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REPORTS, REGION V
JAN. - JULY 1944

Palazzo Episcopale

Castellammare di Stabia (Napoli)

4 Aprile 1944.

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mi rendo interprete del Clero e della popolazione della Penisola Sorrentina, e cioè delle Città di Sorrento, Vico Equense, Marsellunense e Capri, vivamente di voler conservare nel suo Ufficio di Governatore l'illustre SIG. MICHAEL A. MUSHANNO.

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Perchè Vi prego calorosamente di conservare l'illustre M. Mushanno al suo posto di Governatore.

Vi sono molto grato da parte di tutto il Clero, Autorità e popolo della Penisola Sorrentina.

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TRANSLATION

EPISCOPAL PALACE

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With great respect.

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Yours devotedly,

(Signed) Federico Emanuel, Bishop.

To Illustrious

Col: James L. Kincaid
Naples.

EC. Ref 36-39.

You might like to see this report from Col Whitley on supply problems in Reg V. It chiefly concerns Econ. Section who have copies and are dealing with it.

2. There is nothing in the way of insuperable difficulties, tho' it is not easy.

Major Reake is going to Reg V for a few days on Sunday and I will show him this after you have seen it.

M 15/6.

SE 14/7

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Col Shipp

This report seems
entirely a matter
for EC. See & I
will follow up.

mean time the EC
may wish to see
it.

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14 July 44

HEADQUARTERS
A.M.G. REGION V
C. M. F.

7 July 1944

Ref. 15/518/132

SUBJECT: General Supply, Transportation and Food Situation - Region V
TO : Regional Control and Military Government Section, ACC.
FROM : Internal Transportation Sub-Commission
Agriculture Sub-Commission
Economic Sub-Commission
Food Sub-Commission
Shipping Sub-Commission

1. General Comment and Plans in the Supply Plan.

During the last three weeks of the month of June 1944, Region V had hurriedly thrust upon it six additional provinces to feed, administer and rehabilitate. These six included four new provinces - Aquila, Pescara, Teramo and Ascoli-Piceno - which Army AMG released to the Region immediately upon their evacuation by the enemy. There were also two older ones which had been held for a long time (8 months) by Army AMG and which had been denied control by the Region; viz., Campobasso and Chieti. With the breakdown of the Army AMG plan to feed the large western area of Aquila Province as a result of interruption of communications lines with AMG stock-piles at Sora, Viterbo and Isernia, the Region had thrust upon it the problem of devising an immediate alternate plan and a route west to meet the emergency. The other provinces still had a reserve and could carry on for several days. Aside from the factors of transportation and interrupted routes of communication, our most difficult problem was to effect the work of inexperienced provincial supply officers suddenly confronted with a hot problem dropped into their hands. The Region has been very pleased with its new supply officer, Major Mack, who is taking hold of the big job with intelligence and energy.

2. Transportation

Needed additional transportation was provided promptly by the Transportation Sub-Commission of ACC and was rushed to the northern area and put to hauling supplies. So within a few days (between the 20th and 26th of June) all communications requiring food were cared for and the modified supply system began to work. A copy of this plan has been furnished your sub-commission.

The following listed new provinces will require their complement of provincial transportation as soon as Regda will be able to release the vehicles from its harvest work. In any event one-half of the quota will be required by 20 July.

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ASCOLI	10	"	"	"
MACERATA	10	"	"	"
ANCONA	10	"	"	"
PERCASA	10	"	"	"
TOTAL	40	15	"	(still held by enemy)

The platoon of the 100th or company now operating under Pescara has been of great assistance in meeting the supply needs of the above five provinces. It is contemplated that this platoon will move out about July 15-20, so that the above vehicles will be required immediately.

In the event the transportation sub-commission cannot meet this additional requirement by June 20, Foggia will have to be called upon to disgorge the transportation which is essential to the proper unloading of the grain now ready for harvesting in these northern provinces.

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The present Army AMG system of civilian supply is a make-shift and requires reworking. In order to prevent a recurrence of the ineffective supply problem and to better meet the needs of the situation. It is my opinion that regions should be consulted in the preparation by Army AMG of plans for supply and for transportation and distribution of the goods within their territory.

3. The Plan of Distribution and Accounting as instituted by Army AMG is the sale of supplies assembled at various stockpiles set up in the area to the Bank of Italy and the resale by the bank of the supplies to communal distributing agencies, the bank adding the charges and the accounting. This system is to be changed in Region V. Although it is appreciated that the system has an appeal in that the Bank of Italy is forced to do the administration and the supply accounting, thus relieving the AMG of this burden of work, it is not believed that the system should be continued, as it cannot be operated on a permanent basis. The plan of Region V is based on using existing machinery in the provinces to do the work. It provides that AMG supplies be sold to the appropriate recognized provincial organizations such as the Consorzio Agraria. These are prepared to receive the supplies, store them in their warehouses and distribute the supplies within their area under the supervision of the Consorzio Alimentazione of the province. It is therefore our plan to make the Italians, through their own existing organizations, get into the picture of economic supply and stay there. The Provincial Supply Officers will furnish the needed transportation, make inspections and see that AMG policies and regulations are carried out in respect to these Italian institutions. The money transaction can be handled by the Consorzio's borrowing line from the bank to pay AMG for the supplies and making repayment to the bank weekly as the supplies are sold, with the bank having a lien on the supplies as security. Or, better, a monthly settlement basis could be provided by the Finance Section of AMG.

4. Supply Situation in respect of Each Province of the Region.

- (1) Reggio - As previously reported, Reggio had an adequate supply of grain to carry in through June and partially through July.
- (2) Genoa - This province was on a closer margin and grain had to be brought in to meet needs until the harvest is collected. The failure of the railroad to deliver supplies to Terni for the first two weeks of June caused some difficulty.
- (3) Ortelle has sufficient supplies of grain and certain other foods to meet requirements until the harvest is collected, but needs gas, oil and lubricants for harvesting.
- (4) Aquila was the principal problem since supply was very low at the time of our entry into the province and demands for food in the larger communities were made on us upon our entry. There was sufficient grain at Avezzano, but there were no operating mills in the town to grind it. All the mills of this area are electrically driven and are out of commission. I have sent an engineer of the Region to get these in operation promptly. The great grain basin around Avezzano will give an 80 per cent yield this year - estimated at 80,000 quintals for the 50,000 acres under cultivation.

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- (5) Teramo has sufficient food and grain to last it through the harvest, but is short of salt and oil, which will be furnished it. This province, like Chieti, Pescara, Ascoli and Macerata is completely out of wheat, petrol, diesel oil and lubricants which are required for the harvesting machines.

(6) Ascoli Piceno - Same as Verano.

Other supplies distributed to the new provinces were soap, sugar, milk and meat and vegetable oil. Arrangements were made to keep up a regular flow of these items.

5. Railroads and Warehousing

The railroad and warehouse at Orteva which had been used by Army AMG was taken over and will be operated as the Regional Civil Supply Depot, under the control of the Supply Officer of Regional Headquarters. It will serve all forward provinces. Supplies will be delivered as required from the railroad to truckhead points where provincial supply officers will take over for delivery to distribution points within their provinces. The Varese railroad will be discontinued as no longer of consequence to Region V. Lack of personnel to operate it also precludes its further use.

Foggia will continue to be supplied by rail from Bari.

Caspebesse will be supplied by rail through Foggia to the railroad at Termoli.

Chieti will continue to use the Vasto railroad for a small amount of supplies for the southern part of the province will use the Ortona railroad for the northern portion.

6. Prices

The Regional Supply Officer has prepared a directive on prices, fixing initial AMG prices and providing for the Italians to prepare a scale within a maximum spread of 25 per cent advance in the price to consumer. Loss and shrinkage and deterioration will be borne by the Italian government.

7. Ration cards

Due to the long delay in receiving the new ration cards printed in Sicily, Foggia was unable to issue cards for the quarterly period beginning 1 July. Caspebesse and Chieti had their cards printed locally and issued then as required. No cards were printed for Ascoli and Pescara, this being an Army AMG matter which was delayed. Other new provinces will be issued cards as soon as requests are received. The Sicily supply of cards will be called on for these, on the basis of total population, since all persons will require cards for certain items such as sugar, oil, etc, not produced in their provinces.

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9. Petrol, Oil and Lubricants

The supply of these items to northern provinces is cause for anxiety. Army cannot meet our full requirements and an independent set-up has not been provided. It is recommended that these items be shipped to the Region on an allocation basis, maintaining a specific level of supply for each item at the port or railroad. As this commodity can well be shipped by sea, regularity is recommended that Region V's level of POL supply be sent by sea, regularly to PESCARA or to S. MARINO. The Pescara harbor is to be opened shortly by the removal of a dredge sunk at the channel entrance. San Benedetto has been swept of mines and is available for the use of the Region, as Navy will not require it.

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10. The Caracalla Ball Comanda (All-entitled- Sections) and the Comando Agrario are being continued in all provinces where they are still in operation and provincial supply officers have been instructed to reorganize those wherever they are not operating and set them to work. The Provincial Supply Officer's functions are set out in Paragraph 3 above.

11. Personnel

Due to the rapid expansion of Region V from two provinces to nine and with the tenth in the offing, two officers will be required for Regional Supply Bank at the take-over - 12 in all. The supply and transportation problem of Region V is the most difficult of any Region in Italy. Picture 10 provinces strung out from south to north, with no operating sideways lines and one broken rail line serving only three of the ten provinces and with 70 per cent of its tonnage allocated to the Army, and with no operating trans-mountain rail or road supply line to the west, with the main supply artery seriously damaged by enemy and allied bombing and all supplies having to be moved from points at the extreme south end of the rail line to northern points. This is the supply picture confronting Region V. It is not, however, insurmountable and the supply section will meet all reasonable demands and will deliver the supplies.

H. W. Thirley
 F. A. MITCHELL,
 Colonel, G. S. C.,
 Regional Commissioner.

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CIRCULATION SLIP
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FROM	OFFICER	TO
	Brig. M. S. Lush	✓
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✓	Major Driffield-White	✓
	Major Van Dusen	
	Capt. Talbot	✓
	Capt. Carr	
	Capt. Stewart	
✓	Registry	
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Initial HERE and VOLUME referred.

