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TOWN CLEANING
APR. - SEPT. 1944

HEADQUARTERS
ARMED CONTROL COMMISSION
E.C. AND H.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref: 441/31/AM

11 September 1944.

SUBJECT: Sanitation in Ponsuelli.

TO : Officer in Charge, LCI Flotilla Base, Ponsuelli.

1. This is to acknowledge your letter of 8 August 44, on the subject of sanitation in Ponsuelli addressed to the Regional Commissioner Region IV who in turn sent it to Headquarters A.C.C.

2. E.C. and H.C. Section sent your request to the Regional Commissioner Region III on the 18 August 44, on which date the request was received here.

3. After two subsequent requests to the Regional Commissioner, Southern Region which now administers that area we have received a reply of which we send you a copy attached.

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W.A.S. Jolland
for HENRY B. FIVE.
Colonel.
Deputy Executive Commissioner.

Incl: 1.

Copy to Regional Commissioner, Southern Region

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

NAPLES ZONE

(PROVINCES OF NAPLES, AVELLINO, BENEVENTO)

PREFETTURA, NAPLES

9 September, 1944.

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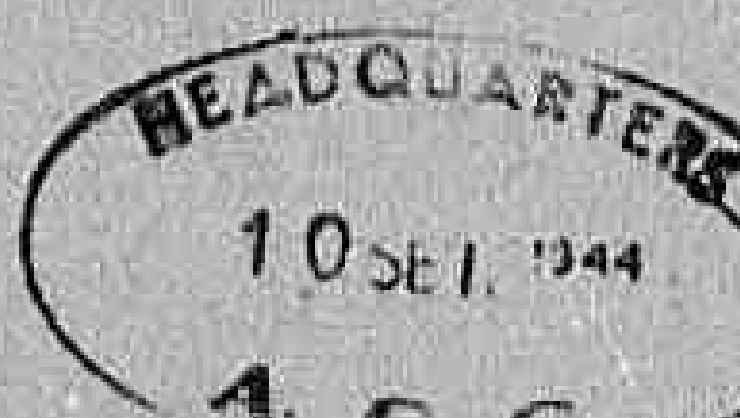
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Subject: Sanitation in Pozzuoli.

To: Hdqrs. A.C.C. - R.C. and M.C. Section - APO 394.
(Through Regional Commissioner - Southern Region).

1. We acknowledge your letter of 2 Sept., 1944, Ref. 441/28/CA. In view of the fact that your basic communication of 18 August 1944, Ref. 441/26/CA stated "we are forwarding the letter to you for your investigation and action", with no request for a report, we forwarded none to you.
2. Noting your present request, however, we submit the following. A Public Health Officer made an immediate inspection and reported that "from the standpoint of health of civilians in Pozzuoli, it is excellent. There is less sickness there than any of the other cities per capita. While the city is dirty from lack of street cleaning, this presents an administrative matter which could be corrected by creating a permanent crew of workmen. The Sindaco reports unusual difficulty in procuring labour for this function at even 140 Lire per day. Further, the sewage line needs repairs and the Sindaco states that a plan has been submitted to the Genio Civile for repair of the said line, and a response is now awaited".
3. The Prefect of Naples Province has been contacted in the direction of instructing the Sindaco to hire a permanent crew of street cleaners and expediting action on the part of the Genio Civile for the needed sewer repairs.
4. We shall keep in touch with the matter and follow through for relief from the situation on which complaint has been made.

For the Zone Commissioner.

JESSE E. GANTOR
Maj. Sp. Res.
Assistant Zone Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL CORPS
R.C. AND M.C. SECTION
APO 394

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Ref/441/23/CA

6 September 1944.

SUBJECT: Sanitation in Pessuali.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Southern Region, A.C.C.

1. We refer to:
- 28 — (a) our letter of 2 Sept. 44. Ref/441/22/CA
- 26 — (b) our letter of 26 Aug. 44. Ref/441/21/CA addressed to Regional Commissioner, Region III, and
- 27 — (c) our letter of 18 Aug. 44. Ref/441/26/CA addressed to Regional Commissioner, Region III.
2. It would be appreciated if we might have a reply.

W. A. S. Dillard
Major
for ROBERT R. FINKEL
Colonel.
Deputy Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. AND M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/441/26/CA

26 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Sanitation in Pozzuoli.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region III, A.C.C.

