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Escapes From Enemy Occupied Territory Reports

March 1944 - Sept. 1944

Friendly Aided Escape

1. Signorina Rosi Poschi
Corropoli, Prov. Terni
2. Pierangelo Ferrati,
Villa Santa Margherita, Atri
3. Pieravanti Lazzocco
Contrada S. Agosti, S. Angelo
4. Antonio Di Fiore, Celino Stansio
Prov. Aneto
5. Pietro Lucchini,
Contrada S. Cassaro, (presso Offida)
6. Cavaliere Roncetti, Cupra Marittima - Atria
7. Pasquale Castellani, Sento Vinci (presso Carasai)
8. Conte Enzo Vinci, Cupra Marittima -
Villa Roccamanica, Atria

Unfriendly

1. Maria Rossi
Corropoli, Prov. Terni
2. Dott. Francesco, Atria
Corropoli - Prov. Terni
3. Atria - Corropoli (Prov. Terni)

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Important Individuals

1. Vincent Enzo Vinci - Cupra Marittima
2. Renato di Lucca - Roccamanica - Prov. Pescara
3. Conte Giorgio Roccamanica - San Benedetto del Tronto
4. "Giorgio" delle Corvino
5. Dott. Mari Corro - Prov. Terni

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INFORMATION DIVISION

2147/INFO
1 September 1944

SUBJECT: A2d to Ex.P.W.

TO : Allied Screening Commission,
20 Largo del Lombardi.

The attached report is enclosed for your attention
and action as you think fit.

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Norman E. FISKE
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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Rome/T/1748

(Serial number)

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CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP
TELEPHONE

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ROME.

Date Mailed 31/8/44

From: Telephone 865034
Aureli Aurelio
Via Alessandria 208
(Caller - Romita)

To:

(Callee - S.E. Saragat)

Number of previous
comment sheets:

Caller R/T/1678
Callee

Disposition:

Passed ☒ X
Refused
Caller warned
Callee warned
Call cut off

Language: - Italian.

Observation started 1455

Recording No.

Total time: 5 Mins.
Date 30 August 1944

None.

COMMENT

POLITICAL COMMENT

Il chiamante - Io avevo messo la mia macchina a disposizione del partito. L'avevo data a Nenni. Adesso, io dovendo andare a Napoli avevo richiesto il permesso per andare sia per me che per l'autista - che è mio figlio - motivandolo che a Napoli devono riunirsi tutti i rappresentanti del Partito. Il permesso è stato rifiutato perchè si tratta di una cosa di Partito. Mi hanno, adesso, consigliato di rivolgersi a Lupi. Dove potrei trovarlo?

Il chiamato - Lupi lo puoi trovare al palazzo dei Marescialli.

Il chiamante - Grazie! Hai visto Pietro.

Il chiamato - Sì, siamo andati da Attlee a mezzogiorno all'ambasciata Inglese.

Il chiamante - Non ti ha parlato di Bocconi (?). Io l'avevo proposto per una carica che non posso dirti per telefono, ma il Ministro della Guerra (?) ha rifiutato Bocconi perchè è sordo. Anzi mi hanno detto che lo tolgono anche dall'altro posto.

Il chiamato - Piuttosto è più qualificato ad essere tolto che a togliere. Se fosse stato un ladro o un fascista nessuno saprebbe della sua

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Disposition:

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Language:

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Observation started

Total time:
Date

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sordità, invece, trattandosi di Bocconi, che è 20 anni che non viene più in Italia, già tutti sanno della sua sordità. Nessuno, però, lo conosce. Questa burocrazia ci sta cominciando a rompere.....
Io sono in uno stato di ebollizione a 45 gradi!
Il chiamante - Io avevo detto a Pietro che tu ne faccia una questione.

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1st. Lt. Inf.

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ACC Inf.Div.✓
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CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP

STATION ITA-6590-44
RECORD No.

HQ ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

From:

HADDOCK Tom
Aquila, Italy

To:

Mrs. HADDOCK Tom
14 Gabbrook Rd.
Rudolph N. Northwich
Cheshire (England)

Give place of Postmark where there is no address

Date of communication or postmark if letter is undated no date	Type mail Ordinary Surface	Reg. No. --	Language English	Previously censored by --	Enclosures --
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ITALIANS HARBORED BRITISH P.O.W.

"Somewhere in Italy. I had a good time at this man's house. His mother is just like you, man: she has got a son in Germany a prisoner and I don't know what I should have done without their help. So Nancy if you receive this letter get someone who can speak Italian to write a letter to the address on the bottom..."

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3 August 1944

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SPECIAL NOTICE. — The attached information was taken from private communications, and its extremely confidential character must be preserved. The information must be confined only to those officials whose knowledge of it is necessary to prosecution of the war. In no case should it be widely distributed, or copies made, or the information used in legal proceedings or in any other public way without express consent of the Civil Censorship Office, Allied Control Commission.

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DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

1. All strategical and tactical information is dealt with by C.S.D.I.C. at the Naples Staging Camp.
2. It is possible, however, that you may be in possession of information valuable to the Allied Control Commission. A brief list of the type of information required is at para 4.
3. Should you be in possession of such information please inform the P.W. Reception Office who will supply you with a questionnaire. When this has been answered should you feel that you still have information of value, the O.C. Ex. P.W. will arrange for an interrogation by the Information Division, Allied Control Commission.
4. Type of information required

Political

Names of personalities
Popular reactions
General trends

Economic

Destruction to towns
and public works
Food supply
Water supply
Power situation
Agricultural conditions
Transportation
Financial situation
Public utilities
Black Market

General

Education
Public Health
News Services
Civilian Morale

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INFORMATION FOR A.C.C. FROM ESCAPED PRISONERS OF WAR

A. Name of Escaped P.W.:

B. Information of Towns through which E.P.W. passed: on..... (Date)
(additional sheet at back)

(1) Name of Town:

(2) Physical condition of town:

(3) Population:

(4) Water supply:

(5) Food supply:

a) Amount of food available to civilians

b) Type of food:

c) Rationing:

(6) Power:

(7) Public Utilities:

(8) Labor available in the town:

(9) Public Health:

(10) Black Market:

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B. Information of Towns through which 2PW. passed: on..... (Date)

- (1) Name of Town:
- (2) Physical Condition of Town:
- (3) Population:
- (4) Water supply:
- (5) Food supply:
 - a) Amount of Food available to civilians
 - b) Type of food:
 - c) Rationing:
- (6) Power:
- (7) Public utilities:
- (8) Labor available in the Town:
- (9) Public Health:
- (10) Black Market:

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3. Personalities:

(1) Names of people who aided Escape:

- a) Name:
- b) Address:
- a) Name:
- b) Address:
- a) Name:
- b) Address:
- a) Name:
- b) Address:
- a) Name:
- b) Address:

(2) Names of people from whom we can expect help:

- a) Name:
- b) Address:
- a) Name:
- b) Address:
- a) Name:
- b) Address:

(3) Names of people unfriendly to Allied Cause:

- a) Name:
- b) Address:
- a) Name:
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b) Address:
a) Name:
b) Address:
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(4) Names of Important Individuals: (in key positions)

a) Name:
b) Address:

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D. Morale:

- (1) Morale of civilians:
- (2) Relations between German troops and Italian civilians

E. Status of Public Safety in Towns:
(situation regarding police)

F. Agriculture:

- (1) Crop conditions in country and Type of Crops:

G. Education:

H. Transportation:

I. Finances:
(financial situation among the people)

J. Clothing situation:

K. Dissemination of News and Information:

(1) Newspapers:

- a) Names of newspapers
- b) Owners of Newspapers

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L. Popular opinion and sentiment regarding Allies:

M. Miscellaneous Information:

(1) Crop conditions in country and Type of Crops:

G. Education:

H. Transportation:

I. Finances:
(financial situation among the people)

J. Clothing situation:

K. Dissemination of News and Information:

(1) Newspapers:

a) Names of newspapers

b) Owners of Newspapers

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L. Popular opinion and sentiment regarding Allies:

M. Miscellaneous Information:

N. Additional General Information:

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION

2147/INFO
29 August 1944

SUBJECT: Dissemination of Information

TO : O.C. Ex.P.W. (Attn.Lt.Wilkinson)
159 Transit Cap.

1. Herewith 10 Copies of Memo and 50 Copies of Questionnaire.

2. Confirming the arrangement, the Memo is for posting on Notice Boards and the Questionnaires are for issue to Ex.P.W. upon request to your office.

3. Further copies of the Questionnaire can be supplied if necessary.

4. It is regretted that there has been this delay.

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Norman E. FISKE
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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To: HQ, ACC. (P.C. & M.G. Section)
From: HQ, Region 5, AMO.
Subject: Escaped 7th Internee Report
Ref: R5/601/20
Date: 26 Jul 44

27 JUL 1944

1. Reference your 2147/INFO dated 4th July 44, we have received the following information from Teramo Province:

- (a) MARIO MARZI - fled with the Germans
- (b) Dott FRANCESCO ALLONZI (ALONZI) - and -
ROBINI have been arrested by F.S.S.

2. As regards ROSINA FOSCHI, FIORANGELO FERRATI, FIORVANTI MAZZOCO and ANTONIO DI FIORE, the Provincial Finance Officer states that he cannot pay financial compensation to the above for assisting in the internees' escape as he has no documentary evidence.

For the Regional Commissioner

S. Pickering 425
S. PICKERING
Lt. Colonel,
Regional Public Safety Officer.

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ALLIED SCREENING COMMISSION.

Tel. 66183

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Subject: HELPERS OF ALLIED ESCAPED PsW.

Information Division,
A.C.C.
(For attention Major HINKEL)

1. Conversation at this morning's Conference
Maj. HINKEL - Lt. RYAN refers.
2. It would be appreciated when submitting
information to this Office, in respect of
Italians or others who assisted Allied
escaped Prisoners of War, if the informa-
tion could be tabulated as follows:

Name and particulars of ex PsW.

Date	Address of Helpers	Nature of Assistance
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as per attached example.

S. I. Derry

(S.I. Derry)
Major

O.C.
Allied Screening Commission

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15 Oct. 17 Nov. 43	Gencora MALANI MONTORIO ROMANO	Sheltered and fed for period Source and 5 other Psw.
18 Nov. 43 7 Apr. 44	Luisetta LEONE MORICONE ROMANO (Rieti)	Sheltered and fed Source and one other PW. Carried letters to Rome and brought socks, soap, etc?

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20 July 1944

The attached is a preliminary report on the
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John V. Hinckel
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Major, U.S. Army
Director
Information Division

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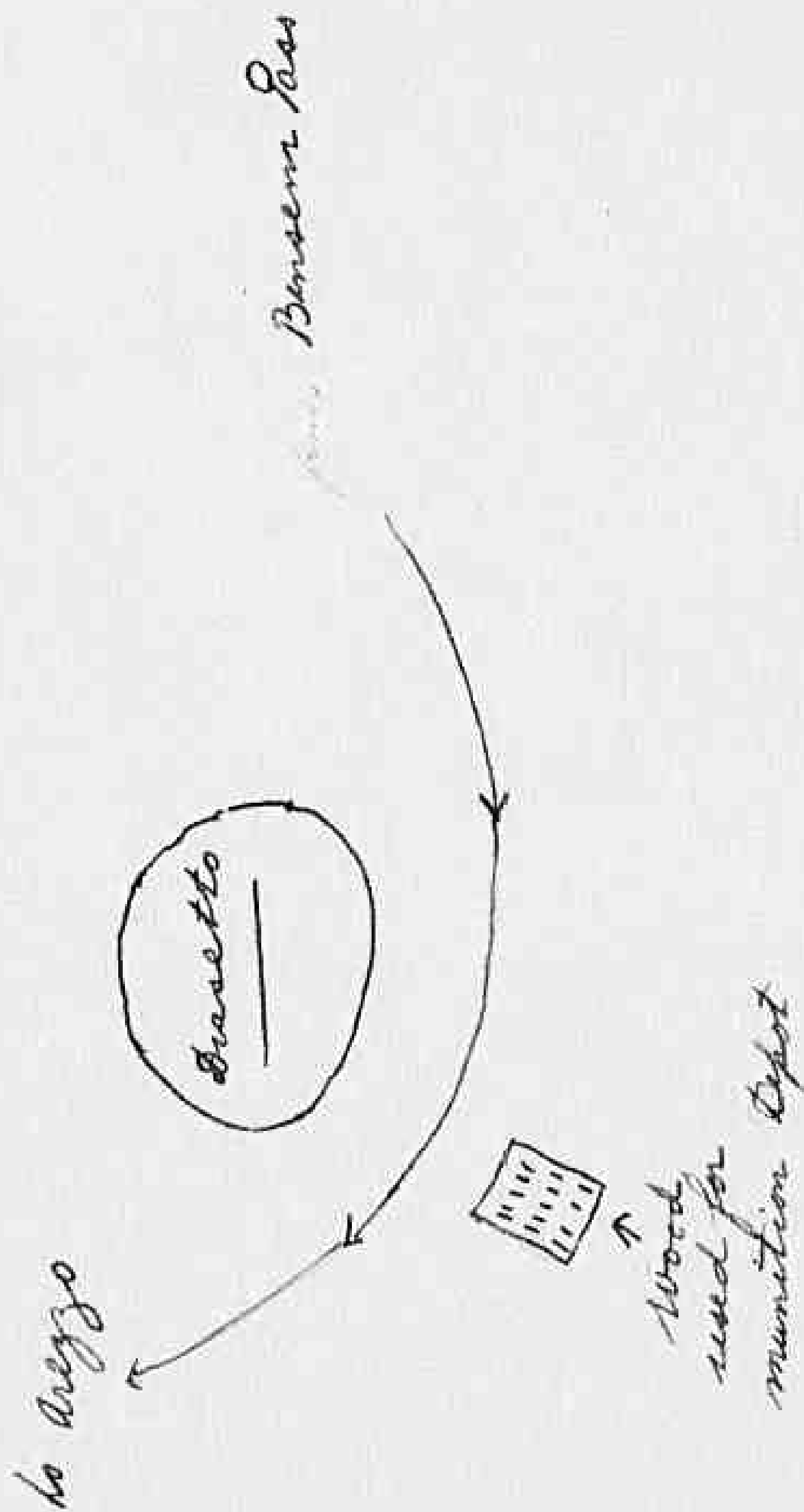
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25 July 1944

SUBJECT: Report of escaped British subject
To: Regional Commissioner, Region 3.

1. The enclosed information was furnished to the Information Division, ADC, by Prodetor Charles Liebi, a British and Swiss subject, who was interned in a concentration camp in Montecimaragolo, Province of Parma.

2. Mr. Liebi was formerly the Foreign Purchasing Agent for:

- (a) Gail Fisher, Musical Instrument Company, Inc., New York
- (b) John C. Dalles & Sons, Ltd., London, England.

3. The enclosed portion of the report deals only with that information which is pertinent to Region 3.

John V. Hinkel
Major, M.I.
For: Norman E. Fick
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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ARMED SERVICES COMMISSION
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23 July 1944

SUBJECT: Report of escaped British subject
TO: Regional Commissioner, Region 8.

1. The enclosed information was furnished to the Information Division, ASD, by Wladimir Charles Liebi, a British and Swiss subject, who was interned in a concentration camp in Montebiancolo, Province of Lucca.

2. Mr. Liebi was formerly the foreign purchasing agent for:

- (a) Carl Fisher, Optical Instrument Company, Inc., New York
- (b) John E. Waller & Sons, Ltd., London, England.

3. The enclosed portion of the report deals only with that information which is pertinent to Region 8.

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for

NORMAN C. FISKE
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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EXTRACT FROM REPORT MADE BY AN ESCAPED BRITISH SUBJECT NAMED:

FREDERICH CHARLES LIEBI

A: Names of People who aided and abetted the escape of Mr. Liebi:

1: MARTIN PRED FOSTER

An American civilian who was an internee in CACLI, Province of Pesaro. Foster did extremely useful work for the Allies in the last 12 months. He was responsible for the escape of numerous British and American POW's including over 10 generals. On the 28th of July he was still in CACLI with his wife. He is undoubtedly the best informed man in the district.

B: Names of People from whom the Allies can expect help:

1. FABOLFI

A timber merchant residing in RIFRICO, Comune di Marradi, Province di Firenze.

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Major, M.I.
 Director,
 Information Division
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POW's including over 10 generals. On the 8th or 9th July he was
CAGLI with his wife. He is undoubtedly the best informed man in the
district.

2. Names of people from whom the Allies can expect help:

1. FAROLFI
a timber merchant residing in BIPANCO, Comune di Marradi, Province
di Firenze.

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JOHN V. HINKEL
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Director,
Information Division
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2147/INFO
24 July 1944

SUBJECT : Report of escaped British subject

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region 9.

1. The enclosed information was furnished to the Information Division, AGC, by FREDERICK GEORGE LINDI, a British and mine subject, who was interned in a concentration camp in Montevideo, province of Lima.

2. LINDI was formerly the foreign purchasing agent for:

- (a) Carl Fisher, Musical Instruments Company, Inc., New York
- (b) John E. Talles & Sons Ltd., London, England.

3. The enclosed portion of the report deals only with that information which is pertinent to Region 9.

*John V. Hinkel
Major, M.I.*

for

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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OF DEFENSE
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10 JUL 1944
TO: SECRET

247/1100
24 JULY 1944

SUBJECT: Report of escaped British subject
To: Regional Commissioner, Region 2.

1. The enclosed information was furnished to the
Investigation Division, G-2, by MEMORANDUM (C) 1100, a
British air force subject, who was interned in a concentra-
tion camp in Montebelluna, province of Treviso.

2. MEMORANDUM was formerly the foreign purchasing
agent for:

- (a) Carl Fisher, Musical Instruments Company, Inc.,
New York;
- (b) John E. Bullock & Sons Ltd., London, England.

3. The enclosed portion of the report deals only with
that information which is pertinent to Region 2.

John V. Hirschel
Major, M.I.

for

Roman E. Fiske
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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EXTRACT FROM REPORT MADE BY AN ESCAPED BRITISH SUBJECT NAMED:

FREDERICK CHARLES LINDY

A: Names of people who aided and abetted the escape of Mr. Liebi:

1. MARIO RANASINI

A dentist residing in Borgo della Posta, Province of Parma.
A highly intelligent and reliable man (according to the report) who was imprisoned because of his anti-Fascist activities in December, 1943. The report states that Ranasini is not a Communist.

2. BRUNO MANETTI

Residing at Via Garibaldi No. 4, Parma.
He is also known as being highly intelligent and extremely reliable.

