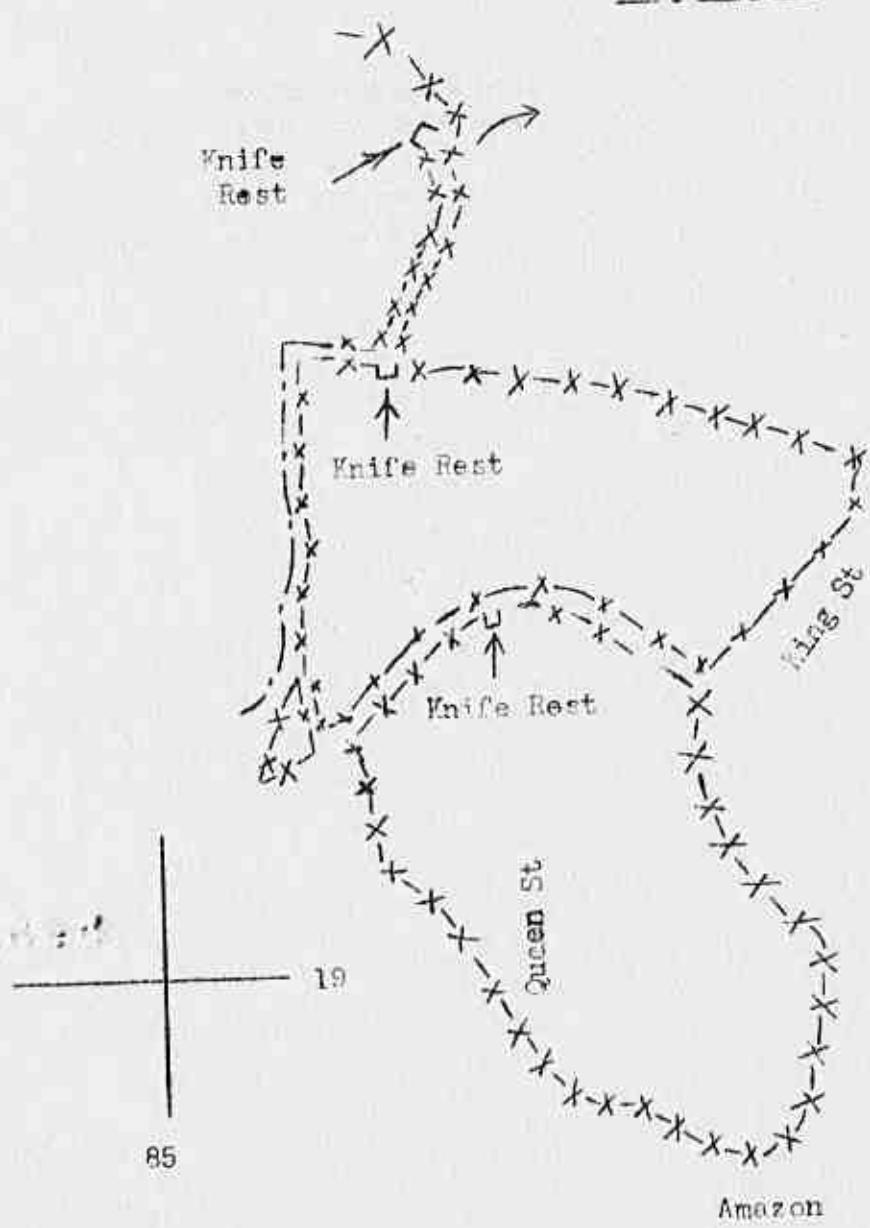
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22 May 1944

AG 400.12 RPTD

SUBJECT: Restriction of Civilian Sale of Foods and Ice Cream.

TO : See Distribution.

1. The attention of all unit commanders is directed to Regional Order No. 32, HQ. ANG, Region 3, dated 8 May 1944, attached.

2. In order to insure and maintain effective health standards in the command and to protect and conserve food supplies, unit commanders are advised that the foods listed in Annex I, Article I (Candy, chocolate, cake, pastry, ice cream, non-alcoholic beverages, sweetmeats, butter and milk) prepared in civilian establishments are vehicles for the transmission and dissemination of disease, notably, intestinal diseases of diarrhea and dysentery.

3. Units will cooperate to the fullest, and all infractions of this Regional Order will be called to the attention of the local military

By command of Major General WILSON:

/s/ L. F. Nickel  
 L. F. NICKEL  
 Lt. Col., A.G.D.  
 Adjutant General

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Regional Order No. 32,  
 HQ. ANG, Region 3,  
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14 May 1944

AG 250.1 BEIJING

Subject: Persons Subject to Military Law.

To : All Unit Commanders, Peninsular Base Section.

1. Under Article of War 2, "all persons accompanying or serving with the Armies of the United States in the field" are subject to military law and may be tried by court-martial.

2. Under international law, when enemy territory is occupied by an invading power, it is the duty of the invading power to establish and maintain a government for the control and protection of the civilian population. The native civil population is subject to military law, but it is customarily tried not by courts-martial but by provost courts or military tribunals set up and operated by the invading powers.