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1. We refer to our letter of 18 August 1944 Ref/441/26/CA.
 2. It is requested that you inform us of the investigation and action asked for in that letter.

W.C.S. Holland
for *Norman A. Pierce*
Colonel.
Deputy Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. AND M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/441/28/CA

28
2 September 1944.

SUBJECT: Sanitation in Pozzuoli.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Southern Region, A.C.C.

1. We refer to our letter of 18 August 1944 Ref: 441/26/CA and to our second letter of 26 August 1944 Ref: 441/27/CA to the Regional Commissioner, Region III.

2. We have never received a reply informing us of the investigation and action asked for in our letters.

3. May we have an answer to our enquiry.

W. A. S. Dollard
Major
for NORMAN E. FISCH,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. AND M.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/441/26/CA

18 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Sanitation in Pozzuoli.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region III, A.C.C.

1. Attached is a letter dated 8 August 1944 from the Officer in charge, LCI Flotilla Base, Pozzuoli addressed to Colonel Poletti in error and sent by the Regional Commissioner, Region IV to R.C. and M.G. Section.

2. We are forwarding the letter to you for your investigation and action.

*W.A.S. Dillard
mg'n*
for NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive Commissioner.

Incl: letter dated 8 Aug. 44.

Copy to Regional Commissioner, Region IV.

W.A.S. Dillard
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION IV
APO 394

HEADQUARTERS
17 AUG 1944
A. C. C.

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16 August 1944

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MEMORANDUM:

TO : Regional Control & Military Government Section
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission

The inclosed letter was apparently directed to Region IV
Headquarters in error.

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Charles Poletti
CHARLES POLETTI
Colonel
Regional Commissioner

INCL: 1

Letter from Lt. J. H. Carter (USNR)
8 August 1944
Sanitation in Pozzuoli, Province Of Naples

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COPY

COMMANDER TASK UNIT
81.13.2,
c/o Fleet Post Office,
New York, New York.

8 August 1944.

From: Officer in Charge, LCI Flotilla Base, Pozzuoli
To: Lt. Col. Charles Poletti, Director,
Allied Military Government, Rome.

Subject: Sanitation in Pozzuoli.

1. The Medical Officers attached to this U.S. Naval Base report that the health of Allied Military personnel here is imperilled by the almost complete lack of sanitation prevailing in this city. Defective sewers are blamed in large part for this condition, although inadequate street cleaning must take a portion of this blame.

2. Lieut(jg) H.A. Weiss(MC)USN, the Medical Officer actively concerned in the matter, has frequently consulted with the following city officials:

ANNECCHINO, Raimondo,
Sindaco di Pozzuoli;
VITOLO, Dottore
Direttore Sanitario di Pozzuoli.

3. These city officials claim that breakdown of the sewage system was caused by its partial destruction by the retreating Germans. They further claim that funds are not available to handle either the repair of the sewage system or an increase in street cleaning labor and facilities. They say that help is needed from the Italian government to accomplish these improvements.

4. It is requested that the above allegations be investigated, also the possibility that tax collections may have been improperly diverted, and that suitable action be taken which will, in any event, improve the sanitary conditions here.

signed: J.H. CARTER.
Lieut. USNR
Officer in Charge.

c/o Com8th Flib, Administration, Naples(2)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
ROME REGION
APO 394

RR/1

16 July 1944

SUBJECT: Beauty of Rome.
TO : Headquarters
Allied Control Commission
(Attention: Executive Commissioner)

Reference your letter 441/RR/CA dated 13 July 1944.

1. Colonel POLETTI has asked me to say that he has talked with the Sindaco, who has agreed to make a specific drive on bill posting. The Sindaco also made the statement that he had been working on this problem for almost thirty years!
2. The matter has been brought to the attention of the Provost Marshal, Rome Allied Area Command, who will cooperate in every way possible.

For Colonel POLETTI:

John D. Ames
JOHN D. AMES
Lt Colonel, G.S.C.
Executive Officer.

EC I don't think we can do more!

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: LA1/22/GA.

17th July 1946

My dear Poletti,

In feeling that it is our duty to preserve the beauty of Rome I am bound to remark at the untidiness occasioned by the indiscriminate pasting of the billboards.

