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NOTE: *This bulletin is a record of Axis, neutral and clandestine broadcasts covering the period from 0600 yesterday to 0600 to-day. The station broadcasting, intended audience, wavelength and time of transmission are indicated at the head of each report. The information contained in this bulletin should be handled with the utmost caution, as it indicates the main points of the enemy's propaganda policy.*

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Axis Sally: Tonight's radio address by the female Nazi propagandist known as "Axis Sally" is, among other things, an attack on the economic exploitation of liberated France by "American businessmen in officers' uniforms". Her speech, addressed to American soldiers, also attacks the alleged "black market activities" inside France of "American Jews in United States uniforms." She also repeats the frequently noted assertions of the German Radio that "a famine is raging" in liberated Italy.

"Allegedly Impending Dangers" in Hungary: Transocean reports from Budapest:"Rigorous measures will be taken in Hungary against persons spreading false rumors about allegedly impending dangers. The Minister of Home Affairs has issued strict orders to police officials to use all means to prosecute such persons." No precise details whatever are given to clarify what these "false rumors" are or to specify the "dangers" which are "allegedly impending."

"Fighting Spirit"in Germany: As the Allied armies approach or penetrate the Rhineland, the German Radio is becoming ever more concerned with questions of civilian morale, in addition to the morale of soldiers. Today the German Home Radio stresses what it calls the "fighting spirit of the population" in western Germany. The inhabitants of this area, now threatened by Allied advances, are described as busily at work building defensive trench-works -- "despite the growing noise of the battle." The conclusion is drawn that "we are fully justified in speaking of a deep faith which turns into a uniquely great spirit of confidence the close relationship between army and civilians."

Brawl in Church in Rome: The German Radio continues to recount alleged incidents which tend to give the impression of unrest and anarchy in territories occupied by the Allies. For example, the Home Service declares: "The Communist atheist movement in Allied-occupied Italy has led to a new incident. In the vicinity of Rome, a group of atheists entered a church where they provoked a fight."

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MILITARY

German Army Captures Newspapermen: A report, attributed to London, says that "three American correspondents have been taken prisoner by German troops near Chaumont." Their names or organizations are not given.

Hungarian Military Reserves: The German Radio repeats quotations from the speech by the Hungarian premier, claiming that "Hungary at present still commands reserves which have not yet been drawn up, especially fresh military units..." The Premier also states that "the Hungarians have no other aim than the energetic defense of their own frontiers."

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Summary

Western Front: Martin Hallensleben reports: "The centre of gravity of fighting on the western front is, for the time being, situated in the area of Nijmegen and Arnhem. The principal fact is that the German command has succeeded in establishing a coherent front, thus overcoming the swift development of mobile warfare. ..... The Germans have encircled the entire first British Air-borne Division, which was split up into two groups and compressed into a very narrow space."

Eastern Front: Colonel von Hammer reports: "The great battle on the northern wing of the eastern front is taking its ... course. Losses suffered by the Soviets were very severe yesterday... German disengagement movements in the Narva sector are being carried out according to plan, without being impeded by the rather slowly following Soviets."

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Allied Losses: Since the beginning of the offensive up to September 20, it is claimed that the Allied have lost about 700 tanks. This, in fact, is the reason given for the slackening off of Allied pressure.

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Conclusion of Caruso's Trial: Today's main item is, of course, the death sentence passed on Caruso and his execution at Fort Bravetta, concerning which Reuter's is quoted as describing his "perfectly calm" demenor and his cry of "Long live Italy"! just before the platoon was ordered to fire. Reuter's, according to the Fascist radio, says Caruso was shot today "in the afternoon."

It is claimed that the trial itself was "staged to satisfy blood-thirsty Togliattis and Sforzas, who believe that by letting loose the rabble they can further their own ends." The trial, "which was opened in an atmosphere of savage fury", took place "without the public's knowledge". No mention is made of the witnesses' statements nor of the defendant's pleading guilty to the chief accusations brought against him. Caruso, it is said, answered by stating that he had acted "according to his Fascist faith" and it is inferred that he was condemned solely because of being a Fascist. After the lynching of Carretta by a furious mob, "this other legal lynching" was perpetrated in the name of a government which, months ago, had announced that the death sentence was abolished in the country.

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In the Aix-la-Chapelle area, several enemy attacks supported by tanks were repulsed. The enemy lost nine tanks. South-east of the town, enemy pressure is increasing in intensity.

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At Pont-à-Mousson, and in the Nancy-Lunéville area, several enemy attacks were repulsed, partly by successful counter-attacks. The enemy suffered heavy losses. Local penetrations were sealed off. In the Remiremont sector, the enemy attacked with extremely strong forces. Heavy fighting is in progress near the town. The defenders of Boulogne have for days been opposing a far superior enemy in very heavy defensive operations. Strong enemy air attacks were launched against Calais yesterday. The St. Nazaire garrison repulsed several enemy attacks.

In the area north of Florence, numerous enemy attacks launched with concentrated forces were frustrated in bitter fighting. One local penetration was sealed off. On the Adriatic Coast, the enemy, due to the high losses suffered during recent fighting, did not continue his break-through attacks. Along the entire front, strong local attacks were repulsed. On September 20, a total of 106 enemy tanks were destroyed.

In south-western Transylvania, Hungarian troops are fighting advanced enemy units. In the Szekler salient, our troops frustrated all Bolshevik attacks. In western Rumania, German battleplanes knocked out twenty-three tanks and destroyed numerous vehicles. In the course of the defensive battle in the Sanok-Krosno area, heavy fighting with reinforced Bolshevik units is still going on. Our counter-attack eliminated local points of penetration, destroying numerous Soviet tanks. At Warsaw, a new enemy attempt to cross the river failed before it got beyond the river islands. Over 200 prisoners were taken. Our armored offensive units, fighting against stubborn enemy resistance, have gained further ground south of Mitau. In Latvia and Estonia, our heroically fighting troops again frustrated new attacks by strong Soviet forces on the eighth day of the battle. In the course of defensive and offensive fighting, 103 enemy tanks were either destroyed or captured yesterday. In the northern part of Estonia, the orderly disengagement movements from the Narva sector were completed according to plan.

American bombers yesterday attacked several localities in the Hungarian area. Terror attacks on western Germany caused damage, especially in Mannheim, Ludwigshafen, Coblenz and Mainz.

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ITALIAN BROADCASTS

REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - 491 M - 0600 - September 22

News from the Italian Front

In Italy Anglo-American troops, supported by powerful air reinforcements and with the employment of much artillery, have made a desperate attempt to open a breach in German lines, in order to push northwards. Stubborn German resistance frustrated all their efforts. Only on the Adriatic sector did the enemy succeed in achieving a slight infiltration. Seventeen enemy tanks were destroyed.

New Chief of Turin Province

The chief of the province of Ravenna has been appointed chief of the province of Turin.

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The enemy intensified to the maximum his efforts on the western and eastern sectors of the front. German defence was stubborn everywhere, despite a large deployment of enemy air and armored means. The enemy has not succeeded in piercing German lines, although this was the principal objective of the offensive carried on for the past two months.

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Kesselring's heroic soldiers counter-attacked in all sectors, but especially on the Apennine slopes. An enemy infiltration on both sides of a mountain pass has been greatly reduced. The enemy has suffered very severe losses in casualties and prisoners. In the Adriatic sector he has advanced as far as the road which leads to Rimini, but armored German units attacked his flank and drove him towards the sea. All the enemy's attempts to advance beyond San Lorenzo have failed. Fifty-seven enemy tanks and thirty-three armored units have been destroyed.

News from the Interior

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News from the western front.--- News from the eastern front.--- Return of children to London greatly criticised, as many have been victims of recent V-1 raids.--- De Gaullist authorities, while residing in Algiers, countermanded many orders to American firms.--- The "Daily Telegraph" diplomatic correspondant says Churchill, Roosevelt and Stalin will meet before the end of the year. --- "Stockholm's Tidningen" describes the Finnish exodus.--- Reuter reports that King Faruk was wounded while experimenting in his laboratory.

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Bulgarian Diplomat in Italy Supports Tsankov Government

A member of the Bulgarian diplomatic and consular corps in Italy stated that he was ready to support the new Tsankov National Government and to collaborate with it.

Decree of the Ministry of Finance

The Ministry of Finance has decided that the last date for application of movement permits for the present year will be not later than the 24th of September.

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Other incidents have already taken place during the last months, which the police had not been able to check. Sprigge adds that the Bonomi Government has no way of proving what it might do, if it could act freely.

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Considered in the best light it would seem to be a compromise between conflicting interests and different viewpoints. The starving people of Rome, to quote Spriggs's brutal words, know only that they are hungry and that the government is not able to give them even food.

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Disagreement in Invaded Italy

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In the newspaper "Avanti!", Pietro Nenni denounced the existence, in invaded Italy, of a group willing to entrust the country's administration to a government exclusively composed of Anglo-American and Russian elements. Nothing is yet known of the reactions caused by this statement made by the chief of the Socialist Party, nor of the decisions which the above-mentioned party will take in this respect. It is important to note, however, that in invaded Italy, there are people who would be willing to entrust the fate and fortunes of the Fatherland to foreigners' hands.

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Anti-Religious Sentiments in Rome

In a church in the Roman suburbs, a priest who was explaining the Gospel during mass, was attacked by a group of people who violently contradicted the priest's words. This episode is told by the correspondent of the de Gaullist agency "Universal". He adds that lately many incidents have taken place between the faithful and visitors in various churches. Many of these actually stated that they belonged to the "Godless Sect". In some cases, the police were forced to intervene, ordering the evacuation of the churches where these incidents had occurred. The demonstrators went off, crying: "Long live Giordano Bruno".

Roman Cultural Level Lowered

The Anglo-American invasion has notably lowered the cultural level of the Eternal City. At the Opera only, reviews are given. The Eliseo and Argentina theatres are closed to Italian actors and are used as rest-camps for the colored troops. And this is not all. In the Palace of the Fascist exhibition in Via Nazionale, a club for Canadian troops has been established, and the famous Aragno Café has been transformed into a mess for Anglo-American officers.

Transport Problem in Rome

The transport problem in Rome is more or less unsolvable. All the Roman newspapers, for many days in fact, have been asking the Mayor of Rome, Doria Pamphili, to put into circulation at least the seventeen motor buses promised by the Allies. It is learned that the city's transport system has absolutely no vehicles at its disposal. The press campaign against the Mayor of Rome is very bitter.

Anti-Allied Sentiments in Rome

Once in a while, the Roman population, whose enthusiastic welcome to the liberators had been reported by the British and American newspapers and news agencies, gives proof of its deep sympathy towards the Allies. In fact, the "Avanti" publishes the news of a fight which took place in Via Velletri, between a grou

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The Anglo-American invasion has notably lowered the cultural level of the Eternal City. At the Opera only, reviews are given. The Eliseo and Argentina theatres are closed to Italian actors and are used as rest-camps for the colored troops. And this is not all. In the Palace of the Fascist exhibition in Via Nazionale, a club for Canadian troops has been established, and the famous Aragno Café has been transformed into a mess for Anglo-American officers.

Transport Problem in Rome

The transport problem in Rome is more or less unsolvable. All the Roman newspapers, for many days in fact, have been asking the Mayor of Rome, Doria Pamphili, to put into circulation at least the seventeen motor buses promised by the Allies. It is learned that the city's transport system has absolutely no vehicles at its disposal. The press campaign against the Mayor of Rome is very bitter.

Anti-Allied Sentiments in Rome

Once in a while, the Roman population, whose enthusiastic welcome to the liberators had been reported by the British and American newspapers and news agencies, gives proof of its deep sympathy towards the Allies. In fact, the "Avanti" publishes the news of a fight which took place in Via Velletri, between a group of energetic young men and some girls who were going about with English and American soldiers. The girls were coming out from the Pichetti dancing scool, and their hair was cut off.

Other Items

Western and eastern fronts.---War in the Pacific. --- Bulgarian troops have not yet evacuated the Greek-occupied territories.

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Press Review

Ezio Maria Gray on the Gloomy Outlook of the Allies

In the enemy's camp, the first bursts of wild enthusiam engendered by the military successes obtained in 1943 and the high hopes entertained during the first months of 1944, have been followed by a heavy atmosphere of gloom which those responsible vainly try to dissipate, they themselves being the first to suffer by it.

Thus the Quebec Conference, which was primarily intended as the stage upon which Roosevelt was to pursue his electoral campaign, has forced responsible leaders to realize that the military and political situation is far from being as rosy as they would believe.

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Caruso Sentenced to Death - Threat of Reprisals

The tragic trial of Caruso, promoted by the Italian authorities of the Bonomi Government, ended with the death sentence for the culprit. This is the result of the trial staged against the chief of the Rome Republican police, who enforced order and security until the day the Anglo-American invaders arrived.

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After the pretense of a trial, the anti-Fascist mob had the great satisfaction of hurling itself against a lonely man, guilty of one thing only: of having been a good Italian and having done his duty honestly and scrupulously. It is clear that if Rome is the arena of enemy reprisals, the Government of the Italian Social Republic will be forced to resort to just reprisals. There are crimes which cannot go without punishment and justice must not be outraged.

Other Items : The war in Europe.

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The German people also know that General Eisenhower in a recent speech admitted that the greatest danger to the Allied forces lies in the fact that they are forced to fight against time. In this bitter struggle, which the Allies know will be fatal for them, the enemy has been pinned down by the German High Command and the heads of German industry. The enemy is fully aware that he is carrying on a struggle in which he will surely be beaten.

The dropping of parachutist troops behind the German lines might at first sight give the impression of great power; it is on the contrary a clear and evident sign of the hurry the enemy is in to win the battle against Germany and time.

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The Allies know perfectly well that if they do not win this battle of time they will lose the war.

The German High Command has also given ample proof of having every prospect of winning the war. We said before that where the Allies have come up against stubborn German resistance, they have not been able to obtain any successes. Many instances prove this on all fronts; the eastern, the southern, and the western.

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Other Items

Tokyo: The Domei news agency announced that a state of emergency was proclaimed in the Philippines. Manila was bombed by over 500 American aircraft and violent air battles followed. --- The new Finnish government is a left wing coalition and the country is seriously concerned about its future prospects. --- The Rumanian national government formally rejected the armistice signed in Bucharest with Russia. --- The purge in the French navy, according to American press reports.

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War News

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Other Items

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Renato Burrini Resignes

Republican Fascist Renato Burrini has resigned from his post as Secretary of the Republican Fascist Organisation in the Aegean. In his stead, on the suggestion of the Delegate of the Republican Fascist Organisation Abroad and Overseas, Republican Fascist Antoni Coppieri was appointed.

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Coppieri was born in 1899. He is a discharged infantry officer who fought in the last war, is a member of the Fascist Squadrons, took part in the March on Rome, has an engineer's degree and was formerly Federal Vice Commissioner for the Agean.

Pietro Caruso Faces Firing Squad

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Cost of Living Indemnity

The leaders of the General Federation of Labor in the areas of invaded Italy have again requested through the proper channels, that a high cost of living allowance be immediately paid out to laborers. This time the request has been put forward in a perentory manner. The applicants speak of impatience and disillusionment on the part of all classes of laborers and workers. At the same time a request has been made that an increase be also allowed to pensioners and to the unemployed whose condition is really desperate.

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And so, the British landed at Nettuno; they neared Rome, took it. They are still advancing, and very swiftly too. They are in Florence, in Pesaro, in Leghorn. Tomorrow they will be here. But in the meanwhile weeks have elapsed, months have elapsed; and during this period things have been rather strangely altered.

Have you not noticed it? All these people are no longer expecting the liberators. Have you not noticed that all these people are no longer counting the days, and the kilometres on their maps? That instead they strain their ears when hearing the radio bulletin and lose their appetite if the news hints at some penetration made in the defensive positions of the Apennines? What has happened them? A collective repentance perhaps? Perhaps a rather tardy awakening of national dignity? Perhaps the voice of the Fatherland groping its way up from their well-fed bellies has reached their hearts. Not at all! Fascism, Fatherland, heart have no bearing whatever on the matter. It is simply a question of fear.

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All these people who up to yesterday were liberator "fans" are to-day afraid of being liberated. They are afraid of anarchy, but not, as Rolando Ricci stated in an article which created a great impression, of "organised anarchy", but of anarchy in the real meaning of the word. The disastrous disorder of impatient and immoderate multitudes, accompanied by savage pillage in the countries under the Red terror ... would find satisfaction only in the fact of reining all this ... providing that ... anti-Fascist, pro-British or pro-Communist.

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Meeting of Allied Consultative Commission for Italy

The Allied Consultative Commission for Italy met today in Rome. The Soviet representative presided at the meeting.

Parties Merge

The Roman paper "Italia Nuova" reports that the Bari Labor Democratic Party and the Naples National Front Party have joined the Italian Democrats.

The Miracle of St. Gennaro

The miracle of St. Gennaro took place yesterday in Naples.

Other Items

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The Western Front

"The situation of Allied air-borne troops near Arnhem is desperate. The British suffered heavy losses and are still under heavy German fire." With such a communiqué Reuter's summed up the trend of operations in southern Holland during the past twenty-four hours.

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In addition it is learned that more than 3,200 British soldiers were captured and over fifty gliders were destroyed. A last attempt south of Arhen was broken up by German fighter aircraft.

Meanwhile the German defence on the Albert canale today smashed several new enemy attempts at infiltration. North of Aix-la-Chapelle enemy activity considerably decreased, while very bitter fighting is continuing south of Stolberg. The situation is unchanged from the gates of Burgundy to the Swiss border. In the Channel zone and in Brittany the defenders of German fortresses again prevented the enemy from making any progress.

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During the other war Tupini was a neutral and in favor of Austria. He fought in a hospital of the Order of Malta as a Corporal in the Medical Corps. He was a lawyer but unable to become a professional lawyer.

During the last few days Tupini also had to deal with a question under his direct jurisdiction: the murder of the director of Regina Coeli. But do you know how, as Minister of Justice, he merely described this execrable act as without precedent in the life and history of Rome, - an ill-considered act? Not a word of deploration and less of condemnation, not a warning to the assassins, not a sentence revealing the horror of a wounded heart in presence of such an execrable monstrosity. An ill-considered act, indeed! As if it was a mere quarrel and not a fact which will leave an indelible mark of horror on Rome.

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In Florence, a second hand bicycle in a bad state of repair cost 25,000 lire. A spare tire has been sold for as much as 5,000 lire. In a refugee rest camp at Poggibonsi, the following legend was found written up on one of the walls: "Long Live the Duce". This legend was wiped out but the next day it appeared again written in even larger letters. It is useless. Twenty years of welfare cannot be forgotten.

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On the outskirts of Rome every morning numerous legends appear on the walls cheering the Duce, Fascism, the Axis and the Italian Social Republic.

It is learned that in liberated Italy everybody is free to listen in to what pleases them best and therefore people listen in to the Republican Fascist Radio. We know that a small radio set, which was bought on the black market, cost the sum of 9,000 lire. Those who have spent such a large sum have certainly done so in order to listen in exclusively to the Republican Fascist Radio. As can be seen, Italians are now aware of the fact that as everything else is lacking, spiritual food is of some value.

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Messaggio per Renato e Claudio - il contratto è vicino al termine. - Message for Renato and Claudio - the contract is nearing its expiration. La finestra è ben chiusa. - The window is well closed.
La passeggiata nel bosco - The walk in the wood. La casa rossa ascolta - The red house is listening. Attenzione:la casa rossa ascolta - Attention: the red house is listening.

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Other Items

Repetition of war news from the eastern and western fronts, --- Former Bulgarian regents arrested in Sofia, according to the Moscow radio.

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A long and detailed report from Berlin on war operations in the west followed by a Berlin-inspired comment,- Brief mention of the fighting in the east.

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GERMAN BROADCASTS

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The Situation on the Western Front

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On the southern section of the western front there were violent struggles mainly in the area east and southeast of Nancy. Here the Americans threw large formations against our attacking troops on a wide front, during the last few days. Nevertheless a further compression of their area of penetration near Nancy was to be observed.

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Germany's Attitude Towards Finland

Berlin: The Wilhelmstrasse declares, with regard to Germany's attitude towards Finland: We have warned them often and sufficiently. The German people maintain their strong sympathy for the Finnish people. Finnish fugitives - stresses Berlin - will be received in the Reich.

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Three U.S.Correspondents Captured

London: According to a Reuter despatch, three American correspondents have been taken prisoner by German troops near Chaumont.

Review of the Situation (by Wilfried von Oven)

The tragic fate of Finland, brought about by her surrender to Bolshevism, is occupying the public conscience of the world.

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Even Swedish newspapers, which only a short time ago had asked the Finns to come to terms with the Soviets, cannot deny the shock Swedish public opinion received through the brutal treatment given to the now disarmed Finland by the Soviet Union. "Stockholms Tidningen", for instance, writes that Finland is now entirely dependent on the benevolence of the Soviets and will become, in every respect, a mere section within the Soviet sphere of influence.

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GERMAN INDIA SERVICE in English - 1500 - Sept. 22

Communist Rule in France

In France, the Communists have strengthened their hold on the country. In many departments, the local administration is now in the hands of the Maquis, and de Gaulle is no longer an authority there. De Gaulle's authority is jeopardized by the fact that the Allies have so far not kept their promises regarding food supplies for the French population. "At present the inhabitants of Paris receive almost no food at all.

"In southern France, the situation is just as bad as regards the distribution of food. The Anglo-American Allies promised 2,400 tons of foodstuffs to the masses, but not half of this amount has been delivered so far," writes a foreign correspondent. "De Gaulle represents nothing in France", says another report, "he represents neither the French people nor the French army."

Soviet Control Commission

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Dimitrov in Ankara

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In the heavy defensive battles on the Adriatic, the units of the 76th Tank Corps, commanded by General Tanks Herr have outstandingly distinguished themselves, supported by the AA guns of the air force and by naval coastal guns. Between August 26 and September 20 this corps alone has destroyed six hundred and sixty-one enemy tanks.

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Soviet Control Commission Shows Its Power

Helsinki: The Soviet Control Commission begins to take its first measures. For instance, the entire steamship traffic with Sweden has been stopped. Even for diplomats, the postal service has been reduced.

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German Broadcasts

Neutral diplomats, among them representatives of Switzerland have been forbidden by order of the Control Commission to send cipher telegrams or to telephone.

The Maquis Dominion in France

Berlin: Reports from the Franco-Spanish frontier zone emphasise the growing insecurity and terror created by the Maquis groups in southern France. Even neutral consulates have been attacked and plundered by the terrorists.

GERMAN OVERSEAS SERVICE - 11.88 - 2030 - Sept. 22

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Belgrade: It transpires from a communiqué issued by the chief of Belgrade police that the police succeeded in laying hands on the head of the Communist organisation, its executive body for Serbia including almost all of its members, a printing press and a secret radio station in a raid on July 28, 1944. This was the so-called "technical apparatus" which for three years had managed to propagate extensive Communist propaganda. Among the objects seized are the instructions by Tito concerning the propaganda trends for Serbia and the rallying of all Serbs to a so-called "national liberation movement". The list of the people arrested contains the names of officials of the Serbian ministeries and of the National Bank.

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Sertorius on Western Front 1615

Berlin (By Transocean's military correspondent, Ludwig Sertorius). The centre of gravity of the Allied offensive is still on the left wing of the invasion army, particularly in central Holland. Attacks made on Tuesday by the Canadian First Army together with parts of the British Second Army between the mouth of the Scheldt and Neerpelt against German positions on the western Scheldt as well as on the Albert and Meuse-Scheldt canals no doubt were again aimed at tying down the German forces. The extreme right wing of the German western front obviously is to be held down until its operative encirclement and severance by General Dempsey's tank forces, which have advanced toward Nijmegen, have become effective. ....

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Berlin: Details of the Finnish-Soviet agreement concerning rkala which have only now become known show that the Russians ave been granted use of all means of communication to Porkala for an unlimited period of time. This will practically amount to the occupation of Helsinki by Russian troops; in the opinion of the Wilhelmstrasse, as the railway and roads to Porkala go through Helsinki. The Soviet army would certainly see to it that one of its columns will always be moving through the capital, the spokesman of the Wilhelmstrasse explained.

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Only strong police forces can save the country from total downfall. Allied military police patrol the treets of Rome but nevertheless mobs are able to storm the Palace of Justice and to lynch the former chief of prison in bestial fashion. The Communist paper "Unità" can even afford to praise this as a good deed. The impression is received that it is an exception if a prosecuted person is condemned to death by a normal law court.

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Living Conditions in Northern Italy 1200

Milan: (By Walter Seidlitz): The cheapest city in Italy is Genoa at the moment. Milan has the richest assortment of goods. Venice has the best kitchen and rationing is carried out most severely in Trieste, while Venice is the most middle-class and Turin the most revolutionary. The agricultural production of northern Italy is so big that more than twenty-five million inhabitants of the Fascist republic could live entirely without restrictions if there were no transport difficulties. Industrial output is also very extensive despite war efforts. But because the transport situation is the stumbling block in the Italian economic system, living conditions in northern Italy are unsettled. The main problem is transport not production.

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Caruso Is Executed 1540

Rome: Pietro Caruso, former Fascist Chief of Police of Rome, was executed Friday noon by an execution squad at Fort Bravetta, near Rome. He had been sentenced to death on Thursday night.

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Rome Bank Is Robbed 1905

Rome: Burglars who had hidden in the vaults of the Bank of Rome Thursday night made off with fourteen million lire in cash. The hidden burglars held up, overpowered and tied the night watchman making his rounds They took his keys away, took the money and escaped without leaving a trace.

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The Battle on the Western Front 2255

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The principal fact meriting particular attention in view of the general situation in the west is that the German command succeeded in establishing a coherent front, thus overcoming the swift development of mobile warfare. The German command after the break-through at Avranches, which led to the complete isolation of the front line, early enough turned to its former principles. Disregarding many enticing possibilities, the German command immediately aimed at the establishment of centres of gravity with strong units of central reserves in the rear of the front then still lying far behind. Measures adopted by the German command in a very difficult situation are already bearing fruit.

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Extremely bitter fighting developed south-east of the town, particularly with the support of tank formations. The battle is still raging. "Warfen" succeeded in splitting up a minor break-through made by the Americans in the south-western spurs of "Schnee Eifel"; the break was crushed with support of heavy assault guns.

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It has to be expected that after the conclusion of preparations the battle for northern Italy along the Adriatic coast will flare up again.

The left wing of the British army, reinforced by one American corps, restricted its activity north of Florence, after seven days of fierce fighting, to making an advance at a few points only. The offensive did not yield any success except one breach of local importance which, however, was sealed off immediately. No decision was brought about by the capturing of mountains on both sides of Giogo pass. German troops occupied prepared positions in Firenzuola, which offers favourable conditions to the German defenders.

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DNB in German for Europe - 1400 - Sept.20 (Monitored in London)

Allied Planes Attack Hospital Train

Berlin: A few days ago, during a raid on Salonika, Anglo-American aircraft bombed a German hospital train clearly marked with the Red Cross. The hospital train was damaged and the staff suffered casualties.

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Will Bulgarian Troops Remain in Thrace

The agreement between the Greek communist partisan organisation and the Bulgarian authorities, according to which Bulgarian troops are to remain in Thrace, seems to remain the subject of heated discussions. A de Gaullist agency reports from Istanbul that this agreement, the existence of which the Greek emigré government yesterday stated to be improbable, has now been declared invalid. Papandreou, the Greek emigré premier, intends himself to conclude an agreement with Bulgaria. At the same time, Papandreou is making strenuous efforts to play a part in events in Thrace by publishing proclamations to the population and announcing the arrival of his representatives who are to take over authority in Thrace. The difficulties which have arisen, however, seem already to have led to a crisis for the emigré government, which is unable to hold its own against the communist team.

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LEIPZING RADIO in Italian to Italy - M.29.16 - 18.00-September 22

The War in Italy

German troops in the sector north of Florence have decisively broken up all of yesterday's enemy attacks though they were carried out with a considerable quantity of men and material. It is also learned that the losses suffered by the enemy during the past few days are heavy.

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On September 20 alone 106 tanks were destroyed by German troops on the Adriatic front. It also seems that following the heavy lossess recently suffered, the British and Americans have given up their desperate attempts to break through the German line and fan out in the Po valley.

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Rimini Is a Heap of Ruins

Milan - The town of Rimini has been reduced to a mass of rubble by British and American artillery. This fine sea resort of 30,000 inhabitants on the Adriatic coast has been razed to the ground without any military reason as no military target was in the city.

Communist Propaganda Is Increasing in Invaded Italy

Rome - Communist propaganda in invaded Italy is increasing daily. The arrival in Italy from Moscow of another Communist leader, coincided with the first Communist mass meeting at Velletri. Moscow is exploiting the special situation in which Italy now finds herself by creating a state of anarchy which should make it possible for the former to spread propaganda and impose Bolshevik doctrines. Meanwhile, under these conditions, it is not necessary to be a great prophet to anticipate that Europe will be Bolshevik in the case of an Allied victory, in wich case both Britain and the United States will have to give up meddling in continental affairs.

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Rome - Hundreds of thousands of Italian workers, once occupied in factories and business, are now wandering about in the cities and in the country with no work, in the saddest misery, while Allied authorities are not interested in their condition and the Bonomi government is unable to help them. The Bonomi government cannot employ them in industry as factories are paralyzed for lack of raw materials, which were seized by the Allies and taken elsewhere.

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Communist Anti-religious Activity in Italy

Rome: Communist anti-religious activity in invaded provinces is increasing daily. Some days ago a church was invaded by a group of individuals while a service was in progress. They beat both the priest and many of the congregation. As could easily be forecast a clash followed in which many persons were injured.

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RADIO BERLIN (LA VOIX DU REICH) in French to France - 29 m. 1700 M.
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Jews Placed in High Positions in Southern France

In a town in southern France, M. Justin Godart, the mayor, has placed the Jews under the protection of the Municipal Council. M. Godart stated that in recognition of what the Jews have done for their country they will be given important positions in the administration of the town.

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German Labor Legislation

The German Minister of Labor reports that legal protection concerning female and child labor is in vigor in Germany, even after the institution of the sixty-hour week.

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German Food Supplies Assured

Food supplies for Germany are assured even in this sixth year of war, and despite the abandonment of territories recently occupied by us. In spite of all war developments Germany remains faithful to the principle which consists in considering German soil above all as the base for supplies. In this way no important restrictions need be expected in the future.

Monologue of French Journalist to his Hairdresser

Figaro of Paris, my friend, do not condemn me, I beg you; I have nothing about me of the Commander - you and I are but men, we must come closer together in order to understand each other better. One should not get used to the habit of closing eyes and ears and of wanting to dream at any price, even when the dream dissolves. To put you at your ease I shall avoid as much as possible the formulas ... fool that you are, you asked for it. Yes... I told you... but it would be too easy for you, much too big of you to admit yourself that I was right. So two months ago you told me of the exploits of the Patriots who had blown up a viaduct. What does your wife have to say when, worn out, she returns from les Halles, whose aisles are deserted? To whom do you owe the fact that you can't make use of your electrical appliances? Not perhaps to the terrorists who... the electrical power stations and who still fire on the dams? Did the German army have such an enormous need for electricity? What could they have done with it all?