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(For Civil Affairs Section, ACC, APO 394.)

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Region 5, ASD.

Subject: Weekly Report - READ.

Ref: RS/ACC/L.

Date: 22 February 1944.

Period: Feb. 18 - 22 inclusive.

1. Feb. 13: READ returned to Matera from Naples' conference.
Feb. 15: Reg. 5, resumed operations under authority-ACC, dated 11 Feb 44.
Feb. 16: Advance party moved to Campobasso to establish forward echelon of Hqs Region 5.
Feb. 19: Forward Echelon established at Campobasso.

2. COMMUNICATIONS.

Direct telephone communications open, call--Campobasso, Region 5.
MC messenger by army courier.

3. FACILITIES.

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45 EM/CR.

These latter include 11 drivers of vehicles and motorcycles.

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Transportation Vehicle Losses: 1) Zumber 3-pass. sedan used by Lt. Col. Ferrey on visit to Naples. Cause of loss--completely sabotaged by natives in vicinity of Potenza, 10 miles East thereof, following minor accident on road during snow storm.

Other loss, 1 light transport service vicinity of Matera (due to accident on road, collision with large rocks).

5. COMMENT.

All Chiefs of Special Staff Sections have been sent out to new provinces during period, to make survey on the ground of provinces Region 5 concerning their specialty. Snow in mountain area of Campobasso closed road to traffic of heavy vehicles without chains. Jeeps can get through.

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Herewith, showing operations of H.Q. administration Region 5.

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In addition provincial 1. Officers will handle transport within provinces (See chart herewith for function of Section).

8. RECOMMENDATIONS.

New officers' means are being set up in Region 5. In order to equip these:

A. Require funds for new equipment. Request action on our request for return of Region 5 share of "Winter-London" and funds at (Tici). 20 School. This had surplus funds allocated by new council to Regions. Funds reported as held by 20 School Holding Centre.

B. SM/OR Personnel. Region 5 is in need of a portion of the 60 men loaned to Displaced Persons Section. At present Region 5 HQ clerical staff consists of (2 clerks, 3 typists). This small staff will have to be increased by request approximately 10 clerks and typists loaned to Displaced Persons. This is most requests of new Special Staff Section of Headquarters for at least 1 typist and 1 clerk - total required for 8 sections - 12.

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Summary of Personnel of Region 4

Received from Reg. 4 - 112; total with Region 4 - 112; grand total - 112.
This number includes vehicle drivers, general duty men and clerks, leaving a shortage of 60.

XX/CR - only 18 required at present. These have been requested by cable to A.C.C. for their return.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Hester

W. H. HESTER
Col, MSC
R.C.A.C.

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ORGANIZATION CHART - H.Q. ADMINISTRATION DIVISION 5.

R.C.A.O.
Col. F.L. WHITLEY

CHIEF OF STAFF.
Lt.Col. G.G. FEASEY

EXEC. ASST.
Capt. E.A. BRASSLER

ADMINISTRATION SECTION

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Chief of Personnel Sect.
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REGION TRANSPORTATION SER. SECT.

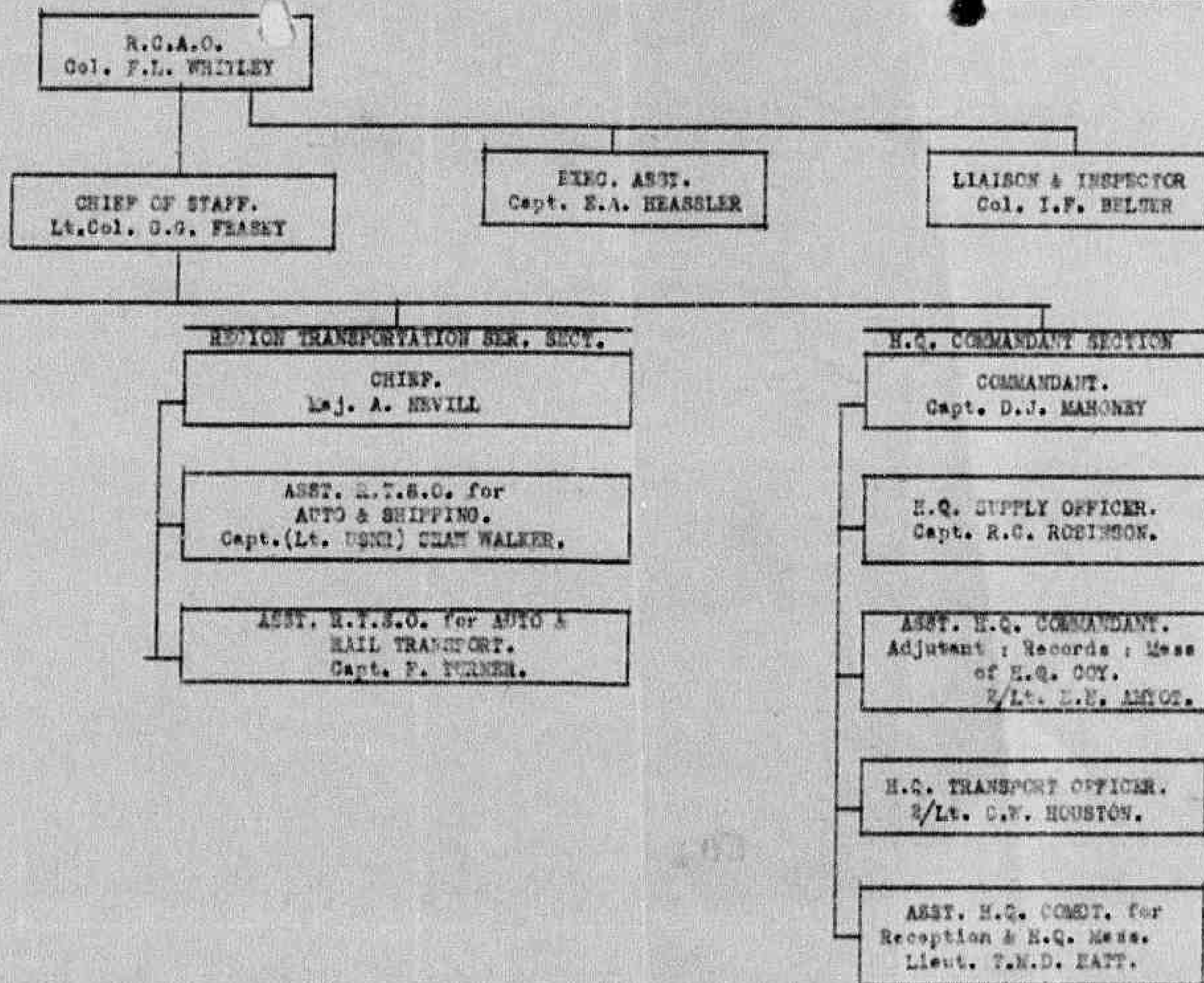
CHIEF.
Maj. A. BRVILL

ASST. R.T.S.O. for
AUTO & SHIPPING.
Capt.(Lt. USMC) JIMMY WALKER.

ASST. R.T.S.O. for AUTO &
RAIL TRANSPORT.
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ORGANIZATION CHART - H.Q. ADMINISTRATION REGION 5.

Effective 15 Feb 44.



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~~REMARKS~~
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H.F. Reyn. 4.
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Dear Link,

I am sending you a spare copy of S.C. A.O. Foggia's report for January. If you have time to read it I should like to draw your attention ^{in particular} to the following matters referred to which have been a particular concern to this Staff:-

Page 3. 212 para. Black Market. I often wonder whether any or what action is taken against the military offenders!

Page 6 para. 225. Olive Oil.

Page 4. para 215. Paras. & Permits

do. do 216. Sabotage.

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And to Page 9. para 224 which shows that there were 36 Officers A.M.G. in the Province of Smyrna on 1. 44. The normal establishment was I believe supposed to be 18 Officers and I understand it is now to be 10 Officers.

I can assure you that the 36 Officers were all over

fully employed.

Even allowing for the fact that FOSSIA has been in the hands of SMG for four months and that the Italians might do a bit more I think the report brings out clearly that this Province could never be run efficiently under SMG with 10 ~~officers~~ or 12 officers. Still less so any Province newly handed over after enemy withdrawal.

There is no need to return the enclosed or to answer this. As for turning FOSSIA over into a Province to Region 5.

Yours sincerely
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CONFIDENTIALALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT - FORMOSA PROVINCE.REPORT No. 6.JANUARY, 1944.GENERALI - GENERAL CONDITIONS.204. NEWSPAPERS. :-

The ban on Newspapers under Proclamation No. 11 Article IV, has been lifted. Permits have been granted for the importation and sale of eight weekly and daily newspapers from HAIL.

205. PUBLIC MEETINGS :-

On instructions of higher authorities, the ban on Public Meetings under Proclamation No. 11, Art. V was relaxed to the extent that meetings are now authorized in this Province for audiences not exceeding 100 persons on the permit being obtained in each case.

206. DISURBANCES. :-

No real disturbances took place during the month. Trouble was reported in several out-of-the-way Communes (CASTELNUOVA, ALBERGO, MANGIARITA, CANDELA), but investigation in each case showed that it was a question of a few citizens shouting remarks at a Sirdaco, or small boys throwing stones at a CC.BB. barrack door.

There were widespread rumours that the National Front Convention at HAIL on 26 Jan would be the occasion of disturbance, attacks on CC.BB. barracks and the lynching of fascists (i.e. 503 non-communist) Sirdacos in the Province and elsewhere. The National Front Committee for the Province and for each sub-District were warned that they would be held responsible for any trouble. They gave emphatic assurances that no disturbances would occur - and none did.

The arrangements with the British Garrison Comdr for small bodies of troops to be at the disposal of C.I.O.B. in an emergency are being continued.