B: NAMES OF PEOPLE FROM WHOM THE ALLIES CAN EXPECT HELP.1. CONTE GIANCARLO RANUZZI DE BIANCHI

Residing at Piano Del Voglio, San Benedetto Valdi Sambro, Province of Bologna.

2. ING. CAMILLO CHIOVENDA

ADDRESS: The same as Count Ranuzzi's. (Above)

3. BIONNETTI

ALFA ROMEO'S No. 1 Racing Driver.

ADDRESS: The same as Count Ranuzzi's (Above).

John V. Hinckley

JOHN V. HINCKLEY,
Major, M.I.
Director,
Information Division
A.C.C.

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To: HQ ACC (RCand MG Section)
From: HQ Region 5, AMG.
Subject: Escaped Czech Internee Report.
Ref: R5/601/20
Date: 18 July 44.

1. Reference your 2147/INFO dated 4th July 44.
2. Enquiries concerning RENOTO, Rinalducci? reveal that the person referred to in the attached poster is identical with the above named.
3. He was killed by the Germans at 0200 hrs on 11 June 44.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER:

S. Pickering
S. PICKERING.
Lieut. Colonel.
Regional Public Safety Officer.

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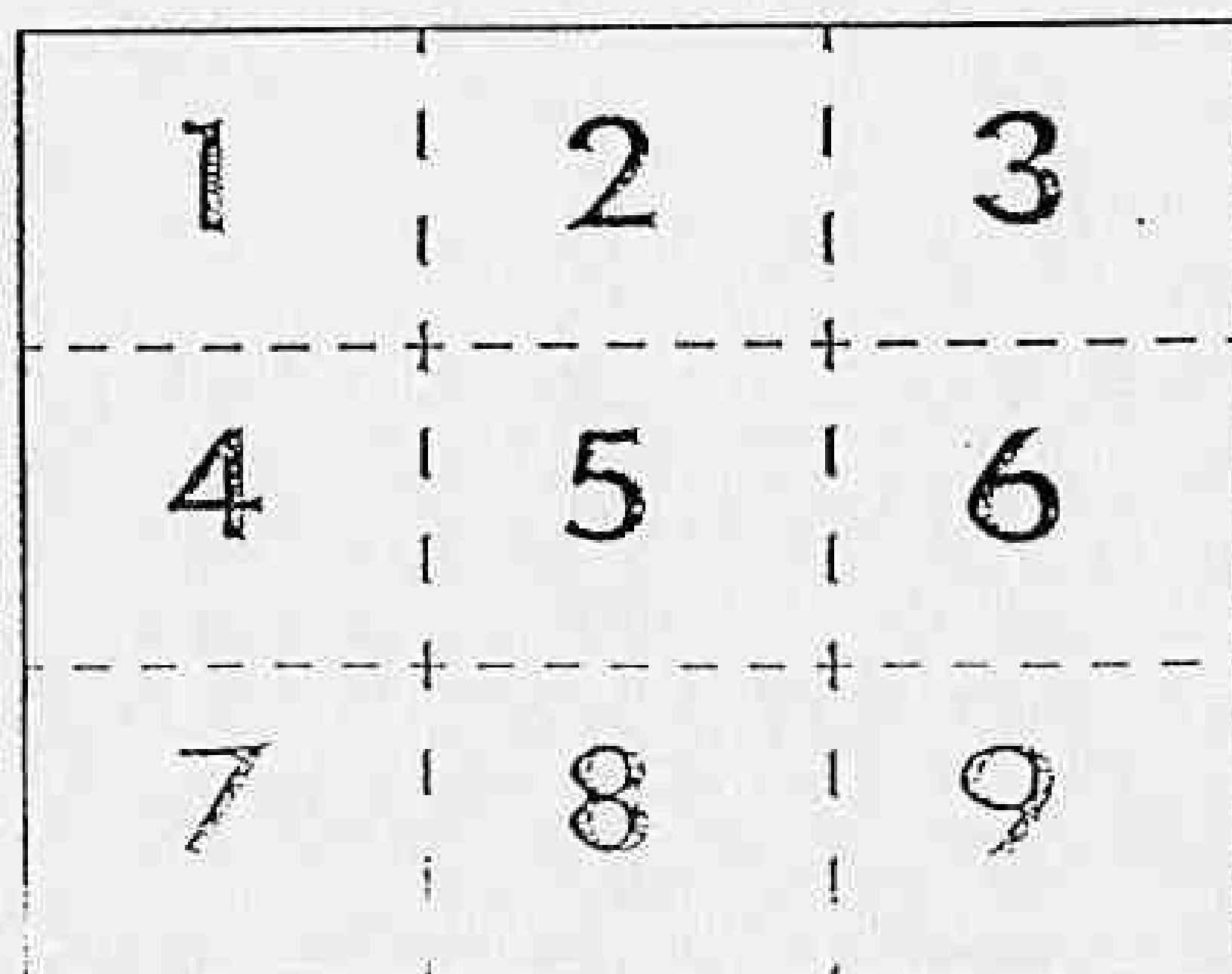
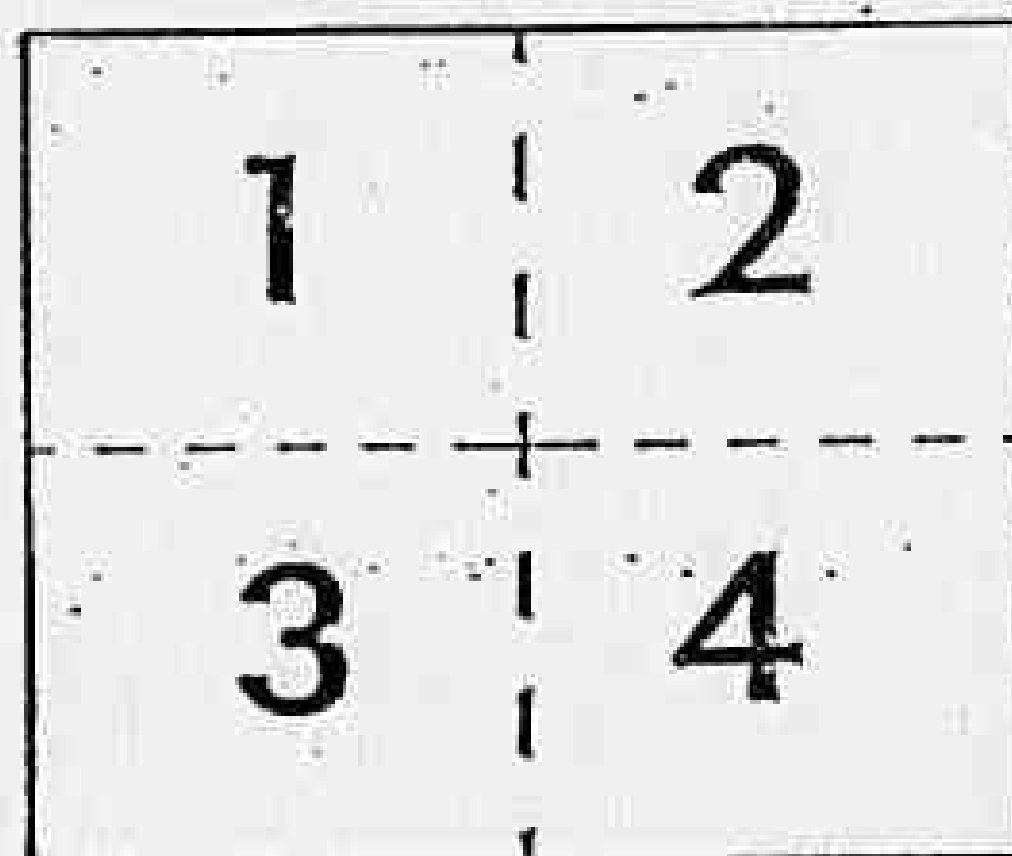
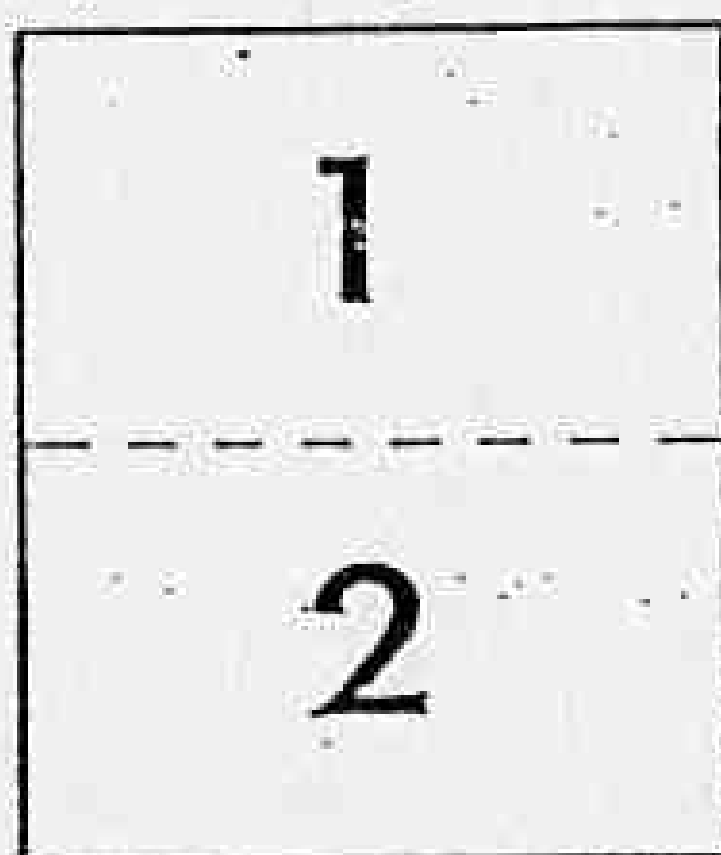
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LEFT TO RIGHT, AND TOP TO BOTTOM.

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veniva fucilato dopo dispera



orno 11 Giugno 1944 nei pressi del Cim
il Patriota

ATO BERARDIN

residente a Piccianello

**disperata lotta, vigliaccamente e
pressore tedesco.**

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residente a Piccianello

**disperata lotta, vigliaccamente e
pressore tedesco.**

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2147/1000
6 July 1944

SUBJECT: Escaped British Prisoner of War Report
TO : Regional Commissioner, Reg. 5

1. The enclosed information was furnished to the Information Division, AGC by PTE. George Edward USHER, 31st Field Regiment, 4th Indian Div., who was captured near Bengari and remained a prisoner for over 3 years.
2. For over 6 months the EPW was sheltered by a "pro-ally" family in Montegiorgio, province of Ascoli.
3. The enclosed portion of the report deals only with information pertinent to Region 5.

John V. Winkler
Major, M.I.
for NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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Extract from report given by escaped prisoner of war :

PTE. WILFRED DRUMMOND

A. NAMES OF PEOPLE WHO AIDED AND ABETTED PTE DRUMMOND TO ESCAPE.

I. BASILIO PIERGENTILI

of Via Belogge II2, Montegiorgio, Ascoli Piceno.

This man hid the E.P.W. for 6 months.

The Germans then retook DRUMMOND as a prisoner. Again Drummond escaped and BASILIO PIERGENTILI, hid the E.P.W. again, at great risk to himself and to his family.

2. FRANK SPIRANZINI

of Falerone, Ascoli Piceno

This man and his family gave the E.P.W. clothing and hid him when he escaped from the Germans on March 21st 1944.

The E.P.W. also states that this family has aided many others E.P.Ws.

JOHN V. HINKEL
Major, M.I.
Director,
Information Division
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Extract from Report given by escaped prisoner of war :

PTE. WILFRED DRUMMOND

B. NAMES OF PEOPLE WHO WERE UNFRIENDLY TO ALLIES :

I. ROCIOLI

Chief of fascists in Ascoli.

He caused many prisoners to be put to death.

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Extract from Report given by escaped British Prisoner of War :

PTE. GEORGE EDWARD USHER

A. NAMES OF PEOPLE WHO AIDED AND ABETTED PTE. USHER TO ESCAPE /

I. ACHILLE PRIMO

of Contrada S. Paulo, Montenegro, Ascoli Piceno.

This man gave invaluable aid to E.P.W's.

He can be counted on to help in every way possible.

He can give names of others who can be trusted and
can also furnish names of Facists.

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2137/INVO
4 July 1944

SUBJECT: Escaped Czech Internee Report

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region 5

1. The enclosed information was furnished to the Information Division, A.C.G. by Doctor Stosfel, a Czech who was interned in a Camp at Morelo, in the Province of Teramo.
2. The enclosed portion of the report deals only with that information which is pertinent to Region 5.
3. It will be noted that
 - a. Paragraph A from the report deals with names of people who aided and abetted the subject to escape.
 - b. Paragraph B from the report deals with names of people unfriendly to allies.
 - c. Paragraph C from the report deal with names of prominent individuals in localities within Reg. 5.

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Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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Extract from report given by escaped internee :

DOCTOR STOLFERNAME OF PEOPLE WHO AIDED AND ABETTED STOLFER TO ESCAPE :

1. SIGNORINA ROSINA BUSCHI
Corroli, Province of Terni.
2. PETERBIO PERATTI
Villa Santa Margherita, near Atri.
3. FRANCESCO BAZZANO
Comuna S. Agnese, near S. Angelo.
4. ANTONIO DI PIERO, GEMINO, ANASTASIO
Province of Aneto.
5. ALBERTO ANGELINO
Comuna S. Leonardo, near Orvieto.
6. FRANCESCO MONTICELLI
Comuna S. Leonardo, near Orvieto.
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Comuna S. Leonardo, near Orvieto.
8. FRANCESCO MONTICELLI
Comuna S. Leonardo, near Orvieto.

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Extract from report given by escaped internee :

DOCTOR STOFFEL

3. REPORT ON MEDICAL SUPERVISORY TO AFFAIRS :

1. DOCTOR STOFFEL

Medical supervisor.

Was the first Director of the Internment Camp in Barilo. He was extremely good with the internees.

2. DOCT. FRANCESCO ALBERTI (ALBERTI)

Province of Teramo.

Was the Commissario of Public Security and Director of the camp in Barilo, in the Province of Teramo. He turned all internees in the camp over to the Germans.

3. MR. BURNETT

Correspondent in the Province of Teramo.

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JOHN V. HINCH, Jr.,
Major, M.I.,
Director,
Information Division
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Extract from report given by escaped internee :

DOCTOR STOESEL

C. NAME OF PROMINENT INDIVIDUALS.

OPINION OF AND RECORDING THE SYMPATHIES OF PROMINENT INDIVIDUALS.

1. VINCENZO ZENO VINC

(See paragraph 1, Subdivision 8, supra Maritime)
Vincenzo Zeno VINC, Adria.
His father and mother-in-law are English.
He is very young and is known to be pro-ally.

2. GIULIO BATTISTINI

Giulio BATTISTINI, Province of Pescara.
He was born in America and is known as a leader of
the Italian Fascists.

3. LORENZO GIORGIO ROMANOLI

Lorenzo GIORGIO ROMANOLI
known to be pro-ally.

4. ANTONIO, MARGHERITA LEST

Antonio, Province of Pescara.
Two brothers who have always been known to be anti-
Fascists and willing to take chances in the field.

5. ANTONIO BATTISTINI

Antonio BATTISTINI, Province of Pescara.
The BATTISTINIs were arrested the escape of 4 British
officers to whom they were looking for many months.

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Director,
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21/7/1944
23 June 1944

SUBJECT: Escaped PW Report

TO : Regional Commissioner, Rome Region

1. The enclosed information was furnished to the Information Division HQ by Mr. William Raspignoni, a former correspondent with the International News Service in Rome.
2. Mr Raspignoni formerly resided at 19 Via Francesco Crispi, Rome.
3. The enclosed portion of the report deals only with information pertinent to the Rome Region.

NORMAN E. FLECK
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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2017 INFO
28 June 1944

Excerpt from report given by escaped prisoner of war:

WILLIAM ROSEGLIONI

A. Names of people who have aided and abetted escaped prisoners of war:

1. MISS CLARITA FAIDA
of 29 Via Francesco Crispi, Rome.
She is described as having already helped literally hundreds of war prisoners.
2. Mrs. ELEONORA LAVAGNINO
of 5 Via Cassaria, Rome.
provided help for war prisoners and persecuted people, and was herself arrested by SS. sometime in April.
3. ARTHUR BOLLIGER
of Piazza di Spagna, Rome.
A Swiss who provided help for many war prisoners and was arrested by Italian Police.
He was later released.
4. DONATO SPACCHICCIOTTI
of Piazza Sforza, Cesarini.
who has been most helpful to Allies and who aided Roseglioni.
5. MARIA VIRENTI
a female porter at 303 Corso Vittorio Emanuele.
She was under constant police questioning, but still had as many political refugees as was possible.

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Major, M.I.
Director,
Information Division,
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21/7/EDM
26 June 1944

SUBJECT: Escaped E.P. Report.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region 4.

1. The enclosed information was furnished to the Information Division, A.C.C., by Pvt. Goshi Michael, Army United States, ASN. 34305563, an escaped prisoner of war.

2. This office draws your particular attention to paragraph C, dealing with the names of people who aided and abetted the E.P.'s escape.

ROSLAN E. FISKE,
Colonel, Cavalry,
Deputy Executive Commissioner.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING ESCAPED PRISONERS OF WAR.

A : Information concerning SPW :

- 1) Name : GUELLI MICHEL, U.S. ARMY.
- 2) Age : 21
- 3) S S N: 31305363
- 4) Rank : pvt.
- 5) Residence : Lawrence Mass.
- 6) Unit : 45th Division. - 157th. Infantry
- 7) How long a prisoner of war : December 15th 1942 to 10th June 1944.
- 8) Where a prisoner of war : Fara Sabina.
- 9) How escaped : escaped during the bombing of a P.W. train on way to Germany with about 800 prisoners. Bombing took place on bridge, just beyond ORVINO.

B : Information of town through which E.P.W. passed :

- 1) Monte Santa Maria :- There is no water supply in this village. E.P.W. says that the Germans were there for one day and left because of lack of water.

C : Names of people who aided E.P.W. to escape :

1. QUINTO ADAME

Residing at : Aspa Sabina, Province of Rieti.
The above fed the E.P.W. as well as he could for one month. He also warned E.P.W. when Fascists were about.

2. SANTA ROSCHI

Also of Aspa Sabina, Province of Rieti. Aided E.P.W. in same manner as Quinto Adame.

3. MARIO COLANGELI

Residing at Toffia, Province of Rieti.

4. SIGNOR MARTINI

Also of Toffia, Province of Rieti
This man was the richest man in Toffia.
He gave E.P.W. money and food.
When the Germans left the town, they blew up Martini's house.