Will you please, in co-operation with the Army authorities, regulate their pasting so that the Public Notices appear in the appropriate places while commercial advertisements are relegated to the boardings. This will leave the walls of buildings free and improve generally the appearance of the City.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Maurice Lush.

Colonel Charles Poletti,
Regional Commissioner,
ROME Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & M.C. Section
APO 394

Ref/141/21/CA.

28 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Sanitation in the Town of Marsianise.

TO : CG, P.D.S., APO 782, U.S. Army.

Further to this Headquarters letter 141/18/CA of 21 June 1944, a further inspection has been made of the sanitation in the town of MARSIANISE and a copy of the report is forwarded herewith for your information.

[Signature]
NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

LM/RAC.

p/h 4724

HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE DIVISION
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

441
28 JUL 1944

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26 June 1944

TO : Headquarters, A.C.C.
R.O. & M.G. Section
(Att:- Col. N. E. Fiske)
(Through Channels)

2 Spare Copies

SUBJECT: Sanitary Inspection of Marcianese

John 8 to 18
19/44

Ref. No: PH/N/174

Refer. PH/N/158 dated 17 June 1944
PH/N/167 dated 24 June 1944
441/18/CA dated 21 June 1944

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1. On 23 June 1944 the town of Marcianese was again visited by the undersigned in company with Capt. Turner, Sanitary Officer Naples Province.

(i) There is some improvement in the condition of the streets but private premises are little changed.

(ii) Garbage barrels have been placed about the streets by an army unit stationed in the town. The Ufficio Sanitario was instructed to have holes punched in these barrels so as to drain water and to render them useless for other purposes.

(iii) A street sanitation department has not yet been organized.

(iv) The major interest of the local officials in sanitation seems to be the construction of a 500 meter sewer at one end of the town.

(v) The present sewerage system in the village, however, does not function because of silt. On the occasion of our previous visit they were ordered to clean their existing sewers and this work is now underway (large piles of silt being noticed in the streets).

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2. The Sindaco and Sanitary Official of Marcianese were instructed to form a permanent organization for street cleaning, to continue cleaning silt from the existing sewers to render them workable and then to arrange for their maintenance. They were further advised not to spend 3,000,000 lire to build a new sewer in a small portion of the town but to drain this area by means of regrading already existing surface drains.

Charles D. Shields
CHARLES D. SHIELDS
Lt. Colonel M. C.
Public Health & Welfare
A.C.C. Naples Province

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

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Ref /441/18/CA

21 June 1944

SUBJECT: Sanitation in the Town of Marolise.

TO : CG, R.B.S., APO 782, U.S. Army.

1. With reference to your AG 721.26 DATED of 24 May 44 there are forwarded for your information copies of letters received from Public Health Division, Region III and from the Provincial Commissioner, Naples. These letters are self explanatory and explain the difficulties of proper sanitation in a town which has never had any real sanitation and have long been accustomed to having livestock in their houses. There will be no relaxation of our efforts to press for a raising of the standard of cleanliness and sanitary habits generally. Improvement has been made in this community and a further inspection will be made in the near future.

2. Your attention is drawn to the last paragraph of the Provincial Commissioner's letter.

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NORMAN E. FIERKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

Copy to:

R.C. Region III. To arrange for copy of report of the next inspection being forwarded to this Hq.

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1st Ind 21 JUN 1944
HQ, REGION 3, ACC, APO 394, U.S. Army, 20 June 1944.

TO: HQ ACC, RC & MG Section.

Forwarded.

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21 JUN 1944

C.A. Br.
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John D. Chapman

JOHN D. CHAPMAN
Colonel, JAGD
Actg Regional Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
20 JUN 1944
A.C.C.

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HEADQUARTERS
PROVINCE OF NAPLES
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PREFETTURA, NAPLES

File

19 June 1944

Subject: Sanitation ~~at~~ Marcianise.

To: HQ. ACC., R.C. and M.G. Section
through Reg 3 HQ.