Generally speaking, the people continue to be reasonably quiet, law-abiding and patient, under the

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS :-

On instructions of higher authorities, the ban on Public Meetings under Proclamation No. 11, Art. V was relaxed to the extent that meetings were now authorized in this Province for audiences not exceeding 100 persons on 22 permits being obtained in each case.

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DISURBANCES :-

No real disturbances took place during the month. Trouble was reported in several out-of-the-way Communes (CASTELLANA, ALBUERA, MARCHENA, CANDELA), but investigation in each case showed that it was a question of a few citizens shouting remarks at a SINDICO, or small boys throwing stones at a CC.AR barrack door.

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The arrangements with the British Garrison Comdr for small bodies of troops to be at the disposal of C.A.O.s. in an emergency are being continued.

General speaking, the people continue to be reasonably quiet, law-abiding and patient, under the heavy hardships which the population of a frontier Province in war-torn must undergo.

II - POLITICAL.

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POLITICAL SITUATION.

The Communists continue to be active. They (or the National Front) are exercising increasing

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influence on communal affairs and are making efforts to get into control, not only of the Communes, but also of unofficial unions or workmen in the large industries - although, in fact, it is doubtful, in many cases whether they represent the majority of the people. This tendency will be corrected as soon as Comuni Giuntas (selected jointly by the Sindaco and C.A.D. to represent all parties), are appointed and the Provincial Labor Office gets under way.

III - JUSTICE

208. GENERAL COURTS - (CANTONAL COURTS)

One Canton, the town of Locarno before General Court on charges involving public protesting to be acting under the authority of the Government, to 40 years imprisonment and a fine of Lit. 2,000,000 0/00.

209. SUPREMACY COURT :

One Superior Court was convicted and sentenced a certain SPORTELLO to 2 years imprisonment and a fine of Lit. 25,000 for illegal possession of Military Patrol (GMB)

210. SUMMARY COURTS.

The usual statement is as follows:-

Curfew & Pass Violations.	114	150	264
Theft or possession of Allied Property.	73	57	130
Black Market.	17	15	32
Possession of arms & amm.	-	6	6
Other cases.	40	54	94
	255	334	589

The increased number of Curfew and Pass violations is the result of a drive in CANTONAL to stop the unauthorized entry of civilians from Italy. Province for minor Black Market purposes.

211. ITALIAN COURTS.

ALL - JUDICIAL

208. GENERAL COURT - (COURT CASES)

Clio Gade, 1911 was found by Italian before a General Court on charges involving falsifying military documents to be acting without the authority of the Italian Government, sentenced to 10 years imprisonment and a fine of Lit. 2,000,000 0/100.

209. SUPERIOR COURT :

One Superior Court has convicted and sentenced a certain SPORTRALLI to a 1 year imprisonment and a fine of Lit. 25,000 for illegal possession of Military Pistol (Gas).

210. SUMMARY COURT.

The usual statement is as follows:-

	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.
Curfew & Pass Violations.	114	156	220
Theft or possession of	25	57	66
Allied Property.	17	18	24
Black Market.	-	6	11
Possession of arms & amm.	40	54	51
Other cases.	---	---	---
	253	324	363

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The increased number of Curfew and Pass violations is the result of a drive in SPORTRALLI to stop the unauthorized entry of civilians from Bari Province for minor Black Market purposes.

211. ITALIAN COURTS.

There are 27 accused in total in the Province awaiting trial by the Italian Assize Court, the setting up of which is still awaiting approval from the Italian Government.

Layovers Committees have been set up at each MAG District, as a clearing house for complaints etc.

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IV - PUBLIC SAFETY.

212. BLACK MARKET & ABUSING.

A concerted drive is being made to force the unloading of grain and Olive Oil and to crack the Black Market. A notice has been published stressing the fact that the Italian unloading laws are still in force and that contravention of them can be tried in a Military Court. The Guardia di Finanza are concentrating on Olive Oil, but without much success, (they are being hotted up.) Accertamenti figures are being reviewed for producers who have not made returns or have not sent in quantities declared. Vendors are being sent to tarry producers and farms are being raided with good success. The larger operators are being aimed at. One Sindacato has already been arrested; more will follow. The success of this policy remains to be seen in the current month.

Increased checking of the movement of Black Market commodities has been undertaken and C.I.B. and M.P. have given all assistance in their power, but the resources of M.P. and Military Police are too slender to make any real control of movement possible. The position is made much more difficult than it need be by the increasing number of Army and Air Force vehicles (both A.I. and Italian) which are being employed illicitly in this trade. No less than eight persons were arrested during the month for being concerned in offering or giving bribes to Allied Military Personnel for the use of military transport - and are awaiting trial in a Superior Court. The standard fee for a single journey with grain from VERONA to NAPLES is Lit. 25,000, plus the use of a prototype at some half-way meeting place. This has run two carcasses itself - and has arrested all concerned at this time. Trains are offered almost openly in VERONA CITY. On usual inspection by the G.C.A.O. of a few military vehicles on the road lead to no less than four from the RAPING Transport Pool being caught in VERONA on Black Market runs. The existence of this traffic is a scandal.

213. ITALIAN POLICE.

The strength of C.C.P.R. in the Province is not about 900. Control of movement on the Provincial boundary; suppression of the Black Market and the presence of large quantities of a few stores and personnel in the Province continue to place a heavy strain on C.C.P.R. Generally speaking, they are making a fair job of it.

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213. ITALIAN POLICE.

The strength of CC.BR in the Province is now about 900. Control of movement on the Provincial boundary; suppression of the Black Market and the presence of large quantities of Army stores and personnel in the Province continue to place a heavy strain on CC.BR. Generally speaking, they are making a fair job of it. In one case a local CC.BR even refused to accept a bribe of Lit. 5,000 for black market blindness and reported the matter to this H.Q. The two men concerned got 3 months imprisonment. The CC.BR are being educated to believe that AGC, C.A.P.O.s. are behind them and this is apparently having a good effect.

214. PRISONS.

All prisons have now been inspected and steps have been taken to improve prison conditions where they are bad. The wages of prison staff, which were much overdue, have now been paid. LUGERA Prison, which is equipped for putting occupants to proper work, will accommodate all long-term prisoners in future. There are no political prisoners in goal.

215. PASSES & PERMITS.

As a result of the Restrictions on movement in this Province, the issue of passes and permits consumes much time, (for instance, whole-time Pass Officers have to be employed at both Prov. H.Q. and POGGIA CITY).

Unfortunately, large numbers of passes are being issued by other provinces for entry into POGGIA which are nothing less than permits to trade in the Black Market. The attention of neighbouring provinces has been called to this.

216. SAVOIRAGE

Cases have occurred where the old pass-line being tapped for petrol. This is a serious matter. U.A.C.S. has been instructed to file all cases which include this charge to a Superior Court and the offenders will be severely punished.

217. MOTOR LICENSING & PATROL DUTIES.

Public Safety and Public Supply Divisions have co-operated in supervision of the issue of the new Motor licences and Patrol Coupons. Applications for about 400 licences have been received but only about 200 licences have been granted. The policy is to restrict licences to vehicles needed for essential public service. A special provision adopted in this Province is that Licences are only granted for a specific purpose and that the purpose is entered on the windscreen sticker for all to see. This should keep traffic and petrol consumption to a minimum and prevent use of vehicles for Black Market purposes.

218. FLC FIGHTING.

POGGIA CITY F.C. Service is now well equipped with two motor pumps and one motor truck. MONTAGNA has one motor pump and is being built up. MONTAGNA has one motor pump which is being repaired and will be available for service in all future days.

219. P.A.D.

Progress is slow but efforts to build up P.A.D.

Unfortunately, large numbers of persons are being issued by other provinces for entry into POGCIA which are nothing less than permits to trade in the black market. The attention of neighboring provinces has been called to this.

216. SAINT PAUL

Cases have occurred of the use of the permit being tapped for petrol (gas). This is a most serious matter. C.A.C.P. has been instructed to after all cases which include this charge to a Superior Court and the offenders will be severely punished.

217. MOTOR LICENCES A PETROL COUPON.

Public Safety and Public Supply Divisions have co-operated in supervision of the issue of the new Motor Licences and Petrol Coupons. Applications for about 400 licences have been received but only about 200 licences have been granted. The policy is to restrict licences to vehicles needed for essential public service. A special provision adopted in this province is that licences are only granted for a specific purpose and that the purpose is entered on the windshield sticker for all to see. This should keep traffic and petrol consumption to a minimum and prevent use of vehicles for black market purposes.

218. PLATE PLACING.

POGICIA CITY P.S. Service is now well equipped with two motor pumps and one motor truck. MATHYKONIA has one motor pump and is being built up. TONKALACTON has one motor pump which is being repaired and will be available for service in the POGICIA P.S.

219. P.A.D.

Progress is slow but efforts to build up P.A.D. Services in POGICIA, MATHYKONIA, and TONKALACTON are being continued. Several municipalities are being employed as Air Aid stations. The project was issued a Decree giving the Sindaco of MATHYKONIA power to compel citizens to undertake P.A.D. Service.

220. COURIER SERVICE.

The daily C.C.P.A. Courier Service to all principal Communes is now working with fair regularity and is assisting in the co-ordination of Civil Administration.

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221. MOORELY STATION.

The usual table is as follows:-

RECEIPTS.	NOV.	IN LIFE.	1,000'S.	AM.	TOTAL.
Opening Balance.	-	18,525.	50,943.	-	101,565.
Receipts - AMG Funds.	19,643.	81,620.	-	370.	270.
- Sale of	-	-	-	-	-
- AMG Supps.	-	-	-	418.	474.
- Gen. Exp.,	53.	-	-	-	-
Fines etc.	-	-	-	-	-
	19,693.	98,148.	53,061.	-	100,107.

<u>EXPENDITURE.</u>			
Extra work on roads & Cantonieri. Advances - FOGGIA	1,136.	2,805.	1,450.
Couronne. Bank of Italy.	1,900.	3,000.	5,215.
General Expenses. Transfers to A.G. 1/98	38.	24,000.	94,000.
		71.	270.
		16,050	18,065.
			58,939
			45,270.
Closing balance.	3,175.	46,500.	7,781.
	18,500.	52,242.	45,270.
Lite, 1,000.	19,490.	50,146.	50,001.
			100,107.