Let us speak a bit about your new clients. It didn't take you long, did it, to see the difference; perhaps for the first time you have realised the differences between the two worlds, the two civilisations - you have no doubt grasped this difference better than from books. Life is a hard school, you see. When you drank your apéritif at the Brébant fifteen days after the armistice you could not yet foresee the arrival of the occupation troops. But when they came they saluted, their discipline and correct manner impressed you. And so? You no longer go to the Brébant - I can understand, there is no longer a place for you. A liberator - much higher than a conquerer, more exigent - that has been imposed upon you. Their slovenly appearance, with a cap or helmit askew on their heads - even in restaurants. But, My God what do you expect, especially since this is a democratic army?

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Cigarettes? With pleasure, but where are the Camels and the Lucky Strikes? Yes, I understand, it's the same as with the cans of corned beef and the tins of... these are not articles of importation. After these troops, if anything remains... There is not even enough left for them. Why? they are living off the country. They will take everything from you. Tush tush, strange isn't it?

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Commentary on Political Situation

The head of the Bulgarian nationalist government has just issued a proclamation, from which we extract the following passages:

"Privation and depression of all sorts, destruction, by fire and steel, of our unhappy peoples, will constitute the most unhappy phase of the Bolshevisation of Bulgaria. Our people were delivered over to Bolshevism, to the yoke of slavery. A government of traitors prevented our ally from accomplishing her mission, kept her from defeating the land of our fathers. The vital interests of our country have been sacrificed without scruple, but all is not yet lost. We must continue to fight with all available means. In this fight, which is a sacred war, we must remember that we are not alone, - on our side are united the power of the German people, her heroic and invincible armies and the tenacious and far-seeing government of the Fuehrer. Victory will judge and victory will be ours.

"Thus by her example Germany gives all of us a rebirth of hope and faith in the victorious end of the present conflict. The import of this gigantic struggle will be clear to those who have not given in to vain ideologies, who consider that in the victorious evolution of this battle will emerge the new order in Europe, in which all states will be able to re-establish themselves."

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Perhaps you did not make note of their "See you soon". You were so impatient to see the others, your liberators. And now you are liberated. How? It surprises you that this is liberation? But what more could you want, there they are - your friends; friends perhaps for not so long. How happy they themselves are!

Now you are straddled with the fantastic grey symphony, it is the last mark of our capitol. Note the text: each revolution, each conflict, each disaster and suffrance, is a ladder which leads higher.

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Have not the hidious aspects of their fighting shown them up to you ever since 1940? The massacre of innocents, the iconoclastic turmoils, the special devastations, those typically empty phrases, this destruction for the pleasure of destroying, killing for the pleasure of killing - was none of this sufficient to convince you. Now they are with you and you begin to tremble like rabbits; and soon, if you do not take action while there is still time against those whom you wanted as rulers, there will be hopeless panic, the terrified flight of the French people, with hagard eyes, features convulsed; women, de-breasted, their hair flying in the wind, drawing behind them their children - all this vision of hell will be accompanied by rifle fire, the sounds of whips lacerating the backs of the daughters of crushed dogs, with human breasts; the cries and lugubrious lamentations of the end of the world. That is what will face you tomorrow if you have no longer in your souls the small glimmer of courage, if you remain spineless enough not to be able to fight back against this flood which will annihilate you - this time you will believe it. Be men, rise up, for you realise what a fighting example lies before you in the efforts of those who are unrelentingly battling, in a fashion never before equalled in history, for the defence of our civilisation, our homes, of that which is dearest to you, for the cause of the new Europe - a cause which is common to that of an imperishable France.

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BALKAN AND HUNGARIAN BROADCASTS

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RADIO ZAGREB in Croat to Croatia - 476 M.-1500-September 21

Fighting in Croatia

The courageous Vares garrison has defeated the numerically superior enemy and rejected their offer to surrender. Heavy battles are in progress in the Banja Luka sector. Our garrison is holding out bravely. Reinforcements have been sent and fierce aggressive actions are in progress in the vicinity of the town.

A number of troops are returning to their units after having realised that they were deceived. Clashes have taken place within the partisan columns in many places. Many partisans of Croat origin have joined our forces. Heavy actions have been carried out in defence of communications. (? Hundred) partisans were captured or wounded.

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Mass Murder of Croats Planned

Karlovac: A soldier returning from the forests says that the Partisan Commissars thinking that he was orthodox, disclosed that a mass murder of all Partisans of Croat origin is being prepared. They must be eliminated because they might protest against the realisation of greater Serbia.

Chetniks Join Partisans

Zagreb: Chetniks have been coming over to the Partisans lately. Communist propaganda points this out as its great success. However, it is appoc that there there never was any actual difference between the two armies in their opinions, especially when it came to the Croat people and Croat state. This fact is illustrated by their announcement that the Yugoslav banner is flying once more over Marien.

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RADIO BELGRADE in Serbian to Serbia - 437 M. - 1700 - September 21

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The centre of their activity was to be Belgrade. However, they failed several times manvers of the National Security searched their shelters and succeeded in breaking their budding organisations. The last and most successful hunting took place in July of this, year, discovering not only warehouses of arms and ammunition, but also communist archieves dating back to 1938, which is most important; all leaders of the organisation were captured.

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Apart from the blows suffered by a Partisan detachment in the country, this was another proof of Communist destructive activity in Serbia.

RADIO SOFIA in Bulgarian to Bulgaria - 850 Kc-1930- September 21

Communiqué No.11 of Bulgarian High Command

There is reconnaissance activity in the valley of the Timok river. On both sides of the Timok river the enemy is continuing to organise his defence. In the direction of Bela Palanka, the operations of our units to improve their positions are continuing. At Kriva Palanka our units are advancing, and through strategical movement succeeded in encircling the enemy in the town. The fighting that is going on is for the annihilation of the enemy. Prisoners were captured. There is no important activity at Carevo Selo. At Strumica fighting is continuing. Facing strong enemy pressure, the 15th Infantry Division continues its heroic defence. Our air force developed great reconnaissance activity. Enemy positions at Kriva Palanka were bombed. All our planes returned to their bases.

Disowned by Tito

It is announced from Marshal Tito's headquarters that Mr. Grigorii Tashkovich, Nemchile Yeich and Paikurich, who, in the name of a certain Yugoslav committee, appeal for the establishment of closer ties between the Yugoslav Liberation Movement and the Bulgarian army and who appeal in their name for the formation of a Macedonian Brigade, have nothing to do with Marshal Tito's organisation.

RADIO ATHENS in Greek to Greece-601 Kc- 1900 - September 21

Comment on Bulgarian Agreement With Greece
(Report originating from Bulgarian sources)

Dear Listeners:

The conclusion of an agreement between Bulgaria and the local Greek authorities caused an immediate reaction on the part of the exiled Greek government.

The official British information service reports that the Greek government in exile categorically denies the conclusion

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river. On both sides of the Timok river the enemy is continuing to organise his defence. In the direction of Bela Palanka, the operations of our units to improve their positions are continuing. At Kriva Palanka our units are advancing, and through strategical movement succeeded in encircling the enemy in the town. The fighting that is going on is for the annihilation of the enemy. Prisoners were captured. There is no important activity at Carevo Selo. At Strumica fighting is continuing. Facing strong enemy pressure, the 15th Infantry Division continues its heroic defence. Our air force developed great reconnaissance activity. Enemy positions at Kriva Palanka were bombed. All our planes returned to their bases.

Disowned by Tito

It is announced from Marshal Tito's headquarters that Mr. Grigorii Tashkovich, Memchile Yeich and Paikurich, who, in the name of a certain Yugoslav committee, appeal for the establishment of closer ties between the Yugoslav Liberation Movement and the Bulgarian army and who appeal in their name for the formation of a Macedonian Brigade, have nothing to do with Marshal Tito's organisation.

RADIO ATHENS in Greek to Greece-601 Kc- 1900 - September 21

Comment on Bulgarian Agreement With Greece
(Report originating from Bulgarian sources)

Dear Listeners:

The conclusion of an agreement between Bulgaria and the local Greek authorities caused an immediate reaction on the part of the exiled Greek government. 3851

The official British information service reports that the Greek government in exile categorically denies the conclusion of an agreement between the Greek government representatives and the Allied Mediterranean Commander-in-Chief, General Wilson, on the one hand, and the Bulgarian government on the other. At any rate, this denial does not state the essence of the issue, because the agreement in question has no relation with the Greek government or the British General, but with the Communist organisation of EAM partisans, which does not feel itself related to Messrs. Papandreou and Maitland Wilson, but follows the instructions of Moscow.

Realising that with the aid of Bulgarian capitulation, Moscow is interested in finding access to the Aegean sea, the information regarding an agreement between Communist EAM and the semi-Communist Bulgarian government is certainly correct.

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Balkan Broadcasts

Divergencies in Greece

Dear Listeners !

As regards the news, according to which the Soviet Union after the Bulgarian capitalulation not only did not demand the withdrawal of Bulgarian troops from Greek territories, but on the contrary ordered that Bulgarian troops be sent to the territories in question, the Wilnelmstrasse spokesman stated that it is certainly possible that the Soviet Union is interested in certain bases in the Aegean.

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"Whether these intentions of the Soviet Union were discussed with the British, one cannot say," said the Berlin spokesmen. "They most likely result from the Teheran conference."

At any rate, the British and Americans did not offer the slightest objection. On the contrary, repeated statements of agreement let it be understood that Britain regards the issue as sold merchandise, which perhaps should not have been delivered so fast and which it no longer counts on. At any rate, it must be written off the British account. How confused British policy is towards the countries of south-eastern Europe, is demonstrated characteristically by the British attitude towards the exiled Greeks. As the Soviet troops are advancing in the Balkans and threaten the British route to India, the differences which existed are now coming to the surface. The differences among the Greeks in exile increased as Soviet troops were seen headed for the Aegean. On one side stands the King and his government. He enjoys the official support of Great Britain. The other group of self-exiled Greeks consists of the armed forces, which are mainly stationed in Egypt. Representatives of all Greek political parties belong to the latter group. The body of officers is considered as Royalist, while the enlisted men have communistic beliefs and follow the orders of the Greek communist organisation EAM. The differences of political beliefs among these parties are great. The British are always ready to collaborate with confidence even with Greek Communists. In this connection, we can compare British policy with that exercised by the Yugoslavs in exile. In this case, as in the case of Yugoslavia, the British officially support the King, Government and Royalists. On the other hand, however, they

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RADIO BUDAPEST in Bulgarian - 549 - 1410 - September 21

Hungarian Telephone Service

The Royal Hungarian post office announces that the telephone may be used without restrictions in territories where there is no air raid.

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Enemy Attacks in Transylvania Subside

DNB reports that in the Transylvanian basin, Soviet and Rumanian attacks have subsided owing to exhaustion; evidently the enemy is awaiting fresh troops. The major part of the Rumanian regiment that broke into our positions near Marosludas, along the Maros, was annihilated.

RADIO BUDAPEST in Hungarian - 549 M. - 1450 September 21

Hungarian Message to Rumania

Attention! Attention! We now broadcast an important message by the Royal Hungarian Government to the Government of Rumania. "The Royal Hungarian Government informs the Government of Rumania that a special train for diplomats, which waited for three days at Lokoshaza, has been sent back to Budapest, since the Government of Rumania failed to answer the Hungarian request. The Royal Hungarian Government calls on the Government of Rumania again to announce its intentions for the exchange of diplomats with the Hungarian Government."

BULGARIAN TLEGRAPH SERVICE in English - 1135 September 21
(Monitored in London)

No News of Bulgarian Terms

Sofia: Ibrahin Xhamri for London "News Chronicle". Filed September 20. Up to last night it was not known here when and wh the Bulgarians will receive armistice conditions. Opinion here is that the armistice will be signed either in Moscow or Ankara.

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We Italians cannot be disinterested concerning the Sicilian problem, which is also an Italian problem, because Sicilian separatism places our national unity at stake. Thus the problem of reform in Sicily is strictly bound up with the economic revival of the island, and consequently of Italy. The introduction of agricultural reform in Sicily would bring economic development and well-being to this island's population, well-being that is necessary also for Italy as a whole. Agricultural reform would also put an end to unemployment, particularly among workers and farm-hands. This reform is necessary to increase agricultural production, the production of bread and all those things that are necessary if starvation is to be avoided.

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Liquidation of Fascist Mercenaries

The Patriots of Turin are indeed worthy of praise for having killed the mercenary Manganiello, chief of the Province of Turin. He was one of the Republican chiefs. It was high time that this traitor to the national cause should cease committing crimes of every kind. This traitor to the Fatherland paid with his life the crimes committed against the Italian people. The other Fascist traitors and their protectors, the Germans, have thus been deprived of one of their most influential chiefs. The Patriots of Turin have given proof of being worthy of the praise addressed to them by Radio Milano Liberta. We are sure that the Patriots of other cities like Milan, Genoa, Trieste, Bologna, will also do their duty. The Patriots have entered into action and this is worthy of praise. The Patriots must clear all regions from the agents at the Germans' service. When the enemies are deprived of their chiefs, things will improve, even in the part of Italy

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Other Broadcasts

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The shooting of the Fascist Chief Manganiello confirms the strength of the Patriots in the Po valley. The Patriots, who are at present masters of the Milan-Turin motor-road, stopped Manganiello's car and shot the traitor and his accomplices.

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Colonel of the Carabinieri Joins the Partisans

The free Yugoslav Radio informs us that the Commander of the Carabinieri, Captain Filippo Corsani, chief of the police forces of Istria, has gone over to the troops of liberation, together with his men. Captain Corsani appealed to the Italians of Istria to rise against the Germans and the Fascists.

War in Italy

As we have already announced, the Allies have captured Rimini. The Allied advance is also continuing in the central sector.

They are now attacking Firenzuola, advancing across the Futa Pass.

Commentary on the Situation in Milan

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RADIO DIFFUSION NATIONALE FRANCAISE in French to France - midnight 15 0800 - September 22

German Officer Assumes Command and Makes Special Broadcast

A German officer talking from a German transmitting station sent a message over the radio announcing that he had assumed command of one centre near the front.

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It was here, he said, that German troops withdrawing from the front were compelled to go back to the fighting zone. Yesterday morning Government authorities gave the order to drive back civilians living where fighting is now raging. "We refused to obey", said the German general, "we do not want either a civil war, or to massacre the population. An officer of the SS gave the order to fire on the people," he continued, "and to hand over the civilian administration to officers of the SS. I then gave orders to occupy all bridges, the railway station and the telephone exchange. We acted in the interest of Germany and we do not fear what history will say. I wish to stress that I was never interested in politics, but I do not want a civil war." After launching an appeal to his comrades on the front to stop useless resistance, he proclaimed "the war is lost! There is nothing else to do". He then stated that a number of measures had been adopted to guarantee food to the population and to enforce order in the region. Military patrols are patrolling the city and everything is calm. The broadcast in question was made between 22.45 and 23.30 on a wave-length of 276 metres. Unfortunately it has been impossible to identify the transmitting station. Before giving the usual communiqué yesterday, the station began to broadcast several times, among the many transmissions of music, the following appeal: "Attention, Attention. You are about to listen to a communication of the utmost importance. The officer who spoke said that until 10.30 in the morning he was... remained within the law, but after that hour he had taken a decision and... It was, he said, after the crimes that had been committed after that hour in the city, at the telephone exchange and at the railway station, that he decided to give orders to the Wehrmacht to occupy public buildings. It is not yet known what reaction this event will have in Germany... the military personality who has taken such initiative and... in the army.

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Signs of Disintegration in Germany

It really appears that events on the German home front are about to take a decisive turn. The German officer who takes the initiative against the Nazi authorities is already one of the first symptoms that disintegration is threatening the roots of Hitler's régime. This evening that German, whom we have not yet identified but who appears to be near the frontier zone, has made some sensational revelations: he must really be a German officer of high rank who, apparently, refused to obey Himmler's orders to charge the crowd.

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This officer denounced the political failure of Berlin, he stated that he considers that the war is lost and that he did not want to begin a civil war.

This general did not obey the order to fire on the civilian population: he has now made his choice between war and peace.

On the other hand, American information agencies are today launching a series of sensational items of news, e.g., that fighting was raging at Aix-la-Chapelle between the Wehrmacht and Nazis and that Hitler had issued an order for the arrest of Marshal von Manstein. Though all these reports must be accepted with caution, there is one which is absolutely exact: this time Germany realizes that she is alone and that her occupation is imminent. This time Germany will be forced to give back all the goods she has stolen, with compound interest. She must settle all accounts.

RADIO SOTTENS in French to France - 4728 M. - 1245 - September 22

Potato Flour to Be Used in Baking Bread

The Federal Council for War reports: "In order to achieve a more rational distribution of the abundant harvest of potatoes, it has been decided to incorporate a certain amount of potato flour in the baking of bread; this measure will take effect on November 1."

RADIO ANKARA in French to France - 31 M. - 1745 - September 22

Commentary on World Events

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Furthermore, and according to reports from the "Daily Mail" special correspondent on the German front, Berlin circles consi... that the war is hopelessly lost and anticipate an imminent coll... of the western front. In reality, the current news despatches reveal that the Allied forces, despite firm resistance from the Germans, are advancing both from the west and the north-west. In the east German armies in the Baltic sector are about to be liquidated.

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The Red Army has approached the Hungarian frontier. The Allied forces in Italy have pierced the Gothic line and continue to advance. The danger threatening the German forces in the Balkans increases more and more every day. The Germans, who once gloried in the superiority of their air forces, are now incapable of defending their mother country. Such is the decisive aspect of things on all fronts, a precursor to post-war plans.

Bulgarian Situation

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RADIO MONTECENERI in Italian to Italy - 256 M. - 19,30 -September 22

New Air Raids on Switzerland

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Swiss Ship Blown Up in Marseilles Harbor

Information received this afternoon by the competent Federal office announced that the Swiss ship "Gioiosa" (or"generoso" ?) hit a mine while manoeuvring in the harbor of Marseilles and was blown up. Commander Bertoghese was killed and several sailors were slightly injured. The loss of goods is heavy.

President Roosevelt on Italy's Situation

President Roosevelt declared that the Quebec conference was studying plans for immediately granting Italians a greater measure of self-government and authority, which might enable them to solve Italy's moral and material reconstruction problems by themselves.

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GERMAN PROPAGANDA TRENDS

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MILITARY

Last Drop of Croat Blood for Germans: The correspondent Wadroslav Weiss reports from Zagreb: "Strengthened by fresh reserves, Croat regiments are fighting against Tito's Partisans for possession of Bajaluka, the largest town in western Bosnia... In Zagreb proper, ... the Poglavnik (after returning from the Fuehrer's headquarters) defined Croatia's position as: to the last drop of blood, in line with Germany."

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Western Front: "In central Holland in the Nijmegen-Arnhem area German troops Wednesday continued their concentric attacks against enemy forces, which, though receiving small reinforcements from the air, again suffered heavy losses... There was no material change in the situation in the central part of southern Holland yesterday... The focal point of yesterday's fighting on the western front continued to be in the Aix-la-Chapelle area... Heavy fighting continued for the Metz-Lunéville area."

Eastern Front: The correspondent von Olberg writes: "The big battle in the Baltic region -- the only battle raging at present in the east -- is characterized by mobile warfare on both wings, while the centre in the region around Modohn and Valga became stationary."

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There is much talk about the Navy in today's broadcasts. The enlistment office of the tenth MAS Flotilla has consigned to Commander Borghese the sum of 173,000 Lire, offered by the population of Milan for the families of the Flotilla's members who were killed in action.

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Much stress is also laid on the letter written by the commander of the German Navy in Italy, to the Under-Secretary for the Republican Navy, Admiral Sparzani. The German Commander has words of admiration and praise for the gallant Italian crews of these small assault units. He particularly stresses the wonderful success achieved against a British cruiser in the month of August and promises new weapons for the Republican Navy.

Pavolini made a surprise visit to the Federation of the Republican Fasci of Milan and was warmly greeted by the Milanese Black Shirts.

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Writing from Pisa, a Reuter's correspondent tells of the terrible destruction caused there. The Fascist Radio draws the conclusion that the Allies' arrival has coincided with the starvation of the city's population.

The same radio mentions the frequent terroristic attacks carried out against the occupation authorities, particularly in Sicily, and says that a special civilian court of justice has been established in Catania.

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A small-pox epidemic which has broken out in Naples is mentioned both by the Fascist and Tevere radios.

Stress is laid on the arrival of new communist Chiefs in Italy, among whom- according to a Swiss newspaper - is the well-known Ruggero Malos.

"Epuration" is being carried out also in the Ministry of Justice. Minister Tupini has decided to dismiss various members, among them the Chief of the Rome Court of Appeal, Fera.

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Vatican Radio

It is learned from Naples, that on the 19th of September the feast day of San Gennaro, the miracle of the blood liquefaction was renewed.

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OFFICIAL WAR COMMUNIQUES

German Communiqué

RADIO BERLIN in German - n. [illegible]7 - 1500 - Septemeber 21

Fuehrer's Headquarters, 21 September

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In the Aix-la-Chapelle sector, strong enemy attacks were repulsed everywhere yesterday. North-east of the town, a gap in our front line was sealed off. In the course of these operations, during a three day period forty-seven enemy tanks were knocked out. After several days' fighting, the enemy bridgehead across the Sauer, north-east of the town of Echternach, has been eliminated with the exception of small enemy detachments. In the Lunéville area, our attack encountered superior enemy armored forces. After fluctuating fighting, our forces in Lunéville were ordered to withdraw to the eastern outskirts of the town. Between Epinal and the Swiss border, only local fighting took place. Enemy attacks against Boulogne and Calais were repulsed. The final resistance of the Brest garrison on the Le Crozon peninsula has come to an end.

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Three German E-boats protecting the flanks of an important convoy, attacked superior units of light British naval forces near Dunkirk, during the night of September 29/30th. By this

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attack, the convoy was enabled to reach its port of destination safe and undamaged. The three E-boats were sunk while fulfilling their task.

The V-1 retaliation fire on London was continued.

In Italy, heavy defensive fighting is still in progress with undiminished strength in the area north of Florence, as well as on the Adriatic coast. In the course of bitter fighting and with heavy losses for both sides, numerous enemy attacks were repulsed. South and south-east of Firenzuola a fairly large enemy penetration was sealed off. On the Adriatic coast, the enemy, attacking with heavy air and naval artillery support, achieved several deep penetrations, some of which, however, were sealed off by counter-attacks. An enemy break-through was again frustrated. In the course of these battles, fifty-seven enemy tanks were destroyed yesterday and one hundred prisoners were taken.

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ITALIAN BROADCASTS

REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy-M.491-0600-September 21

The Southern Front

In the Adriatic sector, British and Canadian units, after having been reinforced, launched repeated attacks against the German positions and were able to widen by a few hundred metres their bridge-head over the Marano river. German counter-attacks are in progress in the Tuscan Apennines. North of Lucca the enemies' pressure has been heavier of late but the skirmishes that are taking place in this area are still of a local nature.

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Other Items

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The enemy has launched violent attacks in the Apennines and at the same time in the Adriatic sector. The enemy thought that in this area the German defence had weakened somewhat, but all these attacks were checked by Kesselring's heroic troops, notwithstanding the fact that the enemy was heavily supported by armor and from the air.

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He managed only to drive a small wedge east of San Marino, which was checked and then subsequently reduced in size by violent German counter-attacks. Numerous enemy tanks were destroyed and 200 prisoners were captured. In the upper Apennine Mountains German artillery broke up large enemy forces which were in process of concentration. The enemy made use of large search-lights in the hope of employing his artillery during the hours of darkness, but German batteries located them and the enemy was forced to give up the scheme.

Terror Raids on Italian Cities

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Office for Solid Fuel Opened in Milan

In accordance with a decree which is about to be issued, an office for the distribution of solid fuel has been created in Milan, with the object of organising and controlling the production of this commodity, and of assigning certain quantities to the various consumers. The needs of industry will be given strict priority, then the requirements of organisations of public interest will be met and finally those of private individuals.

The Caruso Trial Re-Opens

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The Conditions of Industry

The Bonomi government minister received a delegation of industrialists in the marble trade, who pointed out the pitiful conditions of this branch of industry, which has been forced to suspend its work for lack of electric power. This fact has led to the unemployment of two thousand laborers in Rome alone.

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A British Bishop Comments on the Pope's Speech

A British Protestant bishop has made some comments on the present controversy which has arisen following the speech delivered by the Pope. It is evident, the British clergyman stated, that the Vatican's policy is anti-democratic. He further pointed out the dangers which would arise if a Vatican representative were permitted to sit at the future Peace Conference table.

Don Sturzo Upbraids the Allies

In an appeal addressed to the Italian people, Don Sturzo makes some serious accusations against the Allies. He points out that the Allies have not given Italy the help they had promised. In his message Don Sturzo also states that the final outcome of the war cannot be foreseen, and that at the same time no forecast can be made on the developments of events in Italy. We can state, in the light of actual facts, that any hope of receiving help from the Allies is futile. The Italian people are hungry.

Other Items

The war on the western front.--- The war on the eastern front.--- Allied aircraft attack Budapest.--- The war in the Far East.--- Russo-Finnish armistice terms.

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News from the Italian Front

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policy is anti-democratic. He further pointed out the dangers which would arise if a Vatican representative were permitted to sit at the future Peace Conference table.

Don Sturzo Upbraids the Allies

In an appeal addressed to the Italian people, Don Sturzo makes some serious accusations against the Allies. He points out that the Allies have not given Italy the help they had promised. In his message Don Sturzo also states that the final outcome of the war cannot be foreseen, and that at the same time no forecast can be made on the developments of events in Italy. We can state, in the light of actual facts, that any hope of receiving help from the Allies is futile. The Italian people are hungry.

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Enemy propaganda tries to give the impression that the Allies have achieved considerable success in central Italy. Actually, the situation, as based on facts, is as follows:

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In the Adriatic coastal sector the enemy has continued to carry out his attacks in the region south of Rimini. A slight infiltration which had been achieved by the enemy in the sector west of Riccione was repulsed and then wiped out by violent German counter-attack. The city of Rimini, which is now no more than a heap of ruins, is still solidly in the hands of the Germans, who have repulsed all enemy attacks.

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News from the Invaded Territories

The impudence of enemy propaganda knows no limits. A report from Pisa by Reuter's correspondent informs us that the city has suffered very considerable damage owing to destruction caused by war, and that in some ways, the condition of Pisa recalls that of Cassino. Reuter's correspondent goes on to describe at length the damage caused to the city of Pisa and its priceless treasures. He makes out a list of various building which have been destroyed or severely damaged, and points out that the Cathedral, the Baptistry and the famous leaning Tower have all suffered more or less severe damage. Various bombs and shrapnel fell in the Cathedral Square. Many of the artistic treasures of the Cathedral's facade and of the leaning Tower have been more or less damaged.

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The Cathedral itself was hit by a bomb, which caused its precious ceiling to fall. All the stained glass windows of the baptistry were broken. In the famous cemetery, well known all over the world, a bomb fell near the colonnade, and the molten lead which ran down from it destroyed many precious works of art. The whole of the colonnade was destroyed by the enemy's devastating fury. The city lacks electric light and water. The consequences following the arrival of the "Liberators" are evident. Starvation threatens the inhabitants of Pisa who are subjected to Allied administration.

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A terrible episode was allowed to take place before the eyes of the local and Allied police, who, on this occasion, maintained strict neutrality. A man, called as witness during a trial, was seized and dragged away from the halls of justice, beaten almost to death, dragged about the streets, tortured, thrown into the Tiber, hauled out and finally battered to death. His body was then dragged over the cobblestones before St.Peter's and up to the walls of the Regina Coeli Prison, where it was set up to be insulted by the crowd.

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All this happened in Rome, in one of the regions nearest to the Vatican and the Holy Father. Rome, the Seat of Catholicism, Rome the beacon of civilization and of wisdom centuries old, witnessed this episode of brutal folly and violence which is a blot on the honor of the people.

What did they intend doing, those who are guilty of such a crime against civilization? Is this not another proof of the Anglo-Americans' wish to soil the honor of Rome, against which they feel such bitter emnity? Did they deliberately allow this to happen, that they might besmirch the name of Rome, and with it the name of Italy? An official communiqué announces that the Bonomi Government has ordered an investigation to be made the very same day the crime was committed. But on the other hand, the government and the papers seem to take pride in stating that the police had received no orders to fire on the crowd and on the criminals.

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Political and diplomatic circles in the British capital are surprised at Cordell Hull's declarations regarding relations between Sweden and Germany, says the "Aftonbladet". The "Star", which had published an issue containing Cordell Hull's statements, was obliged to publish another issue in which these statements were omitted. All British papers, with the exception of the "Daily Telegraph" and the "Daily Express", omitted to publish Cordell Hull's declarations.

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Labor Inspectors Needed

The General Military Inspectorate of Labor needs staff Inspectors capable of assisting and guiding laborers engaged on the reconstruction of bridges, roads and general construction work. Men of proved loyalty are needed, experienced in organisation, who are willing to share with the laborers any eventual transfers to which they will be subject in accordance with the requirements of their work. These transfers are naturally to take place only in Italian territory. These men should not be over 40, and their physique should be suitable to the job they are to perform. As regards employment conditions, the applicants are to apply to the Military Inspectorate at Verona, Milan or Turin.

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Minister Tarpi points out that in speaking thus, Mussolini painted the ideal picture of State and Labor, and after having referred to the fight carried out for twenty years by Fascism in the social field, and after having exposed the basic principles of socialisation which is derived in fact from such a premise, and is designed to be the first step towards the realisation of the great Mussolini concept, he writes: "Socialisation, even though not denying any of the doctrinal principles of corporativism, makes an effort to correct the error made in the practical realisation of such doctrines and at the same time proceeds to a renewal of the State; and in this it does not start at the top to go down, but starts at the bottom to go up, no longer from a corporation into an enterprise, but from an enterprise into a corporation. This will really represent the expression of a new economic and social structure which, through the corporation, is embodied in the State and becomes a political force, a leading class. Our mind visualises a wide and harmonious picture of the new Mussolinian state, based on liberty, (but on a wider and more comprehensive liberty than that allowed by the liberal state of the nineteenth century, to the capitalist bourgeoisie and to the forces allied to this class and expressed by it), and on right, but on a new right which is not only there to defend capitalism, but on a much larger social scale, which presents itself with its present day requirements, with its determinations, with its knowledge of political life."

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subjected to political control for decades, and submit to goodness
knows what other conditions, which would be imposed by the victors.
Finland and Rumania can teach us a lesson. There can be no welfare
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Nino Barranca illustrates this in an article published by the "Stampa", an article which is full of keen and audacious remarks and which traces the problem back to its original basis:

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3 - In the Jewish plan, there is no antithesis between plutocracy and communism; both serve the Jewish game and whether one or the other prevails, the Jews will always know how to achieve the results they aimed at obtaining.

It is on this third point that the writer lingers at some length and illustrates the overwhelming power of the Jews in the leading Soviet spheres and the complete solidarity which unites all the Jews, so that it is unthinkable that the Jews of Moscow be against the Jews of London and Washington. Thus he writes:

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And so then, we add, this is what the Europe of tomorrow will be like, and that is why we have to fight, resist and conquer, to save Europe, that is to save us all from the most infamous and monstrous attempt at oppression and annihilation that human mind could conceive.

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The Southern Front

Fighting continued today in the central and eastern sectors of the Italian front. British and American troops, supported by new air forces and by hundreds of guns, are making an all-out effort to strike northwards. The stubborn resistance of German troops prevents the enemy from achieving any success. British propaganda, which in the early days of the offensive repeatedly spoke of a break-through on the German defensive front, is now compelled to admit that Allied losses are very heavy and that the German main line of resistance is still holding out, despite the heavy blows struck at it.