3. In Italy, therefore, not only the military forces, but all persons accompanying or serving with the Armies of the United States will be tried by court-martial for offenses properly brought before such courts. This will include military personnel, U.S.O. and Red Cross personnel, merchant seamen, lease-lend personnel, and all others serving directly with or under the Armies in the field, but will exclude naval, coast-guard, and diplomatic personnel of the United States.

4. Native inhabitants, whether citizens of Italy or citizens of other countries, will be tried for their offenses by the courts established by Allied Military Government, which is the agency established by the invading powers for the government and control of the occupied territory. All offenses committed by native inhabitants will be vigorously prosecuted, and unit commanders are directed to lend every reasonable assistance to the Allied Military Government in the apprehension, prosecution and confinement of such offenders. 6451

5. The foregoing will be brought to the attention of all military personnel of this command and all civilians who are in the IES territory.

ARTHUR R. WILSON,  
Major General, U.S. Army,  
Commanding.

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GENERAL ORDERS )

18 April 1944

NUMBER 67 )

Establishment of Liaison Section . . . . .	I
Designation of Liaison Officer . . . . .	II
Relief of Deputy Chief of Staff . . . . .	III
Designation of Secretary to General Staff . . . . .	IV

I - ESTABLISHMENT OF LIAISON SECTION.

The Liaison Section, this Headquarters, is hereby established.

II - DESIGNATION OF LIAISON OFFICER.

Colonel DONALD J. LEEHEY, C-12673, GSC, now on detached service with this Headquarters, is designated as Liaison Officer.

III - RELIEF OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF.

Major RICHARD W. KIEFER, C-320421, GSC, is relieved as Deputy Chief of Staff, this Headquarters.

IV - DESIGNATION OF SECRETARY TO GENERAL STAFF.

Major RICHARD W. KIEFER, C-320421, GSC, is designated Secretary to the General Staff, this Headquarters. (AG 210.3 BPCOS)

By command of Major General WILSON:

FRANCIS H. OXX  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff

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D. W. MASTIN  
Major, A.C.D.  
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27 March 1944

GENERAL ORDERS )  
NUMBER 56 )ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-20 and in compliance with SOS NATUSA radio number L-5981 dated 24 March 1944, the undersigned assumes command of the Peninsular Base Section, United States Army, effective this date.

  
ARTHUR R. WILSON  
Major General, U. S. Army  
CommandingDISTRIBUTION:  
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21 March 1944

AG 330.13 BPCOS

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Subject: Commendation.

To : See Distribution.

1. The following is an extract from a letter received by the Commanding General from Lieutenant General George Clark, Chief Administrative Officer, AFHQ:

"My congratulations both to you and your Staff and all the troops under your command on their truly magnificent efforts in the work which they are doing in the port and harbor of Naples. To handle some ~~several~~ tons a day in a port which has been demolished and for which the peace-time output is less than one third of that amount is a most remarkable achievement and I can assure you that those of us who realize how much work and organization is required to carry out a task of this type have been so much struck by the success of all your efforts."

2. In publishing this letter the Commanding General wishes all concerned to know how pleased he is at this accomplishment and how proud he is of all who have had a part in it.

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FRANCIS H. CXX  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
Chief of Staff

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NUMBER 21 )

10 February 1941

Eviction of Civilians from Requisitioned Property. . . . . I  
 Reports on Consumption of Electric Power, Gas, and Water . . . . II

I -- EVICTION OF CIVILIANS FROM REQUISITIONED PROPERTY

1. Attention is directed to the following paragraphs of P.R.S. Circular No. 21, (1943), subject: "Acquisition and Allocation of Real Estate and Accommodations", which govern the eviction of tenants from requisitioned premises:

## "1. d. Eviction of tenants from requisitioned premises."

(1) Eviction of tenants will not be resorted to except in case of urgent military necessity and where no other premises suitable for the specific purpose can be obtained.

(2) Within the Metropolitan Area of Naples, Zone Commanders will refer cases requiring physical eviction to A.M.C. for necessary action. The actual physical eviction of tenants by Zone Commanders is not authorized.

(3) Outside the Metropolitan Area of Naples the physical eviction of tenants by Commanders is authorized only in those cases where military necessity makes immediate occupancy imperative. In all other cases, A.M.C. assistance and the services of the Italian authorities will be utilized.

c. Occupation of Real Estate or accommodation except as indicated above is prohibited except in an emergency and is then to be regarded as only temporary."

2. It should be emphasized that the criterion in all such cases is ~~military necessity~~ and not military convenience. Recently there has been an apparent tendency to resort to eviction of civilians where strict military necessity is not directly involved. Responsible Commanders are enjoined to bear in mind the difficulties facing any civilian evicted from his property in these times and the obligation which rests upon our shoulders to exercise moderation and to be considerate of ~~human~~ rights. **6447**

3. While the decision as to the actual necessity for eviction will in most cases depend upon the judgment of the local commanders concerned, these commanders are expected to exercise discretion and to avoid use of ruthless measures merely because they are the simplest way out of a difficulty.