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221. MONTHLY STATEMENT.

The usual table is as follows:-

RECEIPTS.	12 Mths. 1,000's.		TOTAL.
	REV.	FIN.	
Opening Balance.	-	10,523.	52,243.
Receipts - AMG Funds.	13,640.	81,520.	101,263.
" - Sale of	-	-	-
AMG Suppl.	-	370.	370.
" - General,	63.	418.	474.
finances etc.	-	-	-
	19,692.	38,146.	53,001.
			100,107.
EXPENDITURE.			
Extra work on roads & Cantoniari.	1,128.	2,803.	1,450.
Advances - FOGGIA	1,900.	3,000.	3,215.
Comanche.	-	24,000.	94,000.
Bank of Italy.	38.	71.	61.
General Expenses.	-	18,000.	35.
Transfers to AMG A/cs	-	-	280.
	5,174.	45,904.	7,761.
	16,513.	52,843.	45,270.
	19,696.	50,146.	50,001.
			100,107.
Closing balance.			55,939
			55,270.
			18,065.
			498
Liab. 1,000's.			

VI - SUMMARY.

222. ZUPA :-

During the month the following exports were made to other provinces :-

COMMODITY.	DESTINATION.	AMOUNT IN TONS.
Grain.	Region II by rail	3,000
	Naples by R.O.Typ.	800
	PUGLIA by rail.	500
	8th Army (Flour)	150
TOTAL - Grain and flour -		4,450 Tons.
Beans & Legumes. ROMANINO.		
	Region III.	100
	Region II & Aquila.	500.
Total Beans & Legumes.		500.
		1,100 Tons.

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223. AMARIND :-

A special drive is in hand - (See para 210)

224. GRAIN.

Reports on what have been authorized by higher authority are published in the Province. The average is Lit. 150, bringing the price paid to about 100. This is a small figure for the recent period, but obviously little more is a count against the black market in the Province, where the price is Lit. 150,000 to Lit. 2,000 per quintal. The total grain consumed to the end of the month amounted to 26,000 tons as compared with 140,000 tons for last year, (which was particularly good crop.)

225. RAPESEED OIL.

An increase in the basic price of olive oil from Lit. 1900 to Lit 2000 per quintal has been approved by higher authority and published in the Province. The black market price is Lit 3500 to 4000. Owing to bad crop, the high cost of picking and the high price available in the black market and the high price of seed oil consequent on military operations, the last year 43,000 quintals were assessed.

226. SUGAR.

R.O. I/c has issued orders for the transfer to the Military for security reasons. This has caused some disorganization. In 1931 constant trouble is being caused with the R.O. as base don Malabar.

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227. CARTRIDGES.

Supplies of petrol, kerosene and lubricants are coming in from C.I.P. has begun its distribution is distributed agents. The Coupon system is in force from 1st Nov 1931.

228. MILITARY TRANSPORT (See para 210).

Military transport is low during the month year up to a maximum of 15.

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Last year 40,000 quinnids were assessed.

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N.O. i/c has advised that this appears to be fishing fleet for security reasons, which has caused some disorientation. A 500 constant traffic is being established with some of the boats on H.M.F. 1000.

227. Cactopoda.

Supplies of petrol, kerosene and lubricants are coming in full and C.I.B. has begun its distribution of these items. The Coupon System is in force from 1st May 1944.

McC. WILSON TRANSPORT, INC.

Military Transport on loan during the month
 was up to a maximum of 15 -
 fully equipped on moving grain to rail-head and
 distributing salt, tinned milk and other food stores.

240. LEOTILLIUS, 1975.

The unlined tons of Super-phosphate were available during the month and distributed to beneficiaries.

250. AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTIONS.[illegible]

231. UMBA FOREST.

Umba Forest was inspected. Forest area 4,500 hectares; 40% Birch, 60% Oak; present production 4,000 cu m. p.a.; present production 1,500 cu m. p.a. per month; (harvested) production 10,000 quintals per annum. The entire forest, with its logging and sawmill equipment has been requisitioned by the military units continue to stand guard of a forest area.

YII - MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

232. HEALTH. :-

The health of the population continues to be good. There are no indications of an epidemic.

233. YII - 20 BISHOP.

No increase in venereal disease is evident. In POGOLA City only nine British soldiers were infected during the month.

234. MEDICAL SUPPLIES :-

About 6-tons of Medical Supplies were distributed to Comanches during the month.

235. HOSPITALS.

The Lateral Hospital at MICH was re-opened on 16 Jan 44. The Ventura Clinic at POGOLA was being visited by Prof. H.C. and will be used as a Surgical Centre.

236. REFUGEE :-

Some 7,000 two-day relief supply and unexpectedly at MICHRODIA at the beginning of the month. They crowded by sea from the sea and were unable to reach the shore by the shore. They were housed in the by an improvised arrangement on and passed on by sea and rail to their destination. Local troops were of great assistance to the, and in this emergency.

Arrangements have been made to assist by dusting all refugees who now arrive in POGOLA for A.C.P.

237. YII :-

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232. HEALTH :-

The health of the population continues to be good. There are no indications of an epidemic.

233. YOUTH :-

No increase in venereal disease is evident. In FOGGIA City only nine British soldiers were infected during the month.

234. MEDICAL SUPPLIES :-

About 8-tons of medical supplies were distributed to Comandos during the month.

235. HOSPITALS.

The Maternity Hospital at IICR was re-opened on 16 Jan 44. The Ventura Clinic at FOGGIA has been vacated by Prov. H.Q. and will be used as a Surgical Centre.

236. REFUGEES :-

Some 3,000 two-day refugees arrived unexpectedly at RANCIANO at the beginning of the month. They crossed by sea from the Lago di Trasimeno and were unable to find shelter. They were housed and fed by an improvised organization and passed on by sea and rail to their destination. Local troops were of great assistance to SMO, during this emergency.

Arrangements have been made to disperse by bus and all refugees who now arrive in FOGGIA for I.C.P.

237. MILK :-

Some 70,000 lbs of milk were received during the month and will be distributed as follows:-

via through Opera Nazionale della Sanita' and infants' on doctor's certificate....	37,000
To pharmacists for public sale on doctor's certificate.....	16,000
To Coeritable Institutions for own use. Reserve pending further shipments.	18,000
	7,000
	70,000 lbs.

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238. CLOTHING.

American Red Cross shipped 30,507 garments into the province. These will be distributed free in the principal towns, mostly in POGGIA. The distribution has been a very favorable impression throughout the province.

239. SCHOOLS.

A budget of Lit. 15,300,000 for elementary schools to both Poggia, 1941, was approved. Lists of Teachers have been received from a number of points of view. Elementary schools are being opened in POGGIA, SAN SIVILIO, LUCCA, and others will be opened soon. It may be necessary to use for the release of school premises by the Army and Air Force. Last, United States Army from United States Army regarding authorized personnel to be sent back to school.

VI. - MILITARY.

240. MILITARY CASES.

Military Cases against civilians has improved in the Grosseto District as a result of the increase number of Military Police available. On the other hand, it has worsened in the Grosseto District where few troops and few P.P. are situated. The Italian Garrison Commander is co-operating by putting up road posts to check the entry of unauthorized vehicles into this rich but vulnerable territory. But he cannot help with Police as he only has 8 for the whole province.

241. GRAVES OF ALLIED MILITARY PERSONNEL.

All COS lines are reporting graves of Allied Military personnel and the information is being passed on the the Officer in Charge of Graves and Graves.

242. REQUIREMENTS & WORK OF ALL.

Major Poggia has toured the province and reports all ornaments and works of art in good condition except, in POGGIA City where the Museum and the Public Library and Palazzo Poggia have been badly damaged, and the steps are in need to salvage and refurnish all that remains.

A budget of P.T. 15,000,000 for elementary schools to each town, village, and province. Lists of Teachers have been prepared from a central point of view. Elementary schools are to be opened in POGGIA, SAN SITIRO, LUGLI, MANTOVANA and S. GIOVANNI, and others will be opened soon. It may be necessary to ask for the release of several prisoners by the King and Air Force. Last but not least, it is necessary to have authority regarding authorities. There is to be no more than passed on.

VIII - ADMINISTRATIVE

240. MILITARY CASES

Military Cases against civilians has improved in the CANTONAL District as a result of the increased number of military police available. On the other hand, it has worsened in the MANTOVANA District where few troops and few P.P. are situated. The British Garrison Commander is co-operating by putting up road posts to check the entry of unauthorized vehicles into this rich but vulnerable territory. But he cannot help with police as he only has 8 for the whole province.

241. GRANTS OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE

All Com Unes are reporting graves of Allied military personnel and the information is being passed on to the Officer i/c of POGGIA and GROVATO.

242. MONUMENTS & OTHER OF ART

Major WILLIAMS has toured the Province and reports all monuments and works of art in good condition except in POGGIA City where the church and the Public Library and Medici's graves have been badly damaged, and the steps are in haste to replace and safeguard all that remains.

IX - STAFF.

243. CHANGES - JANUARY :-

INCORPORATED.

Personal No.	Name.	Appointment.
0-3889	Major F. TISON, TD.	Finance Officer, Prov. H.Q.
0-1737557	2/Lt. R.F. HADDOY.	Asst. to S.C.I.O.
0-1030752	Lt. R.F. HADDOY.	Reg. Div. Prov. H.Q.
271708	" T. J. GRANT.	C.I.O. LUCERA.
0-708936	" R.C. BIGAL.	C.I.O. CIGENO S.
0-060518	" R.F. HADDOY.	" S. SEVERO.
0-1307510	" J.C. HADDOY.	" ALBERTOPIA.

RECRUITING.

0-527179	Major S.D. KACPA.	Asst. CAMPUCANO.
0-173757	Lt. C.G. ANDERSON.	Prov.
0-460404	Lt. R.A.A. ASH.	"
0-173597	2/Lt. G.I. SORON.	"
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244. ORGANIZATION.