1. In reply to your letter ref 441/11/CA of 13 July.
2. This is an entirely agricultural comune and presents difficulties not experienced elsewhere. The houses and yards are in reality small farms and the inhabitants are perpetuating their habits of generations.
3. In one part of the town there is no drainage system whatsoever and surface water of any kind runs into the street which has in effect become an open drain. Over the past few months severe pressure has been put on the Comune officials and conditions have improved. It should be remembered that the problem in this Comune was of a more primitive variety and the difficulties more acute. There has, in point of fact, been more improvement in the Comune than in places which appear to be cleaner.
4. On 6th June an approved contract for the necessary drainage extension was sent to the Prefect through the Comune Sindaco together with a note stressing the urgency of the subject. The cost would appear to be excessive in comparison to the quantity of the necessary work. Little short of a complete new drainage system is indicated together with a schooling of the inhabitants in cleaner methods of sanitation and correction of their filthy personal habits--a somewhat onerous task amongst people who are habitually careless and indifferent.

5. Attached hereto is a copy of the Provincial Sanitation Officer's last report of the 15th June. A further inspection will be made in the near future.

For the Provincial Commissioner:

Paul Revere

PAUL REVERE
Major, A.G.D.,
Adjutant.

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Report 15 June 1944.
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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE DIVISION
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

15 June 1944

TO : Provincial Commissioner
Naples Province

(Through Provincial Health Officer)

SUBJECT: Sanitary Inspection Marcianise

Ref. No: PH/N/151

1. On 15 June 1944 a spot-check inspection was made of the streets and private premises of Marcianise. The Sindaco, Avv. Antonio Grossi, and the Sanitary official, Dr. Massaro, were visited. The following conditions were found:-

(A) The town has a population of around 25,000, consisting principally of farmers and rural workers. They migrate to the fields to work in the day time and return to their homes at night. The personal habits of the people are of an extremely low order. The sanitary facilities consist of a combined sewer system (carrying storm water and sewage) that serves roughly one half of the town, and open surface drains that carry refuse water (principally wash water) and storm water together with pit type privies in the other half. These are generally in a state of sad neglect. The sewerage system is silted up to a point where it is completely blocked in places. The gutters that form the open system are poorly graded having low places that hold water continuously. The streets are not swept properly. The undersigned was informed that at the present time there were 20 sweepers employed by the City. None were observed upon this inspection. Only a few hand carts are employed to transport the refuse. The sweepings are placed in piles beside the buildings. There are at the present time only about 25 garbage barrels on the streets. These do not have holes punched in them, and were observed on only two (2) streets. About 50% of the houses have live stock housed in them, and the living quarters are terrifically overcrowded. The sanitation of private premises, particularly of the lower class section, is such as to constitute a public health hazard of the first order.

2. The undersigned was informed that plans had been submitted for the installation of a sewer extension into a part of the town now drained by open street drains together with a request for 3,000,000 lire to pay for the project. It is thought that further investigation and thought should be given this project as it does not appear to be justifiable from a viewpoint of alleviating

the principal public health problem, and the cost is beyond reason.

3. The Sindaco and the Ufficio Sanitario were directed to set up at once a suitable Nettezza Urbana with facilities for properly maintaining street sanitation, sewers and public drains, and to force private individuals to make corrections on their premises.

4. Because of the sanitary conditions found, it is recommended that the Military Authorities be advised not to station troops in Marcianise.

E. A. Turner *CDR*
E. A. TURNER
Capt., Sn. C.
Public Health & Welfare
A.C.C. Naples City

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
Public Health Sub-Commission

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ACC/3091/PH

14 June 1944

SUBJECT: - Sanitation in Marcianise.

TO : - RC & MG Section, ACC Main HQ.
APO 394, U.S. Army.

Reference your 441/11/CA dated 13 June 1944, no action has been taken by the HQ of Public Health Sub-Commission on 441/10/CA of 30 May as Marcianise is in Region III and your letter was primarily addressed to RC Region III.

As a result of your 231/39/CA of 2nd May, you were informed and sent copies of the instructions issued by the Italian Government at the request of this Sub-Commission - ACC/3091/PH dated 4 May refers.

These copies were then issued by RC & MG Section to Regions III, IV, V and SCAOs 5th and 8th Armies.

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A. C. C.

G. S. PARKINSON, Brigadier
Director, Public Health Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/441/11/CA

13 June 1944

SUBJECT: Sanitation in Marolaise.