Today the Allies exerted strong pressure in the Tuscan Apennine sector, especially south and southeast of Fiorenzuola. In the Adriatic coastal sector the enemy, supported by naval artillery, made only some slight infiltrations, around which bitter fighting is now in progress. Fifty-seven British tanks were destroyed and several hundred prisoners were taken during these operations.

In the Tyrrhenian sector the situation is unchanged. German batteries opened fire against several enemy concentrations and reduced some enemy guns to silence.

German Praise of the Republican Navy

The admiral commanding the German navy in Italy sent the following letter to the Under-Secretary of State of the Republican Navy, Admiral Spartani: "Commander Henau of the German Navy, who directed the action of the special assault craft along the Ligurian coast during the last few weeks, has reported to me. He had words of high praise and admiration for the gallant behavior and the overwhelming spirit of self-sacrifice with which the Italian crews of the midget fighting weapons in this area showed themselves to be inspired. He mentioned especially the names of Lieutenant Commanders Aurillo and Lorenzi (?). This shows that the great success scored by the Italian Navy in the middle of August, when a British cruiser was sunk, was not mere luck, but the well-deserved result of

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Today the Allies exerted strong pressure in the Tuscan Apennine sector, especially south and southeast of Fiorenzuola. In the Adriatic coastal sector the enemy, supported by naval artillery, made only some slight infiltrations, around which bitter fighting is now in progress. Fifty-seven British tanks were destroyed and several hundred prisoners were taken during these operations.

In the Tyrrhenian sector the situation is unchanged. German batteries opened fire against several enemy concentrations and reduced some enemy guns to silence.

German Praise of the Republican Navy

The admiral commanding the German navy in Italy sent the following letter to the Under-Secretary of State of the Republican Navy, Admiral Spartani: "Commander Hanau of the German Navy, who directed the action of the special assault craft along the Ligurian coast during the last few weeks, has reported to me. He had words of high praise and admiration for the gallant behavior and the overwhelming spirit of self-sacrifice with which the Italian crews of the midget fighting weapons in this area showed themselves to be inspired. He mentioned especially the names of Lieutenant Commanders Aurillo and Lorenzi (?). This shows that the great success scored by the Italian Navy in the middle of August, when a British cruiser was sunk, was not mere luck, but the well-deserved result of excellent training, daring and cool courage as well as of an ardent fighting spirit. I hope very soon to be able to present a German war decoration to the men who particularly distinguished themselves and I am sending you and the Italian Navy my most cordial congratulations on this success and on having such brave men. They are the finest guarantee for the building up of a navy, supported by the greatest military qualities.

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"The success scored on August 22 by the crew of motor-torpedo boat N° 75, off the Adriatic coast, when it torpedoed a destroyer, also strengthened my firm belief that the Italian Navy has now returned to the field of battle and is an instrument of high value for our common military effort. For my part I will make every effort to ensure that these brave and tested units will be supplied with the necessary weapons for a systematic increase in naval power, so that they may add new successes to the glorious traditions of the past."

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A Fascist Statement by Badoglio

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On April 21, 1939, former Marshal Pietro Badoglio cabled to "Il Grido della Stirpe", in America, a warm message which is additional evidence of the duplicity of a man whose name is linked with the ill-fated dates of July 25 and September 8. Badoglio wrote at the time: "The twenty-first of April of the Seventeenth Year has found imperial Italy at a new milestone on her predestined march. Italians beyond the ocean! Be proud of your great country, knowing that she is relying on you with confidence, and should it be necessary for us to defend her sacred rights, remember that in the name of the King and Emperor and of Mussolini, the Duce, we always have, and always will win. Regards." Signed: Badoglio.

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The Caruso Trial

A Reuter report says that this morning at the trial of Pietro Caruso, the last police superintendent of Rome, the Public Prosecutor asked sentence of death to be passed.

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"A School of Democracy" (Commentary)

The Anglo-Americans have much at heart the problem of the political re-education of Italians corrupted by barbaric Fascist doctrines, so they have decided to set up a school of democracy in Rome. We believe that, owing to present conditions, courses will have to be hurried up.

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The Allied Command has already become aware of the fact that the Germans have succeeded in getting larger masses of troops safely out of France than enemy war correspondents like to admit and that therefore Allied expectations must not be too optimistic over the fact that the campaign in France was concluded so speedily.

The fighting in central Holland proves that the speed of the enemy advance has slowed down. With German resistance increasing, enemy air-borne landings may be expected to cease completely in the near future. The narrow corridor established by British troops from Neerpelt via Eindhoven to Nijmegen is subjected to the fire of German formations.

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Rembrandt Painting Found in Air Raid Shelter

Amsterdam: One of Rembrandt's most famous paintings, the "Night Watch", has been discovered in an air raid shelter in the Allied-occupied Dutch city of Maastricht, "Algemeen Neederlandsch Persbureau" reported on Thursday. The Amsterdam newspaper "Telegraaf" reports that "Night Watch", as well as numerous other famous Dutch paintings, had some years ago been evacuated to the Dutch province of Limburg, without the public, for obvious reasons, being told of this fact. The newspaper adds that transport of the huge "Night Watch" canvas was extremely difficult.

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A decision will be reached when the growing attrition of enemy reserves of material and sacrifice of Anglo-American youth will be balanced with the German war potential which is being steadily increased by measures of organisation and the development of technical resources. Developments are unmistakably nearing this decision.

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Here as in the Balkans, where the Russian invasion continues, political motives may determine these military plans to a great extent. The Kremlin is surely not merely aiming at the reconquest of Estonia and Latvia.

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On both sides of Tartu German units and Estonian volunteers made repeated counter-attacks and drove the enemy back. The battle in this sector is still absolutely undecided, but a break-through in the direction of the Baltic Sea has again been frustrated.

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Nazi Troops Continue Evacuation Finland 2210

Berlin: Detaching movements of German troops in the Louhi sector of the Finnish front during the past days have continued to develop according to plan. Wherever the Russians attempted to disturb German operations by means of strong scouting parties, they were repulsed with great losses inflicted upon them. According to front reports the departure of German soldiers is proceeding in good order. Reports add that every single German soldier is realizing that the Lapland army is master of the situation. Long columns of Finnish civilians are carrying away belongings on trucks and carrieges following the same route as the German troops.

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Plato on the Italian Front 2110

Berlin: (By Walter Plato) Fighting in the mountains in the area north of Florence during the past twenty-four hours again increased in intensity. The Allies here shifted their focal point of attacks to the area on both sides of the Futa Pass road. They succeeded in making minor indentations into German positions but again had to pay a heavy penalty in losses. An especially vehement thrust was carried out against Monte Gazzarro but the Germans repulsed all attacks. One attack, which had been made with strong forces from the south against Firenzuola, was brought to a standstill by the Germans after heavy fighting in the area south of the town. During the past twenty-four hours the Allies have been fighting for Poggio di Frasca but the attacks have been halted in front of the German lines.

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The coincidence between the start of the Russian offensive on September 13 with the condition imposed on the Finns that Germans must evacuate Finland by September 15 is self-evident. On the eighth day of the offensive the bulk of Soviet divisions employed in the Baltic region increased to about sixty. This fact, together with relative quiet on other sectors (also near Warsaw there were no large-scale operations but merely a testing of the German front on the Vistula), shows that the Soviet Supreme Command ordered the operation aiming at a decision in the Baltic area.

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The persons present drew up a resolution in which the Bonomi government was asked why the promise made to the workmen two weeks ago that they would receive an allowance for the growing cost of living has not yet materialized.

The "Avanti", the mouth-piece of the Socialist party, makes the Allied Control Commission responsible for the fact that the Bonomi Cabinet has not yet granted this and adds: It is necessary that the question of the disbanding of the Allied Control Commission be finally considered. Let us work alone, is the cry that meets the Allies from the whole country. It is not chauvinism, but it shows that we at last feel sufficiently competent to look after our own misery.

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In the whole town there is not a house, and scarcely a cellar left. Hundreds of thousands of shells and numerous bomb-carpets have levelled them to the ground. The invaders have found only a desert; not a base for supplies and reinforcements.

Allied Demonstation Flight to Warsaw

Berlin: On the fifth anniversary of the unconditional surrender of Warsaw during the Polish campaign a great Anglo-American unit of fighter planes made a demonstration flight to Warsaw, in order to encourage the underground movement in their desperate fighting. They dropped a number of Polish assault troop commandos by parachute but they were all shot while still in the air. The descent of the Polish paratroopers took place in daytime.

The Allies' Lying Propaganda

Berlin: News from Italy and France, and now from Finland also, state that the population is suffering from hunger.

Berlin recalls that the Allies declared over and over again in their propaganda that they had already built up big stocks of food to assist the liberated nations.

Instead of liberty they have brought communism and the promised food has proved to be only empty propaganda.

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New Proclamation by Bulgarian National Government

Budapest: Prime Minister Tsankov has again addressed the Bulgarian people. In his proclamation he says among other things: The destruction and the expulsion of the Bulgarian people is a consequence of Bolshevik dominion. The Bulgarian army which was strong and intact has been forbidden by the capitulation government to defend its fatherland. This abominable condition can be defined as the result of the weakly policy of a traitor clique.

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Berlin: News from Italy and France, and now from Finland also, state that the population is suffering from hunger.

Berlin recalls that the Allies declared over and over again in their propaganda that they had already built up big stocks of food to assist the liberated nations.

Instead of liberty they have brought communism and the promised food has proved to be only empty propaganda.

GERMAN HOME SERVICE - 592 kcs - 2100 - September 21

New Proclamation by Bulgarian National Government

Budapest: Prime Minister Tsankov has again addressed the Bulgarian people. In his proclamation he says among other things: The destruction and the expulsion of the Bulgarian people is a consequence of Bolshevik dominion. The Bulgarian army which was strong and intact has been forbidden by the capitulation government to defend its fatherland. This abominable condition can be defined as the result of the weakly policy of a traitor clique.

The proclamation of the Bulgarian Tsankov National Government ends with an appeal to all honorable Bulgarians to oppose with all available means the destructive mania of Bolshevism.

D.N.B. in German September 21

Reduction of Allied Control Commission Requested

Rome: In connection with a meeting of the Italian Socialist party's executive committee, the "Avanti" requests in its Thursday edition the reduction of the Allied Control Commission; two ministers of the Bonomi cabinet were present at the meeting.

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Faith in Germany's Victory in Croatia

Zagreb: Dr. Machanic, the Croatian Minister of Culture, who had accompanied the Croatian chief of state on his visit to the Fuehrer's headquarters, declared on his return: "Croatia's leaders know that Germany will be victorious in spite of all set-backs."

While other European people have lost their nerve and have asked for mercy from the enemy, Croatia will continue the struggle for the life of the nation. The examples of Rumania, Bulgaria and Finland have shown all too clearly that weakness leads inevitably to destruction.

Wilhelmstrasse on the Italian Front

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In Bucharest political circles it is supposed that Patrascanu, the Rumanian communist leader, will soon form a new government to carry out the armistice conditions. Patrascanu is at present in Moscow.

Soviet Laws in Estonia

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Rumania May No Longer Even Complain

Madrid: According to reports from Rumania, Spanish journalists write that Rumania, after its subjection to the Bolsheviks, has no longer even the right to complain. The Spanish comments state furthermore: "In Rumania nothing is left that is not under Soviet control. In every field Rumania has been robbed by the Soviet Union."

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GERMAN INDIA SERVICE in English - 11.7-1500-September 21

Italy

The correspondent of the Swedish paper "Goeteborgs Tidningen" says that the political situation in Allied occupied Italy is becoming more complicated from month to month. The exploitation and decimation of the population is now obvious to everybody. There are thirty-six political parties at work in Italy. The communists are not only the strongest of these parties, but also the most active.

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Bucharest: The Rumanian press lets it be understood that the Rumanian government was only formed to sign the armistice.

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Allow me now, after this short consideration of the military situation, to glance at the situation behind the front of our enemies. You know already, and it has been proved by many details, that the enemy who pretends to be the liberator of the people of Europe, is in reality their oppressor and tormentor. I would like to refer to a few details from a letter fallen into our hands, written by an American aviator to his father; this aviator, an officer from Naples, says: "We live here in the best hotels, a very welcome fact; everything that the army has not taken over is abandoned, every one lives in misery and ninety per cent of the population is in rags. How and where they live is incomprehensible to me. It is terrible to see human beings who simply vegetate. Most of the women go begging or have become prostitutes; it is impossible to walk along the streets without being importuned by dozens of them. Their unscrupulousless is created by hunger." He continues his staggering description in the following manner: "We went along the crowded Via Roma and there we met a dirty mother of about forty-five all in rags with her two small children crying most bitterly. Beside her was a dry crust of bread. We stopped and tried to give her money, but she is so broken down that she refuses it; it is a typically tragic and dreadful scene in one of the towns occupied by us." The aviator continues: "When I saw this woman crying I had the feeling as if the misery of the whole world had come down upon me: sometimes I feel as if I ought to disappear unseen into a corner and commit suicide".

This is the exact wording of a letter, and this man who is used to throwing bombs and sulphur on women and children, has the feeling as if he were ashamed of the so-called liberators of Europe, as if he should commit suicide in order to avoid the consequences of their cruelties. Not even the most ill-willed enemy description of conditions in the territories occupied by us had dared to describe anything approaching such tragic conditions. Let them look round in Norway, in northern Italy or in the eastern territories that we have occupied; everywhere we respect the civil population in those countries that war has forced us to occupy. The enemy does not do so; he is the real oppressor of every European nation.

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The Bolshevik conditions for the Finnish people are another example of this kind of thing. I had to spend more than half an hour last night reading the many pages of comment which the Bolsheviks have added to the twenty-three points forming the Finnish people's death sentence. Everyone who can spare five minutes should throw a glance at these conditions. He will see that Finland is doomed. He will then be determined to take the last steps into the hell of battle and of sacrifice, which still lies before us, rather than accept the road to territories occupied by Anglo-Americans or the way that Firland has taken, when it stopped fighting against the Soviet Union.

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Therefore a short consideration of the battlefront cannot be lacking in a review of the political situation.

With regard to fighting on the western front there is an amount of gratifying news for us, even according to enemy information; this news is better than it was a few days ago. There is, to begin with, the announcement from London that this morning and last night flying bombs were seen in southern England. The official British report adds the old wording: "Damage and loss of life have been caused". This morning the enemy is more reserved in his opinion about fighting in the Dutch area than he was at the beginning of the week. For instance a New York broadcast announces last night: "The Germans have encircled a great number of American air-borne troops", and a British news agency adds the following words to the above announcement: "The battle for Arnhem is bitterly difficult, the Germans are here superior to the air-borne troops, and every hour they throw new reinforcements in the battle. Here the air-borne troops are attacked with tanks and heavy artillery. Also the German air force has intervened during the last twenty-four hours." Eindhoven, Nijmegen and Arnhem with surroundings have had to suffer heavy bombing attacks.

On the situation at the western frontier of the Reich the enemy reports: "The Germans continue their furious counter-attacks on the ridges of the Eifel Mountain; a slight retreat took place". All this is news from the enemy. It cannot be expected that it is to our favour.

In other words the new German military activity is making itself felt, to such an extent that the high-flown expectations of the enemy have had to give place to absolutely realistic considerations. Fighting is going on everywhere and there is no doubt there is a great consolidation in the west, just as on the eastern front where, on the Narev, near Warsaw, at the Vistula and in the Carpathians all offensive attempts of the Bolsheviks have been halted and frustrated during the last weeks. In the northern part of our front, the Soviets are advancing again in a great offensive against our troops in Latvia and in Estonia; the enemy's concentration at this point is considerable. In spite of daylong battles the enemy has been unable to break through, though using massed troops. Local penetrations

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Also in the south our soldiers are fighting heroically, and all attempts to break through have been rendered vain.

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Italian Front

In central Italy, the battles for the possession of the four pass roads leading north and north-east of Florence across the Apennines into the Lombardy plains, have continued to increase in intensity. These passes are protected and integral parts of our fortified defence system. It is for this reason that the British and Americans are first of all trying to gain possession of the side valleys and dominating mountain groups. These heights, mostly wooded, reach a height of from 600 to 1,000 meters. The enemy is employing mainly tanks and battle planes against these positions, in support of his thrusts. During the evening hours of Tuesday, the enemy, after heavy drumfire, launched an attack with reinforced units in a north-easterly direction from the Monte Castel Guerrino(?) sector, near the pass road to Firenzuola. There was extremely bitter fighting, which was still in full swing when darkness fell.

In the Monte Patrone area, the enemy pressed toward the north-east against Monte Paganino, but was decisively defeated here too. In a counter-attack our troops re-occupied Monte Detrasca (?), situated near the pass road leading to Faenza, which had been taken by the enemy during earlier fighting.

In the Adriatic coastal sector, the fierce fighting for the gateway into the Lombardy plains also continued without interruption. The British time and again brought up new masses of infantry and tanks, while our positions were pounded by almost ceaseless drumfire as well as by continuous fighter and bomber attacks. In the midst of this inferno, our grenadiers and parachutists held their ground like iron, repelling all attacks of the enemy who was attacking on a broad front. Heavy losses were inflicted and all break-through attempts frustrated by our troops.

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Review of the Situation, by Dr. Scharping

Dear listeners,

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in all parts of the Reich concentrate their thoughts at home
in these days and weeks on our soldiers at the various fronts.

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GERMAN BROADCASTS

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Other Items

A German authoritative review of the fighting in the west and in the east, stressing the bitterness of the fighting in Holland, including a hint that the situation of Allied air-borne forces in Holland may be considered as serious. In the east, the situation is allegedly well controlled by the Germans.

RADIO TEVERE in Italian to Italy - M.245.5 - 23:30 - September 21

Fascist Secret Organization Discovered by Allied Police

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Other Items: "Izvestia" complains that not a single German soldier, so far, has been disarmed by the Finns.--- The members of the new Finnish Government.--- Swedish comments on Finland's plight.--- The "Daily Mail" criticises the arrival of American business agents in France on the heels of Allied troops.--- American Senator Connolly forecasts that the United States after the war will ask the Allies to give up bases in the Atlantic and in the Pacific.

RADIO TEVERE in Italian to Italy - n.245-22,30- September 21

The Italian Front

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Other Items- Churchill and Stalin will meet again before the end of the year, according to a diplomatic correspondent.

REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - n 491 - 23,35 - September 21

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Berlin: German military circles, in commenting on the violence of the battle now raging in the Adriatic sector of the Italian front, point out that the Commander of the British troops, General Alexander, is attempting to break through the German front at that point before autumn begins. However, the enemy so far has only suffered extremely hard blows, especially in view of the fact that he is compelled to launch frontal attacks.

New Broadcasts to Republican Soldiers

Beginning tomorrow, September 22, "Radio Fante" (the Infantryman's Radio) will broadcast to Republican Armed Forces every day at 1215, 1830 and 2215 hours on the following wavelengths: 216.8 - 221.1 and 449 meters.

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Italian Summer Time to End October 2

It has been decided that the Italian Summer time will end at 03,00 hours on October 2.

Caruso Sentenced to Death

Radio Rome tonight broadcast the following communiqué: "The High Court of Justice sentenced Police Superintendent (questore) Pietro Caruso to death by beingshot in the back. His secretary, Occhetto, was sentenced to thirty years imprisonment.

Apostolic Nuncio Praising Stalin

A deep impression was caused in Chile by the open praise of Stalin and the Soviet Army by the Apostolic Nuncio. In Chilean quarters, the Nuncio's words are interpreted as a wish on the part of the Vatican to overcome the existing differences... between various ideologies.

Brazilian Soldiers in Europe Puzzled (A Commentary)

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The Western Front

Strong German action againstenemy air-borne troops continued today. In southern Holland, the Germans captured thirty-four more gliders, thirty-nine motor vehicles, three armored cars and much war material, as well as a considerable quantity of food. The Headquarters and 2,800 soldiers of the 111th British air-borne Division were captured north of Eindhoven. On the Meuse-Scheldt Canal, the enemy was checked by the German defence. To the rear of this line, the clashes between German security forces and several enemy paratroop units continue. To the south, American forces were compelled to evacuate a bridge-head. In the Aix-le-Chapelle area, the enemy made no progress and suffered heavy losses. It is estimated that in this sector alone, the British and Amzericans, during the past few days, have left 237 tanks on the battle field. In Lorraine, between Nancy and Lunéville, which once again fell into enemy hands, severe fighting is continuing and is still undecided. No fighting of importance is reported from the sector between Epinal and the Swiss border.

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Pavolini at Milan

Alessandro Pavolini, late this afternoon, paid an unexpected visit to the headquarters of the Federation of Republican "Fasci" in Milan. As soon as the arrival of the party's secretary was known, Milanese blackshirts rushed to the Federal Headquarters, where they warmly expressed their sympathy to Pavolini who then spoke from the balcony of the Palace of Piazza San Sepolcro. The party's secretary spoke some words of praise for the strength of Republican Fascism in Milan.

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American Views on Italian Government

The "New York Herald Tribune" states that if the Allies accept the requests of the Communists to organize administrative elections, the Monarchy will be overthrown immediately, the government coalition will be smashed and the communists will assume power.

Other Item: Twelve thousand Finns have arrived in Sweden.

RADIO LITORALE ADRIATICO in Italian to Italy - M.268 - 21.15 - September 21

The Italian Front

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He knew beforehand what was in the mind of Italians. His words would be accepted by Italians like the words of the Gospel because he was a foreigner. Thus, all Italians have a craving for all foreign things. But there should be a limit to what the British propaganda says.

For example, the British propaganda announced the day before yesterday in Rome, at the Brancaccio Theatre, that Italian and Allied workers would gather for a meeting. The English and American representatives told the Italian workers that Italy in her long history has had periods in which many countries had trembled before her, while in others, she was despised by many. "It is your turn now to decide whether you want to build a democratic Italy." British propaganda said that about 25,000 people were present at the meeting. Well, we can begin by saying that 20,000 people cannot gather in the Brancaccio Theatre. Only four thousand people can crowd into the big hall. It is thus clear that the British propaganda has told us a colossal lie.

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RADIO TEVERE in Italian to Italy - 245.5.m. - 2030 - Sept. 21

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Clandestine Organization Discovered by Allied Police

The Caracas Agency reports from Rome that the Allied Police has apparently discovered a vast clandestine organization in the Bari province, of which over three thousand people were members. A hundred and twenty persons have already been arrested.

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In Holland, and to be more exact, between Eindhoven and Nitmegen, all enemy attempts to approach Aix-la-Chapelle, which were exceptionally violent, were smashed by the German defence.

The successful counter-attacks launched by the Germans on the Luxemburg front, as well as on the Italian and Soviet fronts, have inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. His casualties are very high, besides having scores of tanks destroyed. On the Italian front, the battle is raging fiercely. North of Florence, enemy operations have somewhat slackened down, because of the high losses sustained. On the Soviet front, too, Bolshevik troops have been severely tried. One has the impression that the Allies are accelerating the rhythm of their operations in order to snatch some kind of a decision from the war, which they hope will end to their advantage. But their attempts, carried out by enormous masses of men and material, have failed. The Allies feel the weight of the cool determinedness of the Germans, who are organizing themselves in order to deal the final and decisive blow against the enemy. This appears evident not only from the statements made by the Allied press, but also from the recent declarations of a German minister... who affirmed that this war can only come to an end through the annihilation of one of the two sides, and that that one will certainly not be Germany.

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On the eastern front the Russian offensive towards Riga continued today but all Soviet attacks were checked by the Germans. However, the crucial point is still in the Warsaw and Bialystock regions, where all Russian attacks were repulsed.--- News of the war in China and in the Pacific.--- Swiss reports on reactions to the publication of the Finnish armistice.--- The "Nyadagligt Allehanda" is to cease publication.

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World News of the Last Twenty-Four Hours

This is Vindex speaking:
Today's news is of violent activities on all fronts.

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History will certainly be included in the regular courses. And the first lesson of history should be this: During the past war, in order to obtain Italy's intervention, Great Britain made lavish promises. The Treaty of London of April 26, 1915,-and pupils must pay great attention to dates - granted the Trentino, the Upper Adige as far as the Brenner, Trieste, Gorizia, Lussino, Istria, Cherso, a part of Carinthia and Carniola, the Dalmatian ports and almost the whole Dalmatian archipelago to Italy, besides granting Italian sovereignty to Valona and the Italian protectorate of the future Albanian state, simultaneously recognizing Italy's full sovereignty over Rhodes and other Dodecanese islands. In the case of a partition of Turkey, Italy would have received the Adalia territory as well as adequate compensation should England and France colonial possessions in Africa be enlarged.

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In the southern sector of the west front heavy fighting continued for the Metz-Lunéville area. American troops intensified their pressure on the Metz bridgehead without being able to gain any advantage. At Lunéville they continued their counter-attack against German troops advancing on a broad front. Stiff fighting inside Lunéville was continued. To the north and south of the town attacks and counter-attacks followed each other in rapid succession. There and to the north of Epinal, where the enemy succeeded in making slight gains, fighting continues.

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Soviet Tank Losses Are Heavy 2015

Berlin: The success of the German defence in the new great battle in the northern part of the eastern front is shown by the fact that the Germans during the past seven days have destroyed or captured 637 Soviet tanks.

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Bulgarian Diplomats To Be Tried 2020

Stockholm: Bulgarian propaganda.. press that special law-courts will be established which will sentence members of the cabinet and parliament who are suspected of being responsible for Bulgarian policy since 1941, reports. United Press from Sofia.

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Bulgarian Purge of Officers

Amsterdam: The Bulgarian War Minister has ordered a purge of the officers corps of the Bulgarian army, said Radio London, quoting reports from Sofia. Moreover, special politically trained commissars are to be appointed for the Bulgarian army.

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In the middle of July, Wemmer was taken to Taormina, in Sicily. Renewed Vatican protests, urging the return home by way of a neutral country of Wemmer and the other members of the German Embassy to the Vatican, who are also at Taormina, were disregarded.

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German Defences Hold in Northern Italy

Berlin: Along the entire front, German defenders have intercepted the assault of the Allies. North-east of Florence, we regained a number of mountain positions in counter-attacks.

In the Adriatic sector, a slight straightening of the front led to the gaining of further reserves. German troops have taken up favorable positions on heights from which they dominate all approaches. British batteries and naval guns have vainly tried to interfere with our systematic movements. The eastern approaches to the Po valley are still barred.

DNB - for Germany - 0843 - September 20 (Monitored in London)

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By cool fighting and discipline the men occupying strongpoints and naval assault parties carried out their assigned task, and inflicted heavy losses on the insurgents.

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Evening Press Survey

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The "D.A.Z." carries a report from Stockholm on another stream of refugees from Finland. Deep depression, caused by the Moscow dictate, made these people move.

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In addition to its three thousand inhabitants, Haparanda has to give shelter to 30,000 strangers. Only a small part of north Finland's civil population, however, has entered Swedish territory. Most people have retired to neighboring Finnish provinces. The whole of Finnish Lapland is deserted.

RADIO BERLIN (La Voix du Reich) in French to France - 29 M. 1700

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This soldier is the striking type of man of the Europe of tomorrow; these Europeans, these men realise why they are fighting -they fight to defend and to assure the triumph of occidental civilisation over Jewish-capitalistic imperialism on the one hand, and the communist invasion on the other. They have confidence in the forces of that nation which know how to assume the direction of this movement - Germany- and that is why they know that Europe will win.

Commentary by André Delou

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In the course of the operations which took place on the Adriatic sector, the enemy lost sixty-seven tanks, and over one hundred men, who were taken prisoner.

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Will a Reactionary Government Assume Power in Italy?

With the pretext of creating in Italy a democratic government, Communist propaganda is paving the way for the assumption of power by a Bolshevik reactionary government in the Italian territory occupied by the Anglo-Americans. The Bonomi Government is absolutely powerless to tackle this reaction, either because it has not an adequate police force or because inside the Cabinet there are a few elements who are very near the reactionary parties, or are themselves members of leftist parties.

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And, as good fortune never comes singly, we have just learnt that control of the newspapers now appearing in Paris, from "Figaro" to "l'Aube", not forgetting "Combat" and "Liberté", will be taken over by M. Georges Combault, Commander of the Legion of Honor (of such happy memory). If you leave out the tie and the nose of this personage, nothing remains but a man named Weiscott, son of Moses Weiscott, Rabbi and sworn translator, and Marguerite Fromberg. Grey Eminence of discord, a man of few words and many deeds, Georges Combault, also called Pierre du Clain, will set abput reconstructing the Popular Front. There is only one shadow in the picture: the story of "Ce Soir", which is now under the directorship of Jean Richard Block. You know him well, don't you? He was tha author of that infamous piece presented at the Algiers Opera and entitled "Toulon" - a play which will soon be presented in a subsidised Paris Theatre before being filmed. The little argument between Baistock and Block will be smoothed out; between co-religionists matters can always be arranged. Let us go to the dress rehearsal of "Toulon", to the filming of the first scene of the film of the same name. That will be an excellent occasion to tell these gentlemen .... that Frenchmen are just as childish as ever.

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OTHER AXIS, AXIS-CONTROLLED, CLANDESTINE AND NEUTRAL BROADCASTS

RADIO MILANO LIBERTA' (CLANDESTINE) in Italian to Italy - 31 M. - 0830 September 21

As has already been reported, the Parisian Committee of Liberation has assumed the direction of the municipal council of Paris. During the meeting held on September 12, it was decided to favor the sending of groups of Patriots into the fighting regions to help the Allies in the liberation of France, and for the reconstruction of civilian abodes. After the meeting the National Movement for Liberation voted the following resolutions: 1) The immediate arrest, without exception, of all ministers who signed the French capitulation and who collaborated with Germany, Marshal Pétain included. 2) Trials for treason to be started immediately. 3) Seizure of property belonging to traitors, the handing over of said property to the Purge Commission and a radical reform of the Republican Administration. 4) Nationalization of all great enterprises of public interest, such as electric power, banks, insurance institutes etc. 5) Reform of the French Army, whose central nucleus should be constituted by Partisans and sharp shooters.

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Other Broadcasts

The truth concerning what is happening on the front must be sought elsewhere. It is to be found in the scant use made of infantry troops and tanks. Anyone who follows attentively the trend of the Allied offensive cannot have failed to notice which particular we are alluding to. The communiqué announces that on one tract of the front, Polish, Greek and Brazilian units are operating, while the Allies' main forces have not yet gone into action. Consequently, localities such as Lucca, Prato and Barberino have been occupied by Patriots. The Allies have often pointed out that the Allied armies in Italy are among the most powerful and best equipped Allied armies. Either Alexander is awaiting further means to launch a powerful offensive, or else he wishes to wear down the German forces by degrees, thus obliging Kesselring to withdraw to the Alps. Both these hypotheses appear probable.

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RADIO MILANO LIBERTA' (Clandestine) in Italian to Italy -31 M.-
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The Southern Front

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(Repetition of news given in preceding broadcast.)

Nazis Want our Synthetic Fuel Plants

The Nazis also want to steal our synthetic fuel plants. In fact, the Germans are dismounting the machinery in the factories producing synthetic oil in Genoa, Sestri Ponente, Bologna and Trieste.