The Organization of this Province as at 31 Jan 44, was as follows :-

	OFFICERS	O.P.S./Z.H.
FOGGIA PROVINCE H.Q.	16	15
FOGGIA DISTRICT.	6	3
LUCERA DISTRICT.	2	2
CERIGNOLA DISTRICT.	3	2
SAN SEVERO DISTRICT.	3	2
MARCONI DISTRICT.	3	2
TORREARAGIONE COLONY	1	1
	<u>60.</u>	<u>28.</u>

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245. PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS :-

PROV. H.Q. moved to TORREARAGIONE on Monday, 24th Jan 44. The concentration of the Prov. Administration is in same.

REMARKS.

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Major E.P. KURPER, ASD CASAPOLANO,
Prov.

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Lt. C.M. AMESBORN,

0-480404

Lt. E.A.A. ASH,

0-173597

2/Lt. G.L. BARDEN,

0-103005

Lt. E.L. ROOSTER
Hq. Prov.244. ORGANIZATION.

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LUCERA DISTRICT.
CERIGNOLA DISTRICT.
SAN SEVERO DISTRICT.
MARTINOLIA DISTRICT.
TORRECANIGIONE COLUMN

OFFICERS . O.P.G./E.M.

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PROV. HQ moved to TORRECANIGIONE on 10th Jan 44.
The concentration of the PROV. Administration is in HQ.

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S.C.A.O. FOGGIA PROVINCE,
Lt. Colonel,

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Temp. Hq. Reg I. U.P.O. 394. Feb 8. 44

Subject - Report (10 day period) Campobasso Province
Region I.

To - Executive Off. A.C.C.

Comment: Steps will be taken promptly to have every commune
in Province visited and placed under control of C.A.O. 590
Proclamations will be posted in these isolated commune at same
time.

✓ Owing to lack of space Campobasso city - Reg I. Hq. may be
located in Termoli or Vasto - if advance party now out in Province
reports favorably. Respectfully submitted - F. Whittier, also Reg I.

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A.M.G., H.Q.
Campobasso Prov.

SUBJECT: Report for Period 22-31 Jan. 44.

TO : A.M.G. Eighth Army Main. (in duplicate)
H.Q. A.M.G. Region V.

1. GENERAL CONDITION OF PEOPLE.

Mild weather and open condition of roads has relieved living conditions and permitted movement of adequate available food supplies to prevent possible shortages. Needs of olive oil, wine and sugar for more balanced diet and soap for sanitation is urgent. There are also shortages of shoes and clothing.

2. POLITICAL.

No report of overt political meetings or disturbances, but strong under current of attempts to lay foundations for future political power. A number of changes in officials have been suggested by Prefect, but only such accepted as are in accordance with expressed desires of A.M.G., C.A.O's.

Intercepted correspondence indicates various individuals are surreptitiously corresponding within the Province and with officials in King's Italy.

One rather prominent individual formerly associated with the Anti-Fascista Party and who has disregarded friendly warnings had expressed a desire to return with part of his family to Naples. Transportation was provided in connection with trip of our supply truck.

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3. ADMINISTRATION.

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At request C.O. Region V skeleton organization has been planned including essential experienced Provincial Staff and C.A.O. personnel available on 48 hour notice for movement into Aquila province without crippling functioning of Campobasso Province. This on basis no decreases are made in existing staff and replacements could

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be furnished within reasonably short time to supplement officers left back in stabilized situation of Campobasso Province.

4. JUSTICE.

Further action has been taken initiating functioning Italian Courts, but their potential operation is very limited due to circulation restrictions, also to difficulty of securing suitable court room facilities due to need of buildings for military operational uses.

Check is being made on adequate present posting of proclamations and orders. 85 Summary Court cases have been tried and Superior court session for trial of more serious offenses.

Detailed report of S.P.L.O. is attached.

5. PUBLIC SAFETY.

Police. The standard of efficiency and co-operation of the various Police agencies is satisfactory. There is no outstanding prevalence of any particular class of crime or any presenting any difficulties requiring special measures to deal with them.

The conduct of the Troops in the area is excellent, as is the relations with the SIB and CMP.

Refugee channels are working smoothly; the numbers under review at the moment are small. There are no special problems.

Security. The public morale appears to be quite good. There is no evidence of general public resentment against the AMG or the Italian Government, and political activities are very subdued.

There have been minor disturbance in various parts of the Province but nothing of serious propensities. The chief causes alleged are: (1) Against payment of taxes, (2) Alleged non-delivery of oil and grain and (3) Discontinuance of Relief.

There is no industrial unrest and conditions, such as are functioning appear satisfactory. There are no reports of any strikes, lock-outs etc. 488

Minor acts of Sabotage, cutting of wire, have been severely dealt with. Special instructions have been issued to all police agencies on this subject. A rigid enforcement of the requirements of the Directives on passes and permits is being followed but a great deal of time is of necessity spent on this problem. There are no Civilian Internees detained here; those found have been removed to P.O.W. Cage.

The Curfew is well observed both by troops and Civilians.

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Prisons. The general conditions, administration, sanitation, discipline and buildings are satisfactory.

There are a number of prisoners awaiting trial under the Italian law, but the hearing of the cases are being expedited

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and it is hoped to report shortly that all have been dealt with.

One matter of interest under this heading was the discovery in Larino prison of a woman who has been in prison over four (4) years on a charge of Murder and has not appeared before any Court of Trial. This case is being dealt with.

Fire Brigade an C.D. The Fire Brigade and C.D. are as efficient as equipment and personnel will permit. The Germans took every thing of value in the way of Fire-fighting material; and allowing for the lack of essential equipment and the fact that such as is available is of poor quality, a good standard by means of improvisations etc. is maintained. The disposal of bombs and mines has not been a matter for report, but should the situation arise under this heading recourse would be made to the R.E.'s after confirmation of existence.

5. FINANCE.

a). During the course of this period P.O. had five interviews with the Intendente di Finanza covering appointments and changes of his staff throughout the Province, dealing with technicalities of assessment and collection, office accommodation and means of communication.

b). Four interviews with the Director of Post Offices improving on existing "set-up" and arranging for centralisation of tax collections via thirteen Post Offices. Also dealt with individual cases of difficulties reported by C.A.Os. Checked up on administration of Sussidi Militari and other allowances.

c). Numerous interviews with Prefect's Accountant Staff dealing with Statal and Para-Statal Funds; drawing up and reviewing list of State Employees paid out of State Funds but not, at present, carrying out any active duties. Allocating these people to employment. Seeing Capitano of Regia Guardia di Finanza and arranging disposition of his men.

Improving 'Autobus' arrangements.

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d). Had translated details of administration (technical and domestic) of Intendente di Finanza, Cassa Mutua, Ufficio Prov. Contributi Agricoli Unificati, Istituto Naz. di Previdenza Sociale.

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e). Dealt with questions raised by C.A.Os. Dealing with Cash A/c. Visiting all C.A.O.s, with two exceptions. Meet with Major Michie (5th Army) and discussed administration of area at present under 5th Army.

7. SUPPLY.

The supply situation of Campobasso Province has improved greatly during the past week. The greatest improvement

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being the grain. Largely due to the extensive transport plan now in progress.

Grain. In the past week over 1380 Q.li of grain have been brought into Campobasso. This supply was all taken to the local flour mill. The mill now has a reserve of 390 Q.li of grain to be made into flour.

Salt. 180 Q.li of salt was brought down from Lucera, our salt dump. This has been distributed to Isernia, Boiano, and Carovilli. Salt at the present time is the biggest problem. Our transport will bring in 260 Q.li on the first. At present the local supply is exhausted.

Flour. Flour has again increased, but slightly. The slight increase is caused by the lack of electric power during the past week.

Charcoal. The supply of charcoal is much the same as last week. 400 Q.li have been brought into the local Ammasio. Transportation. Transport is still a problem. The new vehicles obtained from 8th Army are in poor shape and at four different times they had to be taken to the workshop. The Podesta has turned over to this office a garage. Two civilian mechanics have been hired to repair civilian vehicles used by AMG. The shortage of truck tires has been relieved by the obtaining of sixteen used tires from an local firm.

All transportation of supplies in this report were done with CSO transport.

Distribution for week ending 29 Jan. 1944.:

<u>FLCUB.</u>		
San Giuliano	40 Q.li	22 and 28 Jan. 1944.
Vinchiaturo	40 Q.li	22 Jan. 1944.
Sepino	60 Q.li	25, 27, 28 and 29 Jan. 1944.
Cerces Maggiore	40 Q.li	26, 28, and 29 Jan. 1944
Isernia	90 Q.li	28 Jan. 1944.

The above amounts are only those carried by CSO transport.

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<u>GRALIN.</u>	
San Giuliano	10 Q.li 22 Jan. 1944.
Boiano (For Trivento)	60 Q.li 25 Jan. 1944.

All grain, except in emergency, is delivered to the mill to be made into flour.

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Boiano (for Trivento) 10 Q.li 27 Jan. 1944.

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Distribution for week ending 29 Jan. 1944.:

FLOUR.

San Giuliano	40 Q.11	22 and 28 Jan. 1944.
Vinchiaturo	40 Q.11	22 Jan. 1944.
Sepino	60 Q.11	25, 27, 28 and 29 Jan. 1944.
Ceremaggiore	40 Q.11	26, 28, and 29 Jan. 1944
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SALT.

Boiano (for Trivento)	30 Q.11	27 Jan. 1944.
Isernia	30 Q.11	27 Jan. 1944.
Cantalupo	15 Q.11	27 and 28 Jan. 1944.
Campobasso	105 Q.11	27 Jan. 1944.

CHARCOAL.

All charcoal transported comes to Campobasso. 400 Q.11 in the past

week.

REQUIREMENTS:

Various supplies needed in province have been detailed in separate report to S.S.O., Rear, Eighth Army.

8. AGRICULTURE.

No report.