(AG 601 LPDS)

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## II -- REPORTS ON CONSUMPTION OF ELECTRIC POWER, GAS, AND WATER

1. Attention is directed to the following paragraphs of P.P.S. Circular No. 21, (1943), subject: "Acquisition and allocation of Real Estate and Accommodations", which govern the policy for payment for utility services furnished the U.S. Army and the requirement that consumption of these utilities be made a matter of record:

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  - a. Pending announcement of policy regarding payment for real estate and accommodations and utilities, no payment or commitments will be made.
  - b. The occupying and/or operating agency will maintain accurate records of all improvements, repairs and operations including consumption of water and power."
2. Detailed procedure for rendering reports of consumption of electric power, gas, and water is included herein:
  - a. The Italian government will settle with Utility companies for the electric power, gas, and water consumed by P.P.S. P.P.S. will not make direct payment nor will any individuals make promise of payment for any electric power, gas, or water consumed in billets, offices, depots, shops or other installations.
    - (1) In order that the Italian government can make settlement it will be necessary for a record of consumption to be maintained by the occupying unit.
  - b. P.P.S. units occupying facilities which receive electric power, gas or water from public utility companies will take meter readings:
    - (1) Immediately upon occupancy of the premises.
    - (2) The first of each month thereafter.
    - (3) Upon the unit's vacating the premises.
    - (4) If a unit is now in occupancy and has failed to take the meter reading it will do so immediately.
  - c. A report of consumption of utility services to include the kind of service, the unit making the report, the location of the premises served, the date of the meter reading, and the meter reading will be made as follows:
    - (1) To Commanding General, Metropolitan Area, for all premises within the Metropolitan Area of Naples.
    - (2) To Engineer, I.B.S., for all premises outside Metropolitan area of Naples.
  - d. Chiefs of Sections, the Headquarters Commandant, and the Commanding General, Metropolitan area, will be responsible that units and installations under their control make and report meter readings as required.

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The Headquarters Commandant will be responsible that occupants of all villas, apartments, etc., occupied as billets, whether within or without Metropolitan Area, make and report meter readings through him to the Commanding General, Metropolitan Area, or the Engineer as applicable.

- c. In cases where there is joint use of a utility by more than one agency of P.B.S., only one report will be submitted and that by the largest consumer, as agreed upon by the joint occupants of the premises. In case of joint use of a utility by a P.B.S. agency and some other agency, either military or civilian, a remark to that effect will be entered on the report together with an estimate of percentage of consumption by each. (G 601 BRGDS)

By Command of Brigadier General FENCE:

FRANCIS H. OXX  
Colonel, C.S.C.  
Chief of Staff

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L. F. NICKEL  
Lt. Col., A.G.B.  
Adjutant General

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4 February 1944

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NUMBER 23 )

Curfew..... I  
Authority to Award the Purple Heart..... II  
Stolen Vehicles..... III

I -- CURFEW

1. All previous regulations with respect to curfew hours are hereby rescinded.

2. Effective Saturday, 5 February 1944, curfew throughout the Peninsular Base Section will commence at 2030 hours and will terminate at 0400 hours. All troops not on duty or official business will be within billets or bivouac areas during the hours of curfew.

3. It has been deemed advisable to change the curfew hour because of certain operational requirements and in view of the more favorable conditions which now obtain throughout the area. It is emphasized, however, that the Military Police will strictly enforce these regulations and that all wilful violators will be subject to arrest. (AG 250.1 BPPCG)

II - AUTHORITY TO AWARD THE PURPLE HEART

1. Section I, Circular Number 33, this Headquarters, dated 12 December 1943, is rescinded.

2. Information has been received by this Headquarters that instructions now in effect regarding authority to award the Purple Heart has been rescinded, and that hereafter the following provisions will apply:

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a. The Purple Heart may be awarded by commanders of the grade of Brigadier General, or higher, by the commanders of any force which is the appropriate command of a general officer, by the commanders of combat teams, regiments, or similar units, by the commanders of separate battalions, by the U. S. commander of any hospital or medical installation to include regimental, battalion, or similar organization dressing stations.

3. Awards will be announced in appropriate General Orders and will show name, grade, serial number, organization, complete home address, date of wound, and general geographic location or specific place where wound was received.

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4. Commanders authorized to award this decoration are responsible for compliance with provisions of paragraph 9 c, Circular Number 126, NATOUSA, dated 2 July 1943, as amended. (AG 200.6 BPGAP)

III - STOLEN VEHICLES

Circular Number 18, this Headquarters, dated 25 January 1944, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 3 a: Delete "or non-immobilized at any time".  
(AG 250.1 BPGDS)

By command of Brigadier General PENCE:

OFFICIAL:

FRANCIS H. OXA  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
Chief of Staff

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