5. JOHN WISEMAN.

Came across line with E.P.W.

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train on way to Germany when it was bombed.
Bombing took place on bridge, just beyond ORVISTO.

B : Information of town through which S.P.W. passed :

- I) Monte Santa Maria :-- There is no water supply in this village. S.P.W. says that the Germans were there for one day and left because of lack of water.

C : Names of people who aided S.P.W. to escape :

1. QUINTO ADAME

Residing at : Aspa Sabina, Province of Rieti.
The above fed the S.P.W. as well as he could for one month. He also warned S.P.W. when Fascists were about.

2. SANTA ROCHI

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4. SIGORO MARTINI

Also of Toffia, Province of Rieti
This man was the richest man in Toffia.
He gave S.P.W. money and food.
When the Germans left the town, they blew up Martini's house.

5. JOHN WISEMAN

Came across line with S.P.W.
Has been aiding Allied S.P.W.s for months.
Has falsified Italian documents in his possession, through use of these has been of great help.
Speaks Italian fluently.
Wiseman does not actually reside in the Province of Rieti, but has aided S.P.W.s in that region.

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MAJOR, MI
DIRECTOR
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To: Bellucci Antonietta
Via Luca de Penna 5

Phone 15512

Number of previous
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Caller

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Disposition:

Passed Yes

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Language: Italian

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Date 27 June 1944

COMMENT

SECURED REFUGES FROM FASCISTS IN VERONA AND IN AUSTRIA

La Chiamante dice che ha incontrato Luigi de Schiavo, studente in medicina, che è scappato da Verona. La Chiamante è sorpresa della notizia ma dice che deve essere interessante parlare con lui, in quanto è scappato proprio da Verona. La Chiamante aggiunge che de Schiavo si è buttato da un treno, pieno di fascisti, ed è riuscito a raggiungere Napoli. La Chiamante dice pure che egli ha molto sofferto e che è diventato nero, come un nero.

Comment by

Reviewed by

W.D. A. 1000, E. 1000, 1000
February 10, 1943

A. E. Camerinos, Lt. USNR.

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2447/INFO
28 June 1944

SUBJECT: Escaped Prisoner of War Report

TO: Regional Commissioner Reg. 4

1. The enclosed information was furnished to the Information Division (ID) by Lt. Emilio Joseph Rossi, a former correspondent of the International News Service in Rome.
2. This office draws your particular attention to paragraphs C and D on page II of the report, dealing with the names of people who aided and abetted the POW escape.
3. Further attention is drawn to paragraph E on page II which deals with the names of 2 Italian officials who were violently anti-ally.

ROBERT E. FISKE
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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A. : INFORMATION GIVEN BY ESCAPED PRISONER OF WAR.

A. : Information concerning U.S.S.R.

- 1) Name: William Rompichood.
- 2) Age: 35.
- 3) Occupation: Correspondent in name of the International News Service.
- 4) Residence: 48 Via Francesco Crispi, Rome.
- 5) How long prisoner of war: 14 Jan. 1942 - 20 September 1945.
- 6) Where a prisoner of war: Persia.
- 7) How occupied:

3. : Information of towns and localities through which U.S.S.R. passed.

- 1) Anticoli Corrado: Town situated on top of a hill dominating Ardena Valley. Suburban road, formerly Roman resort, has about 6000 inhabitants. Intersupply; plenty water out of for several hours per day. The flow is poor at all times. Food supply; poor. Black marketeers removed large quantities to areas where higher prices were available. Power; electricity supplied from Subiaco. Labor available. Plenty of unskilled labor. Public health; outbreak of chicken pox at time of P.W.'s departure. Anticoli Corrado a German special mention for the help provided by all classes of the population to Allied prisoners of war, despite of the local food difficulties. From 15 to 20 Allied prisoners were permanently fed by the population and help was sent to other prisoners in the neighboring villages. Passing prisoners were also helped.

2) Rome

- Rome's 1,400,000 inhabitants swelled through the influx of refugees to an estimated 2 to 3 millions.
- Water supply; plentiful. Three main aqueducts: Aqua Marcia, Aqua Paola (from Lake Bracciano) Aqua di Trevi, were unchanged when P.W. left Rome.
- Food supply; poor at all times, remained more difficult through lack of communications with Umbria and Tuscany and war damages in the country to the South.
- Power; two electricity supply depots, undamaged when P.W. left Rome. Gas Gas reservoir bombed.
- Labor available. Large supply of labor should be available, but a man is usually a poor worker.
- Public health. No contagious diseases had broken out at the time the P.W. left Rome. Many cases of malnutrition evident.

3) Persia

- Town of 60,000 inhabitants. Situated on the top of a hill, dominating the Tiber valley. Water supply ample. Two main supplies. Aqueduct from Monte Mario, supplying excellent water at all times. The second is the Acqueduct supplying the lower part of the town. It is a new construction, supplying water which is normally good but gives rise typhoid during hot season and runs dry after periods of prolonged drought. The food supply is ample. In spite of active German requisitioning, Persia province supplies sufficient food for itself and sends large quantities of grain to Iraq and other provinces further south. Agricultural methods up to date. Wheat plentiful, also maize and leguminous crops. Large quantities of tobacco grown and cured in Persia Tobacco factory. Large numbers of Angora rabbits (Spanish and Bandoelli estates) supply raw materials Spagoli Angora wool factory in Persia.

Thermin Road, formerly roman resort, has about 6000 inhabitants. Water supply; plenty, water cut off for several hours per day. The flow is poor at all times.

Food supply; poor. Black antiseptics removed large quantities to towns where higher prices were available.

Power; Electricity supplied from 3000 kw.

Labor available. Plenty of unskilled labor.

Public health; outbreak of chicken pox at time of P. M.'s departure.

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From 15 to 20 Allied prisoners were permanently fed by the population and many were sent to other prisoners in the neighboring villages. Passing prisoners were also helped.

2) Rome

Rome's 1,400,000 inhabitants swelled through the influx of refugees to an estimated 2 1/2 to 3 millions.

Water supply; plentiful. Three main aqueducts: Aqua Marcia, Aqua Paola (from Lake Bracciano) Aqua di Trevi, were unchanged when P. M. left Rome.

Food supply; poor at all times, and more difficult through lack of communications with Lazio and Tuscany and war damage in the country to the south.

Power; two electricity supply depots, undamaged when P. M. left Rome. One Gas reservoir bombed.

Labor available. Large supply of labor should be available, but a woman is usually a poor worker.

Public health. No contagious diseases had broken out at the time the P. M. left Rome. Many cases of underfeeding evident.

3) Perugia

Town of 60,000 inhabitants. Situated on the top of a hill, dominating the river valley. Water supply ample. Two main supplies. Aqueduct from Nocera Infera, supplying excellent water at all times. The second is the canal supplying the lower part of the town. It is a new construction, supplying water which is usually good but

gives rise typhoid during hot season and runs dry after periods of prolonged drought. The food supply is ample. In spite of active German requisitioning, Perugia province supplies sufficient food for itself and sends large quantities of grain to Rome and other

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Perugia chocolate factory thriving. Exceptionally good wheat crop expected this year.

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C. Names of people who aided TZW to escape :

1. ANTONIO CORNELI
Residing at Marsciano, Province of Perugia
2. SIGNOR PARADISI
Proprietor of the Rosetta Hotel in Perugia.
(The whole staff of the Rosetta Hotel aided interned prisoners at all times and were all favorable to the Allies)

D. Names of people from whom aid to Allies can be expected :-

1. COUNT BORGIA
Residing at Villa Pila, in Pila, Perugia Province.

E. Names of people who are unfriendly to Allied Cause :-

1. POLICE AGENT LOPEZ
Residing in Perugia, strongly anti-Ally at all times, beat up American subject Robert RANKOLPH, is credited locally with burning of the feet of suspected persons to extort confession. The burning of the feet actually did take place but could not be fastened down to Lopez for lack of proof. Perugia Questore TRIFOGLIO was dismissed in consequence of inquiry.
2. POLICE LIEUTENANT VASILE
of Perugia Police, burnt women's vagina to extort confession of abortion. Burnt feet of local patriots to extort confession. After July 25th 1943, warned fascists before making a raid on their Headquarters to give them chances to hide their arms. Was consequently removed from Perugia following the remonstrances of the Questore. When Germans occupied Perugia, VASILE rushed back, imprisoned Questore, was made Questore himself and instituted reign of terror. To avoid popular uprising, Germans finally removed him from office.

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Residing at Villa Pila, Mexico, is credited locally with burning feet of suspected persons to extort confession. The burning of the feet actually did take place but could not be fastened down to Lopez for lack of proof. Perugia Questore TRIPOGLIO was dismissed in consequence of inquiry.

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APO 400, U.S. ARMY

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10 June 1944

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SUBJECT: Information concerning Escaped Prisoner

TO: Chairman, HICKMAN, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. The following report has been furnished this office by Major Hinkal, ACC, Information Division:

2. William ROBINSON, correspondent in Rome of the International News Service, at the moment of the outbreak of war between the United States of America and Italy, aged 35, formerly of 8 Via Nicola Fabrizi, Rome, at present temporarily residing at 49 Via Francesco Crispi, Rome, interned at Perugia on 15th January 1942, escaped 20th September 1943, hid in woods near Perugia until 22nd November 1943, walked to Rome, where lay hidden until March 1944. Following a German SS house hunt, repaired Anticoli Corrado (Rome Province) where remained until May 21st, then made his way south through Subiaco, Piacgi, marching, to Allied Lines at Alatri (8th Indian Division) in the company of British War Prisoners J. P. Murphy, 17 Fort Crescent, Stirling, (Sutherland) and Samuel Walter Hill, 34 Worcester Road, Great Witley, Worcester-shire, England. At Piacgi picked up on May 28th John Boyd, Flight Sergeant, 450 Squadron, who had been shot down by enemy anti-aircraft fire that day, and following first aid cure for bruises was able to travel south and cross lines at Alatri.

3. Information of Towns through which LPS passed:

Perugia: Town 60,000 inhabitants situated on top of a hill dominating Tiber valley. Water supply ample. Two main supplies:
a - Aqueduct from Muxera Umbra supplying excellent water at all times; b - New aqueduct, supplying lower parts of town, supplying water which is normally good but gives rise to typhoid during hot season and runs dry in periods of prolonged drought.
 Food supply ample. In spite of active German requisitioning, Perugia provides supplies food sufficient for itself and sends large quantities of grain to Rome and other provinces further south. Agricultural methods up to date. Wheat plentiful. Maize, leguminous crops plentiful. Large quantities tobacco grown and cured in Perugia Tobacco Factory. Large numbers of Angora rabbits (Spagnoli estate and Benicelli estate) supply raw material for Spagnoli Angora wool factory in Perugia. Perugia Chocolate Factory thriving. Exceptionally good wheat crop expected this year.

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Rome: Rome's 1,400,000 inhabitants swelled through the influx of refugees to an estimated 2 or 3 million.
 Water supply. Plentiful. Three main aqueducts: Acqua Marcia, Acqua Paola (from Lake Bracciano), Acqua di Trevi, were undamaged when PM left Rome.
 Food Supply. Poor at all times, rendered more difficult through lack of communications with Umbria and Tuscany and war damage in the country to the south.
 Power. Two electricity supply companies, undamaged when PM left Rome. Gas reservoir bombed.
 Labor available. Large supply of labor should be available but Roman is usually poor worker.
 Public Health. No contagious diseases had broken out at the time PM left Rome, though many cases of underfeeding evident.

Rec IV Anticoli Corrado: Town situated on top of a hill dominating Aniene Valley Tiburtina road, formerly renowned as artist resort, has about 6000 inhabitants.
 Water Supply. Scanty, water being cut off for several hours a day, and the flow poor at all times.
 Food Supply. Poor. Black marketers remove quantities to Rome where higher prices available.
 Power. Electricity supplied from Subiaco.
 Labor available. Plenty of unskilled labor.
 Public Health. Outbreak of chicken pox at time of PM's departure. Anticoli Corrado deserves special mention for the help provided by all classes of the population to Allied prisoners of war, in spite of local food difficulties. From 15 to 20 Allied prisoners were permanently fed by the population and help was sent to other prisoners in neighboring villages. Passing prisoners were also helped.

4. Information about Personalities. PM was helped to escape by:

Rec IV a. ✓ Antonio CORNELI, Marcella, MAREGLIANO (Perugia Province) and Giovanni, waiter at Rosetta Hotel, Perugia who refused to disclose his surname.

Names of people from whom help can be expected:

Rec IV b. ✓ Sr. PARADISI, proprietor of Rosetta Hotel, Perugia. Whole staff of Rosetta Hotel aided interned prisoners at all times and were all favorable to Allies in spite of severe control of Perugia Federal Secretary GIANFRONZI.

Rec IV c. ✓ Count BORGIA, Villa Fila, Fila (Perugia Province).

Rec IV d. Miss Clarita FADDA, 49 Via Francesco Crispi, Rome. Already helped literally hundreds of war prisoners.

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g. Mrs. Eleonora LAVAGNINO, 5 Via Cosseria, Rome, provided help for war prisoners and persecuted people, was herself arrested by SS some time during April.

i. Arthur BELLIGER, Swiss, Piazza di Spagna, Rome, provided help for many war prisoners, was arrested by Italian police, released through clever wire pulling on the part of his employee:

Donato SPANOLLETTI, Piazza Sforza Cesarini, who also helped writer and is very friendly indeed to Allied cause.

k. Maria VERRI, female porter at 308 Corso Vittorio Emanuele. In spite of police questioning: hid as many political refugees as she could.

Names of people unfriendly to Allied Cause.

h. Piero ROCH. Formerly agent Italian Counter Espionage, threatened his victims all manner and means. Took advantage his position to terrify women he wanted. Violated Sacciana College Rose (Ecclesiastical College) where he presented himself as Italian Officer requiring hiding hole and arrested all people who were hiding in that college. These include ROVERA, famous Communist leader. Violated Saint Paul's Basilica, Rome to find out people hiding there.

Perugia 1. Perugia Police Agent LOPEZ, strongly anti-Ally at all times, beat up interned American subject Robert RANDOLPH, is credited locally with burning feet of suspected persons to extort confession. The burning of the feet actually did take place but could not be fastened down to Lopez for lack of proof. Perugia mestore TRIVOLIO was dismissed in consequence of inquiry.

2. Police Lieutenant VASILE of Perugia Police, burnt woman's vagina to extort confession of abortion. Burnt feet of local patriots to extort confession. After July 25th 1943, warned Fascists before making a raid on their Headquarters to give them chance to hide their arms. Was consequently removed from Perugia following the remonstrances of the Gestapo. When Germans occupied Perugia, VASILE rushed back, imprisoned mestore, was made mestore himself and instituted reign of terror. To avoid popular uprising, Germans finally removed him from office.

2. Information is requested whether future reports of this type are desired.

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GEORGE K. BOYCE,
1st Lt., A. C.

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APPENDIX:

The following individuals went out of their way and were willing to endanger their lives to help the EPWs:

Salvatori DI CUFFA	TERRACINA	Reg II
Durso PAVOLO	ESPERIA	Reg IV
BIVIOAGNA	"	

The following men refused to help the EPWs and warned other inhabitants not to assist them:

Don VINCENSO	ESPERIA	Reg IV
BARON ROSALE	"	

The following men were in the party with above EPWs:

1st Lt Derick MONSEY with 8th Army in AFRICA.
Address: Cliff House, Hesse, E. Yorkshire, England

Edward GATER with Hampshire Regt, 1st Army. Captured in TUNISIA.
Address: 1 Garlick St., High Lane, Burslem Stokeon Trent.

James HILBERT radio operator on a submarine in RM. Killed by stepping on a mine on 6 April 1944 while trying to reach our lines. He lived in ~~Worcester~~, England.

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SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
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APPENDIX:

A list of individuals whose loyalty to the Allied cause is considered unquestionable follows:

ROCCANTICA, PROVINCE OF RIETI:

Reference is made to Report # 534, IEPW, Appendix. Giuseppe CONFORCI is willing to help the UNDERGROUND. He can contact Nazario FRANZINI and Primo PAULINI. They have in their possession 6 AR, 2 MG, a large stock of hand grenades, 300 yds of fuze, 10 BERETTAS, large size, 1000 rds MG ammo, 1 German MP.

LETI is said to be willing to take chances.

VALLEPIETRA:

Giacomo ROSSI, ex-secretary of the town of SAN GIORGIO is able to procure transmitter and receiver with a range of 10,000 m, 6 KW.

DOIT. DIWA renders medical aid to Allied PWs.

CREANI, storekeeper gives aid and shelter to PWs.

FERNANDO'S wine shop. Son of owner who speaks fairly well English and worked at the Broadcasting Station in ROME contributes money to Allied PWs.

At VALLEPIETRA an agent of "A" Service (American) gave PW a very short and poor briefing. He received no food, no maps and only 1 compass for 4 men (EPWs always travel in groups).

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APPENDIX:FRIENDLY PERSONALITIES:

JOURNO states that, since the Armistice, Italians have given aid to Allied ex-PWs within the limits of their own possibilities. He states that hundreds of ex PWs had passed through FILETTINO where they were offered generous hospitality. Aid movement is frequently headed by leading official personalities in communities. Friendly personalities at FILETTINO-GRAZIANI (G-440655), Map Italy 1:100,000:

Domenico CICOLA
Giuseppe LATINI
Silverio BENASSI
Latino OTTAVIANI
Mrs. GISELDA

Town secretary

Police commissioner
Shoemaker
niece of LATINI, offered
hospitality to JOURNO, to
a British Lt and a British
Capt.

ITALIAN PARTISANS:

JOURNO states that there are about 400-500 partisans living in the mtns vic FILETTINO-GRAZIANI (G-440655). This group of partisans consists of the local male population, refugees from N Italy, officers and E% of the Italian Army, who were not able to join RADOGLIO's forces, and Sicilians and Napolitans. They have practically no weapons and ammo, dispose of about 500 kilogram of TNT and a limited amount of hand grenades. Main weakness of the Italian partisans is lack of capable military leadership. Although partisans show determination their efforts are hampered by indecision and dissensions. Plans of Italian partisans in FILETTINO-GRAZIANI sector include the demolition of bridges in the event of a German withdrawal.

FRENCH PARTISANS:

Large contingents of French partisans in mtns of HAUTE SA-VOIE, particularly vic ANNECY, THOUON and THONCS. They lack weapons, ammo and clothing, but have sufficient food.

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MISCELLANEOUS:

British officer (ex-PW), formerly interned at CHIETI, on his way to cross our lines (presumably in Eighth Army sector): Capt Leslie PITTS, Royal Engrs. (County of origin: YORKSHIRE, England).