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As a result of this news, which is confirmed the Germans are reserving another misfortune for our country. Just think what it means, depriving us of the machinery for producing synthetic oil. We have no oil-wells, our economy, our patrimony and our railways have been pillaged by the Germans so it will take some time to re-establish railway traffic. The only means we have for the prompt re-establishment of traffic is the use of lorries, for which petrol is necessary. It is true that petrol can be imported from abroad But to do this, tankers are necessary, and we have no tankers because the ones we had have either been taken or sunk by the Germans.

If the United Nations supply petrol they want to be paid for it, and we have not one ounce of gold, because all the gold we had has been stolen by the Germans and by the Petacci bands. The only means with which we can face the German robber with determination is to force him to let go his prey which he is about to take away with him. At all costs, we must prevent the Germans from stealing our plants. The laborers in the factories must organise a defence in co-operation with our Partisans, and they must act promptly in order to prevent the seizing of our machinery by the Germans. Petrol plants are national property, and they are needed for the reconstruction work to be carried out in the country. They should not be given to the enemy, who has ruined us.

RADIO DIFFUSION NATIONALE in French to France 1115M - 1230-September 21

Editorial by Paul Ses...

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In the Balkans, the presence of the Allies in Bulgaria and their thrust in the direction of Salonika, solves the oriental question in every aspect. Russia will, in fact, appear in the Mediterranean in the Straits. Russia has, for a long time past, exerted her influence on this part of the continent and, as far as the eastern Mediterranean is concerned, this influence is certain. Let us recall the rôle played by Russia after the last war, and the conditions which brought about Italy's entry into the war.

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If for the last twenty-five years we have witnessed a certain political isolation, this could not be expected to go on for ever, and must naturally come to an end on the day when Russia, thanks to the brilliant victories won by her armies, has resumed anew her rôle as a great Power. This would be, according to German propaganda, the triumph of Bolshevik imperialism, perhaps. Should we say, with Mr. Goebbels, that the Red Army is about to enslave the Balkan populations? Up to the present, the moderation proved by the Kremlin has strengthened our belief in Stalin's diplomatic wisdom.

Relative to this, we will recall the declaration made by Mr... Rumanian Minister for Foreign Affairs, who, among other things, stated that Rumania will never in the future permit her relations with the Soviet Union to be boycotted. Rumania desires to entertain friendly relations with the Soviet Union, and is entirely sincere in this, having utter confidence in the Soviet Union. The Rumanian Minister went on to state that Rumanian politics will seek the support not only of the Soviet Union, but of Great Britain and the United States as well, and her politics will also be inspired by her traditional friendship for France.

Everything thus leads us to believe that all these questions will be solved in a spirit of good understanding and moderation. Agreements between all nations will assure fair divisions.

Turkey also finds herself in a favorable frame of mind to settle her relations with the Allies and especially with the Soviet Union; this is proved by the choice made in the person of her Foreign Minister, Mr.... We are, in fact, convinced that the future allotment of influence in the Aegean Sea and in the Black Sea will undoubtedly cause the principles of peace to flourish.

RADIO SOTTENS in French to France - 47,28 M. - 1245 - September 21

Switzerland to Accept French Children Refugees

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Minister went on to state that Rumanian politics will seek the
support not only of the Soviet Union, but of Great Britain and the
United States as well, and her politics will also be inspired by
her traditional friendship for France.

Everything thus leads us to believe that all these questions will be solved in a spirit of good understanding and moderation. Agreements between all nations will assure fair divisions.

Turkey also finds herself in a favorable frame of mind to settle her relations with the Allies and especially with the Soviet Union; this is proved by the choice made in the person of her Foreign Minister, Mr.... We are, in fact, convinced that the future allotment of influence in the Aegean Sea and in the Black Sea will undoubtedly cause the principles of peace to flourish.

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Other Items:

Western front.-- Finnish Home Minister addresses an appeal to the Finnish people.

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RADIO ANKARA in French to France 31 M.-1745-Sept.21

Comment on the General Situation

The conclusion of the armistice between the Soviet Union and Great Britain on the one hand, and Finland on the other, reveals once again how fragile is the illusion on which the Nazi cause is based and how desperate is the German situation.

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Furthermore, the Germans are faced with a desperate situation in the Balkans, from which they are trying to withdraw in the direction of Hungary; meanwhile, the Soviets and Marshal Tito's forces are even more seriously harassing and threatening the German troops.

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Vatican Denies that Pope Presented Italian Post-War Plan to Allies

"L'Osservatore Romano" denies reports from American sources, according to which a plan for the reconstruction of Italy was elaborated in a special message from the Pope to Monsignor Spellman, Archbishop of New York

RADIO MONTECENERI in Italian to Italy - 260 M. - 19.30 - Sept.21

...One hundred and ninety-three federal railroad stations within the border were marked with the national emblem, the size of the crosses being up to eighteen metres.

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New Air Violations of Switzerland

It is officially announced that on the night prior to and during the morning and afternoon of September 21, Swiss air neutrality was violated by aircraft whose nationality could not be ascertained, which flew over the south-western and north-eastern border regions. The air raid warning was given in Switzerland's eastern and northern areas.

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Hitler Sick

It appears that Hitler is quite ill; he is residing in a special train, guarded day and night by the faithful.

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RADIO MONTECENERI in Italian to Italy - M. 256 - 21,45 - September 21

Official Visit to Red Cross Central Bureau for War Prisoners

The members of the Council of States yesterday visited the central bureau for prisoners of war at Geneva, upon the invitation of Professor Huber, President of the International Red Cross. They were received at the station by cantonal and municipal representatives and they first visited the office where the correspondence for prisoners of war is received. Then they saw the headquarters of the identification and research services of both war prisoners and civilian internees. Professor Huber stressed the main lines of the work done by the Red Cross International Committee, and announced that the bureau for prisoners of war is now engaging more than three thousand individuals, in addition to over one hundred delegates scattered in forty countries. The bureau has a small fleet of three Swiss ships and ten others flying foreign flags but chartered by the Red Cross. The President of the Council of States expressed the warm thanks of the country for the immense work carried out by the International Red Cross for the assistance of prisoners and war victims.

Other Items:

No evening news on the fighting in Holland and Belgium, but a repetition of London afternoon news, supplemented by this evening's German-inspired review of the situation.---Macedonia will be free to choose her own government, according to the Bulgarian Propaganda Minister.

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Summary

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Rumania: According to the German Overseas Radio, "the Rumanian governmental clique submits without reservations to the Bolsheviks and aims to eliminate the former ruling circles in Rumania."

Bulgaria: "In Bulgaria, the Soviets have established special courts for the trial of all non-Bolshevik elements."

Greece: George Schroeder, the Chief Editor of Transocean, states: "There is no longer any doubt that the Soviet Russians want to include Greece in the Balkan region dominated by them."

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MILITARY

Still Another Weapon: German propaganda continues to elaborate its well-established trend of promising great future gains from new or secret weapons, which are usually described as about to be manufactured "within a short time." Recently great publicity was given to the Tiger Panzers as a sort of super-tank. Today the German Overseas Radio plays up a new successor to the Tiger Panzer. This "new German tank model, now being built in mass production," is named the Panther Panzer. "Within a short time," (in the words of the German Radio), "many thousands of these Panzer will be ready for use against enemy armies."

Western Front: "In the area south of Aachen, American attacks clashed with German counter-attacks, in the course of which the Germans during the past twenty-four hours were able to gain ground at several places. The German counter-attack stopped the Americans who were engaged in starting an outflanking attack from the area of Verviers and Eupen toward Stolberg. In the fighting which followed, the Germans recaptured several fortifications which had been lost in the previous days."

Eastern Front: "The Rumanians and Soviets, in consequence of their exhaustion, suspended their thrusts in the direction of the Torenburg area... Southeast of Sanck, the Soviets crossed the San... On the northern wing of the eastern front the Soviet thrusts did not yield the attempted break-through... The Soviet offensive came to a standstill west of Modohn."

ITALIAN PROPAGANDA TRENDS

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Air-borne Troops Surrounded: The Fascist Radio not only does not admit the Allied report of the linking up of the British armies operating in Holland with the air-borne units dropped behind the German lines, but, on the contrary, maintains that these units "were hedged in by a compact German ring". The ground forces, which are said to have attacked frontally, "were repulsed, and did not succeed in their attempt to link up with the air-borne units."

In all other sectors the situation is said to have remained unchanged.

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Other Items

News from the western front. --- News from the eastern front. --- The Fuehrer receives Ante Pavelic, Chief of the Croatian independent state, which is faithfully collaborating with Germany. --- The armistice between Russia and Finland was signed in Moscow yesterday; the Finnish population is far from being satisfied with its terms. --- Reuter reports rumors coming from Swedish political circles according to which a Soviet Control Commission would be set up in Finland. --- Radio Moscow announces that the Finnish premier is at death's door, after having learned of the terrible peace conditions imposed on his country. --- The British War Minister made a tragic error in stating that V.1 bombings are over in England.

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Press Review

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The Vatican and the Allies

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Rolando Picci in recalling in the "Corriere della Sera," the date of... writes among other things... "Even if today, part of the Clergy has not adopted an attitude in accordance with the Vatican agreements... Even if the instructions given by the Holy See for its policy have always maintained themselves... and as the Holy See has also shown its unwillingness to recognize the Social Republic, I believe, as an Italian, that the Vatican agreements should not be tampered with, because I believe they are favorable to our country both abroad and within the country itself."

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The opinion of the eminent writer coincides with that of all Italians, even if...

The White House has announced that President Roosevelt has received a message from his special representative to the Vatican, in which it is said that the Holy Father has expressed his satisfaction at the behavior of the Allied troops in Italy.

This in truth is an opinion which differs from that of many million Italian Catholics. Evidently Pius XII has forgotten the bombing of cities and villages, the machine-gunning of defenceless populations, the rape of women. Perhaps His Holiness is only speaking of the Allied troops which occupy Rome? It is not humar however, to concern oneself only with the population which lives in the shade of St. Peter's cupola, and neglect millions of other Italians who are also his children.

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In short, elaborate staging was wanted and it is not to be excluded that the Bonomi Cabinet probably gave up all its ~~time~~ during a recent meeting to the organizing of this trial, which was intended to assume the proportions of a major trial.

All the rest was famine, bombing, ... this poor Italy of ours which should be looking towards a better future, mattered not; only Prefect Caruso mattered ... miserable .... and infinitely painful ... of a sold government, which without ... bayonets would have been wiped out in blood ... of their dirty persons.

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According to reports this news was learned with great satisfaction by the local population, which sees in this venture the checking of the black market in matches, the price of which had increased to astronomical figures.

Allied authorities continue to blow on the glowing embers of Sicilian separatism.

The speech delivered by Minister Ruini at Palermo has given the cue to the Allied press to suggest that an important loan should be made to Sicily in order that the island's railways and roads might be promptly repaired, thus permitting Sicily to prove her autonomous possibilities.

The Art of Governing (Very poor reception)

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The general test, by which the Bonomi government should have obtained the necessary certificate of merit from the Allies, was to culminate, after the written examination, in the practical examination of the Caruso trial. Why Caruso? The choice of the victim was of no importance because the figure ... as long as they were suitable to come up before trial as exponents of Fascism with at all the mise-en-scène of a clamorous trial, which Allied propaganda has been able to transform in an equally clamorous accusation against Mussolini's régime. Caruso was therefore chosen, valiant, courageous ... the same who, shortly before Rome's fall ... had faithfully obeyed the order by which he was transferred from Rome to another city in northern Italy. A righteous man, faithful to the Régime, among other miracles he had succeeded in accomplishing that of keeping ... The excellent Caruso had known how to maintain order in Rome despite extremely difficult conditions.

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ITALIAN BROADCASTS

REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - M.491 - 0600 - September 20

The Southern Front

In accordance with a despatch sent by the special correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph", all the attacks launched by the 8th Army have been checked by the very stiff resistance put up by Kesselring's troops. In several points German troops counter-attacked. In the Adriatic sector the enemy managed to drive a narrow wedge into the German positions but it has been limited. In the Tuscan Apennines fighting continues with unabated violence.

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Other Items

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in French to France

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Other Items:

The U.S.S.R.'s armistice terms to Finland.--- The U.S.S.R. threatens Turkey.--- Roosevelt's campaign.

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - 491 m. - Sept. 20

(Poor Reception)

News from the Italian Front

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News from the Invaded Territories

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In Italy, the heavy defensive battles in the area along the Adriatic have reached their climax. Yesterday, our heroically fighting troops, some of them in new positions, were again able to prevent an enemy break-through. To the north and north-east of Florence, enemy attacks were repulsed and local penetrations eliminated by counter-attacks.

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Appeal to Fascists in Northern Italy to Join Partisans

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OFFICIAL WAR COMMUNIQUES

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The V-I retaliatory fire against London continues.

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"Obviously, the Pope has forgotten the bombing of villages and the machine-gunning of defenceless populations." The paper believes it "inhuman" of the Pope to take into consideration only the population "living in the shadow of St.Peter's", and to forget the millions of other Italians, "who are also his children."

Allied Atrocities: Contrasting with the above statement, which would infer that in Rome, at least, the behavior of Allied troops is correct, another feature again gives the various stories about atrocities said to have been committed by Allied soldiers in the capital. It is claimed that Allied soldiers refuse to pay for their meals in restaurants, offering "worthless pieces of paper instead of money." The report of an earlier curfew for women is also repeated, "but even this measure, "is insufficient as many soldiers have not hesitated to enter houses and commit acts of violence of all kinds."

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Violent Fighting in Italy: The main obstacle to all Allied advance in the Apennine sector is the German heavy artillery, embedded in rock-caves, and immune to all shelling and aerial attacks, claims the Fascist Radio, "All Allied attempts to reach the Futa Pass have again failed."

A particularly violent battle is said to have been fought in the Adriatic sector, on a front only ten kilometres wide. "Both sides suffered exceptionally heavy losses."

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Fascist Threat in Event of Harm to Caruso: The Fascist Radio again takes up the matter of the lynching of Carretta, and claims that no government can exercise its rights, and maintain public order, "unless it is based on idealistic and moral conceptions." The broadcast then notes with some satisfaction, that "the big test trial against Caruso, prepared by the Anglo-Americans, and meant to be a resounding accusation of the Fascist régime, has proved instead a resounding failure even before it started."

Reverting to the personality of Caruso, the Radio describes the late Police Chief of Rome as "an upright and courageous person, who succeeded in maintaining public order in the city under the most difficult circumstances." The feature ends with a definite threat: "Comrade Caruso, you are not alone, all Italy stands by your side. The Republican Italy has both the arms and the means for the most pitiless reprisals."

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy -M.491--1900--Sept.20

The Southern Front

In Italy the battle is raging with undiminished violence. British and Canadian troops in the Adriatic sector, after bringing up new forces, repeatedly attacked German defensive positions and succeeded in extending their bridgehead beyond the Marano River by about one hundred metres. In the Tuscan Apennines, hard fighting is going on around Mount Castel Guerrino and Mount Pratone (?). The Allies suffered very heavy losses in this sector, without succeeding in scoring any success. Enemy pressure increased north of Lucca but fighting there is still of a local character.

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The coal department of the Ministry of Corporative Economy in collaboration with German authorities is working hard in an effort to ensure... the supply needed for the coming winter. All provincial councils of corporative economy will soon receive precise instructions on coal distribution subject to the condition that German deliveries are received with the regularity of the past few months.

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The Situation is Critical in Invaded Italy

Information supplied by eye-witnesses who succeeded in crossing the fighting lines and by British newspaper correspondents confirm that the situation is critical in invaded Italy.

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During the first seventy days of Allied occupation the Rome population received a daily bread ration of only seventy grammes. It is useless to say that this ration could not be increased owing to the exigencies of war, i.e., the lack of transportation for civilian purposes. Today the situation is worse than it was before following the beginning of the activity of a special organization of Jews led by a certain Sermoneta, a former Italian emigrant who is head of the food supply commission. The task of this organization should be that of collecting and requisitioning cereals in the neightboring provinces. Jews at Sermoneta's orders seize everything they can find and are..... through an organization with which the authorities have no connection. This explains why a kilo of bread costs lit.280(?) in Rome.

Allied Behavior in Rome

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Dissatisfied Invaders (A Commentary)

On the occasion of his recent visit to Rome, Churchill, among others, also received Ivanoe Bonomi: the master on his way called his employee to report. Let us again examine this little event as it deserves. What was said in the Roman talk is not known but it should not be difficult to imagine it on the basis of the communiqué issued immediately afterwards which without.... stressed its substance almost incidentally.

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Bonomi must have told Churchill that everyone in Italy was in a state of agony owing to famine and unemployment. There is lack of bread and of work and he should have decided that if the belligerents do not rush some help, one sad day they will find themselves with a dead Italy on their hands.... Even Reuter's said that "practically the Italian people have already received from us more then they had asked for after their liberation. Now if they want further help they should show they deserve it by fighting and working for the common cause". These words show that the Italian people did not ask for liberty that... chains of slavery; that the Italian people are not inclined to fight for the so-called common cause and that, finally, the Italian people have not yet shown they deserve the right to have - as Reuter's puts it - something else. We know all this very well and it was not at all necessary for Reuter's to confirm the certainty upon wich our faith in the Fatherland's rebirth is based. It is a great pleasure for us to know that the enemy, the invalor, through his great news agency states his dissatisfaction with the Italian people and reiterates that there is no reason for paying special attention to them, considering that they are doing nothing, absolutely nothing, to help the cause of the United Nations. Here we have more evidence that the Italian people, far from betraying, actually were betrayed. They suffered from a crisis of fear and moral collapse when it was proved the traitors' clique,... the open indifference, the equally evident sabotage. Between Palermo and... Florence the Italian people's conscience has made great advances.

A List of Civilians

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Other Items

The situation is practically unchanged in the west. --- In the east the German air force restored the situation in favor of the German troops in the crucial sectors of the battle. --- The rupture of diplomatic relations between Spain and the United States is widely requested in Washington. --- The Finnish armistice delegation has left Moscow. Swedish comments on the armistice. --- A war tribunal was set up in Bucharest by communists immediately after King Michael's betrayal. --- French public opinion is very dissatisfied with the results of the Quebec conference.

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World News of the Last Twenty-Four Hours

This is Vindex speaking: In the general scene of the war situation today we must report stiff German resistance on all fronts.

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In some sectors, as for instance in Holland, the troops of the Reich have launched some powerful counter-attacks, pinning down the British Second Army. In Holland, as well as in the Balkans and on the Italian front, from Florence to the Adriatic coast, the enemy has lost an enormous quantity of men and tanks.

Submarine activity is certainly not at a standstill, but rather it is marked by an accelerated rhythm. The last German communiqué announces the sinking of two enemy frigates and four merchant ships in the Channel. This brief trip across the various war fronts may be concluded with the news, of British origin, that the rain of flying bombs over London continues uninterruptedly and relentlessly.

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Italians, to arms! Oust the invader from our Land. 3805.

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Partisan Atrocities: The Death of Manganiello

Some days ago, at the entrance of the Milan-Turin motor road, a woman was patiently waiting to find a seat in a car going to Turin. She had urgent need to go there. We have not been able to learn either her name or the motive of her trip. We only know that the woman was expecting a child.

A car went by, and the woman asked the driver for a lift. The occupants asked her to come with them and gave her the best seat, near the driver, owing to her condition. The car went off. In two hours, they should be in Turin.

Who are the occupants of this car? She does not know. She only knows that there were two soldiers and a very kind person who gave her the best seat. She knows that she will have to thank them, once in Turin, for having arrived there safely and quickly.

In two hours, she will be in Turin. One hour is already over. It is great to look at the country-side. Down there, to the right, there are the great mountains of Piedmont. In the sky, swallows are flying with great speed. Time also is flying.

One hour and a half. How beautiful that little red house is, in the midst of the trees, surrounded by that small garden. "Who knows if we too shall have a little house like that one day, with our child, she thought.

The woman's thoughts succeeded one another rapidly. But what is interrupting the uniformity of the great asphalt road? Somebody is signalling. A soldier, two soldiers, a third one, signal the car to stop. There must be a control station. The car slows down and stops before the armed soldiers. Yes, it is a control station.

-Documents.

The woman opens her bag, but the driver has already answered:

-Service. The Chief of the Province.

The patrol's machine-guns are aiming towards the car's windows -Get down, everybody.

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Raffaele Manganiello asks his aggressors to let her go. He explains that he does not know the woman, that she got into the car by chance and that she is going to be a mother.

-You are men, he says, and you must not and cannot hurt her.

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However, they are not men, they are bandits. They are the so-called "Patriots" of London Radio and Co.; they are those who consider themselves and want others to consider them as "knights of that faithful patriotism for which Garibaldi's red shirts insurged and won". Around their necks, they wear a red circle; however, it is not the red of Garibaldi, but the red of Moscow. They are criminals at the orders of a few foreigners, come down from the skies.

How can criminals have feelings of pity for a woman who is expecting a child?

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On the grave of the murdered mother and of her son who will never be born, there is a cross without a name, as everything she had was stolen from the woman. The so-called "Patriots" have left nothing which might help us to discover her name. They stole everything, after having tortured and killed.

We should like to write on her grave: "Here lies an innocent woman, killed with her child through the infamy of the bandits." Such are the rebels, people of the invaded lands. Those which the London radio and the others call the "revival of our Fatherland" and give as an example to the Italians, calling them "rebels", "patriots" and "partisans", are instead bandits, murderers, people without honor, without soul, without any kind of ideal; vulgar criminals with a red circle around their necks.

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Maria Isaia, Milan - to ... Elena, Piazza Beinsizza 10, Rome: I am waiting for news of you all. We, Lella, Carmelino, Cecchino, Salvatore are well. Appendicitis operation avoided for Tinuzza, who is getting better. Kisses to all.

Umberto and Clara dal Po, Milan - to Elsa Dal Po, Bari: We are all well. We are worried because we have no news of you. Kisses.

Franco Monterosi, Milan - to Emilio and Gina Monterosi, Bari: We are without news of you. We are well. Kisses.

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Gaetano Greco, Milan - to his mother in Castrovillari (Cosenza): Mother dear, I am well, but I would feel much better if I received something, even a greeting.

Message to the Women in the Invaded Territories, on the Occasion of the Italian Women's Week

Virtually united by the indissoluble bonds of common anguish for the painful fate of Italy, and by our unshakable faith in her revival, our thoughts, during this week dedicated to Italian women, to honor their sacrifice, their courage and their heroism, go particularly to you, our sisters.

We want you to know that on this side of the barrier which divides us, we are working, struggling, fighting and thinking of you, with the aim of bringing you back liberty. Remember the courageous women of Trapani, of Calabria, of Florence.

Women of Italy, only by not being demoralised by the hurricane which is destroying our Fatherland, shall we be able to resist and achieve victory. The Almighty will not allow so much suffering and so many sacrifices to be in vain.

Courage, sisters! Our hearts are with you!

RADIO TEVERE in Italian - 8.245.5 - 2030 - September 20

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Property belonging to ninty-seven people has been seized, it is learned. Included is property of Ciano.

Purge in the Police Service

By request of the Assistant High Commissioner for "Epuration", several officials of the police service have been temporarily relieved of their duties.

Other Items: The war in Holland.--- Constitution of a Palestine Brigade made up of Jews to fight on the Italian front.--- Finnish delegation has left Moscow.--- Three British policemen killed at Tel-Aviv.

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RADIO LITORALE ADRIATICO in Italian to Italy - M.268 - 21.15 -Sept.20

The Italian Front

The defensive battle reached its climax in the Adriatic sector, where German troops made some movements which resulted in a shortening of the front line and brought them on dominant positions overlooking the whole region. Enemy land and naval artillery vainly attempted to interfere with these German movements. The eastern access to the Po Valley continues to be barred to the Allies. German forces north of Florence conquered some mountain positions in counter-attack. Enemy attacks were repulsed and some local infiltrations were eliminated by means of counter-thrusts.

Other Items:

A detailed report on the war situation in the west: rings around Allied air-borne troops were tightened and their pockets of resistance were futher reduced by German concentric counter-attacks. The Allies are advancing northwest of Aix-la-Chapelle, and are kept at bay south of the city. Nancy is given up and fierce fighting is reported in Lunéville. The German garrison inside Boulogne is still holding out while at Brest all resistance has ceased.---In the east the Russians have resumed their offensive in the Warsaw sector, while the battle has died down in Transylvania. In the other sectors the Russians are still on the offensive but the Fascist Radio says that they are making no progress at all.---A long and detailed review of the latest fighting in the Pacific is followed by explanatory comment.---A Swedish press review shows deep concern over Finland's future.---A cable of the Swiss news agency in Istanbul on the Russian creation of a military tribunal in Bucharest.---De Gaulle upon his return to Paris found deep disappointment over the results of the Quebec conference, where France's rank is still extremely confused. Terroristes are getting the upper hand in the south and de Gaullist authorities are powerless, whilst communists are acting freely, with the connivance of Anglo-American forces.

RADIO TEVERE in Italian - 245,5 M. - 21.30 - September 20

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The Minister of Communications of the Bonomi Cabinet has informed us that for the present it will be impossible for trains to run, and whenever possible they should be substituted by motor transport.

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Benedetto Croce to Speak on Sunday

It is learned that on Sunday next, Benedetto Croce will give a speech.

Other Items:

Finland to be cut off from the rest of the world.---
One flying bomb alone is capable of destroying 1,500 houses.

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - M. 491,8 - 22:00 - September 20

The Western Front

While fierce fighting continues in southern Holland and on the Dutch Belgian border, German troops in the Luxemburg area, in a daring counter-attack, recaptured a position and wiped out the enemy bridge-head ... Only local clashes are reported from the approaches to the Burgundy gate. Meanwhile the bombing of London continues. The British Minister of Public Health announced that flying bombs which fell in the London industrial area destroyed or damaged over 1,500 buildings.

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This is an act of true and healthy democracy, a practical and effective democracy, which brings workers face to face with collective problems and tests them in their solution as well as in emergencies. Italians above all need to come out of the senseless tilting of theories and academic discussion and to acquire strength by facing the reality of facts.

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Other Items

Fighting in the east, with special reference to the German air forces successful support to land forces, and a German success in the northern sector. --- The German communique on the award to General Ranke. --- British and Swedish press comments on Finland. --- "Voelkischer Beobachter" comments on Allied black lists in reply to a statement published by "The Economist". --- Sentences passed by Gaullist courts in France.

RADIO TEVERE in Italian to Italy - 245.5 M. - 2230 - September 20

War News

Along the Adriatic coast the Allies succeeded in widening their zone of infiltration, north of Marano, but they were checked by stiffened German resistance. The German defensive system is, however, intact.

Milk for Sick People

The Rome British Radio announces that all sick people having the right to half a litre of milk a day will have 800 grammes of condensed milk per week.

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The War in Italy

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - 31.49-2235 - Sept.20

The War in Italy

On the Italian front the enemy is continuing his offensive in the crucial points of the front, north of Florence and in the Adriatic sector, where he is engaging fresh units in endless rotation and is also using a considerable mass of weapons. Despite this effort the enemy has not succeeded in smashing the German front and some small infiltrations, attained at a high price, were immediately sealed off.

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RADIO TEVERE in Italian to Italy - 235.5 M. - 2330 - September 20

War in Italy

In Italy, General Alexander continued his offensive, employing new men and material. Along the Adriatic coast, the Allies succeeded in...

The positions of Monte Altuzzi and Monte Pratone were lost and reconquered several times. The German defensive system, however, has remained intact.

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Seizure of Fascist Property

Maric Cingolani, High Commissioner fo profits from the Régime, has announced that the property of ninety-seven more persons, for the most part Fascists, has been seized.

Other Items

Western Front. --- Eastern Front. --- According to Reuter's, the Finnish Diet has apparently accepted Soviet Russia's armistice conditions. --- Radio Moscow informs us that the Finnish Prime Minister is suffering from cerebral haemmorrhage. --- According to the Paris Radio, five French vice-admirals are to be arrested and seven admirals to be dismissed from active service. --- The British Minister for Public Health admits that German flying bombs have terrifying results. ---

STEFANI HELLPRINTER in Italian to Italy - September 10

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GERMAN BROADCASTS

GERMAN OVERSEAS SERVICE - 11.8 mcs - 08.00 - September 20

"The Results of a Summer" - A Lecture by Lieutenant-General Dittmar

Ladies and gentlemen,

The chronological transition from summer to autumn does not represent a visible or in any sense necessary cut in the course of war events, which are determined by factors entirely different from a merely astronomical occurrence like the autumnal equinox.

Therefore, speaking of results at the present moment is justified only inasmuch as the course of the fighting warrants it and as retrospect and outlook can both be established with some accuracy.

The principal feature of the combats, above all during the last six weeks, was that our full attention and the greatest part of our worries were concerned with the west. The day of the break-through at Avranches, July 31st, was the plainly manifest turning point which, after about two months' ferocious struggle, almost instantly set things in the west in motion. The Americans, sweeping through the gap thus opened into the interior of France, were able to effect a speedy and almost unhampered advance by which within a few weeks they reconquered nearly the whole of France and Belgium. The landing from Corsica on the Mediterranean coast in the Toulon area and the ensuing operations against the Rhone valley and, most recently, against the Burgundy gateway, were intended effectively to supplement the Allied main attack.

The result of the two invasion attacks is quite plain. The fighting fronts have come near, in places even very near to the frontiers of the Reich. Bitter fighting is raging for the possession of the ancient imperial town of Aix-la-Chapelle.

The necessity of building up a new land front in this zone falls wholly upon us. A dramatic, tense race between the Anglo-American advance and German counter-measures is taking place and its issue will be decisive. The stiffening of German resistance during the last days is very significant in that respect. In this connection the stubborn heroic resistance of the German forces holding Brest, Lorient, St.Nazaire, Le Havre, the Gironde estuary and the fortified areas of the Pas de Calais are of particular

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The great difficulty of the problems at present connected in an even higher degree than in the first world war with the defence of a fortified area relying on its own resources is obvious, in view of the huge possibilities which concentrated air bombardment affords as a means of attack on defence positions.

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All the higher must the resistance offered by our fortified places be valued, not only as fighting achievements but also in a strategical sense, as it still continues to deprive the enemy of the use of the most vital ports. This fact, particularly at the present moment, has a great general bearing upon the development of the war situation.

In regard to the formation of a new front, in the present circumstances a task of prime importance, the fact is significant that the German units operating in southern and south-western France, that is to say the armies from the Mediterranean and the Bay of Biscay, have been able to force their way back till they reached the vicinity of the German frontier areas, and they have succeeded in doing this despite the length of the distances they had to cover, and the most strenuous enemy attempts aiming at their encirclement. Our forces coming from the Mediterranean have in a particularly high measure been exposed to these attempts. In their present positions near the German frontier they are filling a gap which had been the cause of serious concern.

The troops under the command of Colonel General Blaskowitz have, by their march back through a territory practically dominated by French terrorists, and their tenacious defence against the pressure of pursuing enemy forces, incontestably achieved an outstanding military feat. We all remember that reports on the fighting at the base of the Normandy peninsula frequently referred to the upsetting of the enemy time-table. It would almost seem that our adversaries, by the remarkable speed of their advance, have since then thoroughly made up for the disadvantages then incurred. But it is no less true that the prolonged resistance of the German divisions in Normandy has undoubtedly greatly affected the trend of the enemy's offensive operations. Thanks to their steadfastness, the crisis in the west made its full weight felt only when the situation in the east began to show signs of improvement. Thus our leaders were spared the most difficult of all tasks, the protection of German soil against two simultaneous attacks from different sides.