TO : R.O. Region III
Admin. Sect. (for Public Health Sub-Comm.)

Reference our 441/10/CA of 30 May, can you
now send us a reply to the above quoted letter.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
P.O. & M.C. SECTION
ATO 394

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Ref/441/12/0A

30 May 1944

SUBJECT: Section in Marchenise.

TO : R.G. Region III. *Health.*
Admin. Section (for Public Safety Sub-Comm.)

1. Copy of P.B.S. letter AG 721.26 DATED of 24 May 44, is passed to you for necessary action. It is noted that this place is in close proximity to Hq. AAI location on which there has been previous correspondence. See our 441/3/0A of 2 May 44.

2. Please investigate and report action taken.

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WAS
FRANK E. PIERCE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

c.c.
ask for reply
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/441/9/CA

29 May 1944

SUBJECT: Sanitation in the Town of Marcianise.

TO : Hq. P.R.S.

Remarks contained in your AG 721.26 BUWED
of 24 May 44 regarding lack of sanitary arrange-
ments in the Town of Marcianise. This matter is
being investigated and you will be informed of
action taken.

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NORMAN E. FISCHE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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26 MAY 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION
APO 782

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AG 721.26 BPMD (24 May 44)

24 MAY 1944

LPAS/PJS/rm

SUBJECT: Sanitation in the Town of Marcianise.

TO : Chief Commissioner, ACC, APO 394.

1. Repeated inspections of Marcianise and its environs have revealed a deplorable lack of the elements of sanitation in this community.

2. Due to the presence of several thousand Allied troops in the vicinity of Marcianise, immediate action should be taken to accelerate the cleaning up of compost piles, accumulations of water, or anything else which will facilitate the breeding of flies and mosquitoes.

3. The health program in Marcianise is lagging behind other towns in the Base Section, and this fact should be brought to the attention of those authorities concerned.

For the Commanding General:

Information copy:
Capt MacKenzie, PPHO,
Naples Province, Prefettura.

L. C. Sutton, Jr.
L. C. SUTTON, JR.,
Captain, A. G. D.,
Ass't Adj. General

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cc
Copies to R.C. Region III
PH Sub Comm.

*pointing out that this place
is in close proximity to HQAAI
location which has been subject
of prev. corresp. (see 3)*

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HEADQUARTERS
PROVINCE OF NAPLES
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE NAPLES

File: NCA/300

19 May 1944

Subject: "Naples Clean-Up Week".

To : Lt. Col. Kincaid, Provincial Commissioner, Province of Naples,
Allied Control Commission.

Under your Provincial Order No 4 dated 24 April 1944, 7 May to 13 May 1944 was designated as Clean-Up Naples Week.

PURPOSE

The purpose for setting aside this week for the cleaning up of Naples Province was in order to coordinate all the various agencies in a concerted effort with a view of disposing of all refuse, rubbish and other disease-breeding accumulations, especially in areas occupied by troops. It was believed that by designating a clean-up week that the campaign for cleanliness which was already under way could be culminated in a concerted drive not only by military units but by all civilian agencies and the general populace as a whole.

PLAN

The plan for the clean-up week called for the highest degree of publicity through all available publications both civilian and military, also a sustained program of speeches and spot announcements on the radio, and for the use of posters throughout the Province.

The Prefect's office through distribution of Provincial Order No 4 to all Sindaci was to coordinate all governmental agencies behind the campaign. It was proposed that a publicity campaign be carried out through the churches under the leadership of the Cardinal of Naples. A program of hygienic education was to be promulgated by the schools with the view of promoting personal cleanliness both among the school children and the families at home.

CAMPAIGN

The campaign was initiated by a conference with PAB representatives. PAB placed at the disposal of Naples Province one of their representatives to help formulate a proper program to carry public notice to all the people of the Province, both civilian and military, of the importance of the clean-up campaign. The publicity program was to especially stress cleanliness as it affected the health and welfare of the troops and of the civilian population. Appeal was also made through publicity channels to the pride of the civilians for the beautification of their communities.