American paratrooper, Sgt. Angelo FERRARO, dropped on a rescue mission for Allied ex-PWs, completed his task and is on his way back to Eighth Army lines.

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APPENDIX: 534

This section deals with Partisan activities in Italy and is designed for special distribution only.

A list of individuals whose loyalty to the Allied cause is considered unquestionable, follows:

Page IV ROCCANICA, PROVINCE OF Rieti: *Rocantina*

Gervasio and Gustavo LETI *
Giuseppe CONFORTI * (speaks English and French and has a lot of followers)

Page IV SERMONETO, PROVINCE OF LITTORIO:

The Prince of GIBANO (Contact brothers LETI, then inquire at town of POGGIO MITATO. Greatest care has to be exercised because brothers LETI are wanted both by the GESTAPO and Fascist Police)

Engineer PIETRI * (spelling?)
Brigadier CANDIDO *
Lieutenant CAVALUCCI *

Page IV NORMA:

Alfonso MICHELE * (originally from ANGIO)
Beniamino CARPELLI *
MANESCIALLO DI CARABINIEMI (Police Chief)
Accroca FELICETTO

SAN LORENZO:

Principale

Page IV TERRACINA:

LEO AMALIA (woman)
Tannerelli FRANCESCO (can give help in escaping, cannot furnish money, has only food for short period).

Page IV GORGA:

Giovanni RECCHI. (Republican, but only as a clock, considered as loyal)
Podestà di GORGA (Mayor of the town)

VALLIPIETRA:

Podestà di VALLIPIETRA (Mayor of the town)

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CANADOCIA:

Angelo LELLI

OLIVETTI:

Mayor of OLIVETTI.

Note: Ring leaders are marked with an asterisk *.

MISCELLANEOUS UNDERGROUND INFORMATION:

1. Arms and ammo, well hidden, ready for use in case of an Allied advance in SEPMONETA.
2. At MONTE AUTORE (G-3473) a New Zealand colonel with 40 men (ENW) are waiting for the opportune time to come through the lines.
3. Along Highway 1/82 there are many Fascists posing as ENW in order to catch men for prison camps.
4. ROME is the Hq of a large Partisan band which at present is inactive. They are awaiting their time to strike. These partisans are reported to have all kinds of weapons, including arty pieces well hidden in the city.
5. Italian Communists as such have no affiliation with any international communist organization. They merely use the title "communist" to show their sincere anti-Nazi attitude. As a matter of fact, many of the so-called communists are rich and influential Italian capitalists.

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Consolidated Interrogation Report on Four Italian Refugees

Source Nos: Ex 325, 326, 327, 328.

Arrival in Allied Occupied Territory: 29 Feb 44.

Place of Interrogation: C.S.D.L.C. (Sub-centre East), C.I.P.

Maps used-ITALY 1:50,000- Sheets 82-III, 82-II, 83-III and Town plan of GENOA 1st Edition.

1. GENERAL.

Sources escaped from the GENOA area by sea arriving in Allied occupied territory on the 19 Feb 44. Sources Ex 325 and 326 knew the defences in the GENOA area intimately as they had occasion to travel up and down the coast; Sources 327 and 328 were NOT so sure of their facts and supplied little additional information. The information below refers to the first half Feb 44 unless otherwise stated.

2. GENERAL POSITION.

The coastal area both WEST and EAST of GENOA was heavily garrisoned by German troops up to the time of the ANZIO landing. Immediately after this event, there were large troop movements SOUTH and most of the guns which had been sited along the coast were also removed, with the result that the area was very lightly held at the time of Sources' departure.

3. ENTRY DEFENCES (GENOA area).a) A tk wall.

A concrete A tk wall has been constructed along the whole of the coast in the Gulf of GENOA. Sources have only seen it from ALENANO (O 749) 3.405 to SPEZIA. They heard, however, that it extends beyond this area. The wall runs about 10-15 m from the sea and has been built in all places where access to the coastal rd would be easy. It is discontinued where over the nature of the coastline is such that a landing with vehicles would be out of the question owing to the steepness of the terrain. On these stretches barbed wire entanglements have been erected.

The wall has a base of about 2 m and tapers off to about 80 cm towards the top. It reaches a height of about 2.5 m and barbed wire coils have been strung along the top attached to iron stakes.

At the mouths of rivers and streams the wall is discontinued and its place is taken by concrete pylons driven into the river bed at a distance of about 1 m apart, thus effectively preventing access, even to small boats.

Throughout the town of GENOA all streets leading down to the harbour area or to the rd running along the sea front in the Eastern part of the town are blocked by concrete A tk blocks and only few streets permit free passage to MT.

On the stretch of beach EAST of the mouth of the BISAGNO stream at O 97467 square concrete blocks replace the A tk wall with one gap wide enough to allow carts and lorries to reach the beach in order to load up sand etc.

The measurement of these blocks is 2 x 2 x 1.5 m.

b) Armoured Train.

EAST of SCORRIO dell' ASUGIA (O 7949) there are two parallel tunnels: one of these is out of use and shelters an ex-French armoured train.

It consists of eight road cars each mounting an old French 152 mm short /2.

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barrel gun.

The crew is supplied by the Italian Navy and Sources who have spoken to them quote them as having said that the range of the above guns does not reach beyond 15 km.

- c) arty posns etc. It is to be noted that most of the gun emplacements mentioned below have been vacated since the Allied landing at ANZIO. The posns are of a permanent nature, mainly built of concrete and could easily be re-occupied should the occasion arise and equipment be available.

- (i) At COCCALETO (O 74,7) on the jetty a small building quartering about 20 men carrying an LMG and a machinegun.
- (ii) SOUTH of ARSENALINO at approx. O 774485 two old 305 mm CD guns sited in caves. The guns are on rails which enable them to be brought into the open during action. The crew is about 60.
On the hill above the caves and SOUTH of the coastal rd two MG covering same. On the jetty an AA MG.
NE of ARSENALINO at O 784495 the coastal rd passes through a 20 m long gallery known as GALLERIA del FIZIO. At either end of it a cave has been drilled into the rock at right angles to the rd, serving as shelter for gun crews manning the following posns:-
Three concrete emplacements for 75/46 guns above the gallery (guns now removed). Below the gallery towards the sea, two concrete casemates, 2 MG and one small 4 tk gun, the latter protected by a concrete parapet. These cover both the rd and the sea. A SL is also in posn nearby.
- (iii) NE of LITTA on the hill at approx. O 748,99 concrete gun emplacements. The guns which used to be in this locality were 75/46 mm guns, but alternative posns have been constructed nearby for CD purposes, giving a clear field of fire out to sea.
- (iv) BOSCO degli SOCCOLI (O 7652). In this wood area a number of SL were sited in some clearings.
- (v) BOSCO del VENTO (O 7751). There are many permanent gun emplacements in this wood dominating the sea (now vacated).
- (vi) On the rd VESPA-BORGONOVO at about O 798506: one casemate and three concrete arty emplacements.
- (vii) At Punta CREVALLE O 844907 two gun emplacements in caves sited towards GENOA. The 152 mm guns which were located here have been removed.
- (viii) Along the old Roman rd leading from VOLTRI (O 8251) to BORGONOVO, concrete emplacements have been built at suitable posns dominating the sea. These posns were vacated end Jan 44.
- (ix) VILLA VICO one of the last villas at the Western outskirts of VOLTRI, a German command.
- (x) At O 82513 on a jetty 300 m WEST of the mouth of the LIRE stream a casemate and a small post consisting of 3 men armed with light automatics.
- (xi) On a jetty immediately to the EAST of VOLTRI sits a large pill box under const. the whole area as a house with large windows.
- (xii) At S. PELLE (O 8551) a casemate for 152 mm gun as a house.
- (xiii) In area between GRIPPE (O 8553) and the valley formed by the BRANCA stream a number of AA guns manned by the militia as well as a SL and some 20 mm AA.
There are also numerous trenches in this area.

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- (xiv) SOUTH of ISLE at O 824528 where the rd blocks at the crossroads. Republican army sentries check the documents of all passers-by. Many fortifications on the hills round this village.
- (xv) At tunnel at O 817578. All traffic is checked at this point. On heights above the tunnel three 4 tk guns in posn with a crew of about 30 men. The guns dominate both the rd ASSONE-JUM and the terrain to the EAST and WEST.
- (xvi) Many small circular emplacements in concrete have been built into the hillside at BISOLLA (O 8354). The field of fire dominates the rd to GALLARATE (O 8254).
- (xvii) Extending EAST from VOLTA (O 8254) along the rly line many small pill boxes for automatic weapons. Each has three loopholes facing approx. EAST, WEST and SOUTH. At PEGLI (O 8750) where the rly line curves slightly inland these pill boxes continue along the sea coast. These fortifications are at a distance of 5/500 m apart according to the conformation of the terrain and continue beyond GENOA to SPEZZA.
- (xviii) PEGLI (O 8750). The following fortifications have been built at or near this sea side resort. At the Western end of the small harbour (O 863506) a strong casemate but no weapons. 2/500 m to the EAST on a rock 60 m out to sea another casemate. 600 m further EAST at the landward end of a jetty distinguishable by gardens and palms a casemate can be seen a small house with the 4 tk wall mentioned in para 3 a) running to the rear. 300 m EAST there is yet another jetty with a large 8 x 8 x 4 m casemate can be seen a house with a wooden veranda. On the heights above PEGLI, at about O 873507 sources claim that a lighthouse is lit every night. A fixed ST etc is located nearby. Two large gun emplacements are also in this vicinity but the guns have been removed.
- (xix) On the Eastern side of the mouth of the stream which joins the sea between PEGLI and MULINO at O 883506 there is a promontory of reddish earth. This promontory is heavily fortified with concrete casemates (about eight), gun emplacements for 75/46 mm guns and dug-outs. There is also a rangefinder and a naval OP. About 200 m EAST along the coast a small pill box for automatic weapons.
- (xx) At CORNICELLANO (O 9149), the following defences:- 4285
 O 91154936 a small gun (probably 4 tk.)
 O 91064937 two guns in posn pointing NORTH calibre unknown and one 100.
 O 91104938 the castle on the promontory has been adapted to modern warfare. All windows pointing out to sea have been blocked leaving only small loopholes. Cement walls have also been built inside to reinforce the structure.
 O 91284939 a casemate for automatic weapons.
 O 913496 on the hill overlooking CORNICELLANO some 100 4 tk guns. Sources do not know however if these have also been removed since the ANZIO landing.
- (xxi) At GENOA itself sources were able to give the following defences:-
 O 947483 on S. BENTIVO HILL a number of 4 tk posns. Many galleries have also been drilled into this hill to serve as air-raid shelters.
 O 97104695 six 4 tk guns.

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- O 2746 EAST of the mouth of the RIVIGNO along the beach described under para 3 a) six MG guns.
 O 2849,623 in 127 in posn.
 O 2869,617)
 to C 2930,630) all villas and houses between these two pts - including the S. CHULINO fort were occupied by Germans.
 Along the coastline on this stretch of coast there are a number of casemates and MG nests.
 O 289464. Fort S. CHULINO. Three German 88 mm guns can be seen from the rd inside the fort; the presence of others is suspected.
 O 297459 on the small promontory known as LIDO d'ALBANO posns for CG guns under constr. During the first half of Feb 44 two MG were in posn in the Pavilion erected at this point.
 P 009458 near the church a concrete casemate and an OP with rangefinder.
 (xxii) at 3033,5333 at approx. P 0035,598 a wireless jamming sta located in a villa.
 (xxiii) at P 0047,599 large gun emplacement under constr.
 (xxiv) at approx. P 015457 at Costa PIEMONTE about 400 m EAST of STORIA some 10 emplacements and two gun emplacements under constr covering the small STORIA Bay.
 (xxv) QUARTO dei MIELE near the CARBONATE Mountaint P 01704565, work is in progress for the constr of large concrete CG gun emplacements. An underground gallery is also under constr leading from the above emplacements to the QUARTO fly str (purpose unknown).
 (xxvi) at P 015455 gun emplacements, MG posn and an OP.
 (xxvii) Villa CARBATE, a large estate with many villas in area P 016456 has been turned into a large air park and fuel dump by the end of Jan 44.
 (xxviii) Villa BASSATE at approx. P 029456 same as in xxvii) above.
 (xxix) P 027454. Four MG in concrete emplacements.
 (xxx) P 028455. Gun emplacements under constr. Notices with "ATTENTI" signs have been posted around this area but Sources are definite that NO mines have been laid.
 (xxxi) At the gray pigeon cove at QUARTO P 0345 gun and MG emplacements have been constructed.
 (xxxii) Practically all the villas between QUARTO and BOULASCO FIEVE (P 0344) have been fortified and a friend told one of the Sources that he had worked in an underground passage connecting all these fortified villas along the coast.
 (xxxiii) At MERO P 0445. The SE slopes of this mountain are heavily fortified. A naval 381 mm CG gun in a cave posn and other smaller guns in concrete emplacements and casemates for automatics. The defensive system is linked by concrete trenches.
 (xxiv) The stretch of beach from P 047447 to P 050447 bears notices "ATTENTI ALLE MINE" but in effect there are NO mines present, as Sources often pulled a fishing boat ashore at this point without any mishap.
 (xxv) P 052449. A villa close to the seashore housing a German comd. The same notice as in xxxiii) appears on the beach at this point, but again no mines have been laid.
 (xxvi) At ROMBOCCO (O 2970) alongside the new rd built in '37 two concrete emplacements; two 381 mm guns were in posn (mid-Jan 44). These could reach GENOA by indirect fire. Source does NOT know whether these guns are still in posn.

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4. ENEMY METHODS.

- a) Rangine. On the stretch of coast under consideration ranging was carried out at the beginning of the year with both mortars and 88 mm guns. It appeared as if the same units carried out these trials as the area chosen was a different one every week and hardly ever two shots in progress at the same period. The beaten zone was about 50 m offshore.
- b) Transport. When at the end of Jan 44 the large troop movement towards ANZIO took place a large number of the taxis of GENOA were requisitioned complete with drivers and used to transport some of the units SOUTH.

5. NAVAL.

The port of GENOA is practically devoid of shipping of any kind. The following damage was caused to the harbour installations by Allied bombing:-

- (i) A bomb hit on the Western end of Molo Vesuvio.
- (ii) The workshops on the jetty extending from the drydocks (BAGNI di CANTIERI) have been practically destroyed but the drydocks themselves did NOT suffer any damage.
- (iii) The quayside NORTH of the drydock received one hit (opposite CASSO PRINCIPE OBERTO).
- (iv) The MARCONI works located at 0 3669760 were considerably damaged.

6. ENEMY MORALE.

The morale of the GPs stationed in the GENOA area is reported to be fairly good to all outward appearances. If however one is able to speak alone with German personnel one of the Sources did, they admit their war weariness and the hopeless outlook for the German nation. A German Agent told Source Bx 327 that he had been home on leave, that the people had enough of the Allied bombing and that their nerves had gone to pieces. He himself came back before the expiration of his leave as he could NOT stand the sight of the destruction nor the situation in general.

German GPs in the NORTH generally treat Italians well in order to avoid any reprisals in the event of Germany's collapse.

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8 Mar 44

Translation of Extracts from Interrogation Reports
received by this Centre from Italian "I" Services (S.I.M.)

Ref - S.I.M. 104-109.

Sources:	Cnr Franco LONZI	-	2nd half Feb 44.
	" Arnaldo LEROTTI	-	" " " "
	" Eric ELI	-	" " " "
	Cpl Vito GIJONE	-	9 Feb 44.
	Cnr Angelo GALENDO	-	24 " 44.
	2/Lt Enrico DI FRANCESCO	-	10 " 44.

Arrival in Allied Occupied Territory: as above.

Maps used-ITAN 1:400,000-Sheets 31,51,52,53,54,100,113,141.

1. PREAMBLE.

Sources arrived in Allied Occupied Territory by different routes on the dates indicated above.

2. ENEMY DEFENCES.

a) PLANELLA Area - end Dec 43. Sources worked on the following defs in this area:-

- (i) Dug-in a tk gun posn with earth parapet reinforced by balsa and cam with shrubs. (approx. location C 035209).
- (ii) A tk gun emplacement in concrete with reinforced cement dome with one loophole. The gun was equipped with a special gadget by means of which, when fired, the muzzle shot forward through the loophole and then slid back again. (approx. location C 043215).
- (iii) There were about 20 MG guns along the side of a serpentine trench, consisting of platforms with lateral walls for protection. The trench was cam with shrubs.
All the guns were in posn, pointing towards the river PESCARA.
Here and there caves had been dug in the hillside and were used as quarters for the tps and as offices. (approx. location C 035218).
- (iv) A serpentine trench about which Sources cannot give detailed information. Various automatic weapons were in posn pointing WEST towards rd 81. (approx. location C 033217).

b) Along the rd LUINO-(D 9325)-SUNARIN-VALCENNA-VERGHE-ILAN there were emplacements for automatic weapons in concrete with reinforced concrete domes with two loopholes, covering the approaches from either direction. These emplacements were 200-300 m apart. Along the side of the rd there were many rd blocks for possible use as a tk def.

c) GENOVA Area - early Sep 43.

- (i) Between QUINTO A. MARE and NERVI, immediately WEST of the mouth of the NERVI torrent (P 045448), there was a German 88 mm tp (4 guns) on platforms protected by concrete walls.
- (ii) In the same locality there was a 150 mm sh.
- (iii) In the sta at NERVI there was an armoured train in a CD role equipped with three 120 mm (?) guns.
- (iv) GENOVA AREA (P 045460) - 9 Sep 43. One 381 mm CD tp consisting of one twin barrelled gun on a movable circular metal platform. Cave for shelter of the gun when not in use. The gun runs into the cave on rails.
Two shelters with reinforced concrete domes used as fire control post and CP.

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am dump situated in a tunnel with only one entrance.

Two narrow gauge rlys to transport the am from the rly sta to the emplacement and dump.

Cave containing the apparatus with internal combustion engine for the working of the rly by cable. (funicular railway system).

The gun was worked by electricity.

152 mm tp (four guns) on platforms protected by semi-circular cement walls with ready use am dumps nearby. The guns were pointing towards GENOA.

88 mm AA tp (two guns), situated on the upper part of a building on the top of MONTI MORO.

Two or three 150 mm Bfs.

There was NO am. Source thinks that all these def's fell intact into the hands of the Germans.

- (v) MONTE MORO. Above the rly tunnel immediately SOUTH of the village (C 771424) there was another 381 mm tp, quite different like the one on MONTI MORO.