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This improvement of the situation in the east, which could not be foreseen in the anxious days of June and July, has been maintained. We are justified now in regarding the eastern front as safe for the time being, particularly in view of the deep fortification zones which have meanwhile been created by an admirable collective effort on the fringe of our eastern borderland.

They represent an asset, the lack of which has caused us much prejudice in the past: a fortification in the east.

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So far this fortification has not yet been put to any notable test, as the theatre of the present combats still lies for the most part beyond the newly created lines of fortification. Thereby we are enabled to reinforce and improve methodically what at first was essentially a piece of improvisation. By means of the new units now in course of formation it will be possible to avoid the well-known and regrettable drawback under which we labored in our combats at the beginning of this summer, that we had adequate positions at our disposal, but lacked the forces necessary for manning them. Up to now, as already mentioned, the fortifications in the east have on the whole remained outside the fighting zone; the higher must the growing German striking power be assessed which for some time past has been constantly manifested in all the battles along the whole eastern front. The communiqués do not cease to report full defensive successes achieved by our troops against fierce and comparatively concentrated Soviet attacks. But remarkable German offensive successes have also been recorded, for instance, the annihilation of two Soviet rifle divisions on the Vistula bridgehead at Sandomir. At any rate the general trend of events clearly shows that the balance lost on the eastern front has in the main been restored.

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The treacherous defection of Rumania, which was the cause and not the consequence of the Soviet offensive successes in the most southerly part of the eastern front, as well as the overthrow of the government in Bulgaria, have opened a wide gate through which the Bolsheviks may gain access to the Balkans and the Mediterranean. In the first place they will try to exploit [illegible] doubtful whether our

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It goes without saying that the appearance of the Soviets in the Balkans imposed upon us the necessity of building up a new front in the south-east also, on which the Hungarians, by their fierce fighting against Bolshevik Rumania, are already honorably distinguishing themselves.

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For the rest, the Soviet advance to the south-east, while pursuing important political aims, presents itself as an evasive and encircling movement of large dimensions, implicitly acknowledging the strength of the German eastern front. For all coming combats, also those in the south-eastern area, one thing is of particular importance: from all recent fighting it clearly appears that the setbacks of this summer have been unable to shake the moral foundations of the successful waging of war by the German soldier on the eastern front. This fact supplies a further unequivocal proof of the correctness of the opinion repeatedly expressed by us on previous occasions, that only certain conditions concerning leadership must be fulfilled and a relatively moderate supply of manpower and fighting material provided, to restore the old German superiority on the battlefield.

What we said with reference to our struggle against the Soviets, applies likewise to the conflict with our western enemies; perhaps even to a higher degree, since Britons and Americans, although showing good individual performances, do not possess the adamant mental solidity which characterizes the fighting quality of the German soldier. This is proved beyond any doubt by the successful defensive combats in Italy.

The possibility of achieving also in the west what we have been able to do in the east depends principally upon the problem of an approximate equalising of strength in certain material fields, above all in that of the air force. In making this statement we are fully conscious of the fact that this is a question of decisive moment for the whole of our future warfare.

But the very concentration of an essential part of our total effort upon only a few well-defined objectives can be considered as a particularly positive factor, the more so as the developments necessary to this end now begin to bear their first fruits.

That in consequence of the diminution of our sphere of power the number and extent of the tasks incumbent upon us have been restricted, is in our opinion tantamount to an alleviation of the burden which we have to bear. This alleviation is certainly not so vast as to make us consider the present state of things a step forward in comparison to the time when we dominated Europe from the extreme west to the heart of its eastern expanse and from Sicily to the North Cape. We know now what advantages the former situation offered to our strategy, but we have become equally aware of its drawbacks.

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At the cost of a huge expenditure of ideas and work, of men and means, even of material and mental care; we have endeavored to turn the territories gained by military or political means into a useful basis for our strategy. We have taken very seriously the conception of Europe as a German mission both now and for the future.

At the same time we find our strength greatly enhanced by the circumstance that a vast range of possibilities, whose depths can only now be fully gauged, has remained at our disposal, enabling us to make use of bitter experience and newly created sources of strength for accomplishing further achievements perhaps less lofty, but pursuing sound aims within practical reach.

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The scope of these aims is to-day more evident than ever. Our enemies demonstrate it daily by every word which comes across to us, by every action committed by them in occupied territory, by every dictate which they impose upon peoples grown weak, even upon that model democracy, Finland. It may be that soon, as a consequence of the Quebec agreements, the roar of the terror-bombs will be accompanied by blander tones. Not the words themselves, but their inner tenor of truth and the spirit which has prompted them shall be our standard of valuation. Nor shall we fail to gauge the inner strength dwelling behind the façade of confidence in victory sported by our enemies, comparing it with the power innerent in the will of a people like the German nation, a will flaring up with full vigour, freed from the dross of all illusions and aiming at pure, elementary self-preservation.

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For this reason the battle, raging for many days already around Aix-la-Chapelle, has increased in ferocity. It is evident to every German that the holding of the front depends upon the bearing of the German population. It is of course clear too that, with the approach of the front, living conditions in the west German territories have changed life there, and that literally, the law of war now dominates the very last districts. But the same spirit, which inspires the soldiers in the front line to heroic resistance, is also the symbol of the resistance of the west German population. Immediately behind the front work is going on.

In Eupen, which only four years ago returned to the Reich, the so-called liberators have learnt what is the reply of the German people to the attack they have let loose. And we have reason to say that there is no doubt that their experience of the spirit of national resistance will grow more bitter every day.

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Moreover the Anglo-American newspaper reports remind and teach us with a certain regularity what they will gradually do to us, if we Germans would show weakness. A bitter sample of this has been given to the Finns, after the Bulgarians and the Rumanians had had theirs.

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Some days ago it was learnt that the Finnish Prime Minister Hackzell suffered a collapse after learning the terms of the Moscow dictate. "The bare reality is still more frightful than could have been expected." With these words, falling like hammerstrokes on the Finnish Parliament, the deputy Prime Minister of Finland had to describe last night the Kremlin's terms. And this though he has only communicated a few details which show that without doubt the Finnish politicians in Moscow have signed the Finnish people's death sentence. Extensive transfers of territory and the cession of military strongpoints together with airfields in the interior open the door of Finland to the Bolsheviks.

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GERMAN INDIA SERVICE in English - 11.7 - 1500 - September 20

Commentary by George Dixon

Much has been heard lately about the hardships the poor people have to endure in the Nazi-occupied countries. London and Washington are letting loose a flood of words denouncing the methods applied by the German military authorities which subjugate the people in Holland, Belgium and France.

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Here the enemy propagandists again make use of the same tactics they employed during World War [illegible], denouncing everything the Germans did. The German soldier is described as being as cruel as possible... citizens who supposedly have been put into concentration camps, are being reported every day. I will not go into any details about it. We have heard it all too often.

A report on northern France, recently written by a Swiss journalist, starts out by criticising Eisenhower's promises to the civilian population concerning the abundance of foodstuffs and supplies. One journalist who visited the town of Rennes is quoted as having stated: "The French don't look at all under-nourished. German organisation seems to have taken care of that. It seems, therefore, that the "freedom from want" requirement contained in the Atlantic Charter, does not need to be introduced in this part of France".

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Swedish Press Thunderstruck at Finland's Fate

Stockholm: The Swedish press, which has often urged the Finnish Government during the last few months to enter into negotiations with the Bolsheviks, is now confounded by the capitulation terms imposed upon the Finnish people. The Swedish press admits that the conditions certain many malleable demands that bode no good for the future.

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Supplement to the Wehrmacht Communiqué

Berlin: In the east Carpathians the Swabian-Bavarian first battalion of the Alpine regiment No.30, commanded by Captain Plcder, and the Swabian-Bavarian first line reinforcements battalion No.94, commanded by Captain Kresse, have distinguished themselves by remarkable bravery.

In the heavy fighting in Latvia, the Swabian 205th Infantry Division, commanded by Lieutenant General von Clementin, the Bavarian-Palatine 132nd Infantry Division, commanded by Lieutenant General Wagner, and the Saxon 24th Infantry Division, commanded by Colonel Schulz, have given remarkable proof of ability in attacking and resistance. Lieutenant Sauer, of an assault Gun brigade, shot up fourteen tanks with his assault gun in two days.

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The United States Mineworkers' Union which held a meeting in Cincinnati, passed a unanimous resolution in which Roosevelt's policy with regard to the miners was sharply denounced.

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'Antonescu Arrested

Stockholm: The Swedish "Aftonbladet" writes about Antonescu's arrest by the Soviets as follows: "It is evident that the Rumanians have no longer any say in their affairs."

Italian Legation Warning

Madrid: The Italian Legation in Madrid warns all Spaniards against purchasing Italian works of art, stolen and carried away from Southern Italy by Jewish merchants.

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Rumors stating that Japan had applied to Britain and the USA, asking for peace proposals, were also dismissed by the spokesman as absolute nonsense. He emphasised that Japan would assist Germany as a faithful ally and would never lay down her arms before Britain and the United States were defeated on the battle field.

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If intervention were necessary, this would mean that Allied occupation troops would have to take over authority once again. It is doubtful if the Italian government could survive the situation which would be thus created, states the American correspondent. It appears from his report that during the tumult which broke out in the prison of Regina Coeli occupied by two thousand prisoners, there was shooting and some of the inmates were wounded.

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Nazis Regain Siegfried Strongpoints 2050

Berlin: American attacks in the area south of Aix-la-Chapelle met with German counter-attacks, in the course of which, the Germans were able to gain ground at several points during the past twenty-four hours. Thus the Americans starting an outflanking attack from the Verviers-Eupen area towards Stolberg were stopped by a German counter-attack. In the ensuing fighting the Germans recaptured several fortifications in the forefield of the Siegfried Line which had been lost in previous days.

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The use of powerful searchlights during British night attacks is to be considered as an innovation. The British in this manner want to enable their artillery men to observe the effect of their fire. But this measure is partly used by the Germans against their opponents to enable them to observe movements of the foe and direct the range of their own artillery against the British.

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New hard fighting ensued in the Apennine on pass roads from Florence-Prato-Pistoia to Forli, Faenza and Bologna. In the fighting various mountains like Monte Castel Guerrino, Monte Altuzzoli and Monte Pratone repeatedly changed hands. Some of the progress made by British satellite troops and Americans are of no operative value because passes on the main ridge of mountains are still in German hands. The enemy's pressure has meanwhile also increased in the Ligurian Apennines north of Lucca. But there are no signs which could indicate General Alexander meanwhile has shifted or plans a shifting of the gravity center of his offensive from the eastern and central sector to the western sector.

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Unemployment to Continue in Italy 2100

Madrid: The possibility of economic reconstruction of the parts of Italy occupied by the Allies has been denied by [illegible] correspondent of "ABC". Casas, called any attempt in this respect absolutely futile. According to his indications Mediterranean Marine tonnage has dropped from an original three million six hundred thousand tons to three hundred and fifty thousand tons. He adds that the fleet chiefly consists of sailing craft which in the first place are being used for Allied purposes. Apart from destruction caused to Allied industries by war events, there are not enough machines and electric power available to bring about rail, motor and shipping traffic. The correspondent concludes that under these circumstances there is no possibility of overcoming unemployment.

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The Cairo denial seems the only way for the Greek Exile Government to protest against this solution which excluded them. How far the Soviet Union will claim Greece as a part of its sphere of interest is still open to question. It is, however, certain already that the Kremlin claims the northern part of Greece.

The agreement which was concluded about twelve months ago by the illegal communist parties of Greece, Bulgaria,... and Serbia provided that Greek Macedonia with Salonika was to be joined to the Soviet Republic of Macedonia which together ... states was to form a Union of Soviet Balkan Republics." In this agreement Greece was also mentioned as one of the Soviet Republics of this union.

At present the Kremlin is using Bulgarian occupation troops as vanguards, as the Wilhelmstrasse spokesman stated. He also called attention to information to the effect that the Soviets are showing strong interest in the harbor town of Kavalla, which is a key position in the Aegean, being on the flank of the Dardanelles. The Wilhelmstrasse spokesman pointed out that neither the English nor the Soviets had ever said that Greece is outside the Soviet Balkan sphere.

The Greek Exile Government on its part has made it clear in statements from Cairo that it would like to see Greece trailing in the wake of western naval powers. These, however, remained mere one-sided declarations by the government in exile while communists in Greece... were clearly defending the Kremlin's policy.

It is thought in the Wilhelmstrasse that British statements in connection with developments in the Balkans show that London anticipated this development. Long talks at Teheran settled these questions...

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At present the Kremlin is using Bulgarian occupation troops as vanguards, as the Wilhelmstrasse spokesman stated. He also called attention to information to the effect that the Soviets are showing strong interest in the harbor town of Kavalla, which is a key position in the Aegean, being on the flank of the Dardanelles. The Wilhelmstrasse spokesman pointed out that neither the English nor the Soviets had ever said that Greece is outside the Soviet Balkan sphere.

The Greek Exile Government on its part has made it clear in statements from Cairo that it would like to see Greece trailing in the wake of western naval powers. These, however, remained mere one-sided declarations by the government in exile while communists in Greece... were clearly defending the Kremlin's policy.

It is thought in the Wilhelmstrasse that British statements in connection with developments in the Balkans show that London anticipated this development. Long talks at Teheran settled these questions...

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Liable to varying interpretations is article 19 of the treaty, which provides that Finland "put at their disposal all materials and products which the United Nations could need for their war aims."

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General control by the Soviet Supreme Command will be introduced for Finnish merchant ships.

The treaty furthermore contains provisos for some interference with the country's internal political life. Finland pledges to release all those persons who for reasons of race or for sympathy with the Allies have been taken into custody. She must dissolve "all Fascist and similar organizations" and must pledge not to tolerate such organizations in the future. In the foreign political field the Finnish government must sever all relations with Germany's European allies.

The Russo-Finnish treaty October 11, 1940, concerning demilitarization of the Aaland islands is re-enacted.

Finally Finland must reduce her army to peace-time strength within two and a half months after the signing of the armistice treaty. Execution of the armistice treaty is supervised by the Soviet Supreme Command which is acting in the name of the other Allied nations.

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Germany Is Confident of Victory 2400

Berlin: Sentiment and opinion at the Fuehrer's headquarters in these critical and difficult days seem to be determined by fanatical determination and the firm conviction that Germany even today has a genuine chance for victory. This became evident from the words of the Wilhelmstrasse spokesman, Minister Dr. Paul Schmidt, who has just returned from a two days' stay at the Fuehrer's headquarters.

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Minister Schmidt explicitly referred to opinion in the Fuehrer's headquarters when refuting before foreign press representatives the opinion expressed in the neutral press that the war for Germany was as good as lost. Schmidt charged the neutral press with forgetting that this war is a revolutionary war and not a cabinet war of the twentieth century. German gauging of the entire situation and prospects for the future, as represented by Minister Schmidt, culminates in six sections:

Firstly, this is a revolutionary war connected with spiritual, political, social and economic revolution. Ancient, imperialistic and capitalist principles have lost their value; a new order of things must assert itself.

Secondly, if that were true it would be completely wrong to believe that one could measure the war with the yardsticks of the nineteenth century and finish it according to the old pattern by armistice, peace treaty, reparations, etc.

Thirdly, no country which wanted to get out of the war by this old pattern has succeeded. There is no jumping out. Italy, Bulgaria, Rumania and now Finland are the best proof of this.

Fourthly, the example of these states reveals there can be only victory or decay. The war can end only with the destruction of one side. Either revoluntionary principles make their way and Europe receives a new order, or those who inscribed this principle on their colors run on the rocks.

Fifthly, even old military conceptions are not adequate for the judgment of chances. Neutral experts declared earlier that England had lost the war after France or Singapore was lost; the Soviet Union was defeated when the Ukraine or the Donetz basin was occupied or the Germans were standing at Moscow's gates. Today they say Germany has lost the war, when the Anglo-Americans are standing on the Rhine or Bavaria or East Prussia is occupied. But one is as wrong as the other.

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Allied Raid on Slovakia

Bratislava: Anglo-American aircraft formations laid a carpet of bombs on the Slovak capital at noon Wednesday, it is officially announced.

Especially hard hit were the Stefanik school and dwelling houses in the workers' district. There were casualties and damage to buildings.

Slovak Council in Session

Bratislava: The Slovak Cabinet Council met here with Prime Minister Dr. Stefan Tiso presiding. Questions and measures concerning the restoration of order throughout the country were on the agenda.

DNB in English September 20

Resistance in France 1930

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They seem to be waiting for further Soviet reinforcements. At Ludos, the bulk of one Rumanian regiment which had penetrated into the Honved positions was annihilated. The Luftwaffe, in raids against enemy supply traffic, destroyed forty-nine motor vehicles and more than 150 horse-drawn vehicles. The Soviets made several unsuccessful thrusts in the area south of Neumark and in the eastern Carpathians at Vatra Dornei which, however, were repulsed. An enemy attempt made in the course of the last weeks, and aiming at passing through the Carpathians and Beskides Passes remained ineffective up to yesterday, despite strong battle-plane support.

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Firm Bond Between Croatia and Germany 1200 3790

Berlin: The Croat state chief's visit to the Fuehrer which took place in the presence of the Reich Foreign Minister at the Fuehrer's headquarters once more confirmed the close friendship between the two countries. The Poglavnik's visit to the Fuehrer is of special importance at a time when Bolshevism, favored by Rumania's and Bulgaria's cowardly capitulation, is about to carry through its ambitious plans regarding south-east Europe.

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Croatia has always been an alluring aim for Soviet politicians who regard this country with as....coast as a mainstay of Soviet Mediterranean policy and are making strenuous efforts to gain a footing there. Croatia herself has.... stubbornly opposed these Soviet plans and has been supported in her resistance by the German armed forces.

The communiqué on the Hitler-Pavelic conversation emphasized that even in the present situation, which is marked by the Soviet advance on the Balkans Peninsula, the defence of Croatia will remain an urgent task and will receive the German army's.... full assistance.

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RADIO BERLIN (La Voix du Reich) in French - 29 M.-1730- Sept.

Spanish Communists Arrive in Paris

Many Spanish communist political figures have arrived in Paris. According to persistant rumor, they hope to restore a Red government in Spain at an opportune moment.

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"Yes, I know, these last days of September are not hot - yet why do you shiver? Two months ago your smile had a certain indescribable something - since then it has vanished. What has happened to your smile? You who remained calm under the occupation, have no longer even this reaction, this vitality, this sparkling something. What did they do to you? I shan't do you the injury of thinking that you expected a full bill of fare, split peas, etc., for anyhow you found that easily in the black market. But what? What is wrong? You do not know, you can't explain - new faces perhaps? Yes, very droll faces. You no longer feel that you are in your own land. In this you are right.

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Admit it frankly, the others, those who have just left (saying 'We'll see you soon again'), had become your pals; you understood them and they you. Only a hundred or so kilometres separated your family from theirs. They even knew that your grand-daughter had measles at the same time as the son of Major Hartmann. Obviously it is a rather difficult subject to discuss with a negro from the rue de Lappe. Is that what makes you shudder? I never doubted it, believe me - on the contrary I said to myself that your smile should be very discriminating; you can tell me afterwards whether or not I was right. You have seen swirling through your street all the Jewry just escaped from the Ghetto - congratulating themselves, stamping their feet, exulting, exclaiming, applauding - all these oppressive, disgusting persons. The next morning you saw them pass again, in place of the infamous yellow star they wore the Red band with the insignia of the hammer and sickle. One could even observe some puny fellow descending like a tank from the marketplace of...., one of de Gaulle's adjutants with his whole kit and his campaign medals. Why? I shall explain. You no longer recall... It is not that you are in a hurry to leave... here you are closing the shutters at such an early hour. You wife does not feel secure, and neither do your children.... Do you remember, three months ago on the Brebant terrace, we stayed late - but you were right - it was in July and one shivered less than tonight? Tell me now, was I right?

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BALKAN AND HUNGARIAN BROADCASTS
(Monitored in Bari)

RADIO ZAGREB in Croatian to Croatia - 476 M. - 1500- September 18

Croatian Communiqué

One of our units broke through into Travnik, bringing supplies to our garrison. Battles have taken place in the Vitez and Busovac sector. Twenty-seven Partisans were killed. In the course of reconnaissance operations on the Sarajevo-Mostar line, Chetniks opened fire on our units at Sumbulovac. Twenty-three Chetniks were killed, only two Domobran men were wounded.

The enemy succeeded in capturing a strongpoint on the island of Brac, west of Sumartin. Heavy fighting is in progress.

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RADIO SOFIA in Bulgarian to Bulgaria - 850 Kc - 1915 - September 18

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After the re-establishment of communications with our isolated units, and supplying the latter with food and ammunition, our Stukas started to attack enemy columns continually, thus helping the defenders of Prilop. Some of our airmen heroically perished with their planes. The commander of the Division, Colonel Mladenoff, announces that the morale of his soldiers is high, and that they will readily continue to fight, no matter how hard it may be. They fight as courageously as their grandfathers and fathers did at Shipka. On the other hand, our Supreme Command is making all efforts to help the 15th Infantry Division and is supplying them with the most modern equipment. Glory to the heroes of the 15th Infantry Division! Today, the whole country follows their achievements with enthusiasm, because their achievements are another example of the Bulgarian soldier's courage. They are new example of the grandeur of the Bulgarian spirit which, today, supports all Bulgarians in their struggle against the hated Nazi enemy.

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OTHER AXIS, AXIS-CONTROLLED, NEUTRAL and CLANDESTINE BROADCASTS

MILANO LIBERTA RADIO in Italian to Italy - M.31 - 0730 -

The Country's Traitors Must Be Tried and Condemned

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In Italy there are more traitors than in France, more traitors than can be imagined, yet things do not move as fast as there. A certain proportion of these traitors are in the hands of justice, but many rascals are still at large, and it is necessary to proceed to their arrest to prevent them from doing any further harm. Justice must take its course but it must be speeded up. And this applies to the case of Cavagno di Sansanelli, head of Fascist propaganda, of Azzolini, who placed all the gold of the Bank of Italy in the hands of the Germans, and to many other cases as well. But the culprits are still so many and their guilt of such a nature, that it is not necessary to gather further details to establish their culpability. Let us not talk of the bandit Caruso, as we think that he should be judged by much speedier methods. It is high time now for Fascists to pay for their sins. For twenty years the Italian people have been massacred by Fascist bandits and have been ruined by them. In Italy, too, traitors should be brought to judgment as they are in France, and then handed over to a firing squad.

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Fascists Can Still Save Their Skins

The most important of Hitler's followers, whether in France, Belgium, Holland or in the area of Italy still invaded by the Germans, have asked Hitler, their protector, to transfer them to some place in Germany where they can feel a little safer. As for Mussolini and his hordes, it is useless to talk about them as the carrion has already in the Nazi den hidden, where it continues to tremble with fear.

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Vittorio and Vito Mussolini have been in Germany for quite a while, where they have managed to get themselves hated by the Italian laborers of whom they are in charge. The Fascist chiefs lead a luxurious life in Germany and spend their time at feasts and in brothels whereas the laborers are forced to work. Other Fascist chiefs who have been compromised have taken refuge in Spain, Portugal and in the Argentine, where they lead a luxurious life with the money they have robbed from the Italian people. But all these comic opera men and marked thieves will pay for their misdeeds. They see that Fascism is sinking back into the same mud that gave it birth. They are trying to save their necks in every possible way. But all they may expect is a length of rope with which they will be hung from lamp-posts.

You Fascists, we do not know what you are waiting for! Why do you continue to sacrifice yourselves for your chiefs, who deserve no sacrifice? We know that you have many sins on your conscience but you are still in time to save your necks. You are still in time to make us forget many of the ugly things you are responsible for and you can save yourselves by passing over to our Patriots. Do not allow your chiefs to lead you by the nose any longer. You should no longer feel yourselves bound by any duty towards those who have betrayed and are still betraying their Fatherland. To-morrow, when everything has come to the surface, who will try to save you? Do you think that they will place cars and aeroplanes at your disposal to help you to get away? If you go over to the Patriots you will be able to face the future and the judgment of public opinion in a serene frame of mind. This is the only manner in which you can save yourselves from the death penalty. But it is necessary to act promptly. Time flies and to-morrow may be too late. Hitler is about to be overthrown by the Allied armies and you would be well advised to abandon your cowardly and treacherous chiefs.

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And hundreds of other cities have suffered the same fate. Florence and San Gonignano were merely damaged by the Germans since they could not completely destroy them with dynamite. For too long a time have the Nazi bandits been able to carry out their work of destruction all over Europe. They have destroyed, devastated, set on fire and piled débris on débris. Tears, mourning and blood, these are the emblems of the Nazi criminals.

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MILANO LIBERTA RADIO (CLANDESTINE) in Italian to Italy - 1230 - September 20

The Southern Front

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The ~~violent demonstration~~ and the direct intervention of ~~the people~~ in an affair of Justice against criminals cannot be forgotten. The people have a deep thirst for justice. The Italiens wish that all Fascist culprits be punished and that all the accomplices of the Mussolini régime be actively sought out. Everyone is conscious of the fact that, failing the arrest and severe punishment of all those who were responsible for the catastrophe, pillage, plunder and terror throughout the country, citizens cannot have faith in the institutions and furthermore cannot consider themselves safe from further underhand Fascist reactionary schemes.

All this is the fault of AMG, because AMG affords protection to the Fascist bandits and allows dangerous culprits to keep their freedom.

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It is useless therefore to recriminate. It would be a very serious thing, if, under the pretext of safeguarding public order, one were to attempt to punish the population of Rome and if one were not to eliminate Fascism.

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News from Paris

Air alarms will sound at 1200 o'clock and at 1800 hrs.

The Secretary for National Lottery announces that the ballot of the 31st portion will take place shortly.

The Encouragement Society is looking forward to the re-adaptation of the Auteuil and Longchanmps race-courses for the forthcoming season.

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Other Items

Marshal Tito's forces occupy the city of Monastir. --- Belgian Parliament met for the first time yesterday after four years. --- Flying bombs fell over southern England and the London region this morning.--- Radio Tokyo announces the imminent invasion of the Philippines.---

The Soul of Action

We certainly do not need to recall, and above all to insist on the enthusiastic welcome which the populations of southern and south-western France gave General de Gaulle. Everywhere, the same emotion, the same cheers, the same joy was expressed! The people showed their joy to him who had given them back hope. At Lyons as in Marseilles, at Bordeaux as in Orléans, it was the same enthusiasm which drew the people to their Chief.

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Decisions of Swiss Parliament

Parliament met again this morning. The National Council examined measures to be taken to ensure adequate provision of agricultural produce in the country. M. Stan.... gave a report on .... The President of the confederation explained the reasons why, after having envisaged the promulgation of a federal law submitted to referendum, he agreed to the opinion of the Council of States, which pronounced itself by a majority in favor of a law of plenary powers.

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One aspect of the project reveals an attempt to create a new law for one section only of our national economy. It is really the opposition which fears, in economic circles, that the majority, in the Commission of States, will be led to abandon the ordinary legislative channels. The chief of the Department of Public Economy reports that nothing new was brought up this morning. But one could see that there still exists, even amongst certain socialist deputies, the nostalgia for the old economic liberty. The straight-jacket is not to everybody's liking. Economic liberalism is not yet as dead as one would think.

M. Stans.... concluded that there is nothing to justify an adjournment of the project. It is important not to create differences with the Council of States, and the government must be instructed to pass the law by virtue of its extraordinary powers. The National Council finally accepted, by a vote (majority) of 99 to 72, the return of the project to the Federal Council.

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(Repetition of previous news)

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These are the purge measures taken by the Ministry for the Navy.

The Information Commission with the temporary Consultative Assembly requested the epuration of the French press on September 18. It is well known that certain journalists continue working for liberated papers after having collaborated with the invaders. The Commission requested the Minister to draw up list of all those who collaborated with the German and the Vichy press.

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German Looting in Agricultural Sphere

The Minister for Agriculture has just announced the figures relating to German looting during the last four years. These figures are purely official figures and do not concern other forms of looting. The Germans exported from France 2 million tons of wheat; over 2 million tons of oats; over 2 million tons of meat, 643,000 horses, 47 million litres of milk, 33 million tons of cheese, 290,000 tons of vegetables, 10,995,000 of coffee, and over 39 million tons of brandy... .

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Turkish Comment on Quebec Conference

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Swiss Youth Union Petitions for Compensatory Laws

A Swiss youth union has presented a petition with forty-three thousand signatures demanding the complete adaptation of salaries to the increased cost of living, compensation for bachelor soldiers' salaries to be based on actual services rendered, and twelve days' vacation every year.

A Convoy of Belgian Children has Arrived in Geneva

Train Crosses Franco-Swiss Border

For the first time since Easter Monday, 1943, a train has crossed the Franco-Swiss border. The train was draped in the colors of the two countries. Speeches were made in celebration.

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War News

It is officially announced that troops of the American Fifth Army have broken through the Gothic line north of Florence on a ten kilometre front. The Allies are actually operating less than five kilometres from the Fiorenzuola railway junction. The Fifth Army continues to advance at one side of the gap in spite of the stiffened German resistance. On the Adriatic sector, Greek and Canadian troops of the British Eighth Army are now considerably closer to Rimini and have stormed into the village of San Fortunato. More to the west, Anglo-Canadian troops have penetrated into the suburbs of San Marino and have conquered Serravalle.

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Over one thousand planes are carrying out daily operations, pounding the main communication lines in Hungary, Yugoslavia and northern Italy.

Fighting on the Adriatic Sector

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Allies Begin Operations Against Dalmatia

Today for the first time Allied Headquarters in the Mediterranean theatre announced the beginning of operations against the Dalmation islands on September 13. In the fight for the occupation of three islands effective aid was rendered by the fleet and by aircraft. The fighting continues.

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NOTE: This bulletin is a record of Axis, neutral and clandestine broadcasts covering the period from 0600 yesterday to 0600 to-day. The station broadcasting, intended audience, wavelength and time of transmission are indicated at the head of each report. The information contained in this bulletin should be handled with caution, as it indicates the main points of the enemy's propaganda policy.

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GERMAN PROPAGANDA TRENDS

POLITICAL

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MILITARY

Recrudescence of Luftwaffe: For a long time since the opening of the western front, German sources have been silent about the rôle of the once much-publicized Luftwaffe.

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Allied claims about the downfall of the Luftwaffe were rarely answered. Accordingly, it is to day all the more notable that German despatches are playing up the revived rôle of German aircraft over the western theatre. Transocean, for example, tonight alleges:

"The activity of the German Luftwaffe considerably increased Tuesday afternoon over the Allied landing area in the Netherlands. The focal point of employment of strong German formations of fighter planes was situated in the Nymwegen area. Newly landed Allied formations, on Tuesday, were repeatedly machine-gunned in dive-attacks by German fighters." Vast damage is thereby claimed to have been done to Allied transport gliders as well as to military stores which had already been unloaded.

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Southern Front: "A violent battle raged in Italy all day yesterday", states Radio Tevere. General Alexander is said to be attempting to breach the German lines, cost what it may, and to break into the Po valley before the winter sets in.