9. PUBLIC HEALTH.

1st Lt. Geo. M.V. Brown arrived 20/1/44. The office formally occupied by Col. Farinacci was taken over with his staff.

a). Hospitals. Two hospitals were visited and inspected. The first the Campobasso civil hospital was found to very clean & in good order. The second at Carpinone is located in a very poor bldg but seemed to be acceptable under the circumstances. The Sisters in charge are very discouraged and anxious to move back to Isernia.

Later in the week a budget request was brought to this office for the Carpinone hospital. It has been approved by the Prefetto & Provincial Medico and is being referred to the Finance Division for further study.

Termoli, Agnone and Carpinone hospitals were also visited by S.C.A.O.

b). Visits. Visits were made by P.H. Officer and the Provincial medico to the following towns: Baranello, Cantalupo, Carpinone, Isernia and Castellino. Medical problems were cleared there with C.A.O's and town people.

d). Local contacts. Lt.Col. Verbi A.D.M. 130 Sub Area and his staff were met and have been very helpful on several occasions.

Eight patients were transported from the civil Hospital to Bari. One insane person was transported in their ambulance to Naples. A car was requisitioned for A.M.G. use at the suggestion of Col. Verbi. A mechanic & supplies are being sent to the Civil Hospital to assist in the maintenance of the hospital ambulance. Major Hills O.C.3 adv. Depot Medical Stores assisted in the inspection & was helpful in making suggestions in use & care of A.M.G. medical stores. This staff have been 100% helpful in their cooperation.

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Local persons were inclined to come direct to this officer concerning problems in the Health Field. Real progress is being made in shunting them over to the Provincial Medico. The Medico is none to anxious to accept this responsibility unless the job is a pleasant one but is willing so.

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e). Supply Medical. One group of medical supplies arrived from Vasto & dusting powder was ordered and arrived from Poggia. Additional supplies are being ordered from Poggia and Naples.

No inventory was taken of medical supplies but should be done so next week. Medical supply records seem to be in excellent shape.

The recent addition of Capt. Royston, M.C. particularly in view of recall of Lt. Brown is most valuable. A Primary problem has been an outbreak of typhoid (30 cases during recent weeks) at Isernia. Both Capt. Royston and Lt. Col. Parinacci have visited the town, some cases evacuated, use of improper water sources prohibited, arrangements made for inoculation of inhabitants, and situation seems well in hand.

Effort are being made to establish separate Civilian isolation hospital at Campobasso.

Necessary typhus and other inoculations of A.M. G. personnel have been taken care of by Capt. Royston.

10. REFUGEES.

Number existing in some of western communes are increasing local relief problems, but no present influx or need for general evacuation reported. Increases of troops in area, requiring billeting, or requisitioning of houses suggested as for control of infestation may change the picture.

11. STAFF OFFICER.

a). Additions.

1. Special Staff. :

Major	Boyd-Carpenter	Admin.	484
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Capt.	Evans.	P.O.	

2. C.A.O. - C.A.P.O.

Capt.	Borak.
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12. MISCELLANEOUS.

No comments.

Harold K. Parsons
HAROLD K. PARSONS
LT. COLONEL.
SCAG. CAMPOBASSO PROVINCE

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OFFICERS LOCATION, CAMPOBASSO PROVINCE, FOR WEEK ENDING 29/1/1944.

1. LT. COL.	PARSONS.	S.C.A.O.	PROVINCE H.Q.
2. CAPT.	POLLARD.	EXECUTIVE OFFICER.	"
3. LIEUT.	BORDEN.	ADMIN. OFFICER.	"
4. MAJOR.	MANIFOLD.	S.C.A.P.O.	"
5. MAJOR.	RAISTON.	FINANCE OFFICER.	"
6. CAPT.	HUNT.	CIVIL SUPPLIES OFFR.	"
7. LIEUT.	ASH.	A/C.S.C.	"
8. CAPT.	MARSH.	LEGAL OFFICER.	"
9. CAPT.	RAYSTON B.P. (R.A.M.C., No. 186858 reported 28 Jan. 44)	PUBLIC HEALTH.	"
10. LIEUT.	BROWN	PUBLIC HEALTH.	"
11. MAJOR.	KUCKERA.	C.A.O.	CAMPOLABASSO TOWN AREA.
12. LIEUT.	LANDSMAN.	A/C.A.O.	"
13. LIEUT.	LIDDLE.	C.A.P.O.	"
14. CAPT.	KEEGAN.	C.A.O.	TRIVENTO AREA.
15. MAJOR.	REILLY.	C.A.O.	LARINO AREA.
16. LIEUT.	STILES.	C.A.P.O.	"
17. CAPT.	COLING.	C.A.O.	TERMOLI AREA.
18. CAPT.	ASHTON.	A/C.A.O.	"
19. LIEUT.	ANDERSON.	C.A.P.O.	ISERNIA AREA.
20. MAJOR.	GALLAGHER.	Reported back to 8/Army.	493
21. MAJOR	HARRIS	C.A.O.	ISERNIA AREA.

DETACHED FROM TEMPORARY DUTY.

ATTACHED (under L.O. 78 Div.)

6. CAPT.	HUNT.	MANAGER OFFICER.	"	"
7. LIEUT.	ASH.	CIVIL SUPPLIES OFFR.	"	"
8. CAPT.	MARSH.	A/C.S.O.	"	"
9. CAPT.	RAYSTON, S.P.	LEGAL OFFICER.	"	"
10. LIEUT.	BROWN	PUBLIC HEALTH.	"	"
11. MAJOR.	KUCHERA.	C.A.O.	"	CAMPORASSO TOWN AREA.
12. LIEUT.	LANDSMAN.	A/C.A.O.	"	"
13. LIEUT.	LIDDLE.	C.A.P.O.	"	"
14. CAPT.	KERGAN.	C.A.O.	"	TRIVENTO AREA.
15. MAJOR.	REILLY.	C.A.O.	"	LARINO AREA.
16. LIEUT.	STILES.	C.A.P.O.	"	"
17. CAPT.	COLING.	C.A.O.	"	TERVOLI AREA.
18. CAPT.	ASHTON.	A/C.A.O.	"	"
19. LIEUT.	ANDERSON.	C.A.P.O.	"	ISERNIA AREA.

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22. MAJOR.	DAVIES.	C.A.O.	CARPINONE AREA.
23. MAJOR.	SACRA.	C.A.O.	CAROVILLI AREA.

CASUALTY.

24. MAJOR.	MANIFOLD.	TO DY.	27 JAN. 44.
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ANNEX "B".NOMINAL ROLL OF O.Rs. - CAMPOBASSO PROVINCE - FOR WEEK ENDING 29/1/44.

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S/10688470	L/CPL. BRADWELL.	K.H.	RASC.	CHIEF CLERK.
S/265408	PTE. DRAYTON.	G.	"	FINANCE & SUPPLIES CLERK
S/14266588	PTE. Mc MAHON.	N.J.	"	LEGAL CLERK.
5041240	PTE. WHITEHEAD.	R.	N/STAFFS.	GEN. DUTY & FILE CLERK.
765797	PTE. MOULSDALE.	J.	S/STAFFS.	COOK & O/Rs BILLET ORDER
T/14531891	DVR. BROWN.	T.E.	RASC.	DRIVER.
1419093	DVR. ROBBINS.	A.R.	WILTS.	"
4390975	DVR. ROSS.	W.	S/STAFFS.	D.R.
T/10702762	DVR. POLLOCK.	H.H.	RASC.	DRIVER.
T/10667980	DVR. RENSCH.	N.	"	"
T/14555492	DVR. STAFFORD.	G.	"	"
T/14541345	DVR. MAITLAND.	F.	"	POLICE CLERK.
4926813	PTE. MINNEY.	W.	S/STAFFS.	GEN DUTY.
T/5193232	DVR. BROCK.	J.	RASC.	DRIVER.
4926760	PTE. HOBBS.	F.	S/STAFFS.	GEN. DUTY.
7045791	FUS. EVANS.	J.	R.I.F.	DRIVER.
5260733	PTE. POTTER.	H.	S/STAFFS.	GEN. DUTY.
T/6026825	DVR. CROSS.	J.	RASC.	DRIVER.

ON LOAN 8/ARMY - FOR CIVILIAN SUPPLY.

T/123148	DVR. ALLEN. G.E.		RASC.	DRIVER.
T/5830930	DVR. STEVENS.	R.W.	"	"
T/249914	DVR. POVEY.	B.	"	"
T/179985	DVR. BISHALL.	K.	"	"

ANNEX "B".

Es. - CAMPOBASSO PROVINCE - FOR WEEK ENDING 29/1/44.

				PROVINCE H.Q.
EN.	J.	MIDDY.	N.C.O. i/c Det.	"
DWELL.	K.H.	RASC.	CHIEF CLERK.	"
CON.	G.	"	FINANCE & SUPPLIES CLERK.	"
MON.	N.J.	"	LEGAL CLERK.	"
HEAD.	R.	N/STAFFS.	GEN. DUTY & FILE CLERK.	"
DALE.	J.	S/STAFFS.	COOK & O/Rs BILLET ORDERLY.	"
I.	T.E.	RASC.	DRIVER.	" (ON LOAN 8/ARMY)
INS.	A.R.	WILTS.	"	"
	W.	S/STAFFS.	D.R.	"
OCK.	H.M.	RASC.	DRIVER.	"
CH.	N.	"	"	"
FORD.	G.	"	"	CAMPOBASSO TOWN AREA.
LAND.	F.	"	POLICE CLERK.	"
NY.	W.	S/STAFFS.	GEN DUTY.	TERMOLI AREA.
K.	J.	RASC.	DRIVER.	"
B.	F.	S/STAFFS.	GEN. DUTY.	LARINO AREA.
B.	J.	R.I.F.	DRIVER.	"
ER.	H.	S/STAFFS.	GEN. DUTY.	TRIVENTO AREA.
B.	J.	RASC.	DRIVER.	"

ON LOAN 8/ARMY - FOR CIVILIAN SUPPLY.