- (vi) PORTOFINO area (probably within the area included in square P 1437) another 381 mm tp, similar to the previous ones.

d) LIANA - early Jan 44.

- (i) Forty tps consisting of 16 guns and 25 mm Bfs (Italian type) were situated in the following districts: PORTA ROMANA, PORTA GENOVA, PORTA FIRENZE, REMPIONE, PIAZZA CARLINI, PIAZZA BODOVICO, the ARONA, PIAZZA VENEZIA MONFORTE.

- (ii) There were no def's on the outskirts of LIANA.

e) PIAVE PC - 4 Jan 44. On the left bank of the river between the br at point K 16224 on the rd PAVIA-CATEGGIO, and RIZZANA GRATTONE (K 0923) fortifications were being built, consisting of cement trenches with reinforced concrete domes, 70-80 m apart. Italian forced labour was employed on the job.

Source heard from some of the workers that this line of fortifications was being extended further along the river bank.

f) VENICE - Nov 43. On the rd near the br over the RUSTRE rly line, there was a CD tp of three guns, pointing seawards, located about 50 m apart. The guns were in reinforced concrete circular emplacements.

g) ANCONA area - Nov 43.

- (i) Extending EAST of the sta of ANCONA (approx. from point S 48904635), there were two 381 tps in cement emplacements. These emplacements were square and the distance between them was about 150 m.

- (ii) Source was engaged on def works in the area NE of ANCONA sta, approx. at point S 5974696. There consisted of a circular CD gun emplacement, about 2 m deep and 5 m diameter, with a reinforced concrete 420 mm in earth and sandbag parapet. A 2 m deep and 2 m long corn trench joined the rear of the emplacement to an am dump of the same shape and size as the emplacement. The corn trench and am dump were covered over with tracks of trees cam with earth. At the time source escaped (14 Nov 43) a CD gun of unknown calibre was already in position and there were 4-5 cases of am in the dump.

h) VERONA area - 8 Dec 43. At "Zona VERONA" on the coast there were about 100 tps with two 75 mm guns and a number of Bfs.

i) S. PILOTTA area - early Feb 44. There was a tp of four-barrelled 148 mm in dug-in emplacements, situated at point C 112150.

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- 3) CHIETI Area - early Feb 44. Source heard from a German soldier that SOUTH of the CHIETI sanatorium, approx. at point C 137458, there was a tp of large calibre (?) guns; the guns had a 30 km range.

4. ENEMY FORCES.a) CHIETI Area.

- (i) Before the Allied landing at ANZIO there were about 20 axmi cars stationary on rd No 5 nr CHIETI sta. They moved off immediately after the landing.
- (ii) There was a MT workshop in the vicinity of CEPACATTI, near the curve in the rd before entering the village, approx. at point C 059479. This workshop was situated in a private building. There were always a number of vehicles being repaired.
- (iii) A hy MT workshop is situated about 1 km EAST of CHIETI sta, in the MARINO barracks, previously occupied by 9 MT Regt (C 123471).
- (iv) MT is usually parked under the trees at the following pts along the rd CEPACATTI-PONTE DI VILLANOVA: starting approx. from pt C 063482 for a distance of 200-300 m, and near the curve of the rd in the area included in square C 0812.

4. ENEMY DUMPS.

- (a) The PCH dump which used to be located at CHIETI sta, was removed following the Allied landing at ANZIO.
- (b) At the end of Dec 43 there was a PCH dump consisting of about 1000 drums situated in the MILAN area, in the fields round PONTE GENOVA. This dump was plainly visible from the air as it was NOT camouflaged with nets or greenery.

5. ENEMY AIRFIELDS - early Jan 44. The TARLEDO, CAPRANI and CILISCELLA a/f's were in use, but there were NO stationary A/C on them.

6. MT SIGNS - early Jan 44. Source saw a long MT column in the MILAN area: three mice of various colours were painted on the side of each veh.

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J.I.C.A., N.I.C.....1
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Ref: SDI 110-114.

Sources:	Gnr	Cesare CAMEROLE	}	- 17 Feb 44
	"	Carmino PANTALONE		- 21 Feb 44
	Pto	Aleardo BORCHESI	}	- end Feb 44
	Cadet P/O	Carlo PERICCIOLI		- " " "
		Domenico DE ANGELIS (civilian)	}	- " " "
	Pto	Luigi REZA		- " " "
	Capt	Luigi DI FABIO	}	- " " "
	"	Giovanni COPPABIANCA		- " " "
	2/Lt	Luigi BATTISTA	}	- " " "
	"	Francesco DE LAURETIS		- " " "
	Gnr	Alfonso DI TELLA	}	- 20 Nov 43

Maps used: Italy 1:100,000 Sheet Nos 118, 141, 146, 147, 153.

1. DEDUCTION

This report consists of extracts from the interrogation reports of the above Sources who arrived in Allied Occupied Territory by different routes on the dates indicated above.

2. ENEMY DEFENCES

- a) Along the rd VILLA S. SILVESTRO (C 1925) - CHIETI, 200 m off the left side of the rd, there were groups of 4 circular dug-in emplacements (about 2 m wide and 50 cm deep), situated approx 500 m apart.
The gun was stored under the olive trees, about 200 m from the emplacements.
Sources saw three of these groups in the VALLE DI ROCCO area (C 1924).
The guns were NOT yet in posn (end Jan 44).
- b) Along the rd SULMONA (C 9382) - POPOLI (C 8696), there were a number of short trenches, some situated in a straight line and some zig-zag. Some of these trenches were parallel to the rd whilst others were in the adjacent fields.
- c) In the SULMONA and MATELLA area there was practically NO arty def. There were a few A tk guns at SULMONA, and they were NOT in emplacements. ^{being} of them were u/s.
- d) In the ROCCARASO area (H 0660) there were only a few guns pointing towards the Allied lines, and they were constantly being moved. There were, however, a lot of funny guns, consisting of drainage and stove pipes, trunks of trees, sited, and cam with nets and shrubs.
- e) The AA def in this area consists of a few four-barrelled MGs sited on lorries, which are constantly being moved from one place to another.
- f) Sources heard from some of the civilians forced to work by the Germans, that nearly all the minefields in the ROCCARASO area had been lifted.
- g) On the beach at TORRETTA A MARE (S 5646) Source saw some German arty units sited about 15 (?) large calibre guns, and building the necessary protection around them. The guns were pointing seawards (15 Jan 44).

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3. ENEMY FORCES

- a) At the beginning of Jan 44 there was a German Arty HQ at VILLA SAN SILVESTRO (G 1925).
- b) In the VALLE DI ROCCO area, approx at point C 189244 on the rd from VILLA S. SILVESTRO, there is a military hospital HQ on one side of the rd and a hospital on the other. These premises were previously occupied by a German Army HQ (early Jan 44).
- c) The HQ of the German garrison of CHIETI was situated in the building of the Dopolavero Fascista, about 200 m from the civil and military hospital. This HQ was NOT hit during the Allied bombing raid at the beginning of Feb, the bombs falling about 200 m away.

4. ENEMY DUMPS

In the vicinity of CASCINA S. LUCA (G 950860), on the slope of MONTE MORIONE, there was a POL dump consisting of about 800 drums hidden under pine trees.

5. ENEMY COMMUNICATIONS

- a) From 7 to 15 Nov 43 Source was employed by the Germans on the construction of a rd joining PESCOLOSTANZO (H 0565) to CANZANO (H 0277). This new rd starts from the plain of the S. ANTONIO valley (H 0271) and rises between two mountains (probably COLLE SCONOSCIUTO and height 1326) after having crossed the stream near point H 022722.
- When Source was brought to the spot on 7 Nov 43, about 3 km of the rd had already been built. When he escaped on 19 Nov 43 the road had been built up to about 500 m from the stream at point H 022720 and ran through the wood in that area. (Comment: The map reference seems 200 m SOUTH of the torrent.)
- b) A cable rly (teleferica) was under construction in the area between GUADO S. LEONARDO (H 0385) and COLLE DI MACCHIA (H 0385). This rly was to run to VALLE DI FEMMINA MORTA (H 0785) and from there up to MONTE AMARO (MAIELLA). By the time Source left (mid Feb 44) a strip of trees had been cut down in the area between GUADO S. LEONARDO - COLLE DI MACCHIA and VALLE DI FEMMINA MORTA, and the necessary poles had been dug in. In the vicinity of the lower part of this stretch of woodland, there were some wooden huts, used for storing various building materials for the construction of the rly, and as quarters for approx 200 Italian civilian workmen employed on the job.

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Interrogation Report on an Italian Civilian Refugee

Source No: Ex 313

Arrival Allied Occupied Territory: 25 Feb 44

Place of Interrogation: OSDIC (Sub-centre East) CMP

1. PREAMBLE

A 39 year old farmer from NAPLES, taken forcibly to TRAISEN (Austria), where he worked in the local steel works. He was able to return owing to ill health. He appears fairly reliable.

2. RECENT MOVEMENTS

- 14 Feb 44. Left TRAISEN for VIENNA - VILLACH - TARVISIO.
- 15 Feb 44. Arrived at MESTRE by train.
- 16 Feb 44. Arrived at BOLOGNA by train.
- 17 Feb 44. Arrived at FLORENCE by train.
- 20 Feb 44. Arrived at ACHI by train.
- 23 Feb 44. Arrived at SULMONA on foot.
- 25 Feb 44. Crossed the lines at CASTEL G. VALDO.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- a) There is regular rly comm between VIENNA and PADUA. Most of the engines in Italy are electric, driven by Italian personnel.
- b) PADUA rly sta has been ^{badly} damaged by Allied bombing. The sta building and most of the platforms have been destroyed, and many engines and waggons in the marshalling yard have received direct hits. All traffic is deviated to secondary lines.
- c) BOLOGNA rly sta has been rendered unserviceable by Allied bombing. All traffic stops approx. 5 km before the sta. Travellers destined for FLORENCE have to walk approx. 7 km before reaching their train. Horse-drawn carts have been provided by the authorities for the transport of women and children, but they cannot cope with all the passengers.
- d) Source heard that the rly line between BOLOGNA and FLORENCE had been damaged at some points but could NOT supply any information because he travelled in a closed cattle truck.
- e) All rly traffic SOUTH of FLORENCE stops at ROME. The sta and the village of ROME have been badly damaged by bombing. The two brs, one for the rly and one for the rd, which had evidently been the Allied bombers' main target, have NOT been hit.
- f) AREZZO rly sta and a great part of the town have been damaged by Allied bombing. The rly sta has been flattened.
- g) Civilian traffic directed to PERUGIA runs on the secondary line AREZZO-CITTA DI CASTELLO-BOSCO (W 7.95). There is NO rly comm between BOSCO and PERUGIA.

4. CAMPOROTONDO AIRFIELD

- a) Bomb damage. The A/P installations at CAMPOROTONDO (C 3514) have NOT been damaged by Allied bombing. Most of the bombs fell in the

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dispersal area covering approx. 30 1/6.

Source states that at least 60 1/6 of all types are scattered in the fields NORTH of the A/P approx. 1 km from the rly line. He remembers seeing several three-engined planes.

- b) Defences. Source counted eight 88 mm guns along the stretch of the rly running through GEMONDEN A/P. The guns were located approx 15 m from the SOUTH side of the rly embankment.

5. GERMAN FORCES

Source states that a large amount of military traffic passed through the towns of PERUGIA and TERNI towards LITTORIA. Many wounded Germans were to be seen in the streets of PERUGIA (17/19 Feb 44).

There is a great concentration of German transport along the rd PERUGIA-TERNI. All available buildings on both sides of the rd have been requisitioned by the Germans. A great number of MT are scattered in the field under cover of trees.

6. ECONOMIC

Foreign labour conditions in Austria. After the Armistice Source was forcibly taken from NAPLES to TRIESTE to work in the steel works there.

The personnel consisted of about 1000 men and women of all nationalities living in a large camp about 1 1/2 km from the works. The majority were Russians and Frenchmen; there were only 30 Italians.

The Russians were treated extremely harshly and messed apart from the remainder. They had to wear a brassard with certain letters on it which Source does NOT remember. Heavy penalties were imposed for omission to wear this distinguishing mark.

The Frenchmen were divided into two categories: military (ex PW) and civilians. The military were kept in a separate camp, but after having been PW for three years they lost that status and were considered civilians and transferred to the main camp.

Pay. Min 60 pf per hour (working day 8 hrs). Max 80 pf per hour (working day 8 hrs). Single men were only paid 40 pf per hr.

From the above which was paid weekly the following was deducted:

- 7.70 RM for food.
- 3.50 RM for quarters.
- 3.50 RM for health insurance, etc.

The Russians received a flat rate of 6 RM weekly without deductions for keep or quarters. 4186

Food. Source states that food was extremely poor and hardly enough to keep body and soul together.

The meals were as follows:-

- Morning - piece of bread with margarine and very weak tea.
- Midday - watery soup, potatoes and a piece of meat 2 x 2 inches.
- Evening - soup and potatoes.

Once a week a spoonful of jam was issued.

Cigarette ration - 3 per day.

(Note: A separate CD Report will be published on the TRIESTE Steel Works.)

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Sources: 2/Lt Vitaliano PERRACINA

- mid Feb 44

Pte Antonio BELLINIA	} one party - second half Jan 44
" Giuseppe COGITA	
" Antonino BELTINO	
" Antonio MASCELO	- 12 Jan 44
Cpl Riccardo GRAZIOSI	- 31 Jan 44
Pte Giuseppe RIVULO	- early Feb 44
Cnr Valentine NERI	- " " "
Pte Vincenzo SANTO	- second half Oct 43
" Giulio MARCHETTI	- " " "
Cpl Pietro PASQUALI	- Nov 43
Lt Dante RIGNI	- second half Feb 44
Cpl Ettore COSSO	- Jan 44
" Luigi DEVOIA	- end Sept 43
Pte Tommaso PONTA	- early Feb 44
Para tp Aldo TRONETTI	- mid Feb 44

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1. PREAMBLE

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2. ENEMY DEFENCESa) MANDELA AREA (G 1181) - Sept 43.

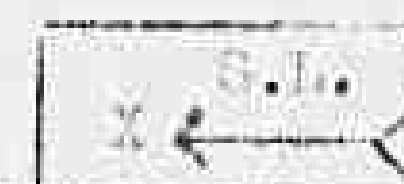
- (i) About 5 km SSW of MANDELA at the side of the rd approx. at point G 098797, some 1 tk ditches were being built. They were located about 400 m apart and were about 4 m long, 2 m wide at the top and 1 m wide at the base, and about 4 m deep.

Italian prisoners were employed to dig the ditches to a certain depth, but the Germans completed the work themselves.

It is presumed that either the area or the above ditches were being mined, as Source saw some of the German landing wooden boxes with holes in them.

By the time Source escaped (23 Sept 43) only three of these ditches had been completed; they ran at right angles to the rd.

- (ii) In the same area as the 1 tk ditches three milestones had been placed 200 m apart from each other. These milestones had an arrow on them pointing to an X, and above the arrow the letters W.M. on the first one, S.I. on the second one, and T.R. on the third. (See sketch below.)



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b) CASALE DI STATUA AREA (P 4772) - First half Sept 43.

- (i) On the Via AURELIA at the point where the rd branches off to TORRE DI PALIDORO, there were two reinforced concrete rd blocks, covered by MG fire. Sufficient space had been left between the rd blocks for the passage of a lorry. This section of rd had been prepared for mine laying for a stretch of about 20 m.
- (ii) 7/8 m from these rd blocks, extending towards the inhabited area, there were two ditches, 2 m deep and 20 m long, protected by barbed wire.

c) COSTA SILENA (beginning Nov 43). About 300 m from the rd, in the area enclosed by Square H 0561, one AA tp.d) MONTE MAIURI (H 067555) - beginning Nov 43. Two tps, one AA and one A tk, probably med calibre.e) RIVISONDOLI AREA (beginning Nov 43). Approx. at point H 053617 an A tk ditch about 12 m long, 4 m wide and 6 m deep.

f) In the same area near height 1226, approx. at point H 053617, holes had been dug on each side of the rd for a distance of about 100 m, for the purpose of laying Teller mines.

g) FRATE ARCA (H 053626) - beginning Nov 43. A minefd. Teller mines with a mile track passing through the centre.h) MADONNA DELLA PORTELLA AREA (H 053628) - beginning Nov 43. There was a minefd on both sides of the rd in this area.i) FIANO DELLE CINSUE NICLIE (W of RIVISONDOLI) - Nov 43. Source heard that mines had been laid in this area.j) ROCCARASO AREA (early Nov 43). On the top of MOUNT TOCCO, approx. area H 062, along the escarpment on the side of the slide, about 4 AA guns of various calibres in circular emplacements of 5 m diameter. One of the guns was of large calibre and another a 4-barrelled MG.k) MINTURIO AREA (Dec 43). There were three 442 mm guns sited approx. at point G 775002. The guns were in a garden under the trees and were also cam with shrubs. NO special emplacements had been built.l) S. ANDREA AREA (early Feb 44). In the cellar of the house known as "LE GAMBE-TELLE", situated approx. at point G 860075, there were three 105 mm guns which fired on the river GARIGLIANO through the cellar windows.m) ANCONA AREA (mid Jan 44). About 10 km SOUTH of ANCONA, between the rly line to S. DOMENICO and the River ASPIO, approx. at point S 608405, some def works were in progress. These consisted of two alternative rows of circular (2 1/2 m diameter, 1.30 m depth) and square (3 m x 3 m and 1.30 m deep) gun emplacements, located 30 m apart and joined by zig-zag comm trenches (about 1 m wide and 1.30 m deep). This def line was about 180 m long. Source worked on these fortifications for about two months, together with about 70 others. By the time he escaped (about mid Jan 44) NO guns were yet in posn, but the num was already on the spot, about 400 m away from the def line.

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- n) BOLOGNA AREA (end Sept 43). Def works were in progress about 3 km SOUTH of BOLOGNA, near S. RUFFILLO, approx in area L 9044. These consisted of dug-in gun emplacements, arranged in zig-zag formation connected by zig-zag comm trenches. The emplacements measured 2 m x 2 m and were about 1.70 m deep. The spoil from the excavations formed a parapet round the front of the emplacement. The distance between each posn was approx 12 m. A single serpentine comm trench started from the first posn (approx at point L 894441) and ran to the rear of all the posns. The trenches were about 1 m wide and 1.30 m deep. Source worked on these defs for a fortnight, with about 200 others. Then he managed to escape during the second half of Oct 43, the work was still in progress and the guns were NOT yet in posn.

e) SAVONA AREA (9 Sept 43).