23 MAY 1944
A.C.C.
HEADQUARTERS

His Excellency the Prefect, Signor Salvaggi, named a committee of prominent provincial leaders to help formulate plans for carrying into effect the provisions of Provincial Order No 4. This committee prepared a letter embodying all the things which must be done by the various Sindaci in their communities and further advised the Sindaci that funds were available at the Prefect's office for the purposes of carrying on this campaign. In each commune committees were formed by the Sindaco and, where available, the medical officer of an Army unit was made an ex-officio member in order that cleanliness as contemplated by the military could be effectuated. In many communes it was necessary for the Sindaco to hire numerous street sweepers and other laborers to supplement the regular street cleaning department. Additional horse-drawn vehicles were placed at the disposal of the communes to haul the refuse to pre-designated dumps. In some places it was necessary to temporarily close the business of food-handlers due to their neglect of hygienic measures. In a number of communes it was found necessary to arrest certain citizens for their failure to comply with the regulations.

At the inception of the campaign the Provincial Commissioner along with the Director called upon His Eminence, Cardinal Ascalesi, and asked for his cooperation. The Cardinal gave his fervid assurance that the church would be glad to cooperate to the fullest extent. He had prepared by his staff a letter to all the bishops and priests of the Province urging them to carry on a campaign of cleanliness in their parishes. In conformity with the wishes of the Cardinal, the priesthood of the Province through church bulletins and by exhortation from the pulpit launched a most effective campaign in the churches.

This program was most effective in that it reached many people who could not be reached through other channels of publicity.

Under the direction of Signor Scaglione, School Superintendent of the Province of Naples, a most effective hygienic educational program was instituted in the schools. Signor Scaglione named a committee composed of various teachers and school officials. Under the plan for the schools formulated by this committee, thirty minutes per day were set aside for the teaching of hygiene. Also contests among the pupils were instigated based upon hygienic subjects. The school children were encouraged to carry the message of the clean-up week to their parents and also to take note and report back to their teachers the presence of any unhealthy conditions which might come to their attention. Many sources of disease and infection were thereby called to the attention of the proper authorities with corrective measures resulting.

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At a conference with Brigadier Bruxner-Randall, commanding 57th area, a suggestion was made by him that all Army units join in clean-up campaign. Following this suggestion conferences were held with Major General Wilson of PBS, Brigadier General Imnell, Metropolitan area, also with commanding officers of many other units, stationed in Naples Province. Orders were issued to military personnel that every possible cooperation should be given to the campaign. The various Army units placed at the disposal of Naples Province the combined effort of many Army and Navy health officers. These officers were most helpful to the civilian authorities. Army units also furnished trucks for the hauling of debris, numerous refuse cans and large quantities of disinfectant materials.

RESULTS

The results of the campaign have been most gratifying. Communal officials have been most energetic in carrying into effect the plan for this clean-up campaign. The civilian population has entered into it most enthusiastically. As a result, thousands of tons of refuse and disease-breeding materials have been hauled away. Sources for the breeding of flies and mosquitoes have been tremendously reduced. Many Army dumps have been closed and the debris contained in them has been disposed of.

Thousands of cesspits, cesspools or pozzì neri have been cleaned. The Communes of Caperta, Pompei, Sorrento and Nola have been outstanding in their execution of the plans for the clean-up program. In the dust-bowl area of Vesuvius, a large amount of volcanic ash was removed. Help was given by the Army particularly in the use of motor transport.

In the City of Naples many obsolete oil barrels were converted into refuse depositories and placed at convenient locations. General Wilson, PBS, and General Imnell, Metropolitan area, made a splendid contribution in freeing and cleaning up the park on the Bay-front. This space will be used as a civilian and military recreational center in the future.

It is hoped that the motor pool of ACC now located in Municipio Piazza may soon be removed to another location. Negotiations looking toward this end have been initiated. This would provide a pleasant recreational spot for both military personnel and civilians.

A great deal of work was also done in the port area by Colonel Clarkson, Port Commandant.

The Royal Navy cooperated to the limit of their ability.

Numerous requests have come from the civilian population for a periodic campaign of this sort. Certificates of merit have been prepared and are being awarded to officials, teachers and individuals who have been especially cooperative in the campaign. In order to encourage a sustained hygienic program, these certificates will be issued from time to time to those persons who, having failed to meet the required standard during the campaign, are now able to meet it.

GIW/jc

[Signature]
L. I. WARREN
Lt. Col. AUS
Campaign Director.