				CIVIL SUPPLIES.
G.E.		RASC.	DRIVER.	" (Reported
INS.	R.W.	"	"	" for duty
	B.	"	"	" 23/1/44.)
LL.	K.	"	"	

ANNEX "C"CAMPOBASSO PROVINCE TRANSPORT - FOR WEEK

	<u>T Y P E .</u>	<u>N O .</u>	<u>D R I V E R .</u>	<u>L O C A T I O N .</u>
1.	3-TON AUSTIN.	4677920	BROWN.T.A.	PROV. H.
2.	15-CWT FORD. (8/ARMY LOAN)	4794775	ROBBINS.A.R.	"
3.	JEEP WILLYS.	5186975	POLLOCK.H.H.	"
4.	15-CWT DODGE.	4982244	RENSCH.H.	"
5.	M/O MATCHLESS.	4992492	ROSS.W.	"
6.	P.U. HILLMAN.	479668	EVANS.J.	LARINO AR
7.	JEEP WILLYS.	4986656	BROCK.J.	TERMOLI A
8.	JEEP WILLYS.	4986628	STAFFORD.G.	CAMPOBASSO
9.	15-CWT.DODGE.	4743353	CROSS.J.	TERMOLI

O N L O A N 8/ARMY F O R C I V I L S U P P L I E S .

1.	3-TON CHEV.	1326971	ALLEN.G.E.	(REPORTED
2.	3-TON FORD.	4619993	STEVENS.R.W.	
3.	3-TON FORD.	4876698	POVEY.B.	
4.	3-TON BEDFORD.	4817990	BISHELL.K.	

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ASSO PROVINCE TRANSPORT - FOR WEEK ENDING 29/1/44

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4794775	ROBBINS.A.R.	"
5186975	POLLOCK.H.H.	"
4982244	RENSCH.H.	"
4992492	ROSS.W.	"
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4986656	BROCK.J.	TERMOLI AREA.
4986628	STAFFORD.G.	CAMPOBASSO AREA.
4743353	CROSS.J.	TERMOLI AREA.

ON LOAN 8/ARMY FOR CIVIL SUPPLIES .

1326971	ALLEN.G.E.	(REPORTED FOR DUTY -23/1/44.)
4619993	STEVENS.R.W.	
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ANNEX "D"

88668 OF CIVILIAN PERM REL ON PATROLL AT PROVINO L.H.Q. CAMPOBASSO.
FOR WEEK ENDING 29 JAN. 44.

NAME OF EMPLOYEE.	DEPT.	FUNCTION.	LINE PER DAY.
BRIEZZI	RUDOLPH S.C.A.O.	INTERPRETER.	100 (Transferred to FORLI 15/1/44.)
D'AMATO	OTTAVIO FIN. OFFR.	TRANSLATER.	110.
CHERINI	FRANCESCO S.C.A.B.O	INTERPRETER.	90
DE LILLIS	FRANCIS LEGAL OFFR.	"	100
PIETRONIRO	GENIO ADMN. OFFR.	"	100
PRAITANO	FRANCESCA "	TYPIST.	40
GIOVANNETTI	ANGELA "	"	40
PINA	CARLA SUPPLY OFFR.	CLERK TYPIST.	70
FERRANTE	HELEN "	TYPIST.	50
DI PALATO	ENRICO "	MESSSENGER BOY	10
RITTER	FRED "	INTERPRETER	100
PETTINICCHI	MARGHERITA. D.D.P.H.	"	70
D'AMATO	ORDELINE FINANCE OFFR.	"	100

{Services terminated 27/1/44.}
{Employed 27/1/44.}
{Employed 25/1/44.}

CAMPOBASSO TOWN AREA.

BENIES	NICHOLAS C.A.O.	INTERPRETER.	100
ZALUM	MARIZ C.A.O.	"	100

TRIVENTO AREA.

SCARANO	VALDO C.A.O.	DRIVER & CAR	150
DEL GIUDICE	ALFREDO C.A.O.	INTERPRETER & CLERK.	110
DE MEDO	NICOLA C.A.O.	CLERK.	70

LARIANO AREA.

FUSCO	ARTURO C.A.O.	CHIEF INTERPRETER.	110
FERRERI	NICOLA "	INTERPRETER & MESSENGER.	80
BATTISIA	VITTORIO "	INTERPRETER & INTERVIEWER.	80

TERMOLI AREA.

POLACCO	ENRICO C.A.O.	INTERPRETER.	80
MAIES	MARIA "	COOK.	50
MARDI	ENRICO "	WAITER &c.	15

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NAME	SUPPLY OFFR.	CLERK TYPIST.	70 (Services terminated 27/1/44.)	50 (Employed 27/1/44.)	10 (Employed 25/1/44.)
VERAHE	"	"	70	50	
DI PALATO	"	"		10	
RITTER	"	"		100	
PETTINIOCHI	"	"		70	
D'AMATO	"	"		100	

CAMPOMASSO TOWN AREA.

BEHIES	NICHOLAS	C.A.O.	100
ZALUM	MARIE	C.A.O.	100

TRIVENTO AREA.

SCARANO	VALDO	C.A.O.	150
DEL GIUDICE	ALFREDO	C.A.O.	110
DE MEO	NICOLA	C.A.O.	70

LARINO AREA.

FUSCO	ARTURO	C.A.O.	110
FERRERI	NICOLA	"	80
BATTISTA	VITTORIO	"	80

TERMOOLI AREA.

POLACCO	MERICO	C.A.O.	80
MANES	MARIA	"	50
MARDI	MERICO	"	15

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Ref: CP./Legal/B2. *72-47*

28th. Jan. 1944.

Subject: Legal Officer's Section Report on Allied Military Summary Courts held within the Province of Campobasso.

To : S.C.A.O. Campobasso Province.

From : P.S.L.O. Campobasso Province.

The following is a report of the cases tried before Allied Military Courts in so far as the C.A.O.s legal reports have reached this office for week-ending, 28th. January 1944. It has been noted by the undersigned, that commencing from 30th. Jan. 1944, reports will in future be submitted once a fortnight.

Comments.

1. The undersigned has gone over the lists of Italian Court officials for this province and has completed arrangements for the functioning of the Conciliatori courts and the criminal side of the Pretura and Tribunali courts. These courts are limited in their ability to carry on because in this area it is not yet possible for either court officials or citizens to circulate as freely as is desirable for proper court actions. All of these courts may now be used for such trials as the C.A.O.s desire to have handled under Italian law. It is unnecessary for C.A.O.s to directly appoint or select judicial officers. Should there be any complaint about court officials the undersigned wishes to be informed immediately, and he will take immediate steps to correct the situation.

2. The quartering of troops in court rooms and the number of troops in this whole area, has hampered and is hampering Court operations. It is essential that at least one court room be made available for judicial business in each commune. The undersigned has had particular difficulty in securing any court room space at Larino. This matter has been discussed with the Town Major and with the C.A.O. at Larino, and the undersigned has requested the release of a court room there now used as an Officers Mess. **47S**

3. A certain amount of travel is mandatory on the part of judicial officers. The undersigned in co-operation with the S.C.A.P.O. and Finance Officer, is attempting to arrange for the same.

4. At Guardialfiera there was a disturbance which has been specially reported by the C.A.O. Larino. The undersigned discussed this matter with the C.A.O., and with the Italian Officials at Larino, and advise that the persons involved should be prosecuted under Italian

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5. We have recently posted through at this province notices warning the Public that any interference with wires or communication lines might be punished by the death penalty. About the time of posting such notices one case of wire cutting occurred near Termoli and accused was tried before Captain L.P.B. COLLING as C.A.O., and a two months suspended sentence was invoked. The undersigned has called Captain Colling's attention to the inadequacy of this sentence and the inconsistency of advertising a death penalty and at the same time invoking a suspended sentence, and has also requested that such cases be hereafter bound over to Superior court for trial.

6. It is suggested that all C.A.O.s should make a careful check of their various territories to see that PROCLAMATIONS and GENERAL ORDERS and NOTICES are posted. We are attempting to keep a sufficient stock of these documents on hand at Provincial Headquarters. It is not proper to prosecute violations in areas where no posting of such taken place.

7. The undersigned wishes to report that it is his observation that there is insufficient propaganda carried on in this general area advocating and furthering the Allied causes. All of the people here can listen to NAZI Broadcasts, but have great difficulty in hearing "the other side of the picture". Apparently, no explanation is given them regarding the necessity of continuing certain Fascist practices, and officials as a matter of war time expediency. Without explanations it quite naturally appears to these people that we are continuing the same practices which we claim to be combating.

Captain.
Provincial Senior Legal Officer.
Campobasso Province.

Ref: C.P./Legal/B2.

28th January 1944.

Subject: P.S.L.O.s Section Report on Allied Military Courts held within the province of Campobasso.

To : S.C.A.O. Campobasso Province.
From : P.S.L.O. Campobasso Province.

The following is a report of the cases tried before Allied Military Courts, in so far as the reports have reached this office, in Campobasso Province, for week ending 28th. January 1944.

1. CAMPORBASSO CITY.

(a). Travelling more than TEN Kilometers without necessary Permit 4.
(b). Acquiring by purchase Allied Military property 3.
Total. 7.

2. CAROVILLI.

Illegal possession of W.D. property 1.

3. AGNONE.

(a). Theft of W.D. property 2.
(b). Sale of goods (Watches) without necessary licence 2.
(c). Travelling more than TEN Kilometers without necessary Permit 1.
(d). Violation of "BLACK OUT" 6.
(e). Violation of CURFEW 2.
(f). BLACK MARKET (Sale of Coal in excess of fixed official price) 3.
(g). Refusing to obey an A.M.G. Order 1.
(h). Violation of Italian Law RDL 245-Art.3 Art.6 Art.4 2.
Total. 22.

4. CAPPINOVE.

(a). Violation of Price Control Order (Selling Wine at too high a price) 1.
(b). Travelling more than TEN Kilometers without a Permit 1.
Total. 2.

Total number of respective crimes in Province.