- (i) At MADONNA DELLA ANGELA (O 594403) there were the following defs:

Two 88 mm guns and two 88 mm "S. Etienne" Mks, in temporary posns, protected by an earthen wall, manned by D.I.C.A.T.

One 88 mm tp, calibre and number of guns NOT known, manned by German personnel. Source does NOT know what these posns were like as he could NOT get near them.

- (ii) The tp to which Source belonged was located 2/300 m NW of MADONNA DELLA ANGELA, approx. at point O 590400 and consisted of two 88 mm guns and two 20 mm Mks in temporary emplacements, as above.

- (iii) On the upper part of the SAVONA fortress, situated on the top of the hill under which the railway tunnel passes, near the I.L.V.A. Iron and steel works (O 6140), there were two 20 mm Mks manned by D.I.C.A.T. and a German 3L manned by Italian engr tr ops.

- (iv) When he was leaving SAVONA Source saw the gun factory at CORTADO (SOUTH of SAVONA) blow up. He does NOT know what happened to the I.L.V.A. works.

- (v) At LIGINO (O 580380) there was one 88 mm AA tp, a sound locator, and a 4 m long range finder.

- n) REBINE AREA (Jan 44). Slightly to the SOUTH of CORIANO (R 830571), about 50 m EAST of the rd REBINE - CORIANO - NUBIT COVA (R 867836), German tps were engaged on defensive trench, about 4 m wide and 1 m deep.

- q) POSTUMIA AREA (Sept 43). (The information given by this Source is not very reliable.)

- (i) A lot of labour was used at POSTUMIA to unload guns and equipment arriving from FRANCE by lorry, and re-load them on to trolleys running on narrow gauge rly lines into the interior of the famous POSTUMIA grottoes. The equipment and supplies were then landed on either side of the railway lines.

- (ii) Near the entrance to the grottoes, under the bridge over the river PIUCA, approx. at point J 159878, there was an 88 mm tp. The gun was in circular dug-in posn, about 3 m diameter and 1.30 m deep, protected around the gun by a circular reinforced concrete wall about 1.50 m high, with four loopholes about 70 cm sq. The guns were pointing towards the river. Calibre NOT known.

3. ENEMY FORCES

The garrison HQ at SARA was situated in PIAZZA SIGNORI and was commanded by a General (?) (end Dec 43).

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4. ENEMY DUMPSa) ZARA (second half Dec 43).

- (i) There was an anti dump in the CASE MOLARI district, just outside the town.
- (ii) Another anti dump at BELLAFUSA, 2 km outside the town on the rd towards the acqueduct.
- (iii) There was a POL dump at VEDOVESTRO, on the rd PUNTA MICA, 2 km from ZARA.
- (iv) There were three provision dumps, one in the CADORNA barracks, one in the port, and the other in the "CAPANZONE". It appears that the one in the port was set on fire during the air raid on 16 Dec 43.

5. ENEMY AIRFIELDSa) SABIEZZO AREA. Source heard at the beginning of Oct 43 that an emergency L/G was being constructed near SABIEZZO, in the LA GRUGLIA district (N 896834). The work was supposed to be nearly completed.b) REGGIO EMILIA (Dec 43).

- (i) In Dec 43 the REGGIO EMILIA A/P was very active. On the ground there were about 20 German fighters and 50 Dec 206, marked with German emblems. Source did not see any LA round the A/P. The A/C were removed from the A/P during the night and dispersed in the nearby fields.
- (ii) During the same period, the factories (OFFICINE REGGIANE) situated in the immediate vicinity of the A/P, were working at full pressure. Source heard that 14,000 workmen were employed, including 5/6,000 women. The output was controlled by the Germans. The working hours were from 0730 - 1230 and from 1400 - 1600.

6. ALLIED BOMBING RAIDS

The Allied bombing raids on ZARA practically destroyed the harbour and the warehouse in the port. The VITTORIO VENETO barracks and the Via CALLELLARA were damaged.

7. PERSONALITIES

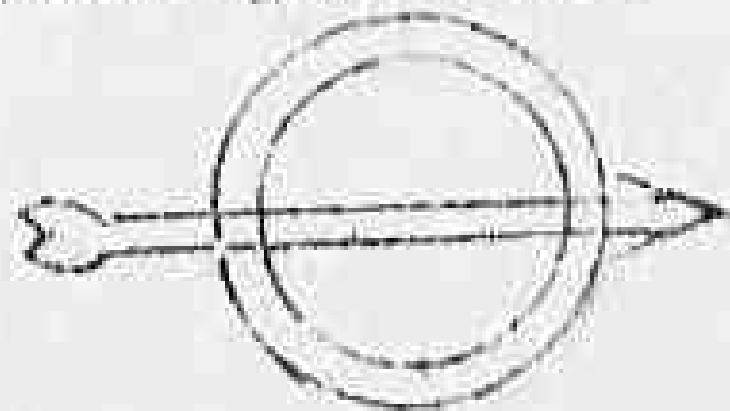
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- a) Major Dr. FUGHERO CC HQ Military District of CHIETI.
- b) Lawyer Tullio CASACCHIA, Administrative Secretary of CASTEL DI SANGRO, well known for his pro-Fascist tendencies and doubtful activities. He had previously been appointed "Sindaco" of the village, but had to be removed from office by the Allies owing to the discontent of the people. He managed, however, to wangle his way into his present appointment which allows him to have a say in the affairs of the place.

8. MP SIGNS

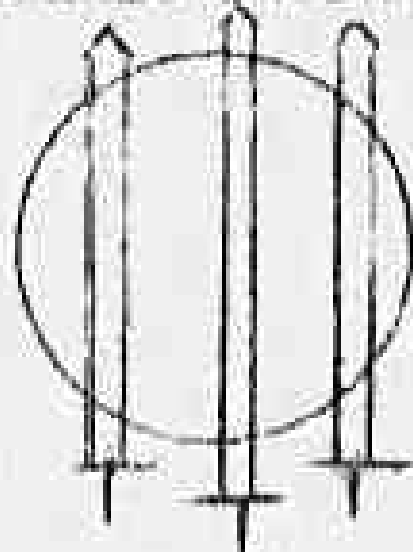
The following MP signs were seen at PROSINONE mid Feb 44:

- (i) A yellow ring with a yellow arrow through the middle of it.

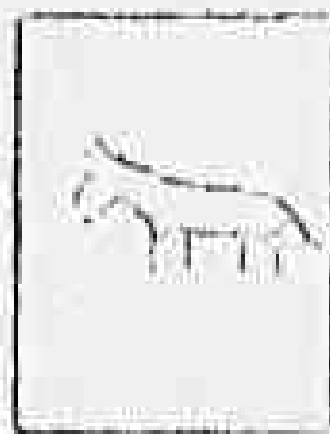


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- (ii) A yellow ring with three yellow swords going through it, arranged vertically, the middle sword being longer than the others.



- (iii) A rectangle with the outline of a horse painted green inside it.



9. MISUSE OF RED CROSS

At the end of Nov 43 in the square at ALSENO (G 4419) there was an arm dump for automatic weapons and rifles. Besides this there was a POL dump (about 1000 drums) with a supply point for MT.

These dumps had been carefully cam and a large white cloth with a Red Cross on it had been hung over them by means of ropes attached to the walls of the surrounding houses.

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1. PREAMBLE

Source is an officer who was with a SL unit forming part of the AA defts in the GENOA area. He was able to give a fairly good picture of the AA defts in this area at the time of the armistice.

2. ENEMY DEFENCES IN THE GENOA AREA - early Dec 43.

a) CHIARDETTO: 100 m EAST of the Seminary between STURLA and QUARTE DEI MILLE at P 016465:-

- (i) One 88 mm tp, protected by a 50/60 cm thick splinter proof concrete wall, with ant concrete shelters and am bays, all built above ground level (about 1.80 m high).
- (ii) A German fire control centre with "MALSI" table for the conversion of data supplied by the other tps. (Semi-automatic plotter?)
- (iii) One 150 cm Italian SL with sound locator.

b) S. SINDRO: SE of the point where the rd crosses the funicular railway (P 972497):-

One 88 mm tp, protected as above, with a similar fire control centre and table, a RDP sta (German mod 44), and three 150 cm Italian SLs protected by a low splinter-proof concrete wall.

c) DUE FRATELLI: about 1 km NORTH of FORTE SPERONE, between S. GEMINIANO and BOLZARETO at P 962538:-

- (i) One 90 mm tp (Italian), protected by a dry stone wall. There was NO fire control centre.
- (ii) A 150 cm Italian SL was situated 100 m away.

d) FORTE FREGOSO: 300 m WEST of FORTE SPERONE:- (NOT shown on map)

- (i) One 90 mm tp (Italian), with NO fire control centre.
- (ii) One 88 mm tp, protected as above, with a fire control centre and MALSI table, but NO RDP sta.
- (iii) One 150 cm German SL.

e) FORTE DEGLI ANGELI: EAST of BELVEDERE and about 500 m NORTH of the lighthouse at P 955495:-

- (i) One 88 mm tp, protected as above, with fire control centre and MALSI conversion table, but NO RDP sta.
- (ii) One 150 cm German SL.

f) S. BEMIGNO: 50 m NW of the lighthouse, on a knoll between the sea and the main rd:-

- (i) One 88 mm tp, protected as above, with a fire control centre, MALSI

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table and RDF sta.

It was thought that this tp would get three Italian SLs.

- e) **SAMPIERDARENA**: near the **SOMALIA A/P**, between the **ANSALDO** dockyards and the coastal rd:-
Three 88 mm tps, NOT protected, each equipped with a fire control centre, MALSI table, and a RDF sta.
There were many SLs in this area, but they were all due to be moved elsewhere.
- f) **SPIAGGIA MOLITTO (PEGLI)**: between the sea and the br over the rly at O 884507:-
Three 88 mm tps, protected as above, equipped with a fire control centre, MALSI table, RDF sta and three 150 cm German SLs.
- g) **FORTE BRASILE**: near **BOLZANETO** at O 959544:-
One 88 mm tp, protected as above, and equipped with fire control centre, MALSI table and three 150 cm Italian SLs.
- h) **FORTI BISAGNO**: at the mouth of the **BISAGNO** torrent at O 976468:-
One 88 mm tp equipped with fire control centre, MALSI table, RDF sta and a 150 cm German SL. Protected as above.
- i) **S. GIULIANO**: WEST of **BOCCADISSE** at O 993462:-
Three 88 mm tps, protected as above and equipped with fire control centre, MALSI table, RDF sta and three German SLs.
- j) **MONTI MORE** (NORTH of **QUINTO AL MARE**): P 045460:-
One naval signal sta (WT).
One large calibre CD tp which was about to be substituted by an 88 mm AA tp.
One 150 cm German SL.
- k) **QUARTO DEI MILLE (0246)**: in the immediate vicinity of the monument:-
One AA MG tp (Italian) manned by the militia, protected by a stone wall.
- l) **LUNGO MARE ITALIA**: between **S. GIULIANO** and the **LIDO** bathing establishment:-
One AA MG tp protected by a stone wall and manned by the militia.
- m) **FORTE RICHELIEU**: WEST of **ARENUEGLIANO** - P 009493:-
One 88 mm tp, protected by a splinter proof concrete wall, and equipped with a fire control centre, MALSI table, RDF sta and three Italian SLs.
- n) **MONTI FASCIE**: NORTH of **HERVI** at P 050478:-
An air OP with an Italian SL.
- o) **CAVA CEMENTO** at P 007505:-
An Italian SL.
- p) **FORTE DUIN**: 500 m NORTH of **FORTE SPERONE**:-
An Italian SL.
- q) **MADONNA DEL CAZZO**: NORTH of **BESTRI PONENTE** - O 951525:-
A SL.

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ENGINEERBiographical Note On Source:

Source is an Italian whose mother is of English birth. His father is a retired admiral. His mother and father are still in Italy, as is his fiancée.

Source is about 35 years old. He was born in Rome and graduated from University of Rome in 1932. He has traveled several times in England and speaks excellent English.

He received engineering training at the university and upon graduation was secured a position as maintenance engineer with Societa Elettrica del Valdarno. This company is one of the two main electric power supplies in central Italy. Source was in charge of the Lucca office of the company for 5 years.

Following this, source was employed by Societa F.A.I.T. at Cortina de'Ampezzo in the Dolomites. This company operated cable type funiculars catering to the tourist trade. Source supervised construction of new cable-ways as well as operation of existing ones.

In the course of his military service source specialized in aeronautical engineering. He received a commission as captain in the reserve. When Italy entered the war he was assigned to duty with the Direzione

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Costruzioni Aeronautiche in the Ufficio S.P.M. (Statistica Produzione e Mobilitazione) in the Italian Air Ministry. His work consisted of coordinating the procurement of raw materials for aircraft construction. He was in charge of the Piedmont and Liguria areas. In the course of this work he attended air ministry conferences in Rome and was in frequent contact with others doing similar work in the rest of the country and with those in charge of aircraft construction generally. Source stated however, that his first hand knowledge of the aircraft industry extended only to the plants in Piedmont and Liguria regions.

At the time of the Italian surrender source states that he and his acquaintances believed that arrangements had been made for the disarming of German troops in Italy and for the prompt entry of allied forces. After a few days it became apparent that the Germans were seizing control in the north of Italy. On the 13th of September source left his home and took a train for the south. The train was unable to follow the west coast main line because of allied bombings at Pisa, but went down the central route. The train was heavily loaded with refugees some of whom were even riding on the roofs of the cars. Source went by rail as far as Isernia. 4135

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From there he proceeded on foot until he met the 5th army forces at a point slightly south of Foggia. There were only scattered groups of Germans in the area and most of these were avoided. On one occasion he was stopped and questioned by a German patrol but allowed to proceed.

Source reports that he has several friends concerned with the Anti-Facist underground in Turin. (The Action Party.) Prior to the surrender he had known that they were Anti-Facists but did not realize until after September 8th that they were persons in some influence in the movement. A number of lawyers and judges are prominent in the Action Party.

ITALIAN AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION

The G-55 - In September 1943 a new Italian S.E. fighter, the G-55 was just coming into production. 10 had been completed at the time of the Italian surrender. At least one of these was in action over Sardinia and according to source shot down 4 of our planes before being itself destroyed.

Source gave top speed of the G-55 as 625 k.m.p.h. at 7000 m and rate of climb as 1000 m per minute up to 20000 ft.. He stated that the armament of the plane was still on a experimental basis in September. Various combinations were tried including two 20 mm Mauser machine guns in the wings and two 12.7 mm machine guns fir- 4184

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ing through the propeller arc and one 20 mm machine gun firing through the propeller shaft, plus 4 - 12.7 mm machine guns, 2 of which were mounted in the wings and 2 firing through the propeller arc.

The armor provided was not substantially different from that of the Macchi 202 and 205. The plane is powered by a D.B. 605 engine.

Source expressed the opinion that the G-55 was no better than the Macchi 205. Fiat had been ordered to produce the Macchi 205 and even went to the extent of fully tooling up for production of this plane. The company had however disliked the idea of producing the plane of a rival concern and undertook to develop a new model of its own. This was the G-55. Because of its influence with the government, Fiat was able to secure authority to junk all the tools prepared for the production of the 205 and to turn to the production of the G-55, although Fiat had been almost ready to start producing the Macchi when this decision was taken.

Some of the tools prepared for Macchi 205 manufacture have gone to the Macchi company.

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The parent plant for the G-55 is the Aeronautica d'Italia at Turin. This is a Fiat plant although on a number of plans which have been shown to source this plant has been labeled Ansaldo. The plant was bought from Ansaldo by Fiat a number of years before the war. It was this plant that produced the 10 G-55's prior to the Italian surrender. Source estimated that if the stories he had heard from other Italian escaping from the north that the plant was now working for the Germans were true that it might be turning out as many as 25 G-55's a month. According to the overall plan for production of this plane, this plant was scheduled to reach a production rate of 120 per month by January. However source felt that even if there had been no surrender no higher figure than 75 planes per month could have been attained in this plant.

An elaborate scheme for the production of *the* G-55 was set up in late autumn 1942 by Colonel (and Count) Nuvoli of the Italian Air Ministry who made at least three extended tours of the German aircraft plants (the first in Nov. 42) and modeled an Italian plan for mass production of S.E. fighters upon German practice.

The production scheme for the G-55 called for the setting up of two factory complexes in addition to the Turin plant. The first of these was Caisa Cameri on the Caisa Cameri airfield at Novara. At this point the G-55 was to be assembled out of components to be built at the following plants:

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Piaggio at Finale (on the Ligurian coast between Savona and Imperia).

Piaggio at Genoa.

Officine di Moncenisio near Condove.

Avia at Vercelli.

Source also did not know what components were to be ~~made~~^{made} at the Piaggio plants but stated that control surfaces were to be built at Avia and 40 to 50 sets of wings ^{or} fuselages ^{were} to be built at Moncenisio.

Before the war Moncenisio had been an aircraft repair shop. Up to September 1943 it had not been doing any aircraft work but had been making parts for tanks and motor vehicles.

Avia up to June 1943 had been making light planes and trainers at a rate of 10 to 15 per month.

Piaggio Genoa had been making parts for the various other Piaggio plants.

Piaggio Finale was the only one of the four sub-assembly plants which was already a substantial aircraft producer.

In the early part of the war it had made the Cant. Z-506 a tri-motored seaplane and a trainer, the FN-305. In the summer of 1942 part of the plant was ordered to begin producing the Cant. Z-1005, a landplane version of the 506. Parts for the P108 were also made.

Later it was planned to convert the factory to the production of the Cant. Z-1018, a twin engine bomber,

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but in May 1943 this plan was changed to call for production of G-55 components and the plant was ordered to retool accordingly.

At the end of August 1943 these plants were just getting tooled. It was planned that the production of the complex should reach 150 to 180 planes per month in January 1944. However source did not feel that even under the best of conditions that this production rate could have been attained before spring of 1944.

The second production complex was to be set up in central Italy. Assembly was to take place on an assembly line basis at a new Fiat factory being built at Florence (probably located at the main airfield). Components were to be made by Cmasa at Marina di Pisa, and at Piaggio at Pontedera. A target figure of 150 planes per month had been set up but no progress toward achieving production had been made at the time of the Italian surrender.

In the second complex none of the sub-assembly plants had been of first importance. Cmasa had had experience in making a tri-motored torpedo bomber, the BS14 between the summer of 1942 and April 1943 when it started tooling up for the G-55. Piaggio at Pontedera was important chiefly as the manufacturer of the P11,

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12, and 14 radial engines. It also had been making about 1 - 4 engine transport, the P108, per month. (This plane was originally intended to be a bomber).