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HEADQUARTERS PROVINCE OF NAPLES, ACC, 19 May 1944.

TO: Regional Commissioner, Region 3, ACC.

1. This has been submitted to Lt. Col. Bowman, Liaison O, Hq ACC, and is forwarded with sufficient copies to send to G.O.C., 57 Area (at his request); CG, PBS; CG, Metropolitan Area, PBS; O.C., 3 Base Area, R.A.F.; Flag O, Royal Navy; CG, XII Air Force Service Comd; G.O.C., 3 District; Executive Commissioner, ACC.

2. Since it is essential that this cleanliness program be maintained, it is recommended that a copy of this report be furnished to the commanding officers of the various military units stationed in Naples Province. It is felt that close contact by the medical officers of the army units will assist this office materially, in carrying forward a constructive sanitary program among the civilians through the proper authorities.

[Signature]
JAMES L. KINCAID,
Lieut. Colonel, AUS,
Provincial Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & H.C. SECTION
APO 394

441/5/CA
Ref/231/39/CA

15 May 1944

SUBJECT: CASERTA.

TO : A.A.I. (3)

1. Reference this Headquarters letter 231/39/CA of 2 May 1944, addressed to H.C. Region XII copy to you, we have to report as follows:

- a. 20 horse drawn carts and a full establishment of hand carts are in use employing a total of 50 men.
- b. Summary fines of not less than 500 Lire are now being imposed. Over 200 persons have been fined since 8 May 1944.
- c. Two 3-ton trucks will be in operation for removal of refuse.
- d. On 7 May 1944, a program was broadcast in support of cleaning week in Caserta.
- e. Caserta city shows considerable improvement and the street cleaning organization is working well.

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NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

Copy to:

Admin. Section (for Public Health Sub-Comm.)
"Med" A.A.I.
A.C.O. Liaison A.A.I.

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REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394 - US ARMY

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13 May 1944

SUBJECT: Caserta - condition of streets and sanitation
TO : Regional Control & Military Government Section
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission
ATTENTION: Norman E. Fiske, Colonel
REF/231/39/GA

I can report the following concerning the situation in Caserta as of

9 May 1944:

1. Equipment in use: 20 horse carts, full establishment of hand carts and a total of 50 men.
2. Summary fines now imposed start at lire 500. Over 200 imposed 8/5/44.
3. Two 3 ton trucks are expected to-day, 9 May 1944, from Naples for carting refuse.
4. PWB spent all 7/5/44 in broadcasting a program in support of cleaning week in Caserta and outlying areas and on 8/5/44 toured Recale Marcianese and Madeloni for the same purpose.
5. Caserta city shows considerable improvement and the street cleaning organization is working well.
6. Major Hamilton and the Town Major arranged to meet the D.A.G. after his return to Caserta on 10 May 1944. If this program is continued in Caserta there should be no further cause for complaint.

CP/MFN/pm

Charles Poletti
CHARLES POLETTI
Lt. Colonel
Regional Commissioner

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. Section
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441/3/CA (altered after being sent out)
Ref/23/39/34.

2 May 1944.

SUBJECT: CASERTA.

TO : R.C. Region III.

1. A copy of a letter from Brigadier Paton, D.A.G., HQ. A.A.I. is enclosed.

2. I am directed to instruct you to take immediate action in this matter and to report to this Section what is planned and accomplished, keeping A.C.C. Liaison HQ A.A.I. fully informed of the progress made.

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NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Copy to: "Q" AAI.
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ACC Liaison A.A.I.
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Immediate action with CN Pletti. He
should report what has been planned and
accomplished & keep L.O. A.C.E. AAI. informed

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SUBJECT: CASERTA

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HQ ALLIED ARMS IN ITALY

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29 Apr 44.

Executive Commissioner,
ACC.

1. I am directed to state that the condition of the streets and of sanitation generally in CASERTA is not considered satisfactory especially in view of the approaching hot weather.
2. In view of the situation of this HQ in the town, and of its use by large numbers of Allied Tps, I am to request that you will cause instructions to be issued to the authorities concerned to take action in the matter as rapidly as is possible.

Your assistance in this matter will be appreciated.

C.H. Tator

Brigadier,
DAG.

QAP/TA

Copy: 'Q', AAI.
Med, AAI.

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