TRAVELLING MORE THAN TEN KILOMETERS WITHOUT NECESSARY PERMIT 6.
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VIOLATION OF CURFEW ORDER 4.
BLACK MARKET OFFENCES 1.

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Total.-----7.

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VIOLATION OF BLACK OUT ORDER-----6.
VIOLATION OF CURFEW ORDER-----2.
BLACK MARKET OFFENCES-----4.
REFUSAL TO OBEY AN A.M.G. ORDER-----1.
VIOLATION OF ITALIAN LAW R.D.L. 245 ---ART.3---ART.6---ART.4-----5.

Total-----32.
Captain.
Provincial Senior Legal Officer.
Campobasso Province.

Ref: C.P./Legal/E2.

31st Jan. 1944.

Subject: P.S.L.O.s Section Report on Allied Military Courts held within the Province of Campobasso.

To : S.C.A.O. Campobasso Province.

From : P.S.L.O. Campobasso Province.

The following cases have come to hand from C.A.O. Campobasso, since of attached report dated 28th. January 1944:-

(a) Violation of CURFEW	2
(b) BLACK OUT Offences	9
(c) Illegal possession of W.D. property	17
(d) Travelling more than TEN Kilometers without a PERMIT	32
(e) Taking part in Public Demonstration (unauthorised by A.M.G.)	3
(f) Attempting to sell Contraband Tobacco	2
(g) Theft of W.D. property	2
(h) Doing Acts prejudicial to safety of Forces	2
(i) Illegal possession of ARMS	1
(j) BLACK Market Offences	7
(k) Selling Wine to Troops after permitted hours	1.
Total.	78

The above, together with cases listed under CAMPOBASSO PROVINCE on attached Report dated 28th Jan. 1944 makes a grand total of 85 cases

Sgtain.
Provincial Senior Legal Officer.
Campobasso Province.

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

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6th February, 1944.

Subject: Report on conditions in Region V area by escaped British P/W Officer.

To : AMB, 5 Army.
AMC, Region IV.

1. The enclosed copy of report received in this office from M.C.S., A.P.R.C. is forwarded to you for information.
2. No information is available as to the authorship or credibility of the report other than appears in the report itself.

DL
I. H. GARR,
Captain,
P.A. to Brig. Insp.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

WGS: 319.1
29 January 1944

SUBJECT: Report on conditions in Region
V Area by and escaped British
P/W Officer.

TO : HQ, AGO/AMG.

1. Enclosed are four (4) copies of above report received at this office yesterday.
2. Suggest that it be transmitted to Region V.
3. Received third-hand here; no information as to authorship or credibility other than appears in report itself.

For the Acting Chief of Section:

Incls:
1 (in 4 copies)
as above

N. P. HUGHES
N. P. HUGHES,
Captain, C.I.O.,
Executive Officer

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Attached is a report by an escaped British P/W Officer - concerning the condition of affairs in the Province of Umbria and Marche.

The route taken was from a point just East of Florence down through Gubbio leaving the district between Teramo and Terni. Examination of a map will show that this kept him very largely in mountainous country. He used mule tracks and little traveled roads and avoided large towns as much as possible. Therefore, such information as I obtained regarding conditions in urban areas reflects what he heard from country people and travelers and is not based on his personal observations.

The information is grouped under several headings.

A. Public Safety.

The status of the Carabinieri as of October and November: The informant states the the Germans disarmed the Carabinieri in October, but left them at their posts. In November, however, a general round-up began. He estimates that about 60% of men escaped the round-up and still are lurking about their localities in plain clothes. This, he emphasized, is only a rough guess.

The informant was considerably impressed with the Carabinieri. He says they appeared to be conscientious and intelligent. In the country districts, their headquarters usually are in the largest community, from whence they fan out over the area on weekly or semi-weekly tours of duty, generally on horseback.

Real action to disorganize the Carabinieri, according to the informant, is not particularly aimed at making the job of A.K.G. more difficult, but rather to keep the populace in a state of confusion, and thus easier to control.

He reports the people orderly in the country districts and neither saw nor heard of any brigandage.

B. Agriculture.

The food situation in Region V was described as good. There were few men in the area in November and the seizure of cattle not prevalent. He heard, however, that confiscation of cattle and draft animals was very heavy in sections overrun by the Nazis. Some of these seizures were organized, while others were pilferage. Pilferage was winked at by the German High Command for a long while, but around November 20 a general order was issued prohibiting indiscriminate cattle rustling by German troops. This measure evidently resulted from the High Command's desire to make the seizures officially. In spite of the order, the informant says that sporadic stealing by Nazi troops continues. Italian peasants are managing to conceal their animals successfully in many cases.

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The informant expects plantings of agricultural products to fall off sharply this season wherever draft animals have been taken away. Since most of the farms are located some distance from the village where the farmer lives, the males and oxen are needed to haul implements, seed, and the farmer himself to his fields. Then, of course, they are required to till the soil. He asserts there is plenty of labor and plenty of seed and suggests that the situation could be saved through the provision of tractors or possibly jeeps to cultivate the land.

In the cities, conditions are quite different. Prices are highly inflated and black market operations are rife. Logs and cats, where available, are common items of diet in large cities, the informant says. Oil, while rationed, is not obtainable. Cheese factories have been shut down by the Germans and the machinery confiscated.

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John S. Galt

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asked about the prospects of getting food surpluses from country districts in the cities, the informant said it would be a difficult task. While, at the time he passed through the area, the countryside had hardly felt the hand of war at all, the peasants were fully aware of conditions in the cities. Also of the German actions in country areas further to the South. They are out to protect themselves and are hoarding farm products as fast as possible. Money itself has no value to the peasants. The informant told of several instances where he had offered to buy food. The money was refused as being worthless, although the food was freely given. He suggests barter as a solution - manufactured products (which presumably we will have to import at first) in exchange for foodstuffs.

While he did not get near either seacoast, the informant heard that fishing has been stopped completely.

C. Clothing.

"There isn't any" would be one brief way of describing the clothing situation. Bags are honorable garments almost everywhere. Such clothing as is available is of extremely poor quality. The cloth was made according to government specifications and is extremely shoddy. The people derisively call it "Gussolini cloth". The shoe situation is most desperate. Most people, especially in rural areas are wearing home-made foot gear made with chunks of old rubber tires or wood. From the barter standpoint, the informant is firmly of the opinion that shoes and clothing would bring out concealed food stocks anywhere in the country districts.

D. Education.

Schools were closed for the Summer term in 1943 and did not reopen in the Fall. The teachers are remaining in the vicinity; idle for the most part.

E. Finance.

The Germans are possessed of generous amounts of lire, apparently confiscated. As stated before under "5. Agriculture", money has lost its value in many sections. No one is paying taxes, according to the informant. Neither are the peasants contributing wheat, etc., to the Ammasi.

F. Transportation.

Since the informant kept pretty well away from roads and railroads, he had little information on transportation. However, he did say, that such main roads as he saw were in good shape. He heard that the main railroad lines were being operated by the Germans for strictly military traffic. The Nazis have seized most private motor cars. The majority of the few that are running are powered by charcoal gas. As a sidelight, he interjected that the Germans are taking private property with no pretence of conforming to international law. He told of one instance where an Italian at great cost had managed to buy a fairly new Lancia. At the first bridge he approached, a German officer halted him and said: "Get out and start walking". No receipt, of any other form of payment.

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The informant developed one interesting point regarding the general attitude of the Italian people in Central Italy. The popularity of the United States has recently declined because of bombing which destroyed non-military objectives and killed many civilians. On the other hand, the R.A.F. is given popular credit for avoiding non-military objectives. The usual psychology is present regarding the coming of the Allies. Nothing less than Utopia is looked for. In the country districts, the peasantry expect us to quickly make good their deficiencies of clothing and shoes arrival.

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In the vicinity of Subbio, according to the informant, there are many palazzos used as vacation spots by the wealthy of Perugia, Rome, Milan and other large cities. He suggests the examination of these as possible headquarters and billets. There are few Fascists in this area and, at the time of his visit, no Germans.

M. General.

Difficulties of terrain and paucity of lateral roads will act to prevent heavy fighting in the inland areas of Region V, in the opinion of the informant. He declares that the Germans are extremely road-minded and avoid areas where only country roads or mule tracks are available. He predicts we will find the people placid and cooperative for the most part of the country.

The informant was obviously in poor health, having undergone great privation and strain. He is obviously a highly intelligent person with good powers of observation and an excellent memory.

END OF REPORT

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To Speech (leak)

Mr. [unclear]

Hold for Col
Fisher

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Col Fisher: -

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HEADQUARTERS
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PROVINCE OF NAPLES

Office of the Provincial Commissioner
MUNICIPIO, NAPLES

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To Acc Hy Executive Committee

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ranza, e un po' di felicità per il futuro. Sarebbe un grave colpo per noi, sarebbe ben grave disappunto per gli ammalati e i poveri se il Comandante Musmanno fosse realmente allontanato. Affranti come siamo da venti anni di fa- scismo quasi vittime di una guerra che nessuno di noi vo- leva, presi dell'ingranaggio di una disorganizzazione che naturalmente seguì l'armistizio, noi abbiamo bisogno di uno che ci guidasse. Musmanno fu quest'uomo. Noi eravamo obli- vi alla possibilità di risorgere dato le condizioni in cui eravamo caduti, subendo e soffrendo per quasi due de- cadi. Non ci togliete dalle mani ^{il} conforto del nostro protettore il quale ci sta riportando a quella vera vita che era una volta la gioia dei Sorrentini.

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di religione e la libertà di parola.

Noi conosciamo altresì il vostro grande cuore. Colonnello Kincaid. Noi conosciamo anche il vostro riconoscimento del merito. Così noi abbiamo fede che dovendo dare una occupazione per meriti di cui si ha bisogno voi vorrete in ogni caso mandare il commendante Musmanno novellamente a noi per la maggior gloria degli Stati Uniti di America e per il conforto di un martoriato popolo il quale non ha mai mancato di amare ed amare la grande Nazione Americana.

Con il più grande rispetto sinceramente vostri.

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