Macchi 205 - This plane is made by Macchi at a factory in the vicinity of Varese near the shore of Lake Varese. Production in early summer 1943 was at the rate of about 30-205's and 30-202's. Output of 202's was continued because not enough DB605's were available. Macchi production is integrated at one plant and scattered subcontracting of components is unimportant.

It is possible that Breda, Milan was tooling up to make the Macchi 205 at the time of the Italian armistice.

The changeover from the 202 to the 205 was made around the summer of 1942. The 205 has appeared in 2 models, the N and the V. The newer model (source is not sure of its designation, since this plane was not produced in his region) had heavier armament and a slighter greater wing, ~~area~~.

Reggiane 2005 - Source considers this single engine fighter was a "Cinderella plane" as far as the Italian aircraft program was concerned. Its performance was ^{417.9} equal to the Macchi and ^{it} was turned into a dive bomber.

The plane is produced at a factory at Reggio Emilia which was poorly organized and managed. Factories in Turin (in source's area) making components

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and spare parts were often asked to increase production to make up for deficiencies in production of these parts at the main plant. A General Boggio of the Air Ministry was made a director of the company with the mission of increasing production.

Twin Engine Fighters - There were in September 1943 no plans for production of twin engine fighters. Cansu Cantieri have turned out one experimental plane of this type.

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Cant Z-1007 and 1018 - In September 1943 Piaggio at Finale was turning out 20 of these planes per month. It was planned first to shift this factory to the making of Cant Z-1018, later it decided to manufacture components for the G-55. The question of producing complete G-55's at this plant was considered.

Cantieri Reunited Dell'Adriatico at Monfalcone was scheduled to be producing 60 to 70 Cant Z-1018 but never attained these figures. In August 1942 the factory had just completed the tooling up for the production of this model. Source was unable to give any satisfactory figures for monthly production at this plant.

Aircraft Engines A-74 - About 150 A-74 radial air cooled engines were being produced per month by Fiat Lingotto at Turin and Reggiane at Reggio Emilia at the time of the surrender.

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DB-605 - This engine was being turned out by the Miraflore Fiat plant at Turin. In September 1943 production amounted to 40 per month. Every effort was being made to increase this as rapidly as possible. The limiting factor was the supply of special purpose machine tools which had to be secured from Germany. The Germans attempted to get Fiat Miraflore to concentrate on the making of crankshafts for the DB-605, but Fiat insisted ~~that~~ upon continuing as a manufacturer of complete engines and continued to seek more special machine tools from Germany. ~~to secure necessary engines.~~ Fiat had prepared a plan for the dispersed production of the DB-605 in new work shops north of Novara. The plant was ~~to~~ to have about 20 to 30 buildings dispersed within a large general factory area in the open country north of the branch line railroad running north from Novara through Borgomanero. Source believes these factories were to be located somewhere within a rectangle bounded on the northwest by the mountains and on the southeast by that part of the branch railroad line running between Romagnolo Sesia and Borgomanero. The buildings (of which source had seen the plan) were to be 100 m. by 60 m., by 10 m. high and of reinforced concrete construction. The roof was to consist of a series of arches. Source believed that construction was started last spring. No plan was made to move engine assembly from Turin. The new work shops were to con-

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concentrate on DB-605 components and truck parts.

111, 12, 14 - This radial engine based on Gnome-Rhone design was manufactured by Pignio Pontedera.

A-30 and A-82 - These ~~and~~ radial air cooled motors were manufactured at the Fiat Lingotto plant.

Transports - At Busto Arsizio is the Savoia Marchetti factory. This was building ^{Transport} planes. Source believes it was concentrating on the SM-82 (tri-motored) but that preparation was being made to shift over to a new model SM-84.

Supplies of Raw Material - Italian aircraft production was not restricted by any lack of raw material. A prospective bottleneck arose in connection with the supply of 1 to 2 mm aluminum sheet for the manufacture of the G-55. The program called for 80 tons per month of this weight of sheet, but Italian capacity was only 40 tons. When the problem was explained to the German authorities they agreed to make up the deficiency which they said they could do without difficulty.

Almost the entire Italian magnesium production was going to Germany. Italy did not have the equipment for handling magnesium-aluminum alloy (predominantly ^{61%} magnesium) and not enough capacity to handle all Italian aluminum magnesium alloy (predominantly aluminum).

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The German aircraft industry was shifting more and more to the use of light metal alloys which were predominantly magnesium. Source stated that his knowledge on this was derived from German technical reports which were made available to the Italian Air Ministry and aircraft industry.

Source stated that there is a certain flexibility in the employment for aircraft purpose of magnesium-aluminum ^{and} aluminum-magnesium alloys. No design changes are required by shifts between the use of these two materials. Additional difficulties in shop practice are encountered when magnesium aluminum alloys are substituted for aluminum-magnesium alloys, mainly in welding.

Source estimated Italian magnesium production as approximately 300 tons ^{per month} at the Bolzano plant and 120 tons per month at the Aosta plant. He is confident of the figure for the Aosta plant but not sure of the Bolzano figure.

In the years 1940-43, Italian power supply was insufficient to refine all the aluminum which her plants could theoretically produce and bauxite and alumina were exported to Germany. 4175

In the spring of 1943 the German designer of the Messerschmidt 323, one of his engineers, and a member of the German military mission to Italy, Major Von Levinsky made a inspection tour to determine the

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capacity of Italian plywood factories. The ostensible purpose was to determine what supply of plywood could be made available for Germany. The German designer spoke of hoping to use plywood in the construction of the ME-109, the purpose apparently being to free aluminum for the other uses.

Rubber - Pirelli had large supplies of natural rubber on hand at the start of the war and the aircraft industry was never short of tires. Quality however was inferior because of lack of enough of the proper equipment for processing synthetic rubber into tires. Pirelli and Frigi another important Italian tire manufacturer worked only part time during the war.

Petroleum - Source reported that he had been told by a member of an Italian mission which went to Germany in 1943 to work on the use of wood in aircraft that "high German officials" had stated that lack of gasoline was a ^{major} ~~limiting~~ factor on German fighter plane operation; that they were building more fighter planes than they had fuel for. 4174

In the spring of 1943 the IAF had to reduce the time of testing aircraft and training fighter pilots due to shortage of gasoline. All IAF aviation gasoline was produced by Italian refineries.

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Radio and Radar equipment - Safar on the outskirts of Milan was a principal producer of Radar equipment. Such apparatus was also made at Pontenammolo outside Rome in the direction of Tivoli.

The principal Italian radio tube manufacturers were Safar, F.I.V.R.E. at Milan and Phillips. There was no apparent difficulty in securing radio tubes for aircraft use although quality was inferior.

Machine Tools - Although the Italian machine tool industry was insufficient to cover domestic wartime needs when the war started it was compelled to build up capacity under war pressure and by September 1943 was in a position to export general purpose tools. Germany secured lathes and milling machines from Italy.

Ball Bearings - Ball bearings were produced by R.I.V., a Fiat subsidiary, at a plant in Turin employing about 1000 persons and a larger factory at Villar Perosa outside of Turin employing about 2000 to 3000. The Villar Perosa also produced valves for aircraft engines. The R.I.V. plant at Turin produced cash registers as well as ball bearings. It was this part of the plant (on the N.E. side of the building) which was hit in one of the English night raids.

During the spring of 1943, Fiat planned a new ball bearing plant as part of its general plant dispersion scheme. This plant was officially referred

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to as the Val Lemina plant and was to be located at San Pietro Val Lemina about 3 km north by west of Pinerolo. Construction had just been started at the time of the Italian surrender. The plant was to be partially below ground level to minimize bomb damage. Source stated that he was familiar with plant dispersion plans because such plans were passed through the raw materials office.

Miscellaneous - At the Giustina plant at Turin, crankshafts for torpedoes and other torpedo components and aircraft armor were being turned out. In the late summer of 1943 however production was being shifted to Chivasso.

On the southern edge of Pinerolo dispersal work shops of the Microtecnica, a ^{Turin} plant producing automatic pilots and torpedo control apparatus was being set up.

In the Susa valley just south of the main highway and northwest of the Avigliano there is a large explosive factory making military high explosives and commercial explosives. Coordinates ^{on} the 1:100000 series are 800325. 4172

The Italian synthetic fibre industry were unable to work at capacity during the war because of

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the lack of cellulose

RAILWAYS

The line running from Lorbicaio to Pieve di Cadore is narrow gauge single track, electric drive. The standard gauge line running up to Pieve di Cadore is steeply graded and consequently of very low capacity.

The electric railways in Tuscany are supplied with power by a high tension railway grid which operates at 120 K.V.. The railway grid is separate from the general power grid. It is directly connected with the railway substations which are spaced 40 km apart. The current is stepped down to 3000V in two stages and is converted to direct current by mercury arc rectifiers.

The railway power lines are twin lines, either of which could carry the entire load. They are strung on steel pylons, spaced about 200 m apart. The two lines are about 25 m apart.

Repair facilities are available for quick replacement of one or two pylons. If a dozen or more were destroyed, replacement might take a week.

Failure of two adjacent substations would stop electric working on electrified lines. It was Source's belief that only a few mobile substations were available for emergencies.

(This does not jibe with statements in Italian technical publications.) Ed.

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Interrogation Report on a Polish Civilian Refugee

Source No: Ex 302.

Arrival in Allied Occupied Territory: 19 Feb 44.

Place of Interrogation: S.S.DIC (Sub-centre East), C.M.F.

1. PERSONAL DATA.

Source, a 50 year-old civilian from BRISGODE, well educated and intelligent lawyer of Ukrainian origin. He served as a Capt in the Austrian Army during the last war, and was interned at RAPINO in 1941. Before crossing the lines, he toured the RAPINO area with the intention of collecting military information for the Allies. This should therefore be fairly accurate. It dates back to 15 Feb 44.

2. RECENT EVENTS.

- 17 Aug 43 Interned at RAPINO.
- 5 Nov 43 Fled to PISTARO to avoid arrest by the Germans, being a Jew.
- 24 Jan 44 First unsuccessful attempt to cross the lines near CHIADIAGRELE.
- 19 Feb 44 Crossed the lines near S.S.DIC together with 100 other civilians.

3. ARMED FORCES. (15 Feb 44).

- a) According to Source, the "MILITARY" (Independent) Bde consisted of 759 Gren Regt, another regt (number unknown) and the "BRUTTER" Mtn Bn.
- b) The HQ of the MILITARY Independent Bde was at ROCCAMONTEPIANA (C 1106).
- c) The HQ of 759 Gren Regt was located at PETRAPEDOLANTE (H 1694).
- d) HQ of BRUTTER Mountain Bn was located at BOCCA di VALLE (H 1497). Its inscription was marked by an Edelweiss.
- e) The HQ of an unknown Inf Bde has been established at RUCCHIANICO (C 1411).
- f) The garrison of the village of CHIADIAGRELE (C 1398) consists of 300 Scandinavia from 759 Gren Regt.
- g) The garrison of RAPINO (C 1500) consists of 150 men from 759 Gren Regt, and is commanded by a Lieut.
- h) The garrison of PISTARO (C 1104) consists of 150 men from 759 Gren Regt, and is commanded by a Lieut.
- i) The houses of the village of LAJO (C 1926) have been turned into billets for German patrols. Each patrol, in this area, consists of 4 NCO and 3 men plus a medical orderly.

4. RUSSIAN LABOUR BN.

Source states that a coy of a Russian Labour Bn arrived at RAPINO at the end of Dec 43. The coy was 200 strong and part of a bn of 1000 men, which was scattered in CHIETI area. Source, who speaks Russian, was able to approach several NCOs and men of this Bn, and gather the following information:-

- a) The Bn was formed early in 42 near KARKOV, and was composed of Ukrainian and White Russian PW.
- b) At the end of 43 the Bn was sent to FIANCO where it was armed for the first time. After a short stay in Fianco the Bn was sent to BOLOGNA and from there to the CHIETI area to build fortifications.

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- c) All the officers of the Bn were German. The NCOs were part German and part Russian, the Russians acting as interpreters.
- d) The uniform was similar to the German Field uniform, without the breast eagle and without silver stripes on the gorget patches. The Russian NCOs wore their badges of rank on the shoulder straps in the form of grey chevrons.
- e) Armament consisted of old MAUSER-LANDWEHR rifles model 1896. Source was told that hand-grenades had arrived for the Bn, but had not yet been distributed for fear that the Russians would use them against their German officers and NCOs.
- f) The rations were nearly the same as those issued to the ordinary German soldiers.
- g) Discipline was extremely hard and strict. The morale of the Bn was low, and the Russians said that they all looked for a chance to desert. During the day's stay at RAPINO two Russians attempted to escape.
- h) On 5 Feb 44 the Bn was suddenly sent to PESCARA. The Russians told Source that they were going to build an anti-invasion defensive line near PESCARA, as the Germans feared an Allied landing in that region.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES.

Source states that since the Allied landing at ANZIO many guns have been sent from CHIETI area to the NORTH. To cover these movements the Germans frequently change the point of their guns and fire with the same tp from several different points.

- a) A tp of four 149 mm guns has been moved from the RAPINO cemetery to a point at approx C 143009. Allied arty has located this tp, but NOT hit it, as its fire is 400 m too short.
- b) A tp of four 105 mm guns has been moved from a point between GUARDIAGRELE and COLLE MARONE (H 1657) to a point about C 150970.
- c) Point of 6 mm gun (calibre unknown) C 128002.
- d) GUARDIAGRELE has been evacuated by the civilian population. The Germans have transformed the village into an underground fortress, by fortifying the cellars. Communication tunnels have been dug from one cellar to the next and food and ammo dumps placed in them. Telephone lines have also been laid to connect the cellars. All windows have been transformed into loopholes and all nests cover all the approaches to the streets of the village. The HQ of the garrison of GUARDIAGRELE was established in the third house SW of the church of the MADONNETTA (H 16984).
- e) Two lines of defensive posts have been constructed by the Russian Labour Bn in RAPINO area. The first line runs from CASACARDITELLA (C 1404) through VILLA PULVERA PETRI (C 1504) to BUCCHIANICO (C 149112). The second line runs from RAPINO to ROCCA MONTIPIANO (C 1406). Both lines consist of prepared earth posts for field arty, ILL, and ammo dumps. Mile tracks, approx 1.50 m wide have been constructed to connect the posts.
- f) THE FIELD Source states that local man power had been conscripted to lay a minefield between C 149016 and C 123017 (Jan 44).

6. AMMUNITION.

- a) The third house SOUTH of the mill of PRETORO, at approx C 149010, is used as an ammo and mines store. Half of the ammo was, however, transported to ROCCA MONTIPIANO on 5 Feb 44.

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- b) Source overheard a conversation between four German soldiers complaining about the shortage of am. They said that there were only 30-40 shells per gun, and that their SA had been cut down from 250 to 80-140 rounds per man.

7. DEMOLITION.

- a) Bns at C122017 and at C119017 have been prepared for demolition. Charges have been set at the centre of the pillars. Both bns are guarded by sentries.
- b) All houses of the village of PIETRO have been prepared for demolition. Big signs, reading "ACHTUNG-MINE", warn the population of the presence of the explosive charges.

8. TRANSPORT.

It is very scarce in the RAPINO area, all transport being effected by pack animals. Of the 40 lorries normally stationed in RAPINO village, only two have been left. Source counted only 10 German cars and lorries at RAPINO in one week.

9. COMMUNICATIONS.

Traffic on the main rd RAPINO-GUARDIARELE has been interrupted by Allied arty fire. This rd is now used by night for heavy equipment only. All other traffic passes through the newly constructed track RAPINO-MPUDOSCO-GUARDIARELE.

10. PERSONNEL.

Commander of RAPINO Garrison. Lt. USG.
CO, Mountain Bn. Capt BRUTER.

11. FOOD.

German army rations were cut in Feb 44. The ration of bread which used to consist of 1 loaf per man per day is now 1 loaf for four men per day. The food situation among the Italian population is particularly bad at CHIETI, where the authorities are unable to feed the great number of refugees and evacuated persons. The Pref. of CHIETI has recently issued an order that all people NOT resident in CHIETI before 1943 must leave the town by 20 Feb 44. This order affects approx 50,000 people.

12. HEALTH.

An epidemic of typhus has broken out at CHIETI. No medicines whatsoever are available.

13. GERMAN MORALE.

Source states that the morale of 759 Gren Regt is very low. He heard many soldiers openly cursing the war, the Party and the Führer. Discipline is bad and the officers, judge it wise to leave the soldiers alone.

The following is one of the songs of the Regt.

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"Willst du ein Hitler bild?"

Nein, nein, gib mir keins;

Gib mir von Stalin lieber eins".

"Do you want a photo of Hitler?"

No, no, don't give me one;

Rather give me one of Stalin".

Source also reports the following case of corruption: when he paid the guide who was to lead him across the lines, the latter asked him to carry a piece of gold or other valuable object. In fact, when Source arrived together with his party (approx 100 men) near the CASE di LAJO (H 1996) they were stopped by a German patrol which was evidently waiting for them. The Cpl i/c collected from each man in the party a piece of gold or other article of value such as a gold watch, and before letting the party proceed he told the guide that he would be on duty at the same place at 1000 hrs next morning, and to bring "the others" at that time.

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R. Glynn Faithfull,

Capt.

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A.P.H.I. (Jap-occupied East)

Report No 164
28 Feb 44

Consolidated Interim Information Report on three Italian refugees

Sources: 298.

299.

300.

Arrival in Japan (occupied territory): 27 Dec 43/6 Feb 44.

Place of origin: 1000 (Jap-occupied East), 3.



The information given below consists of extracts from Interim Information reports which were sent north and which in some cases are in Japanese.

1. General.

Source 298 is an electrician who worked at the MANU explosives factory. Reliability good.

Source 299 is a sailor stationed at 300 km up to the Arakawa and sent down to the AA ship on Sakuma Island. Reliability poor.

Source 300 is a radio operator, left 300 km up in Dec 44. He had practically no information of value to report.

2. Armaments.

a) Source 299. Source 299 states that the armaments party was in possession of the following:-

- (i) P 729073 Six 76/40 guns.
- (ii) P 755085 Light 152 "
- (iii) On island of 100 km (P 5703) Light 152 guns.
Twenty (3) 76/40 guns.
Four 120 guns.
Six 20 mm AA guns.

(iv) On island of 100 km (6701) Six 3/4.

(v) P 50444 Six 10.

(vi) P 595445 Four 76/40 guns.

(vii) P 5920 Six 105 guns.

b) Source 300 (Dec 43). Source 300 reports an armoured train located near the harbour. It consisted of four wagons protected by steel turrets, each with a gun of an unidentified calibre.