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POLITICAL

The Lynching of Carretta: Several broadcasts feature this event, for which the Bonomi government is held responsible. "The impotence of the so-called government", states one broadcast, "as well as the cri inal effects of the propaganda of hatred disseminated in invaded Italy, had a tragic epilogue in Rome." The radio describes then "a mob of women and urchins, led by fanatics", who penetrated into the court room and got hold of Canetta (sic). A particularly sharp attacks is made on Count Sforza, "who is to be considered personally responsible for the deed, because of his continuous instigations to hatred."

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OFFICIAL WAR COMMUNIQUES

GERMAN WAR COMMUNIQUE-RADIO BERLIN 1500 September 19, 1944

Fuehrer's headquarters, 19 September 1944. The High Command of the German Armed Forces announces:

In central Holland, the enemy has reinforced his troops dropped in the rear area of our front by new landings of air-borne forces. Our own attacks against the landing points are slowly gaining ground against stiff enemy resistance. From the Neerpelt bridgehead, the enemy pushed north with strong armored forces and has entered the town of Eindhoven. Forty-three tanks were destroyed in bitter fighting. Northwest of Aix-la-Chapelle, the enemy, despite strong artillery and tank support, could achieve only small gains in territory. West and south of the town, all attacks were repulsed. In the Lunéville area, our own counter-attacks are making satisfactory progress. Only local fighting is reported from the remaining sectors of the front. Yesterday the enemy, supported by strong artillery and air forces, again attacked Boulogne and Brest. In Boulogne he succeeded after fierce fighting in entering the town, but was soon dislodged from several battery positions. The town and harbor of Brest are now nothing but smoking ruins. The surviving garrison retreated to the Le Crozon peninsula and is still fighting on. Enemy attacks directed at Lorient and St.Nazaire were frustrated. From its base at the mouth of the Gironde, a German battalion raided the town of Royan, destroying large fuel and ammunition depots of the enemy there.

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Enemy bombers launched terror attacks against Wesermuende and Budapest, as well as other localities in the Serbo-Hungarian area. Nineteen enemy aircraft were shot down by fighters and flak artillery.

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BULGARIAN COMMUNIQUES (No.8)

RADIO SOFIA in Bulgarian to Bulgaria - 850 kc.1930-September 18

Reconnaissance activity in the Timok River Valley opposite Kula is in progress. The enemy attacked our small units towards the Kadabuar and St.Nikolaki passes without attaining any results. Our advance in the direction of Bela Palanka continues with precipitation, courage and heroism. In spite of stubborn enemy defence, our units succeeded in enlarging gaps which had yesterday been opened in enemy positions. Fighting is continuing in our favor. In the direction of Kriva Palanka, the enemy was attacked and forced to retreat towards the west. At Narevo Selo, our units have seized the initiative and have already taken front enemy positions, capturing some prisoners and supplies. Among the latter, there are three mortars, one anti-tank gun and a lot of other equipment. Several mine-fields laid by the enemy were cleared. Following stubborn fighting against a superior enemy force, our forces evacuated the town of Strumica, and withdrew to the east. Superior enemy forces continued their attacks against the town of Prilep without, however, succeeding in breaking our defence. Our air forces participated in reconnaissance activity. Our Stukas and bombers, escorted by fighters, successfully bombed the region west of Pirot. All planes returned to their bases.

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ITALIAN BROADCASTS

REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy -M.49I-0600-Sept.I9

News from the Italian Front

The enemy is beginning to show signs of fatigue after the losses suffered during the preceding days. The focal point of the battle yesterday was the Adriatic region which is occupied by the Eighth Army, supported in its operations by warships.

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Other Items

News from the Western Front.--- News from the Eastern Front.---

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The German High Command denies reports broadcast by enemy propaganda relating to alleged German destruction in Finland.--- All Bulgarian political officials favorable to Germany have been arrested.--- General Mihailovitch's son captured by Tito's bands.--- The Swedish paper "Aftonbladet" announces that the armistice terms between Finland and Russia will be published ten days hence.

FASCIST RADIO in French for South-Eastern Europe-M.35-1050-Sept.19

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Other Items

News from the western and eastern fronts.

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MONITOR'S NOTE

Republican Fascist Radio broadcasts at 1200, 1300 and 1600 and "The Soldiers' Hour"at 1320 could not be monitored because of bad reception.

REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy -35 M.-1500-Sept.19

News from Italian Front

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Other Items

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Notwithstanding the very large air support, the reporter continues, and the support given by naval guns, German parachute troops have not... and in many points launched counter-attacks...

In the Tyrrhenian sector fighting activity has died down and is restricted to artillery skirmishes.

A Letter From a Prisoner in East Africa

A letter which managed to slip through the strict Allied censorship, and which was written by an Italian Air Force prisoner in East Africa, has reached its destination. Amongst other things, this letter states: "After eight months of bitter silence I received yesterday, for the first time, news of my relatives. My only comfort during this long period was my radio set, through which I learned in September of last year of the wonderful liberation of our Chief. ... I was very near to him in his great sorrow and I felt sure that faith and loyalty would triumph in the end. The game of war has its ups and downs: it is a terrible and a risky game, and is still liable to have unexpected results, but when one has fought for honor, defeat has a certain dignity and glory which is equal to that of victory. No chapter in history can therefore be said to be shameful when one has fought heroically to the end. All this springs from unshakable faith in our great Duce from the very beginning.

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Sforza's bad faith is so evident that the United Nations News Bulletin has given a different version of the episode and has asserted that Canetta (Carretta) had given rise to the wrath of those present by his arrogant attitude in the witness bench. Reuter's, which is always very careful in supporting any action taken by the so-called Bonomi government, has felt it necessary this time to separate the responsibilities of the occupation authorities from those of the Italian government. In a semi-official communiqué, this agency hastened in fact to state that the members of the Control Commission took part in the trial as onlookers only.

Even the "Osservatore Romano", which could not wholly ignore the episode, writes: "If an end is not put to this barbarous practice, we shall come to the point where everything will be in danger." The tumultuous and tragic beginning of the Caruso trial, which has made a tremendous impression on the city of Rome, is a cause of real anxiety to the occupation authorities.

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The treachery of the king was from every point of view, military, political and moral, a horrible infamy, but under the specific aspect of the handing over of the fleet to the enemy it was such a crime that at the very thought of it my blood still boils to-day...

But were the officers and crews not deceived when we received orders to sail for Malta? Surely nearly all, if not all, were duped that night. The treachery, in fact, was perpetrated not only against the Fatherland but even more against the sailors who were aboard those warships. We do not know how, but we shall know something more and something worse the day they return home, and that certainly will not be aboard their own ships.

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Other Items:

The war on the western front.---The war on the eastern front.---The Finnish Parliament's secret session.---Delegates from former Spanish government arriving in Paris ---The United States protests to Sweden.---

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War News

In Italy, yesterday's fighting was of exceptional ferocity. Alexander is trying, with every means at his disposal, to break through the German lines in order to reach the Po Valley before the winter begins.

Former Director of Rome Prisons Killed

Sforza has made some important declarations regarding the trial of the former Chief of the Rome Police. He declared that the hall, which was not large enough for the occasion, was crowded with the families of criminals who had been killed by Fascists. At a given moment, the crowd smashed all the police barriers, stormed into the hall where the trial was held and seized the former Director of the Prisons of Rome, who had borne false witness. He was thrown into the Tiber, brutally handled and hanged at the gate of the prison.

The Situation in Florence

The "Caracas" Agency reports that in Florence water pipes have not yet been repaired and that people are compelled to live on 150 grammes of bread and some vegetables, because they cannot find anything else.

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Incident at Caruso's Trial

The serious incident which occurred at Caruso's trial brings up two considerations. Firstly, the Allies, with their demagogic policy based on the lowest instincts of the people, are trying to obtain credit among the Italians. Secondly, when protests turn into violence any pretext is good enough to accuse the Bonomi Cabinet of incompetency. The purpose is quite obvious. The illusion of liberty, which leads to an increasingly chaotic situation, allows the Allies to institute unlimited control.

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Western front. ---- Swedish government requested to stop sending supplies to Germany. --- Eastern front. --- Allied political circles disappointed at the results of the Quebec Conference.

RADIO LITORALE ADRIATICO in Italian to Italy - M.268-1930-Sept.19

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British and American Journalists Banned From Ploesti

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Officials Acquitted of Profiteering Charges

It is reported from Milan that the Commission on illicit gains has acquitted Dino, Ciano, Vito Mussolini and Guido Buffarini, but has ordered a certain Giacomo Acerbo to pay one million lire back to the State.

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Other Items: Left wing men from Spain reach Paris.--- Finnish people continue to evacuate to Sweden.

RADIO TEVERE in Italian to Italy - m.245.5-2030-September 19

Investigations on Incident at Caruso Trial

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The Italian Front

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The battle north of Florence continues with unabated violence. The enemy was unable to drive any wedge whatever into the German positions and his attacks were checked. Stiff fighting continues south of Rimini. The military correspondent of DNB writes: "The battle is reaching a new climax."

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Other Items

The war on the western front. --- The war on the eastern front. --- The war in the Pacific. --- Allied pressure on Sweden.

RADIO TEVERE in Italian 245.5 m. 2130 September 19

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - M. 491,8 - 2200

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The Southern Front

Bitter fighting continued today in Italy, especially in the Florence area and in the Adriatic sector... The enemy did not succeed in crushing the stubborn resistance of German troops, among which paratroop units especially distinguished themselves.

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The enemy bridgehead north of the... River was considerably reduced in counter-attack while a Brazilian formation was wiped out in the central sector. Nothing of importance is reported from the Tyrrhenian area.

Pro-Fascist Catholic Association Meeting in Milan

Members of the newly created Italy's Crusade Association held their first meeting at the headquarters of the Association in Milan. The promoter, the Reverend Calcagno, spoke of the Catholics' duty in time of war... loyalty to the Social Republic, as an acknowledgement of the righteousness of this war and of the alliance with Germany.

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Other Items

The German counter-offensive in the northern sector of eastern front is a reassuring indication of the manoeuvring capacity of the German command. Bitter fighting is reported from other sectors of the eastern front but the situation is stated to be unchanged. --- Russian armistice conditions for Finland will be harder than expected. --- Soviet attitude towards Polish General Bor is at least strained. --- Soviet attitude causing alarm in Turkey. --- A British Member of Parliament criticizes Churchill for his deal with Stalin on a partition of Europe. --- Strikes in Britain. --- V-1 last night caused many casualties in London.

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RADIO TEVERE in Italian - m.245.5 - 2230 September 19

War News

In Italy, Alexander is trying with every means to break through the German lines and reach the Po Valley before the bad weather. The Allies succeded in making a few penetrations near the Marano river but were checked.

Special Messages to our Romen Brothers

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RADIO TEVERE in Italian to Italy - m.245.5 -2330- September 19

The War in Italy (Repetition of 22.30)

Yesterday's fighting in Italy was of exceptional violence.

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Alexander is attempting at all costs to break through the German lines and to reach the Po valley before the beginning of the bad weather. The Allies only succeeded in making small infiltrations north of the Marano River but were immediately checked.

Water Supply still Disrupted in Florence

The Caracas news agency reports that the water supply system in Florence has not yet been repaired. The people are living on a daily bread ration of 150 grammes and some vegetables, as they are unable to find other food, even on the black market. Most of the shops have been closed since the Allies' arrival.

Other Items: Repetition of tonight's news on the fighting on the western and the eastern fronts.

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GERMAN BROADCASTS

GERMAN OVERSEAS SERVICE in German - 0845 - September 19

The Military Situation on the Western Front

In Holland, particularly in the central part of the country, the attacks of the Anglo-American air-borne troops of the Anglo-American First air-borne Army were repelled again yesterday. The German defence, which has been expecting these landings for weeks, were able to bring up reinforcements rapidly, so that today the eastern part of Holland, primarily the frontier zone towards the Reich, is entirely free of the enemy. Seven fairly large fighting units were entirely liquidated. Attacks on two airfields were repelled, while fighting is going on against the remaining ones. Apart from numerous cargo gliders, fifty-one Allied planes were shot down the day before yesterday in air battles. In order to assist the landing troops, the Allied Command is trying with all its might to advance north of Hasselt to the bridgehead on the Scheldt canal so that a junction with the landed troops may take place. The German units have been able to stop the enemy before he reached the Dutch frontier in the area of Leerfeld by blocking his path with massed troops. The German blocking units have thus the chance of destroying the air-borne troops before the bulk of the the British-American army approaches.

In the fighting area on the German frontier the centres of gravity continue to be in the region of Aix-la-Chapelle and Lunéville. The American Seventh Army has also taken up its positions here on the French eastern frontier, so that from Maastricht to the Burgundian gateway closed formations are opposing each other. In the area of Maastricht the attempts of the enemy to reach the German frontier between the Dutch towns of Falkenburg and Falkraade were stopped. Further south near Aix-la-Chapelle the situation has remained unchanged in the main. The Americans, under the command of General Hodges, tried to encircle Aix-la-Chapelle from the north. Counter-measures are being taken. South of Stolberg, the Americans have gained some ground after fluctuating fighting. On the front between Aix-la-Chapelle and Pruem certain counter-operations west of the Eipel are making progress. The enemy bridgehead in the triangle of Pruem and the Sauer has diminished in size. On the Moselle front American troops have had as little success with their enterprise south of Metz as with the parallel one at Aix-la-Chapelle. Near Lunéville a concentrated attack of our own has been going on since yesterday. The town itself, which was temporarily in Allied hands, was reconquered,

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In the fighting area on the German frontier the centres of gravity continue to be in the region of Aix-la-Chapelle and Lunéville. The American Seventh Army has also taken up its positions here on the French eastern frontier, so that from Maastricht to the Burgundian gateway closed formations are opposing each other. In the area of Maastricht the attempts of the enemy to reach the German frontier between the Dutch towns of Falkenburg and Falkraade were stopped. Further south near Aix-la-Chapelle the situation has remained unchanged in the main. The Americans, under the command of General Hodges, tried to encircle Aix-la-Chapelle from the north. Counter-measures are being taken. South of Stolberg, the Americans have gained some ground after fluctuating fighting. On the front between Aix-la-Chapelle and Pruem certain counter-operations west of the Eipel are making progress. The enemy bridgehead in the triangle of Pruem and the Sauer has diminished in size. On the Moselle front American troops have had as little success with their enterprise south of Metz as with the parallel one at Aix-la-Chapelle. Near Lunéville a concentrated attack of our own has been going on since yesterday. The town itself, which was temporarily in Allied hands, was reconquered, with the loss of forty-seven American tanks. Enemy counter-attacks south of the gateway made no headway. The town of Chateuil on the Moselle has been wrested from the Moroccan troops. At the Burgundian gateway it was relatively quiet. We gained some ground there, however.

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Separatism in Italy

In Italy the separatist movements grow more and more important; according to news from Chiasso, they have spread from Sicily to Calabria. These ambitions are supported chiefly by leaflets from Moscow. One of the booklets is entitled: The Sicilians' Bible.

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Berlin: Patrancscu, the Rumanian Minister who signed the armistice agreement in Moscow, declared: "Rumania must recognize that it has lost the war. Rumania must make amends by continuing the fight on the side of the victors." Even with Bonomi Italy the Anglo-Americans have not gone so far.

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But not only military developments are of interest. Remarkable are also the political ones, especially in the U.S.A.

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It is still possible to camouflage the political difficulties of Great Britain behind a screen of optimistic military news. But difficulties in the political theatre of operations are usually the cause of other difficulties becoming evident. And this is what happened at the Quebec conference.

The English press stresses the fact that Roosevelt and Churchill were particularly satisfied with their seven days in Quebec. But people in Britain are especially shocked at American newspaper reports saying that Churchill had to bargain hard with Roosevelt about the rôle of England during the coming campaign against Japan. To be sure, it is less the number of soldiers, arms, aircraft and ships they were bargaining for than for the expected loot. Roosevelt wanted to convince Churchill that the war against Japan is a strictly American matter, and, therefore, the United States would be entitled to keep all the expected gains. But England, too, claimed her part, disregarding the American Senate's previous statement that Japan's entire possessions would be taken away from her and incorporated in the United States.

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Buchenwald Air Raid

According to German sources, it is reported that during the Allied air raid on the concentration camp of Buchenwald on August 24th, more than seventy tons of bombs were dropped on the camp. The British Air Ministry has denied that there was an air raid on the concentration camp.

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The official Russian newspaper "Izvestia" has launched a sharp attack on Turkey. The paper writes: "Turkey will not have to talk of her opinions on conditions in the Balkan zone."

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Communist Underground Movement in Paris

Supreme control over the terror measures taken in France is exercised by the underground movement. It has been revealed that Raoul Tandy,(?) the communist,is the leader of the underground movement in the French capital.He committed several acts of atrocity during the Spanish civil war.

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Food Situation in Italy

The most serious problem the Allied administration in Europe faces is the food supply for Italy. General William O'Dwyer has just submitted a report to President Roosevelt. According to this the food value of Italian rations after the Allied occupation amounts to about 600 calories per day per person.

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Before the war, it was about 3.500 calories, and 1.400 calories are, in general, considered the minimum. Under-nourishment is affecting the whole of the Italian population. It is estimated that of every 1.000 citizens of Rome, 200 are suffering from tuberculosis. Infantile mortality is the worst sign of Italy's present condition. After all, the little children cannot be held responsible for Fascism! The method of the American "Liberation" in Italy will constitute a criterion for other countries; if the results of democratic institutions are as poor there as in Italy, so far, death and starvation and general despair will not constitute a favorable foundation upon which respect for democracy can be built.

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Profound Pessimism in Finland

Helsinki: Everybody in Finland is deeply pessimistic, particularly the Finnish politicians. This attitude has also an economic background. Finland is expecting great chaos and destructive inflation. 3769

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An official declaration was published in Helsinki with regard to the measures taken by Finland for the evacuation of the civil population in northern Finland; the evacuation of the Finnish frontier population has been in full swing for several days. The papers in north Finland stopped appearing even before the Moscow dictate was announced.

Allied Protest Note Presented to Sweden

Stockholm: Anglo-American-Soviet pressure on Sweden has reached a new climax. The American Foreign Minister announces that sharp notes of protest have been sent to Sweden by the governments of London, Moscow and Washington.

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Wilhelmstrasse on Laval and the Collaboration

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Referring to the various currents, he declared that the conversations and developments have not yet come to an end. The Laval government continues to exist, even if its activity has ceased. In the actual work with the German officials the government is represented by the Secretary of State, ambassador De Brinon, who has maintained his post as a representative of Marshal Pétain. The task given to him by the Marshal has not been withdrawn. As one of the tasks that needed to be continuously attended to, the spokesman mentioned the presence in Germany of about two million Frenchmen, that is, a considerable portion of the French working population.

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Luftwaffe Surprises Allied Troops 23405 8

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Action in Direction of Eindhoven 2045

Berlin: According to German reports available Tuesday evening, the British Second Army during the past twenty-four hours did not succeed in getting in touch with Allied air-borne troops which entered Eindhoven. Massed tank and infantry forces from the western part of the bridgehead at Neerpelt made a thrust to attack German barrage positions in the area of Eindhoven. Though the British were continuously throwing fresh reserves into action, they did not succeed in breaking through the German positions near Eindhoven. German paratroops which were equipped with the latest devices of anti-tank weapons often appeared all of a sudden in the rear of attacking British troops.

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Conditions in Florence 1255

Apennine Front North of Florence:

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Monarchs Request Refuge in England 2100

Madrid - Ex-king Carol of Rumania has addressed himself to the British King... [illegible] to settle down in London or any other British town in order to be able to watch closely the development of further events in Rumania, it is reported by quarters close to the British Embassy. It is said that the British King had answered a similar request made by King Michael, who had to be considered first. It was added in answer that it was not very well possible to accord refuge to both monarchs at the same time. King Michael's arrival is expected... He is only waiting for a permit from the Soviet military authorities to leave the country.

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Dr.Krull on the Western Front 2300

Berlin: Fighting in central Holland is still overshadowing all other events on the fronts, writes Dr.Max Krull, DNB military commentator, in Tuesday's military round-up. Allied efforts with large masses of troops to force a break-through to the northern plain, thus to outflank the defence line on the left bank of the Rhine, have so far not reached their goal of establishing communications between tank spearheads pushing across the canal and air-borne troops.

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The focal point of the fighting in the remaining front sectors was in the Neerpelt area. Striking from the western part of the bridgehead, massed tank and infantry forces of the British Second Army swung round eastward in order to move against German defences in the Eindhoven area. The heavily outnumbered German troops put up exceptionally fierce resistance. German parachutists distinguished themselves particularly by attacking British tanks with novel anti-tank weapons and by knocking out sixteen of forty-three British tanks. By evening the enemy had been unable to pierce the German defences although a few enemy tanks penetrated into the south-western part of the town where heavy, costly street fighting developed in the course of the night. Enemy air-borne forces continuously received reinforcements in the afternoon. Part of the newly landed enemy forces were completely wiped out in German counter-attack.

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A strong German counter-attack from the area west of Mitau has pushed further eastward against stubborn resistance. Important hill features were captured south of [illegible]. A Soviet attack collapsed with twenty-nine Soviet tanks knocked out.

West and south of Modohn also strong Soviet attacks were checked. A German bulge was withdrawn a few kilometres to prepared positions. Between Walk and Lake Wirz Soviet tank formations were repulsed after fluctuating fighting and nineteen enemy tanks knocked out. Between Lake Wirz and Lake Peipus German troops, evading the Soviet onslaught, fell back to new positions just north of the old main line. The Soviets landed major forces on the flat north-western shore of Lake Peipus in an effort to get to the rear of the German troops. German defences dispersed them before they were able to establish a bridgehead. Three Soviet assault boats were sunk.

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Stimson's statement that the frosty reception of the United States troops in Eupen and Malmédy was a confirmation of the severe task still facing the Allies and gave von Stumm an opportunity to point out the symbolic background of events in Eupen and Malmédy. The plebiscite swindle of Eupen and Malmédy, now discovered by the Americans for themselves, reveals the whole Anglo-American policy of deceit after Versailles. First Germany and today Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria and all the rest of the smaller European nations fell victim to it. The problem of Eupen and Malmédy is thus a document for the whole unfair Anglo-American pre-war policy towards Europe, a policy which, through Wilson's deceit, brought nothing but mistrust and finally hatred, and is thus to a large extent. responsible for the present war.

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In explanation of the German military measures on Hogland, for which the correspondent asked, the spokesman quoted reports by Reuter and the Swedish paper " Dagens Nyheter " in addition to a High Command statement which is already known. These, some days ago, expressly revealed that the occupation of Hogland Island is one of the Soviet demands on Finland. "What Reuter and "Dagens Nyheter" knew, we knew as well," said von Stumm, and, with a glance at the map, added that Hogland Island is a military key position against the Baltic from which the Soviets now intend to stab the Estonian brothers of the Finns, whom they once praised so much. German landing measures were thus by no means directed against the Finns but, in the last instance, against the Soviets. In explaining the rights under international law of the German troops in north Finland, von Stumm again recalled that the Soviets have made determined attempts to prevent the withdrawal of German troops and thereby the carrying out of the the Finnish-Soviet agreement by the stipulated date, a fact which is confirmed by the Swedish press and, in particular, by the"Morgen Tidningen", with reference to Soviet attacks near Saka

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The "D.A.Z.", in its Reich edition, publishes a report by its Tokyo correspondent about a United States thrust in the direction of the Philippines. It appears that the more cautious and more restrained elements in American military quarters have carried the day, for landings on Morotai and Pililu clearly point to the fact that the Philippines have been selected as a goal for the next operations.

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A Political Commentary by Maurice D'Arc

It is really very kind of you, Mr. François de Menthon. Here you are in Paris (where apparently you are taking part in parades) and Mr. de Gaulle has appointed you Minister of Justic .

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What we are asking is whether the French people have naturally judged that .... And we are going to remind them that you have repeatedly stated that you, Mr. de Menthon, have no ésteem for them. I think, Mr. Minister, that you will allow me a little inquiry into your private life. Before becoming a resistance leader you were a chaplain in Haute Savoie. But this was not enough for you and ambitious as you are, you strived for advancement: so you put yourself on the London pay-roll.

You even became editor of a clandestine newspaper and were among the promoters of anti-French enterprises. And if after that you exhibit your pride in Paris, it should not be forgotten that when at Annecy you attempted to make a speech in public, you found yourself in the municipal fountain, which was an unexpected investiture of the Order of the Bath, but not the one followed by the King of England in appreciation of services rendered to him. And we must say that France so far has been of little concern to you and if you were then singing the praises of England, later you had to serve America in the Algiers government and you are still at General Eisenhower's orders.

For seven years you were president of the French Youth Catholic Association and we understand that you then were especially the leader of the J.O.C., making particular efforts to guarantee a permanent liaison between catholics and the more active movement which was a vanguard of the Third International. It should also be said that you belonged to the Christian Democratic party which had the Jew Julien Benda (?) in its ranks as well as the 'Jewified' Georges Bidaut and Francis Guet. In other words, you ate as it is put, at all tables. And you have been put in charge of the Ministry of Justice ... We will soon see in the foreign neutral press some quite unedifying reports on tribunals. The French may rejoice on having the right man in the right place. But we learned some months ago that Mr. François de Menthon armed even boys to assassinate a certain Jaquemin and many others who were not in favor of the British. Naturally they were for France. Now you must be satisfied. What you desired for such a long time now has materialized. The French have national mobilization and Mr. de Menthon should be blessed for this. France, as in 1939, is going to fight for the King of England. And the little French soldier who will be dressed in a foreign uniform will go to the slaughter in place of the British, in a British overcoat. Mr. de Menthon, the French so far have ignored you: now they know you... and you despise them. We are advising you not to show yourself in public. Europe and France do not like people who wash their hands of the blood of their fellow countrymen by plunging them into bags full of gold. You are more like a Judas

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André Lelou, a French journalist, speaking:

Frenchmen of the Empire, in the name of the Empire, soldiers of the Empire, France, true France, needs you, is relying on you, this France that you perhaps thought for a moment of seeing again with a General de Gaulle whose mediocrity is his best quality, a General de Gaulle who is not his own master.

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France is now plunged into the most complete anarchy. Your France is not finding an authority capable of getting her will respected, your France whose only law is the sub-machine gun and where tomorrow Moscow alone will have the right to speak. In your France communists preserved all their forces intact for the final assault. You are alone in showing and proving by your deeds the national character of your ideas, like all those in France who are tired of de Gaulle and of being led by his weakness... to fight with all your heart and forces to the end. France should remember and will remember your active participation in today's new struggle for the conquest of her true rank and place in the world. Frenchmen of the empire, unite: France's cause is Europe's cause, and ours and yours; it is that of all true Frenchmen and it will have defenders who will be capable of showing heroism in the fight for a new faith, of showing again the best moral qualities and the greatest virtues of national revolutionaries of all times. Frenchmen of the Empire: let us go forward for a new Europe, forward for a true France, the France of tomorrow.

GERMAN TELEGRAPH SERVICE - September 16 - (Monitored in London)

Station Note

(All times DBST) Transkontinent press service of German Telegraph Service was not received by BBC on September 16. Normally the station would be transmitting at intervals between 0800 and 2000 (sometimes even 2200) material destined for central European and Balkans recipients.

This station was last heard at 2044 on September 15, when it closed down with the following announcement: "End of last transmission. Good night."

Whether this implies that transmissions have ceased or not we are unable to say.

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BALKAN AND HUNGARIAN BROADCASTS
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RADIO BELGRADE in Serb to Serbia - 1437 - 1730 - September 18

Attack on Ristic

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This miserable and mercenary man is serving the communists as a as shield from behind which they want to deal a mortal blow to the Serbian people. But he is mistaken, and so are his new masters.

The Serbian people will not allow themselves to be subdued and conquered, but they will plunge into battle and they will crush their executioners and their murderers.

A traitor such as Tito's General Borislav Ristic will not undermine the morale of the Serbian people, who know that the King and every conscious Serbian nationalist and patriot in the country and outside it, is against Tito.

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Dangers of the Georgieff Government

The pro-communist Bulgarian government which styles itself "National front government" made its public appearance with a declaration on the broad lines of its programme.

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One can see at once very clearly that the present Bulgarian rulers have not let anything slip by in their effort to create an impression of their thorough revolutionism, which is allegedly serving the people's welfare. For that purpose a programme with a multitude of points was drawn up. Each of these points alone can serve as a basic and inflammatory slogan for bourgeois democracy, which is consciously and voluntarily committing suicide in order that from its corpse the might and power of Bolshevism might spring up. If, heretofore, anybody has been in doubt that Kimon Georgieff and company are serving Bolshevism, after his declaration nobody can cherish any such doubts. He began much more dratiscally than Kerensky did in his time, when he succeeded for only a brief spell in letting loose the total force of all underground, negative and destructive elements. He attacked the nation, he attacked the Church, he attacked the army - in short, he attacked the three bases of Bulgarian national life. He has propped himself upon Jewry and Bolshevism, thinking that with their help he could achieve his goal.

It would be better to say that Kimon Georgieff and company have really put themselves completely at the service of Bolshevism; they lent themselves to perform the work of the executioner, Dimitroff, who stands behind the present government as its real director and the actual dictator of Bulgaria. Kimon Georgieff began with the separation of Church and state, just as Lenin began with the separation of Church and state. Kimon Georgieff began with the provocation (sic) of civil marriage just as Lenin had begun. Kimon Georgieff began by attacking private ownership just as Lenin did.

But Kimon Georgieff labors in vain to create the impression of being a national-social reformer. By breaking the police and the army, Kimon Georgieff favours Communist elements, those underground bands which he is recruiting into the army, for Kimon Georgieff has raised one more curtain which interests us Serbs also. He sang laudatory hymns to the "Serb-exterminator", Tito. He bore witness that Tito's bands, which are today advancing so bloodthirstily against Serbia, are his allies and friends, he admitted that he is their helper and defender. This thing the Serbian people will not forget when they master this most recent Communist danger, when he will have to face charges for all the misdeeds which he, together with Tito, is committing against the Serbian people.

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It remains for the Bulgarian people to drift into the horrors and anarchy into which they are being plunged more and more, and to decide either to start a national struggle and resistance or to support Kimon Georgieff and Dimitroff. These people too, are presented with a fatal "either-or". Either they must enter the collective struggle against Bolshevism, or they must irreparably pass under the yoke of Bolshevism, which brings destruction in its wake. There is no third way out either for the Bulgarian people or for any other people in Europe.

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RADIO SOFIA in Serbo-Croat to Yugoslavia - 850 Kc - 1915 -Sept.18

Meetings and Speeches in Sofia

In Sofia, a mass meeting was held at which Prime Minister Kimon Georgieff, Minister of Interior Anton Jugoff, and Propaganda Minister ... spoke. The representative of the people's liberation army, Colonel Popovich, also spoke. Many thousands of people assembled on the square in front of the Palace of Justice and continuously cheered the national ministers, who in the course of their speeches expressed the slogan: "Death to Fascism! Forward to Berlin!"

Speech by Popovich

"Bulgarian Comrades!

I feel that I am in the free city of Sofia as the representative of our liberation army. Speaking in the name of the Yugoslav people, I am bringing you fraternal greetings: 'Death to Fascism!'

"Comrades! Our Bulgarian and Yugoslav peoples should have joined together and united long ago in order to defend their interests against German Fascism. Quislings in Yugoslavia acted so that our peoples were disunited and the Germans were able to occupy our country.

"Comrades! The fatal day for German Fascism in our and your country has arrived. But, as early as 1941, our people sought to find ways to organise against our eternal enemy, Fascism.

"Comrades! Since 1941, unity between Bulgarian and Yugoslav partisans has been forged. It is a unity forged in battle, and nobody can destroy it, nor has anyone the right to destroy it.

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OTHER AXIS, AXIS-CONTROLLED, CLANDESTINE AND NEUTRAL BROADCASTS

SWEDISH HOME SERVICE - 2200 - Sept 17 (Monitored in London)

Gestapo Arrests 300 Norwegians

(Extract)

In the Norwegian town of Halden a big raid was carried out by the Gestapo Thursday night, and no fewer than 300 persons were arrested, according to a report received by well-informed Norwegian circles in Stockholm. The arrested persons were taken to Fredrikstens fort. Some of the most prominent men in town were among those taken as hostages.

SWEDISH HOME SERVICE - 0500 - Sept. 18 (Monitored in London)

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Concerning Russian armistice terms, which were also mentioned, the Minister would not, in the present delicate situation, make any statement. The Foreign Ministry was said this evening not to have received any reports yet from the delegation in Moscow, states the message from Helsinki. It is believed, however, that more conferences were held today in Moscow.

FINNISH EUROPEAN SERVICE in French -1845-Sept 18 (Monitored in London)

Extracts from Press Review

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The "Suomen Sosialidemokratti" expresses a sharp criticism of the German attitude towards Finland. The agreements stipulated between the military authorities are, in general, observed. This, however, does not apply to the attitude adopted by the Germans when leaving Finland. No doubt, their departure was carried out in accordance with all outward forms, as forecast by Premier Hackzell in his speech. But the Finnish authorities were stupfied when, the German vessels having departed, they found that the Germans, before leaving, had blocked their way out of Kotka by means of underwater mines.

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The purpose of this singular procedure became evident as soon as the German ships tried to lay a trap for the Commander of the Finnish troops on Hogland Island, and landed in force to capture the island. The mining of the waters off Kotka Harbor was indeed meant to prevent Finnish vessels from bringing aid to the island while under attack.

An incident concerning the Pori air field was no better. The air field is on Finnish territory and had been leased to the Germans for the duration of the war. Hence, the Germans had no authority to carry out its destruction. It can only be explained by the desperation of the German High Command who, knowing the war to be lost, indulges in acts which nothing can justify, since they are of no advantage whatever to Germany.

In Finland, these acts will be considered as criminal, and it will be regretted that they caused many Finns to shed their blood. This 15th of September will be a significant date in Finland's history, particularly in respect to her relations with the Third Reich.

SWEDISH HOME SERVICE - 2200 - Sept. 18 (Monitored in London)

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(Extract)

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RADIO MILANO LIBERTA' (Clandestine) in Italian to Italy - 31 M. -0730-Sept.19

The Italians Must Have Weapons - The Glorious Greeks in Italy

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Just as Saint Rosa died helping the Greek people to reconquer their liberty, so today the Greek soldiers defy death to contribute to the struggle for the Italian people's liberation. Glory and honor to the Greek soldiers.

The participation of Greek troops in the war waged on the Italian front, makes us think of other things. On Italian soil, British, Americans, Canadians, Poles, Greeks, etc. are fighting. How is it possible to believe that there should not be a place for Italian soldiers to fight for Italy's liberation? How can one deny the Italian Patriots the right to shed their blood and defy death for the liberation of their own country? No, this shame cannot be tolerated. This is not worthy of Italy and of her national cause. Our Allies must allow the Italians the right to do their duty towards their own country and towards all civilised peoples. The right to do their duty cannot be denied to any people. This right to fight cannot and must not be denied to the Italians, who must shoulder their weapons, side by side with their foreign brothers, who are contributing to the liberation of Italy and the whole world from Nazist and Fascist tyranny.

It must be made possible for our Patriots to form Italian brigades and divisions for the purpose of fighting against the Germans and the Fascists.

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All Italian reserves must be sent to Germany, says Farinacci; and that means machinery, railway stocks, agricultural machines, etc. Thus, Farinacci wants to avenge himself on the nation and the working classes, who repudiated Fascism, depriving Italy of [illegible] necessary elements for post-war reconstruction.

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We, for our part, are grateful to Farinacci for having given us the real programme of the Fascist party. We know that when Farinacci pronounces himself, it is really Germany who writes and dictates her own will. Workers and employers, big and small, now know what is going on. The Germans will take everything away from Italy if they are not rapidly expelled from Italian soil. The Germans want to destroy the foundation of our future reconstruction. The Italians must be on the defensive and avoid, with all means in their power, the theft and transportation to Germany of machinery and instruments. The same must be said of railway and agricultural property.

RADIO MILANO LIBERTA' (Clandestine) in Italian to Italy -- 1230 - Sept.19

Federal Secretary of Milan Holds Meeting

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Blows must be dealt to the enemy throughout northern Italy. The enemy's blows must be returned with redoubled vigor and strikes must be organized in sign of protest. The slowness of Allied military operations is all in favor of the enemy, who thus has a chance of making more victims. It is not, however, in our power to speed up military operations. To bring about a general revolt, it is necessary to mobilize the popular masses.

RADIO DIFFUSION DE LA NATION FRANCAISE -31,15 - 1100 - Sept. 19

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French "Epuration"

From now on, the Senators and Deputies who participated in the Vichy Government will not take part in the Consulting Assembly. The Assembly will be formed by two groups of the General Counsellors and the Resistance Movement. The next session will be held in October. With the aim of renewing the appointment of the members of the Senate and of the Chamber of Deputies, who are working for the Provisional Consulting Assembly, the Deputies and Senators belonging to one of these Assemblies from 1936 on, are asked urgently to inform the General Secretariat of the Provisional Consulting Assembly, whether they wish to participate in the electoral bodies, constituted by the decree of 1943.

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RADIO DIFFUSION NATIONALE - 31,15 M. - 1130 - September 19

Daily Commentary by Jacques Marcel

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General de Gaulle also went to Cognac. Everywhere, he was met with enthusiastic demonstrations. Every time a new area of the national territory was freed, the people shouted with joy, singing the "Marseillaise" in chorus. Everywhere, Frenchmen and Frenchwomen greeted the man who had led them on the hard but sure road of the only possible deliverance. General de Gaulle shared in the nation's joy at seeing our land liberated, purified, re-organised. Now he must think of the first

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RADIO SOTTENS in French 47,28 M. - 1245 - September 19

Death of Swiss Minister to Argentina

It is learned from Buenos Ayres that M. Janis, Swiss Minister to the Argentine, died suddenly last night. He was born in 1888 and entered the diplomatic service of the Confederation in 1917. He was first sent to Washington as a member of the Swiss Legation, and was then Chargé d'Affaires in Athens in 1930. From 1937, he was Swiss Minister in Buenos Aires.

RADIO DIFFUSION FRANCAISE in French to France - 31.19 metres - 1300

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General de Gaulle's Trip to the South-Western departments

When General de Gaulle arrived, a large crowd thronged the streets of the city to welcome the Head of the government. After having met the local civilian and military authorities, General de Gaulle delivered a speech from the Prefecture balcony. He said: "The time has now come for us to rebuild. The immense task must be carried out by every one of us, - by all of us in union.

The first thing to attain is order. Nothing can be accomplished without that. Indeed the only force which can support right is order, which is of but one kind of order, State or Republican order, that order which the Republic's government must enforce. And after order comes work... "

Continuing, General de Gaulle invited the crowd to express the union of all French people for the country's future greatness by singing the "Marseillaise".

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General de Gaulle's Trip to the South-Western departments

When General de Gaulle arrived, a large crowd thronged the streets of the city to welcome the Head of the government. After having met the local civilian and military authorities, General de Gaulle delivered a speech from the Prefecture balcony. He said: "The time has now come for us to rebuild. The immense task must be carried out by every one of us, - by all of us in union.

The first thing to attain is order. Nothing can be accomplished without that. Indeed the only force which can support right is order, which is of but one kind of order, State or Republican order, that order which the Republic's government must enforce. And after order comes work... "

Continuing, General de Gaulle invited the crowd to express the union of all French people for the country's future greatness by singing the "Marseillaise".

General de Gaulle returned to Paris last night.

Telephone Services to be Resumed

The Minister for Post, Telegraph and Telephone Services announced that starting Tuesday, September 19, telephone communications will be resumed between the various telephone offices of the Seine Department and the Versailles region. It will not be possible, for the time being, however, to carry out communications with the automatic phone service.

Postal Services to be Resumed at End of Week

The Minister for Communications stated to a representative of the French press in Paris that postal services will probably be resumed at the end of the current week.

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Other Items:

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If reports concerning the increase of acts of sabotage in Germany and the possibility of a new coup d'etat are true, it may ba said that conjectures made on the probable date of Germany's collapse may soon prove useless.

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A report received in London in this connection says that the chief editor of the "Sunday Express" writes that in well-informed diplomatic circles it is generally considered that something out of the normal is actually taking place in Germany and that a new attempt, on the part of Generals, to overthrow the national-socialist régime, is to be expected. A diplomatic has pointed out that German political, economic and intellectual circumstances are such at the present moment that the situation in Germany is now to be compared with that of Italy before the insurrection which brought about Mussolini's fall. On the other hand the "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" of September 9th violently protested against the home front and emphasized that the morale is now so weak that defeatists will eventually succeed in bringing about Germany's downfall. The newspaper says that German soldiers at the front have invented a slogan, more or less the equivalent of "Esprit in Reverse" which characterizes people who are evading military obligations.

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This morning 230 French children arrived at Geneva and immediately continued their journey to various destinations in different federal Cantons.

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BERNE RADIO in French to France - 6345 Mc. - 23,35 - September 19

Political Groups Met Today

The different groups of the Federal Chambers met today and examined the agenda of the present parliamentary session which includes the country's supply problem, the protection of hotels and of industry.

Communications with France

Railroad communications with Aix-les-Bains will function every week-day.

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GERMAN PROPAGANDA TRENDS

POLITICAL:

Fritsche Faces "Unpleasant and Regrettable" Facts: Hans Fritsche, of the Goebbels Ministery of Propaganda, delivers his weekly radio address. Its main trend is the endeavor to prevent a panic mood among his German listeners and to point out consoling features within the admittedly serious military developments. He frankly admits the existence of what he calls "some unpleasant and regrettable phenomena" and deems these "probably inevitable in the case of a rapid enemy advance." However, he puts great stress on the supposed slowing down of the Allied advance in the west. He attributes this slowing down to the "intensity and fanaticism of German resistance" which even "the enemy reluctantly acknowledges". "Only now," declares Fritsche, "is the German power of defence manifesting itself in its distinct outline and full significance."

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Denial on Finland: An official German statement, released by Transocean, "brands as wholly absurd the reports of the burning down of Finnish villages" by Germans. "The German Supreme Command gave the Finnish authorities a clear and unmistakeable correction regarding these reports. The Finnish peasants themselves laid fire to their homesteads in order to prevent them from falling into Soviet hands."

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Southern Front: Allied attacks are said to continue, but "the losses suffered by the attackers during the past few days are becoming perceptible." In the Adriatic sector "at one point the enemy was driven back to his initial positions." In the central sector the Germans claim to have encircled and "wiped out a large unit of the Fifth Army."

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CLANDESTINE BROADCASTS

Criticism of the BBC: Radio Milano Libertà for the past two days has been criticizing in a rather sharp manner the BBC broadcasts in Italian. Exception is taken to the remark made by "Candidus" that the Allies cannot very well forget how Italy fought against them for three years and four months.

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V-1 retaliatory fire on the city of London is being continued.

On the Italian front, enemy attacks in the Lucca-Pistoia sector were unsuccessful. Supported by strong artillery and air force formations, the enemy sent in wave after wave to the attack throughout the whole day in the region north of Florence. All his attempts to break through were frustrated and severe losses inflicted on him.

On the Bulgaro-Serbian border, there were several local engagements, in which ten Bulgarian tanks were destroyed.

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - 491 M. - 0700-Sept.17

The new Mayor of Milan

The Duce received Giuseppe Schinelli, newly appointed Mayor of Milan who was formerly Secretary of the Provincial Union of Syndicates. The Head of the Province was present at the interview. The Duce traced the lines of the policy to be followed by the new Mayor and announced that a Communal Advisary Commission would be set up in the near future. The fact that the administration of so large a city as Milan should be entrusted to members of the working classes, should not be considered unusual, declared the Duce, but merely the beginning of a new movement which will have further developments. "It is my intention", went on the Duce , to entrust two important sectors of administration to the working classes, namely the administrative sector proper and the rationing sector. The fact that the two vice-mayors do not possess the Party Card is in accordance with my telegram of March 10 to the Chiefs of the Provinces. In this telegram I stated that in the administrative and food supply sectors, which are of fundamental importance, especially at the present time, representatives might be chosen from the laboring classes, so long as they proved competent.

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Province of Venice Machine-Gunned

Various localities in the Province of Venice have been machine-gunned. Many people were killed and wounded. 3751

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - 491 M.-1200-Sept.17

Coup de Théâtre at Quebec?

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Now,he approaches foreign politics and relative problems with the absolute lack of preparation and superficiality characteristic of his political activities ever since their beginning. The Italian Socialist Party itself entrusted Nenni with the task of discussing its problems. The results which will be obtain are easily to be forseen.

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In a recent article Nenni states that one of the greatest errors made by Fascism was that of declaring war on France and the United States, viz., the two countries which were most amenable to Italian immigration. According to Nenni, it was an error to have declared war on France, who has done nothing but betray Italy and carry out threats and aggression against her, both at the time of the Versailles Treaty and since. What treatment did Italy receive from her "Latin sister" from the Versailles days up to the famous "jamais!" Fascism, according to Nenni, also committed the error of declaring war on the United States; in other words on the country which is chiefly responsible for having prepared and incited the declaration of the present world conflict.

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(Only a fragment or two could be monitored)

Review of the Press

The times in which we are living are the most dramatic in the whole world's history, a German journalist writes. The whole world is ablaze. But the European field which is witnessing a duel to the finish, is the most dramatic picture of all. One adversary is attacking constantly; the other, constantly on the defence, parries and retreats. The former attacks, advances, yells triumphantly, but is not sure of being able to deliver the final blow, whilst the latter defends himself and waits.

It is a singular duel, with the whole world as spectator and the whole world anxiously awaiting the outcome. After accumulating the necessary means, the enemy has thrown them into the battle, with all his available forces, in a desperate effort to win the war. Mr.Morrison, the Home Secretary, stated in the House of Commons that the gigantic assault of 1944 is not a display of power but a vital necessity ... Churchill, the journalist continues, knew that a new German weapon, the V.1. was in the making, but he could not prevent its use and could not find any means of defence; and he knew also that other German secret weapons even more terrible than V.1, are in the making. That is the reason why Germany had to be beaten in 1943. Yet the German nation did not collapse in 1943. Now there is one last chance. Churchill said: "We must end the war this autumn ..." But Germany continues to fight with all available means and with all her might. Victory is really near.

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Referring to what he had seen in places where work was being carried out in the invaded areas of Italy, the delegate stressed the necessity that salaries should be materially and effectually increased and that a high cost of living bonus should be paid forthwith. He concluded that it was urgently necessary to improve the conditions in which laborers were compelled to work. Evidently the American delegate overlooked the fact that the Italian labor authorities are placed under the British and Americans, and that his own countrymen are responsible for the present situation.

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We should like to know by what process a band of criminals can be strengthened through the honesty of its members. This unlikely... But this is not all. Sforza adds: Even if silence...

Well then. Apart from the fact that amongst these passive Senators there are many who are to-day in power at Sforza's side and have been given posts of high responsibility, could not Sforza himself be considered a Fascist by the High court? He lived for many years abroad in comparative silence.

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He wrote fiction on foreign policy. These books have ... At the same time he continued to be a Senator of the realm and did not take part in the meetings ... Every now and then he delivered an opposition speech for which he was deservedly criticised by the Fascist press. But Sforza continued to stay abroad and every now and then he sent some one to collect his dues for him. Was this a passive attitude? Given that Sforza personally is an honest Senator, he, through his absence from Italy and his silence and administrative loyalty, has certainly contributed to strengthen Fascism and prevented the country from rebelling against Fascist policy.

He deserves then to be tried by the High Court of Justice. Naturally, as this is a case of a court more reminiscent of a farm yard than of a real High Court of Justice, Count Sforza can continue to live peacefully ...

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The Triangular Battle Opens up Again

(A talk by Corrado Zoli)

The slowing down of the impetus of the attacking forces in France which had been noticed last week, has now become even more noticeable.

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The upper sector of that large area which represents the battle front has not moved. This does not mean that there has been a lessening of activity and, in fact, all reports speak of continuous attacks and counter-attacks, but these skirmishes have brought no appreciable change in the territorial situation. The Germans still hold their position in the north and the British and Americans hold their position in the south. It is in the territory between that operations have been particularly active during the last week, and in this area there have been few changes. This was the area where the right wing of the British Second Army linked up with the left wing of the American First Army. But a new American armored corps has joined the two great enemy units, and this corps belongs to the Ninth Army. It is not known whether divisions coming from overseas have been used to make up this great new unit, or whether those that the enemy command has been obliged to disperse along the various French coasts to stifle the very stubborn resistance put up by the Atlantic Wall, are still in action.

For instance, you have heard this week, that one of these centres of resistance has suddenly leapt into the news from a very remote spot, from the mouth of the Gironde if you please, that is, not very far from the Pyrenees and at least three hundred kilometres away from the nearest point of the present line of battle.

It is true that these heroic pockets of resistance have to cease fighting after a struggle lasting for weeks, as was the case at Brest and Le Havre; but many others continue to resist and to fight, and some crop up in the most unexpected areas, to add to the hardships of the invader.

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On the Alsatian front, the American Seventh Army has tried, once more in vain, to encircle the main body of the 19th German Army which is carrying out a very orderly retreat from the high ground in the east towards the Belfort area.

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In carrying out this withdrawal, the Germans have abandoned the area between the upper course of the Saône and...; but the German divisions were able to reach their new positions without further damage.

In Italy the Allied forces have extended their attacks from the Adriatic coastal sector to the whole Apennines area, which forms a link between the Eighth and the Fifth Army. The two Armies have concentrated the greater part of their armor in the mountains of Tuscany and Emilia in order to launch a large-scale attack against the main passes of this mountainous region. Up to now, however, all their attacks have been definitely repelled by the firm resistance put up by the heroic troops of the Eleventh German Army.

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School For Democracy

It is learnt that the Allies will organize a School of Democracy for Italian youth in Rome. This Allied decision is considered to be a counter-measure to Soviet propaganda in southern Italy.

Black Market in Currency

It is reported that forty-three people have been arrested in invaded Italy for having carried out illegal commerce in currency.

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NEWS FROM THE INVADED AREAS

Luigi Antonini on Conditions in Italy

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TEVERE RADIO in Italian to Italy 2130 - Sept.17

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Food Supply Problem in Rome

The Prefect of the Food Rationing Offices in Rome has announced that the food supply situation can only be improved if the Allies grant further means of transport.

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American Trade Unionists in Rome

The representatives of the American Trade Unions in Italy have underlined the necessity not only of increasing salaries immediately, but also that of bettering living conditions for Italian workers.

Special Messages to the Roman Brothers

Who thinks well is searched for and found.
Walk very fast.
The tower is leaning.
Romantic walk.
The telephone does not ring.
Two covers and three overcoats are on the clothes-peg.
Special message for Romolo: nothing new.
Remus sends his greetings.
The waiting is about to finish.
Good trip.
Leaves are carried away by the wind.

RADIO TEVERE in Italian to Italy - M.245.5 - 2230 - September 17

Union Meeting in Rome.

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The Italian Front

Bitter fighting was carried on yesterday north and north-east of Florence and along the Adriatic coast. The enemy was repulsed after having suffered heavy losses. All attempts to pierce the German lines were frustrated. The enemy lost twenty-five tanks. Fighting continues north of Florence and along the Adriatic coast.

News From the Invaded Territories

The Delegates of the American Trade Unions were forced to admit, during their visit to Italy, that twenty years of Fascism have enabled Italian workers to attain considerable successes in many fields.

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One of the Delegates emphasised the necessity of increasing salaries and better living conditions for Italian workers, whose position has become untenable during the last few months.

Living Conditions in Italy

An Irish paper, discussing present living conditions in invaded Italy, says that the Italian people are suffering from starvation. The paper states that popular discontent is paving the way for communism, which now finds favorable ground for development.

Measures to Be Adopted for Agriculturists

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One year after the foundation of the Republic, we can note with satisfaction that a great number of Italians have been loyal to the Republican Fascist Party.

The prestige of the new Fascist Republic is demonstrated by the fact that Italian prisoners, up to now in German concentration camps, are now free workers. ... We may assert that the Republic is now on the march!!

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Treason is beginning to weigh heavily on the traitors. In Finland, at Bucharest and in Bulgaria, nations are contemplating with dread the loss of their sovereign rights. In France, a fierce struggle has broken out between de Gaulle and the clergy. The most terrible disorder reigns throughout the country.
Other Items: News from the fronts.

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Activities of the Italian Social Republic

A year after its constitution, the Italian Social Republic can now make a balance sheet of her many activities.
First of all, order has been re-established in cities and in many Italian regions. Republican forces, together with the Germans, are actively organizing themselves to hound the enemy out of the Fatherland. ...

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Food Situation in Invaded Italy

When the Fascist press or radio give news of the food situation in invaded Italy, there are people who still insist in not believing... An Irish paper today gives new proof of.... Leaflets which the Anglo-Americans used to drop on the Italian territories promised bread and happiness. After the lapse of a year, the people of invaded Italy are still starving and desperate. All kinds of foods are lacking and corruption is increasing at a terrific pace. Everywhere children are to be seen begging Allied soldiers for a piece of bread, their eyes full of tears. Transport means are all at the disposal of Allied forces and these are so few that it is impossible to use them to carry supplies for the civilian population. ... Food itself is desperately insufficient. Prices in the black market.... are soaring with unprecedented swiftness. In the streets, posters hailing Soviet Russia and the symbol of the hammer and sickle are to be seen everywhere.

The Situation in the Last Twenty-Four Hours

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Women's Day

Today, September 18th, is "Women's Day" throughout Fascist Italy,,. beside the fighting forces with which they share anxieties and sorrows... assistance to their dear ones who are fighting for the Fatherland with their weapons...

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German Civilians Hostile to Invaders

Reports broadcast by the American radio state that the people who live in Reich territories invaded by American troops are decidedly hostile to the Allied forces. ... The same news is confirmed by British war correspondents. ...

Notes from Invaded Italy

American war correspondents in invaded Italy write that all the measures adopted by Allied authorities to facilitate the handing over of products to food reserves have completely failed in their application.

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The news bulletin of the United Nations reports that the High Commissioner for Sicily, Alderisio, has declared that the food situation in Sicily, and more particularly in the province of Messina, is tragic.... reconstruction works cannot be undertaken because of certain difficulties which cannot be overcome, especially as regards transport.

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All enemy attempts made yesterday were fruitless in the central sector, north and northwest of Florence, where a strong unit of the Fifth Army was surprised by the lightning counter-attack of German grenadiers and was then surrounded and wiped out.

In the western sector the frequency of enemy thrusts has increased, especially north of the Conca River, of Pistoia and of Lucca. However the fighting there is still of a local character.

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Shipment of Comfort Parcels for Germany Already Begun

As already announced, the shipment of comfort packages to former Italian internees in Germany has already begun. During the past few days these shipments included five carloads which went to various destinations. Twenty-one other railway carloads are ready for shipment. At Milan alone ten thousands parcels are arriving daily from minor collecting centers. The participation of all classes to this initiative is so widespread and of such proportions that new collecting centres have been opened in addition to those originally scheduled. The period of acceptance for such parcels by Post Offices has been prolonged to October 1.

The Post Office as well as the railway administration have given a most important and effective contribution to the success of this effort. Thanks to these gifts our former internees will receive suits both decent and appropriate for the German winter climate. Gratitude is also due to the workers responsible for such a vast amount of goods. Entire populations, authorities and clergy are contributing with admirable enthusiasm to the shipment of these comfort parcels as they represent an expression of loyalty and assistance towards our fellow-countrymen. This work is carried out under the auspices of the Italian Red Cross, which is deserving of much praise for its fine aid to humanity.

Assistance to "Balilla" Organization Members Concluded

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British and American air forces last night bombed the neighborhood of Brescia hitting some houses and causing seventeen deaths. About ten other people were injured. An enemy aircraft was shot down.

Along the Istrian coast some enemy aircraft bombed and set on fire the passenger ship "San Marco" on the regular line between the Istrian coast and Trieste. There were 120 dead and about seventy wounded.

Jewish Rites in Rome

The Rome British radio last night announced that Jewish religious ceremonies were held yesterday throughout invaded Italy, adding that they were attended by Jewish representatives of twenty-five states.

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The Rome British Radio and The Lack of Manners

Twenty years of Fascism, according to the Rome British radio, have helped the Italians... Certainly, it remains to be seen. According to the spirit of democracy, every individual has his own opinion. The perfect democrat, therefore, must always have his opinion preceded by the words: "It seems to me" or "I don't think I am wrong if..." or "I should think..."

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Italian Broadcasts

RADIO TEVERE in Italian - 245.5 M. - 19.30 September 18

Allied Air Losses

On the Italian front eleven Allied planes were shot down by German fighters and by A.A. batteries. The Germans lost one plane only.

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - 430 M. 2000 Sept. 18

Missing Persons Sought

News is wanted of:

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The child Emanuela Tosarin is looking for her father, Gunner Antonio Tosarin, naval detachment of Cristiano, Taranto. "I entreat all you listeners to let me know something of my dear Daddy, Gunner Antonio Tosarin, who in August 1943 was at Cristiano, Taranto."

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First, the local German security forces with immediate... came into action. Then mobile...units were brought to the landing places, which were encircled. These operations proceeded according to plan. These encircling operations were facilitated by measures taken by the German command which expected such air-borne landings. The coastal area of Holland has been submerged for a long time and the terrain situated behind this water protection has been divided into various defence zones in order to hamper air landings. Under these circumstances the paratroopers and the air-borne troops jumped directly into the German defences. In military circles the aims of the Allied air landings in Holland are considered to be in support of the British attacks over the Meuse-Scheldt canal into Holland. this attack, in spite of every effort, having come to a standstill in the fire of the German defences.

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Molotov Meets Finnish Delegation — 2030

Stockholm: According to a semiofficial Swedish News Agency report from Helsinki, the Finnish Foreign Office has received a report that the Finnish delegation in Moscow had a fairly long conference with Molotov in the evening of September 12. It is reported that British Ambassador Kerr was present at the conference.

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Dr. Krull on the European War 2025

Berlin: Dr. Krull commenting on the situation on the fronts writes as follows:

British landing operations in Holland are principally in the branches of the Rhine estuary near Arnhem and Nijmegen, and give a new aspect to the battle in the northern sector of the western front. The fact that the enemy decided upon such costly operations proves that he is attempting with all means possible to reanimate the attack on the Albert and Meuse-Scheldt canal which had come to a standstill. The enemy is attempting to reach a final decision at a point offering the most favorable prerequisites from a strategical and geographic point of view.

Constantly stiffening German defence between Antwerp and Maastricht has decreased enemy pressure in the direction of the Netherlands to such an extent that he thought he could reach a decisive success with unusual measures only. A thrust in the rear of the German front was supposed to bring relief and to pave the way in a northerly direction. Therefore a landing operation with excellently equipped air-borne troops was effected Sunday noon. Strong enemy contingents who had landed at various points, far away from one another, were effectively attacked by German forces and were almost completely annihilated. This particularly applies to contingents landed farther east. The same development is impending at other landing points. Landed enemy forces were encircled by newly brought up formations and compressed on a narrow... Although the attack from the air did not come as a surprise to the German command, the conclusion of this operation will take a certain time in consequence of the peculiarity of the Dutch terrain. For the enemy there are two consequences: first, in order not to leave his paratroops in the lurch, to attempt a break-through, disregarding losses and disregarding even the slight prospect of reaching success; second, the enemy, contrary to his intention, effected a concentration of German divisions, rendering the materialization of his plans still more difficult. Enemy losses so far have been extraordinarily high. Success will largely depend on to what extent the enemy will be able to supply the already isolated contingents with arms, ammunition and food. It can be expected

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Constantly stiffening German defence between Antwerp and Maastricht has decreased enemy pressure in the direction of the Netherlands to such an extent that he thought he could reach a decisive success with unusual measures only. A thrust in the rear of the German front was supposed to bring relief and to pave the way in a northerly direction. Therefore a landing operation with excellently equipped air-borne troops was effected Sunday noon. Strong enemy contingents who had landed at various points, far away from one another, were effectively attacked by German forces and were almost completely annihilated. This particularly applies to contingents landed farther east. The same development is impending at other landing points. Landed enemy forces were encircled by newly brought up formations and compressed on a narrow... Although the attack from the air did not come as a surprise to the German command, the conclusion of this operation will take a certain time in consequence of the peculiarity of the Dutch terrain. For the enemy there are two consequences: first, in order not to leave his paratroops in the lurch, to attempt a break-through, disregarding losses and disregarding even the slight prospect of reaching success; second, the enemy, contrary to his intention, effected a concentration of German divisions, rendering the materialization of his plans still more difficult. Enemy losses so far have been extraordinarily high. Success will largely depend on to what extent the enemy will be able to supply the already isolated contingents with arms, ammunition and food. It can be expected that he will be forced by the situation to attempt further landings.

East of Aix-la-Chapelle strong German defence caused the enemy to change the direction of his attack to the north. The enemy's intention of encircling the town was expected by the German forces and counter-measures have been started. German counter-thrusts repulsed enemy forces south of Stolberg.

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RADIO TEVERE in Italian - 245 m. 20,30 - September 18

War News

On the Italian front the Allies have continued their attacks on the Adriatic sector. The focal point of the struggle is still in the Adriatic sector where it is reported General Alexander has concentrated some ten divisions. The enemy did not score any territorial gains.

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - M. 491.8 - 22.00 Sept. 18

Western Front

German counter-attacks from the Scheldt River to the canal zone are forcing the Anglo-Americans to mark time in northern Belgium. After the failure of his frontal attacks the enemy attempted to take German defensive positions from the rear by landing many air-borne units on Dutch territory. This action was unsuccessful as according to the latest reports these groups of paratroops were surrounded and wiped out.

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In the Aix-la-Chapelle sector the enemy was repulsed further by counter-attacks made by German armored units. South of Stolberg the enemy made no progress as a result of the very heavy losses already suffered there. On the other sectors of the front all enemy offensive thrusts have been repulsed. German garrisons in Brittany and in the Channel zone today again repulsed all Anglo-American attempts at penetration.

Southern Front

North of Florence the Allies, after bringing up new forces, attacked from dawn to dusk. Today again they did not succeed in scoring any success. An enemy battalion was surrounded between Mount Saggio and Mount Castello and then wiped out. The British offensive in the Adriatic sector today continued. It is now in its twenty-second day and despite the support of strong air formations and the large use of fog-throwers the enemy was once again repulsed and lost thirty-nine tanks north of Coriano. The situation is unchanged in the Tyrrhenian sector. Many prisoners were captured during local chashes in the Lucca area.