3. Location of the factory.

a) Source 298. Works at 100 km. This factory is located in an area of about 5 km diameter starting 150 km north of the village of 100 km. It is situated approx G 24659 and extends northwards on the left side of the railway leading to the village of 100 km.

It is of recent construction and production only started about 10 months ago. It is taken over intact by the Japanese after the Arakawa.

It is built entirely upon a series of intercommunicating tunnels to which access is gained from the inside of the pavilions within the enclosure.

The boilers (three) are situated in three parallel tunnels about 200 m long. Three steel chimneys emerge but are partially covered by three small tin sheds. The chimneys themselves are only visible for 1 m above the roofs of these sheds.

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While most of the machinery is underground, some of it is in surface buildings such as the mixers (pulping paper) carpentry shop, tool sheds etc.

Personnel employed in this factory at the time of the Armistice amounted to 2000 and 1000 additional women were being sought.

Source is unable to give any details as to output. The factory was however still working early Feb 44.

- b) COLLEFERRO. This is also a S.T.A.M.E. works situated SOUTH of the COLLEFERRO sta. The buildings starting at about G 168,89. This factory is NOT modern, built mainly above ground and many large red brick buildings can be seen from the rd.

It is believed that some processes started at the ANAGNI factory were finished here. Source had seen lorries loaded with paper pulp which had been treated with acids leave for the COLLEFERRO works from ANAGNI. Source only saw this factory from the outside.

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C.I.P.SECRETReport No 140
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Interrogation Report on a British Escaper

Name: Charles GATENBY.
 Rank: Capt.
 Unit: 2 NZ Div.
 Ex No: 297.
 Arrival in Allied Occupied Territory: 6 Feb 44.
 Place of Interrogation: CSDIC (Sub-centre East), C.I.P.

1. PIEA BLE.

Source escaped from a PW Hospital at CARPI (MODENA) on 16 Sep 43 and made his way SOUTH following the APENNINE range, then SW of the GRAY SASSO to CORVARO N 3000 where he remained for 5/6 weeks. Hearing of the ANZIO landing he and another escaper made their way here reaching Allied lines on the morning of 6 Feb 44. His statements may be taken as reliable.

2. ENEMY FORCES.

- a) SOUTH of the rd MONTALANICO (G 1938)-TORPINETO (G 2333) at approx G211362 there is a large lone white house shaped like a U with its base facing the rd. It stands in its own grounds and a private rd leads to it. The grounds are open grassland and are fenced with a wooden post and rail fence. It is unmistakable from the air. Source was told it belonged to Marshal GRAZIANI. At the time it housed a large German HQ (3 Feb 44).
- b) CASSA D'ALBE (G 4989). A German HQ is located in a large house in this village. KESSELRING spends days here. This information was given to Source by the local Maresciallo of C.I.R.R who claimed to have spoken to the GOC (Jan 44).
- c) BORGOCOLLEFERATO (G 3698). Garrisoned by an unidentified coy of Austrian tps. The OC a Capt took NO measures to arrest various Allied escapees in the neighbourhood. He even spoke to Source knowing him to be an escapee.
- d) NORDA (G 1431). This village was evacuated by the German garrison on the 3 Feb 44. Only a few signal personnel were left to look after telephone lines.

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3. ENEMY DEFENCES.

- a) TAGLIACOSCO (G 3785). The area COLLE de TUPI NORTH of this village has been evacuated by the population and is barred to civilians. On the rd a few 100 m EAST of the village a rd block has been erected where all non-German traffic is stopped. The village itself may also have been evacuated of and barred to civilians, but Source could not ascertain this. There are many AA guns and MG in this area (3 Feb 44).
- b) COLLEFERATO (G 1547). While crossing the low ground 2 or 3 km NE of this locality Source heard gun firing. He states that the explosions were the loudest he ever heard and that it must have been either two or four long-range guns shelling the ANZIO beach-head (3/4 Feb 44).

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- a) BORGO COLLEFERATO (G 3698). RT from both RIETI and AQUILA passed continuously on the secondary rd through the above village, but only at night. During the day-time the lorries used to pull up in the village itself and disperse parking close to the houses (Dec/Jan 44).

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- b) COLLENTINRO (G 1547). The rly line passing through this locality was active on the 3/4 Feb 44.

5. AIRFIELD.

ROMA LITTORIO A/P. Passing along the perimeter of this A/P on the night 5/6 Feb 44 Source saw notices at regular intervals bearing the inscription "ENEMY" or "ENNE".

He also saw a number of damaged planes in splinter-proof shelters on the perimeter.

6. ENEMY METHODS.Abuse of British Uniforms.

SS personnel dressed in ragged British uniforms pose as British escapees in order to contact, through Italians, real escapees whom they then arrest. Source relates the following case:-

Two SS men dressed in liberty battle-dress-blauses approached a former of RONCO COLMARESCO asking him to put them into contact with other escapees. The men believing their bonafides took them to the hide-out of two escapees whom they promptly arrested. The latter were taken to AVEZZANO gaol. A bombing raid which occurred the same night however damaged the gaol and they were able to escape once again. Source saw them before and after the event.

7. FACTORY.

at point B 378455 where rly and rd WEST of AQUILA separate, there are large factory buildings. Source was told by locals that petrol was produced there. He saw many petrol tanker lorries leaving and entering the grounds of the factory. The plant was definitely in working order as smoke issued from the chimney stacks.

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C.I.F.Report No 136
26 Feb 74

Interrogation Report on an Italian Civilian Detainee

Source No: Ex 289.

Arrived in Allied Occupied Territory: 24 Jan 44.

Place of Interrogation: C.I.F.C. (Sub-centre East), C.I.F.

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1. BACKGROUND.

Source is an 18 year-old youth who was arrested on suspicion of acting as an enemy agent; his activities in this connection form the subject of another Report. (No 130). Nevertheless, the following information is considered reliable as he talked freely in the hope that a more lenient view might be taken of his actions.

2. GENERAL NOTES.a) General.

(i)

Source met three German soldiers who informed him that they had just completed a range-finder course at GEMO (19 Jan 44).

(ii)

The large ex-Italian barracks between GEMO and GEMO sta at approx C 15475 is now used as a German AFV and jet repair shop (21 Jan 44).

(iii)

About 500 German troops constituted the garrison at VILLER. (mid-Jan 44).

b) Italian.

Italians who are called up are drafted automatically into either the Navy or Air Force. Volunteers on the other hand, may choose to join one of the following:-

(i)

S. ASGO unit.

Infantry.

Assault Engineers (granatieri).

Parachutists.

(ii)

XMAS Pionieri.

All arms.

Light submarine corps.

Assault engineers.

Parachutists.

(iii)

Militia.

Guardia Nazionale Repubblicana (replacing the G.N.R.).

G.N.R. Assault Co.

"M" unit (Assault).

AFVs.

3. REMARKS.VENICE.

Towards 15 Jan 44 all the SE part of the IRO for a distance of 300 m from the shore was to be evacuated by the civilian population; access to this area was then barred to civilians. The entrance to IRO IRO is closed by a boom and no craft however small is allowed to sail without written permission.

4. OTHER NOTES.

The central rly sta at BOLOGNA has been destroyed by bombing. Passengers from the NORTHERN travelling towards ALCANTARA had to get off at CONTIGNO (N 9024) and proceed by train (1st train at 0600 hrs) to the centre of the town, where they changed coaches for the S. VILLE sta in order to continue the train journey. (19 Jan 44). /2.

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5. POLITICS.

- a) Fascist party. Membership of the old National Fascist party is considered invalid. Notice to this effect was published in the press, posted on walls and broadcast over the radio shortly after the armistice.

Former members who wished to join the Republican Fascist party could re-enlist either at the Casa del Fascio of the district in which they were domiciled or wherever the Federale had set up his HQ.

No time limit for re-enlistment had been laid down.

The enlistment procedure was as follows. In the early days the old Fascist identity card was endorsed, dated and signed by the Federale. Later a certificate was issued stating that the bearer had joined the Republican Fascist party. It was only towards the end of Jan 44 that a new identity card bearing holders photograph was issued.

A new member was NOT required to prove his bona fides, but if subsequently considered unworthy he was immediately expelled.

6. UPI Ufficio politico investigativo (Political Investigation Bureau).

This branch of the Republican Fascist party was constituted after the armistice. It has centres in all main towns and its functions consist in tracking down anti-Fascists, arresting saboteurs etc. Women are also employed by this branch.

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"Gone soon, nevertheless, don't escape because idea arrived, half dead from the many hardships he encountered along the road."

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ESCAPE OF ITALIAN NAVAL GUERRILLAS CAPTURED BY JAPANESE

"Aha, I find myself in the same straits or mine as you and the other 23 parents, who had the misfortune of having had their own beloved sons selected for the most unlucky submarine training course at Pola. Anyway I would like to tell you the story of our sons' odyssey which was told to me, by a friend of theirs who succeeded in escaping at Venice. The naval cadets were, MONTEFALCONE, BELLANTONIO, BALLO, MARCONI, CALVANO, TRALDI, VANU, RUSSI, PABARO, PARRAS, ICAT, DE SARGO, ALONCI, DEL POLO, LONKE, CRIANA, SCALIGUZZI, VERBAUTO, LARIANO, WIGRI, SANCINI, ATOLA, FASULLA, BATTISTA, and another whose name escapes me.

The superior officers of the school, with their teachers abandoned it with submarines, leaving the pupils to their own destiny. The pupils boarded the ship ORINDABA, started from Zulu on the night of 10 September arriving at DURBAN on the same night. They left again on the morning of the 11th direct to AMONGA, but German aircraft bombed the ship without serious consequences and forced it to take cover at Zulu. The next day the ORINDABA left again for AMONGA, where it succeeded in refuelling and started out for ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT. Having left the port she was stopped by a German cruiser, and was obliged to go to VANIC. Arriving there the Naval Cadets were given a choice of either fighting with the Germans or becoming prisoners. Preferring to become prisoners they were put on a train headed for Germany.

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I know for sure that the rest of the baggage remained on the wharf of the naval station, but can't be sure, not having seen anything, whether it was put on the train in care of the Germans. All of us had intentions to escape though it was necessary to wait for a timely opportunity. The escape from the naval station was made possible (writes Naval Cadet Enrico, Pasquale) by the fact that I had a civilian suit in my suitcase. As a result I was able to elude the strict vigilance of the German guard. I do not exclude, but indeed affirm the possibility of escaping during the succeeding night, even while in uniform. This was easily done by two seamen who were on the same train, and whom I met two days later in BOLOGNA. These seamen however, were not able to give any information with respect to the other officers, since they had escaped in the dark of night.

At the station of VENEZIA the train was well guarded by German soldiers, who however permitted some workmen to give us some soup, bread, fruit and let us get off a few at a time to get the soup. Speaking of that I remember having seen ATTOMA with MONTANI and ORLANDO who were eating soup from one plate which was on a gasolins barrel.

The two seamen who got off at CORRIANCO, and whom I met at BOLOGNA, told me that at each stop of the train, the escorting soldiers got off the train and stood watch over it.

As for the officer candidates of the complement I do not know anything because we had nothing to do with them.

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At the station of Viterbo the train was well guarded by German soldiers, who however permitted some workmen to give us some soup, bread, fruit and let us get off a few at a time to get the soup. Speaking of that I remember having seen Arturo with MONTANI and OLLANO who were serving soup from one plate which was on a gasoline barrel.

When two seamen who got off at COMOLANO, and whom I met at Belcasta, told me that at each stop of the train, the escorting soldiers got off the train and stood watch over it.

As for the Officer Candidates of the complement I do not know anything because we had nothing to do with them.

"This is what I was able to learn from naval cadet, Arturo, Sanquini who is at present embarked on the submarine Ritorno Bettino at Taranto. If you come in possession of other particulars, kindly let me know like you have notified several other fathers."

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1. "Two women arrived from Ancona... They left about a month ago and crossed the lines near Gardigole... These two women got tired of waiting for the Allies to arrive, and they came to find their respective husband and brother."
"The first bombardment hit only the port and the rail-road station, but the second bombardment hit various points in the city where columns of German troops were moving. The points hit were Pinocchio road, the lunatic asylum, arrest house, a floor of St. Lazzaro, the Muse theatre, the road of Angelo Passetto, the Roma square, the Cannon, the Duomo, the Coneri, and the Palombella."

2. "Many people are living in the country or mountains so that they will not be apprehended by the Germans. They have some with the Austrian and Polish people who deserted from the German army along with some English prisoners that escaped."

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2. AUSTRIANS AND POLISH DESERT HUMANS

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"The first bombardment hit only the port and the rail-road station, but the second bombardment hit various points in the city where columns of German troops were moving. The points hit were Pincetio road, the lunatic asylum, arrest house, 9 floor of St. Lazzaro, the Muse theatre, the road of Angelo Passetto, the Roma square, the Common, the Duomo, the Coneri, and the Palombella."

2. "Many people are living in the country or mountains so that they will not be apprehended by the Germans. They have gone with the Austrian and Polish people who deserted from the German army along with some English prisoners that escaped."

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

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

The information is grouped under several headings.

A. Public Safety.

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

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

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

Asked about the prospects of getting food supplies from country districts into the cities, the informant said it would be a difficult task. While, at the war at all, the peasants were fully aware of conditions in the part of the German actions in country areas further to the South. They are out to protect themselves and are hoarding farm products as fast possible. Money itself has no value to the peasants. The informant told of several instances where no food was freely given. The money was refused as being worthless, although the (which presumably we will have to import at first) in exchange for foodstuffs.

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D. Education.

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E. Finance.

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F. Transportation.

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In the districts through which the informant traveled, he found a complete apathy as regards newspapers. In addition to the normal amount of illiteracy, he found that the printed word - used as it had been by the Fascists - was in bad disrepute. The people do not believe what they read. "All lies," sums up their attitude. In contrast, R.S.C. radio broadcasts are held in high regard and are believed implicitly.

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H. Popular Opinion.

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

The clergy does not have exactly the same expectations. The informant estimated that approximately 80% of the clergy hope that the Allies come soon. Not because of the material benefits that may follow, but because they want peace. The clergy fears the Russian.

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He reports a very good doctor at Altero.

In Nocera Umbra, the Bishop appeared to be quite frightened of the Germans, but possibly helpful when his fears are allayed. In this town also is an international mission, probably of the Franciscan order, where the informant found refuge and help. He spoke very highly of the monks at this place.

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

• M. General.

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

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

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10 June 1944

SUBJECT: Information concerning Escaped Prisoner

TO : Chairman, JICANA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. The following report has been furnished this office by Major Sinkel, AGC, Information Division:

2. William W. PILLIOTTI, correspondent in Rome of the International News Service, at the onset of the outbreak of war between the United States of America and Italy, aged 35, formerly of 8 Via Nicola Fabriani, Rome, at present temporarily residing at 49 Via Francesco Crispi, Rome, interned at Perugia on 14th January 1943, escaped 20th September 1943, hid in woods near Perugia until 22nd November 1943, walked to Rome, where lay hidden until March 1944. Following a German SS house hunt, repaired Anticoli Corrado (Rome Province) where remained until May 21st, then made his way south through Subiaco, Freggi, reaching, to Allied Lines 4 (8th Indian Division) in the company of British war prisoners J. P. Murphy, 17 Fort Crescent, Stirling, (Scotland) and Samuel Walter Hill, 34 Worcester Road, Great Witley, Worcestershire, England. At Freggi picked up on May 28th John Boyd, Flight Sergeant, 450 Squadron, who had been shot down by enemy anti-aircraft fire that day, and following first aid cure for bruises was able to travel south and cross lines at Anagni.

3. Information of Towns through which he passed:

Perugia: Town 60,000 inhabitants situated on top of a hill dominating Tiber valley. Water supply ample. Two main supplies: A - Aqueduct from Nocera Umbra supplying excellent water at all times; B - New aqueduct, supplying lower parts of town, supplying water which is normally good but gives rise to typhoid during hot season and runs dry in periods of prolonged drought. Food supply ample. In spite of active German requisitioning, Perugia province supplies food sufficient for itself and sends large quantities of grain to Rome and other provinces further south. Agricultural methods up to date. Wheat plentiful. Maize, leguminous crops plentiful. Large quantities tobacco grown and cured in Perugia Tobacco Factory. Large numbers of Angora rabbits (Spagnoli estate and Mancicelli estate) supply raw material for Spagnoli Angora wool factory in Perugia. Perugia Chocolate Factory thriving. Exceptionally good wheat crop expected this year.

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Rome: Rome's 1,400,000 inhabitants swelled through the influx of refugees to an estimated 2 1/2 or 3 million.
 Water supply. Plentiful. Three main aqueducts: Acqua Marcia, Acqua Paola (from Lake Bracciano), Acqua di Trevi, were undamaged when P2 left Rome.
 Food Supply. Poor at all times, rendered more difficult through lack of communications with Umbria and Tuscany and war damage in the country to the south.
 Power. No electricity supply companies, undamaged when P2 left Rome. Gas reservoir bombed.
 Labor available. Large supply of labor should be available but Roman is usually poor worker.
 Public Health. No contagious diseases had broken out at the time P2 left Rome, though many cases of underfeeding evident.

Anticoli Corrado: Town situated on top of a hill dominating Sabine valley Tiburtina road, formerly renowned as artist resort, has about 6000 inhabitants.
 Water Supply. Scarce, water being cut off for several hours a day, and the flow poor at all times.
 Food Supply. Poor. Black marketers remove quantities to Rome where higher prices available.
 Power. Electricity supplied from Subiaco.
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 Public Health. Outbreak of chicken pox at time of P2's departure. Anticoli Corrado deserves special mention for the help provided by all classes of the population to Allied prisoners of war, in spite of local food difficulties. From 15 to 20 Allied prisoners were permanently fed by the population and help was sent to other prisoners in neighboring villages. Passing prisoners were also helped.

k. Information about Personalities. P2 was helped to escape by:

a. Antonio CORDELLI, Morcella, MARZINGANO (Perugia Province) and Giovanini, waiter at Rosetta Hotel, Perugia who refused to disclose his surname.

Names of people from whom help can be expected:

b. Sr. MARABISI, proprietor of Rosetta Hotel, Perugia. Whole staff of Rosetta Hotel aided interned prisoners at all times and were all favorable to Allies in spite of severe control of Perugia Federal Secretary GIANANTONI.

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d. Miss Clarita PANDA, 49 Via Francesco Crispi, Rome. ^{Already} helped literally hundreds of war prisoners. ₄₁₅₀

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2. Information is requested whether future reports of this type are desired.

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