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REPUBLICAN FASCIST RADIO in Italian to Italy - m.491- 22.30 - September 18

The War in Italy

Berlin: Today north of Florence the Anglo-Americans attacked with new forces, without, however, succeeding in scoring any success worthy of special mention. An Anglo-American battalion was ambushed near Monte Castello and was wiped out after a short fight. On the Adriatic front, where for twenty-two days the British Eighth Army has been attacking almost without respite, the invader has not succeeded in scoring his ardently desired success.

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RADIO TEVERE in Italian to Italy - m.245.5 -22.30-September 18

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Un grosso pericolo sventato: A great danger frustrated. La fiaccola sotto il moggio - The light under the bushel. I fratelli Karamazoff - The Karamazoff brothers. Una lunga attesa - A long wait. Passeggiate romantiche - Romantic walks. ... convenzionale ... arancio: due punti alternati quattro - ... Conventional ... orange: two points alternated four. Convenzionale 44 lilla: due punti alternato sei - Conventional forty-four lilac: two points alternated six. Convenzionale 41 bianco - Conventional forty-one white. Messaggio speciale per Romolo: E' arrivato messaggio, nulla di nuovo - Special message for Romolo: Message arrived, nothing new. Alcune persone sono attese per domani o dopo-domani. Buon viaggio. Un saluto agli amici lontani e vicini... Some people are awaited tomorrow or the day after. Bon voyage. Best regards to friends near and far away... I capelli crescono - The hair is growing. La scimmietta piccola funziona - The little monkey is functioning. La scimmiette grande non si deve distrarre - The great monkey must not be distracted.
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Riots in Courts at Rome

The UNIS reports that the trial against the former Police Superintendent, Caruso, was to begin in Rome this morning. The crowd invaded the hall and seized the former director of the Regina Coeli prison, Caretta. He was beaten and thrown into the Tiber.

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While the King's Prosecutor..., four political prisoners, including two industrialists, were liberated by the crowd. The trial could not begin and the date to which it will be adjourned is not known. The Bonomi government asked the population to be calm.

According to a de Gaullist agency clashes broke out in the streets of Rome between Fascists and Communists. Allied troops had to intervene. Clashes are continuing.

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GERMAN BROADCASTS

GERMAN OVERSEAS SERVICE 21.15 September 16

Hans Fritsche Calling

Ladies and gentlemen,

Military operations begin to show a new aspect. While after his break-through at Avranches the enemy was free to move in France practically as he liked, provided he circumvented the German strongpoints and while thereafter the first symptoms of German resistance on a broader scale appeared, although unable yet to stop the enemy operations, lines have now been reached on which for some time past even very heavy and concentrated enemy attacks have been halted. Moreover there are now also some sectors in the west where strategic counter-actions against particularly disturbing enemy advances have been carried out with satisfactory results.

Although the enemy movements have not come to a standstill yet, the mere statement that the pace of his advance has been considerably slowed down would fall short of the real facts. In the east also we have succeeded in checking even very heavy mass attacks at the cost of very moderate losses of ground. The same may be said of the south where German troops with their long-proven skill and bravery opposed stubborn resistance to enemy pressure.

Still more important, however, is the fact that despite the numerous detachements left behind in our various strongpoints, we are steadily and notably increasing the number of our forces. In addition, there is the unparalleled fighting spirit of which the German soldier gives ample proof alike at the relinquished strong-points and on the new fighting line. The references to single exploits, reported in simple but highly suggestive words in the supplements to the communiqué of the German High Command, are every day a hundredfold confirmed by the utterances of our enemy reluctantly acknowledging the intensity and fanaticism of German resistance, and expressing no small surprise at the German power of defence which only now is manifesting itself in its distinct outline and full significance.

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This development, during which the principal objective was to gain time, sometimes weeks, sometimes days or even merely hours, acquires particular significance by the fact that the flux of untapped reserves, set into motion by the measures known to us all, is becoming visible and perceptible on a growing number of front sectors.

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With even better right than a fortnight ago we may state that at the very moment when the enemy war effort is reaching its highest level, its summit as it were, the corresponding exertion on the German side likewise shows an upward trend.

At the same time, although not parallel to this development of our war potential, the weakening or the betrayal of some of our small allies is making itself felt. It is not surprising that the enemy attemps to exploit the evacuation of Finland, from where German troops are being withdrawn at this moment, as well as the occupation of Rumania, Bulgaria and France for a campaign circling around the catch-word "collapse". That this catch-word is unjustified from the military point of view, is proved by the facts just mentioned, but it is particularly interesting that the catch-word of the alleged collapse has been confuted politically also. The occupation of the above-mentioned countries may have brought the enemy advantages of questionable importance. In a political sense, however, this occupation has caused something like a "land-slide". A land-slide in our favor!

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On the other hand, Britons ad Americans are furnishing evidence that all their long-winded discussions with the Bolsheviks as to the future situation in Europe, demarcation of spheres of influence or a compromise between the democratic London-Poles and the Bolshevik Committee in Lublin are no more than empty verbiage. I do not believe that in the whole world anybody seriously believes that the English and Americans who carry Bolshevism with them in the baggage of their divisions, are capable of coming to an arrangement in foreign politics with the representatives of this ideology and its totalitarian claims.

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Spanish Newspaper Praises German Morale

Madrid: The Allied request for unconditional surrender, the Spanish newspaper "Ya" declares, has only strengthened

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The occupation of the country by the Red Army is camouflaged as a measure to support the Finns against the German units in northern Finland.

The German units continue to retire according to plan.

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Some of them have already crossed the frontier to northern Norway. However, as to begin with the term fixed by the Kremlin was inadequate for the withdrawal of the main body of the advanced troops, and as the Soviets furthermore tried to hamper the German movements in every way, the Kremlin can now present its bill in Helsinki. The Swedish press sees plainly through the Soviet tactics. The Social-Democratic paper "Aftontidningen" stresses that the German command has done what it could to save Finland from the worst, that is, from becoming an ally of the Bolsheviks against her own free will. However says "Nya Dagligt Allehanda", that is what the Kremlin wants.

The big British paper "News Chronicle" declares openly with regard to the further aims of Moscow that the entire Finnish manoeuvre serves to bring the Red Army to northern Norway.

In Italy Bonomi, the chief of Government, has decreed that the Bolshevik partisans be incorporated into the police. In this manner Communism obtains a new key-position in the country. Moscow's position in Italy is supported first of all by famine; particularly in Tuscany the cases of hunger-demonstrations against the Anglo-Americans increase, and they end with the cry: "We do not want the Anglo-American occupation troops; we want the Soviets! They will bring us food". Soviet propaganda in Italy uses money as its main instrument; they put it at the disposal of the unemployed and the beggars, and produce it for this special purpose. The British papers state that the Soviets use their charity for their own propaganda purposes and the Allied charity institute, UNRRA, has not paid a penny yet. But, so says Soviet propaganda, UNRRA has scarcely managed to collect ten per cent of its revenues.

GERMAN HOME SERVICE - 11.30 - September 18

Survey of the situation by Dr.Rudolf Kettler

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The big British paper "News Chronicle" declares openly with regard to the further aims of Moscow that the entire Finnish manoeuvre serves to bring the Red Army to northern Norway.

In Italy Bonomi, the chief of Government, has decreed that the Bolshevik partisans be incorporated into the police. In this manner Communism obtains a new key-position in the country. Moscow's position in Italy is supported first of all by famine; particularly in Tuscany the cases of hunger-demonstrations against the Anglo-Americans increase, and they end with the cry: "We do not want the Anglo-American occupation troops; we want the Soviets! They will bring us food". Soviet propaganda in Italy uses money as its main instrument; they put it at the disposal of the unemployed and the beggars, and produce it for this special purpose. The British papers state that the Soviets use their charity for their own propaganda purposes and the Allied charity institute, UNRRA, has not paid a penny yet. But, so says Soviet propaganda, UNRRA has scarcely managed to collect ten per cent of its revenues.

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The "Evening Standard" wrote that, as soon as the Allies entered German territory, a ruthless method of warfare would be adopted. There would be no question of using kid gloves. It appears to be absolutely unimportant to them, if millions of German men are executed by Soviet or American soldiers. But the ultimate effect would be the same. In both cases all survivors of such a catastrophe would also be doomed, because there would not be work to provide food for them.

There still exists a class of people who think that nothing can happen to them, because they always treated their house-maids nicely and have even, occasionally, made them a present of three dresses and a pair of shoes - or because their brother-in-law once held a job in a tall building in New York City. The war, however, has now reached such proportions of destruction, that this kind of perspective is no longer possible. Our only and exclusive aim must therefore be never to become dependent on such opponents!

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From the Fuehrer's Headquarters

In the Modohn area the Rhenish-Westphalian 126th Infantry Division, commanded by Major General Fischer, has distinguished itself by exemplary resistance and outstanding bravery.

Towards the Left in Swedish Parliament

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New York: The Rome correspondent of the "New York Times" writes: While the Americans show themselves almost entirely indifferent to developments in Italy, the Soviet agents are extremely active everywhere. They take an interest in every detail, are extremely well-informed on everything and keep in close touch with the various classes of the population, where their influence is steadily growing. The American correspondent states that the socialist and the communist parties in Italy are necessarily getting closer together.

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Wave of Terrorism in Southern France

Geneva: It is learnt from Switzerland that a wave of terrorism is sweeping over the country against the members of the French militia and the circles which co-operated with the Germans. From almost all the departments of southern France it is reported that courts martial have been created and lynch-law introduced.

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Oslo: The flight of the civil population from northern Norway continues, says the peasants' paper "Nazionen". Many thousand people are on their way south, of whom a considerable number have already arrived in Trondheim. The paper states that these Norwegians have had a foretaste, in the terror deeds [illegible] lately committed by the Bolsheviks, of what they would have to expect should Norway fall into the Soviets' hands.

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Official Statement on Disengagement Movement in Finland

Berlin: The backward movements of the German Alpine troops are closely pursued by the Bolsheviks. Finnish villages and Finnish settlements thus come into the war zone. The German High Command has done everything to spare the Finnish population from the terrors of war, both by the active fighting of the German troops, and by the active assistance in evacuation. Wherever it was possible German lorries were put at the disposal of the people, so that they could evacuate their belongings. Indeed, Finnish liaison officers, who have witnessed with their own eyes this readiness to be of assistance, have expressed their appreciation.

Under these circumstances it is to be regretted that news has been spread of entire Finnish villages being burnt down in the areas where the German withdrawal has taken place. The rectification made by the German High Command, of which the Finnish authorities have been informed, is clear and not to be misunderstood. It is perfectly absurd to suppose that German soldiers would of their own free will destroy Finnish soil and Finnish property which they, for three years, have protected with their life, and for which they have fought. Even after September 2nd, 1944, loyal German-Finnish collaboration never stopped. Wherever the German soldier still remains on Finnish soil, Finnish life and Finnish property is protected and secured.

However, all that can be useful to the Bolsheviks in their struggle against the German Alpine army, will be subject to destruction. Where there is destruction it is not directed against the Finnish people, a fact stressed by the German High Command, but [illegible] against Bolshevism.

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Berlin: In the valley of the Lower Rhine the German command has taken three measures. To hamper the enemy landing attempts from the sea, a large coastal section had been submerged. Attacks on land were to be met by our troops in the north Belgian area, which is traversed by many canals; a task fulfilled by our units.

The enemy attacking on the Albert and the Meuse-Scheldt-canal was unable to break through our lines in spite of the concentration of twelve divisions in a small area. As a third measure, certain defence zones were created against attacks from the air.

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On Sunday when the enemy tried to set going again his stagnant operations in northern Belgium by landing air-borne troops and paratroop units, our troops checked the struggle promptly. When still flying over the coasts, numerous cargo gliders were shot down or forced to land in the submerged areas. The landing places of the cargo gliders were surrounded by our special detachments and security units, in order to hinder the formation of any large close formations of fighting groups.

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London: The Irish paper "Leader" devoted a commentary to the situation in Finland. Thus Bolshevization goes on its way. There can be no doubt about the complicity of England and America. England and America have subjected Finland to extreme pressure before she started her pilgrimage to Moscow.

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A fluctuating battle has developed for the strongholds of Zweifall and Hausbach. Fighting for Pont-à-Mousson, Nancy and Lunéville resulted in changes of local importance only.

A firm front has been established reaching from the Swiss border to the Dutch area with exception of the northern sector in the course of the past fortnight.

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Arrests and Suicides in Bulgaria 0925

Salonika: According to a Reuter report from Istanbul, the wave of arrests in Bulgaria still continues. Persons arrested include former Transport Minister Vasilev and ex-Foreign Minister Shishmanoff, former premier in the capitulation government of Muraviev. Former regent Filov the report states, was arrested in a foreign embassy. A number of outstanding personalities, journalists, generals, doctors and politicians have committed suicide. According to Reuter, the list of suicides includes Professor Stanitsheff, who was Home Minister in the Bagrianov cabinet, General Stairoff and his wife, and the well-known journalist Krapcheff. Former Public Works Minister Radoslavoff and railway Director Kolsheff also took their own lives.

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German Deny Shelling Aaland Island 0900

Stockholm: A British News Service report alleging that a German warship had shelled the west coast of the main island of the Aaland group has been categorically denied by the staff of the Finnish coastal defences.

Changes Expected in the Dardanelles

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Berlin Calm

Competent circles in Berlin state that the news of unrest in Berlin and Graz is sheer nonsense.

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GERMAN EUROPEAN SERVICE in Slovak for Slovakia - 1815 -Sept. 16
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Listening to Enemy Broadcasts Forbidden

The Slovak Government has again stressed the order which forbids all Slovaks from listening to enemy broadcasting stations. The proclamation states that anyone who is caught listening to enemy broadcasts will be arrested, and their receivers confiscated.

D.N.B. German Europe - 1316 - September 17 (Monitored in London)

Quebec Conference

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The Battle for Fortress of Germany

Berlin: The theme of a leading article of the week-end edition of the "Daz" is"The Battle for Fortress Germany". Guns are thundering across Germany's western and eastern frontiers. German counter-action has consisted not only in bringing relief to the various sectors where crises have developed, but had long ago sought the underlying causes of the vast change in the war situation, in order to counter them by powerful systematic efforts.

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Neither the Soviet summer offensive nor the struggle in the west can be regarded as 1940 and 1941 campaigns in reverse. Behind our present withdrawals, there stands a German determination, grown out of a feeling of superiority, to give up valuable ground rather than sacrifice her armies, which are needed for the accomplishment of a cause.

The alignment of the present struggle has undergone such fundamental changes that the Reich today embraces the cause of many who have become weak, or have even surrendered to the enemy. Whether the territories occupied by us have increased or decreased in area does not change our fundamental attitude towards the mission with which we are charged to safeguard the existence of the German Reich and its people for the benefit of the west. Theatres of war have changed, and so have tactics. Strategical methods are subject to readjustments; friendships have cooled off or have become closer; weapons, scientific achievements and materials, time and again, have had to pass the test of new demands. It is only a question of the method by which this struggle is to be brought to a successful conclusion.

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GERMAN EUROPEAN SERVICE - in English - 1430 - September 16
(Monitored in London)

This War of Surprises

The German Command has never supposed that V-1 would suffice to procure a decision in this war. The most that was expected was that it would, first, contribute to the enemy's difficulties, and secondly, that it would serve as a prelude to a scientific revolution in the methods of warfare, on the threshold of which we stand. Nevertheless, the fact that this

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The German Command has never supposed that V-1 would suffice to procure a decision in this war. The most that was expected was that it would, first, contribute to the enemy's difficulties, and secondly, that it would serve as a prelude to a scientific revolution in the methods of warfare, on the threshold of which we stand. Nevertheless, the fact that this weapon has been employed again, at a time when the enemy least expected it, may be taken as a modest indication that this still remains a war of surprises.

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RADIO BERLIN (LA VOIX DU REICH) in French - 20 h.- 1800 -.Sept.17

Political Commentary by Maurice Jacques

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Nineteenth Century Italian Prefigures European Revolution

The Italian Gioberti wrote in 1841: "The European regeneration is the last act of a revolution which began fifty years ago and which has not yet been completed.

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German propaganda

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of the Middle Ages by a new order. The different evolutions which
have transpired in the different countries during the course of
time are only the partial phases of that vaster, more global
revolution which is called the master genius of modern times and
which has begun to make an exalted action out of this genius in
the realm of life. The revolution is unilateral and takes place
in all domains of the spirit and of action by spreading all-
important human ideas; it realises itself with cold, illogical
results; it progresses unceasingly. This modern revolution is
neither capricious nor arbitrary."

The modern revolution anticipated by Mr. Gioberti is now entering its decisive phase. Germany is at the head of this revolution - its combative force is great, as is its faith in the destinies of Europe. Germany, thanks to the courage of her soldiers and of her people, will fight till victory for the Europe of tomorrow.

Commentary by André Lelou

Many Frenchmen awaited the invasion with a certain apprehension, even though, according to enemy propaganda, the invasion was to have brought with it liberation. As a result of this so-called liberation entire departments are occupied neither by the Germans nor by the Anglo-Americans and find themselves outside the zone of operations. The first result of this liberation has been that in the abandoned regions only the spirit of the Maquis reigns supreme. The French Partisan movement owes its existence to Bolshevism, which hastens to forge its destiny and to assure its existence in the future constitution of France; Moscow found a precious element for the formation of Partisans in France, in the one hundred thousand Red Spaniards who were in hiding in French territory to avoid being delivered up to the Franco government. These very Spaniards are today operating in the south of France and have organised local Soviets, which hold such effective sway that the departments of the eastern Pyrenees, for example, is suffering unimaginable horrors.

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First, we must recognise that a movement grew up, which was determined to follow the orders of Moscow. Thus there was formed, alongside the Red Maquis, a national, or blue, Maquis. There was also another Maquis, about which one spoke less often, and which was under orders from Giraud - this latter operated notably in Burgundy. It was known as the white Maquis. The Anglo-Americans took on the task of furnishing arms to all these Maquis groups by means of parachutes.

What has become of all these bands? Has liberation re-integrated them into a normal way of life? Another story: As a result of military operations entire regions fell into the hands of the Maquis, which thought of one thing only - seizure. All that is outside their path is destroyed.

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In many towns and villages the Maquis members fought amongst themselves; the Maquis gave free rein to the most infamous misdeeds, pinning down the French people, who believed that the invasion would bring them tranquillity, order and peace. These groups of isolated Maquis naturally refused to let themselves be disarmed and would not take part in the new previsional government of the French Republic - and with reason. The blue bands themselves, having fought in France, wanted to see the leaders of France chosen from amongst their chiefs and not from the delegates from London. The white bands waited for their patron, Giraud, and for the moment busied themselves in a manner which you can well imagine. As for the Red bands, as long as they were able to live on conquered land and at the expense of the inhabitants thereof, life seemed good to them, especially since they thought that the fruit would fall unplucked into their outstretched hands.

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Riots in Invaded Italy Due to Lack of Staple Commodities

Incidents are becoming increasingly frequent in invaded Italy as a result of shortage of many staple commodities. The exasperation of the starving population has already reached its climax. One of the many incidents of the past few days took place at Perugia where about five hundred persons assaulted and looted a carload of food.

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Anglo-American Delegation Reporting to Roosevelt

The British and American delegation which came to Italy to study her exploitation is now back in Washington and has presented a long report to President Roosevelt. The report says that destruction caused by the war is immense, that the people's suffering is great, and that infantile mortality is forty-five per cent.

Bonomi Planning Incorporation of Partisans into Police

It is learned that the Bonomi government in Rome has issued an order for the incorporation of Partisans into the police. Such a measure by the Bonomi government has caused deep concern to the Allied High Command as it is well known that almost all the members of Partisan bands are communists. In fact it seems that Bonomi's move was inspired by his wish to obtain a mitigation of the armistice clauses imposed on Italy by the Allies. These clauses have been bitterly criticized by the Soviet press.

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RADIO BERLIN (La Voix du Reich) in French 29 M. - 1800 September 18

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All abstract speculations, often absurd, these unapplied economic labors, one could ignore them or extract motifs to revive them, but the varied aspect gives an importance to these traffickers, ~~because...~~ not only must the world be reassured, but also the average American -- not he who fights but he who remains at home, the potential voter for Mr. Roosevelt.

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And the Green Table will remain, along with the press, the cinema and the radio, amongst the accessories of publicity so far introduced. The stupidity of him who is not interested in the Atlantic Charter must be reassured when he sees the spectre of unemployment and the economic crisis which would be the ransom of peace in the new world. We must not forget that in the last year of peace America had ten million unemployed, and that after seven years of enormous financial expenditures effected within the framework of the New Deal, which has been a total failure. This plan, which Roosevelt boasts so much of, did not solve the problem of unemployment; after eleven years as pro-Consul Roosevelt created the security pact: war. The idea was to destroy Europe under the guise of liberating it; after Europe would come Asia. Other men than I will tell you of the third world war. Millions of men from Texas and California and the Yukon have yet to spill their blood to expiate the famous popularity of Roosevelt and if the war lasts long enough (Roosevelt's own secret) these young men will not trouble with their presence the conferences around the Green Table of the White House, demanding bread and work. Ignoble, we agree, but true.

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OTHER AXIS, AXIS-CONTROLLED, CLANDESTINE AND NEUTRAL BROADCASTS

SWEDISH HOME SERVICE - 2000 - Sept. 16 (Monitored in London)

Finns Disarm Members of Wehrmacht

"There has been a police round-up of German military personnel in southern Finland", announced the Finnish Minister of the Interior, Hillilae, in an interview with a Helsinki correspondent of the "Tidningarnas Telegram Byraa" today. "No German is safe to the south of Uleaaborg." In Helsinki, all hotels have been searched by city police officers. Measures were not directed against German civilians, but only military personnel who, in accordance with the Moscow agreement, have to be disarmed and interned after September 15th. The Minister would not make any statement about the result of the round-up.

SWEDISH HOME SERVICE - 1240 - Sept. 17 (Monitored in London)

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But Venice, even if it does not offer a high degree of safety, is certainly safer than Munich where the Fascist traitors have taken refuge to continue operations and to prolong their agony for a further week or two. It means that these Fascists consider a Nazi defeat not far off, and those recruited by them must think the same. The only possible way to safety that still remains open to them is to desert the Fascist ranks and to lay their weapons into the hands of the Patriots; to turn them against the Nazi traitors and the Mussolini criminals. The Fascists still have a hope of seeing their errors forgiven, but they must act to-day; to-morrow it will be too late.

Italy Asks a Chance to Fight on Equal Grounds With Allies

The well known BBC commentator, Candidus, has stated that one should not forget that Italy fought for three years and four months against the Allies. It should not be forgotten that through the Fascists' fault the Italian people have greatly suffered. Italy and the Italians want to be rescued from their 38 months of war against the Allies and it is for that reason that in the north the Italians are fighting, weapon in hand, against the Germans and the Fascist bands. But if there is no large Italian army in the Apennines this is no fault of Italy's, because Italy has been asking for over a year that she be given the honor of fighting against the Germans. Candidus should address himself to AMG with his sermons and not to the Italian people. The Italian people do not forget the 38 months of war against the Allies and therefore ask that they be recognised as co-belligerents and as Allies. Candidus must own that it is AMG which rules in Italy and must remember at the same time that for over a year the Italian people have shown a constant desire to chase the Fascists out of the country, but it appears that Candidus's friends wish to discourage the country as a whole. Delay means a continuation of the present state of affairs, means more time for the Germans and the Fascists. Any obstacle should be promptly removed and all the nation's forces concentrated in one supreme effort to liquidate the German invaders and the Fascist bands.

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RADIO ANKARA in French to France - 31 M. - 1845 - September 17

Weekly Commentary

A very sad week for the Germans has ended today. During this week, so important from the point of view of the conduct of war, fighting took place on German soil, so that for the first time in history, American troops are fighting in German territory.

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German leaders have many times stated that no foreign soldier would ever penetrate into German territory. These leaders who declared war, Hitler and his colleagues, were firmly convinced of this. In truth, ever since the Napoleonic wars, Germany has always fought in foreign lands and enemy forces have never trod on German soil. All German hopes, like those of Goering, when he stated that no Allied plane would ever fly over Germany, have been vain. The Siegfried Line, broken through by American troops, was the great defensive system built by the Germans against any threat coming from the east. The building of this powerful defensive line was the beginning of the Reich's political aggression.

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Benes Sends Cable to Inonu

Ankara: On the occasion of the Turkish Government's recognition of the Czechoslovak Government, Doctor Edward Benes, Chief of the Czechoslovak State, sent the following cable to Ismet Inonu, President of the Turkish Republic:

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Other Broadcasts

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Mr. Saraçoglu answered with the following cable:

"I was very touched by the cable which your Excellency sent me on the occasion of the recognition of the Czechoslovak Government by that of the Turkish Republic. I express to you my most vivid thanks and would like you to extend to the Czechoslovak Government our wishes for the happiness and prosperity of Czechoslovakia. I hope, Mr. President, that the friendship between our two countries, which has remained intact through the vicissitudes of the present, will be the most important token of the mutual comprehension and of the confident collaboration which will govern our relations during the era of justice and peace which opens before us".

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Not even V-1 could succeed in their intent; this weapon is merely a terror contrivance of no strategic value. The use of it did not prevent the invasion of France and the consequent attack on the Siegfried Line. Nor has it prevented satellite States, Finland, Rumania and Bulgaria, from abandoning Germany.

The employment of V-2 will probably result in bringing the Allied Armies as far as Berlin. Thus the last bloody act of the Nazi drama will have been played out.

Goebbels writes in "Das Reich" that Germany will fight on to the last man, to the last woman, to the last child. The German prospect for the use of V-2 is therefore tragic for the Germans. Few Nazis can foresee what will happen before long to Germany.

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It tells also of a group of workers who wanted to join the Patriots to drive out the Germans. These workers of ours who have fled from Germany, have run great risks. The group that has now left Germany has travelled 520 kilometres. Many were left behind because they were too tired to go on and because they were starving. But most of them have reached their goal and now they have rifles and hand-grenades. They have arms with which they can help to chase the barbarians from our Fatherland.

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FRENCH NATIONAL RADIO in French to France - 3115 M. - 0800 - Sept. 18

Conference of French Labor Leaders

M. Parodi, Minister of Labor and of National Security, yesterday received a deputation of Christian workers, with whom he conferred at length. Various problems were examined, notably that of the increase in family allowances. The minister informed the delegation of measures regulating the increase of salaries in the Paris area.

Resolutions Adopted by French Liberation Movement

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Caruso's Trial

The first big anti-Fascist trial began this morning in Rome at the Palace of Justice. The defendent was the former Chief of Police, Pietro Caruso. The first session gave rise to some violent anti-Fascist demonstrations.

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In Germany, Italian workers are trying to get to localities where there are thousands of other foreign workers, all of them with the same intentions. Workers have taken shelter in the mountains to organize guerilla warfare. Italian workers, sent to Germany by Fascism, show a strong fighting spirit against the Germans and their satellites. Italian workers are good at sabotage, they will not accept the wages agreed upon, they protest over the hours, and are against all corporal punishment. Mussolini sent them to Germany, against their will, to work in German factories, to build arms to be used against their own brothers.

Italian workers deported to Germany feel deeply the humiliation imposed on Italy, they hate the invader of their Fatherland. It is therefore not difficult to forecast that when Italian workers return in mass from Germany they will not rest until all traces of Fascism have been wiped out, and all those responsible for Italy's ruin have been shot.

RADIO MILANO LIBERTA' (Clandestine) in Italian - 2.25 4 - 1730- September 18

"Osservatore Romano" Should Make Clear its Policy

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Radio Milano Libertà hails the first group of Italian workers who have fled from Germany, and all Italians whose spirit is undaunted and full of hatred for the German oppressors.

Attack on Vatican (Same as at 0730)

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RADIO SOTTENS in French - 6.345 M. - 2050 - Sept. 18

Review of the Main Swiss Events

Ladies, gentlemen, my dear compatriots,

... Since last Monday, the general situation in Switzerland has evolved. The Federal Council, in agreement with the Army Chief, decided to terminate the black-out. One might have thought this decision would contribute to the return of a more normal life, but undoubtedly one would have been wrong. For a few weeks, we must see the situation under a new light. We must think, first of all, of avoiding certain dangers which threaten our population and our belongings. Our territory has been violated by foreign aircraft. These violations have caused damage to our property and particularly to our communication lines. According to the information which we receive from abroad, military operations are being carried out very near our national territory, and this might have serious consequences for us. Our duty is to be more vigilant than ever, leave things in the hands of our leaders, and avoid everything which might weaken us.

The other day I said that recent events had allowed us to come into contact with all the world, with countries from whom we had been separated for four or five years by nearly insurmountable barriers. I stressed that the new situation was both better and easier for the carrying out of a neutral policy, because several forces are gathered around our frontiers instead of only one, which dictated law to the whole continent. I also said that fortunate changes had taken place in regard to our commercial policy - which up to now had been more or less unilateral, - allowing us to re-establish the equilibrium which we have always wished for. I told you all this, my dear compatriots, to maintain your confidence. However, last week's events have not changed our present situation. We must not hope for immediate and certain improvements. We must live in the hope of achieving them, undoubtedly, but these improvements are still far from us and we must not have too many illusions.

Though politically we are in contact with the whole world, though we are subject no longer to the custom barriers of only one group of belligerents, it is true, however, that our transport is seriously threatened, if not interrupted. In the Balkans, transportation lines are intact, but the political situation is such that we cannot use them. The main European

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St. Gotthard line, but the Italian ports are no longer at our
disposal. For transportation to and from the sea, we can bank
exclusively on French territory. It is, however, out of the
question, for the moment, to try and organise transportation by
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Railway lines and bridges are destroyed, and we certainly cannot hope for rapid reconstruction. Regarding the repair work which modern technique will allow, we must not count on it for our own transport, because France must first of all think about her own internal traffic and the indispensable needs of the armies which are fighting on her soil. All this is quite natural and we have no claims to make.

To solve our difficulties, Switzerland has organised several mobile motor convoys for goods to be unloaded in the Mediterranean ports, like those of the Iberian Peninsula: Lisbon, Barcelona, Bilbao. However, if it is easy to send the goods to the Franco-Spanish frontier, it is not easy to send them the rest of the way, owing to lack of transportation. For this same reason, we have organised road transport. However, my dear compatriots, if we have a sufficient number of trucks at our disposal, we lack fuel and tires. Twenty Swiss trucks, able to carry two hundred tons, are absolutely insufficient. It is a question of going to get tens of thousands of tons of goods, which have been waiting for weeks and months in the Spanish ports. Our trucks have transported goods to Spain manufactured by the Swiss industry, objects of great value which do not occupy much space, but on the way back, these trucks must carry part of the goods which have been shipped to Switzerland, - food products which take up much more space than our manufactured goods. All this represents a great obstacle for our supplies. Our resources are far from being inexhaustible.

Our situation is not catastrophic, but it must be seriously examined in order to avoid greater dangers. Our Parliament has met. We must not hamper its action. The situation is such that changes may be necessary every day, every hour. We must let our government shoulder its responsibilities and not pretend to achieve that which is incompatible with the present situation. This will allow a normal situation to be re-established in the country in the near future. We must continue to have patience. We have been patient for five years. It would be deplorable to lose this virtue at the last moment. You will agree with me on this point.

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Swiss Legislative Assemblies Meeting Tonight

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Head of Turin Province Shot Dead

The Fascist press is reporting that the newly appointed head of the Turin province, Manganiello, was shot dead in an ambush. His car was attacked by Partisans and all occupants were killed. Turin Fascist squads have started retaliatory actions.

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