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11. The American paper "United Nations" comments on the problem of Italian war prisoners and of their repatriation; those prisoners who have offered to work for America - says the paper - ought to be sent home before the others, and not as ex-prisoners but as soldiers. (NEW-YORK)

12. Conflicts between Carabinieri and bandits in Palermo province. (ANSA)

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13. Contrary to rumor it seems that no special amnisty is to be granted on occasion of the first anniversary of the liberation of Rome.

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23. 2500 Italians who had been interned in the Dachau camp in Germany are on their way home. (ANSA)

24. Marshal Alexander has arrived in Trieste.

25. Myron Taylor to leave shortly for the United States for a long vacation.

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26. Italians must be put in a position to work at the economic and political reconstruction of their country and to collaborate with the United Nations in the cause of world peace, stated Grew after having summarised all that Italy has done for the common cause during these last two years. (WASHINGTON)

27. Bergami, High Commissioner for Food, wrote a letter to the C.G.I.L. saying that at a moment when prices were by themselves tending to fall, the C.G.I.L. should not have caused excitement and disturbances by asking for further reductions. These things must come naturally and gradually, he writes, if we want them to be lasting.

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1. Article on "consorzi" and "istituti" by Carlo Petrocchi; it is not advisable to destroy all the old parastatal bodies to replace them by new organism; why not reorganize those which already exist and adapt them to the present conditions? Reconstruction must be dealt with practically.

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VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. Long article by Facciardi on the present attitude of the Republican party. The Republican party is the only one which admitted no compromises; the six anti-fascist parties are responsible for collaborating with the King and Badoglio in Salerno, and for saving monarchy. The Republican party cannot belong to the central C.L.N. which provides Govts for the King, yet it must remain linked with the Committees in order not to break up the insurrectional solidarity which was formed to oppose nazi-fascism and which will inevitably spring up again to oppose monarchy. The Republicans will not participate in the Govt as long as monarchy exists.

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2. Aldo Parini writes on Nicola Baldoni, "pioneer of Socialism, and well known doctor who dedicated his whole life to the people".

3. Ugo Zatterin on the liberation of Turin, which was due to the workers even more than to the partisans.

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4. A.C's comments on the different interpretations that the various newspapers give on the crisis.

GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. The present Italian crisis is essentially an institutional one, and it must therefore be solved on the institutional ground. And this cannot be done, writes Arrigo Jacchia, until all disagreements between all the parties have been overcome and until all positions are clearly established on the basis of a solid working understanding.

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4. Life is getting back to normal in upper Adige region. (ORBIS)

5. Students and teachers committees received by Arangio Ruiz and compromise worked out. The students strike should now end and the incident is closed, says I.I.

6. Restrictions on women in teaching profession abrogated.

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ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

1. Commentary on the political situation by Enzo Selvaggi.

2. Criticism of the Ministry of Agriculture for not coordinating wage scale and the new wheat price.

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POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. It is obvious that the present Cabinet should be replaced by a new one representing all the parties and the newly liberated provinces, writes Luigi Sturzo. Examining the procedure followed in Great Britain and in pre-fascist Italy when a new Cabinet was formed, he concludes that the C.L.Ns. are the most fitted to represent the people's will until the Costituente is elected. The new Govt, moreover, should refuse to keep secret the Armistice clauses. As regards the institutional question the new Govt should not interfere until the people have the opportunity of expressing their will.

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2. Atrocities committed by the Fascists in Genoa against Communists.



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9. Ten more bakeries closed for making bad bread.

10. Col. Poletti, Allied military Governor for Lombardy has issued a decree by which all orders and dispositions published by the C.L.N.A.I. cease to be legal; they will be replaced by decrees and orders issued by the A.M.G. The C.L.N. will now have only advisory and not executive functions.

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11. The "New Statesman and Nation" under the heading "A.M.G. and Liberation" criticises the intrusion of the A.M.G. in the local administration of justice and of economic life in the provinces of northern Italy, saying that such an intrusion only hinders the work of reconstruction. What has been accomplished by the Italians of the north, concludes the paper, gives them the right to govern their country by themselves.

12. Many Fascist journalists arrested in Milan.

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23. Bidault stated that the Val D'Aosta question - as well as the Trieste one - should be solved by allowing the people of the region to decide for themselves.

24. Prices of food have been reduced by 20 to 40 % in Lecce.

25. A local Hq. of the Christian Democrats in Milan broken into by unknown people.

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AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE - N.N.

EPOCA (Independent Leftist)

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2. Commenting on the polemics between Unità and Popolo a propos of the fight between the Christian democrats and the Christian Left, R. says that those who feel they own unquestionable truth shouldn't feel called to defend it by violent means.

3. Retail prices ought to be proportioned to the decrease of wholesale prices.

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TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

1. The Govt will never be able to take efficient action if its members cannot agree about a program. Avanti charges Tribuna with being the organ of President Bonomi because it commented favourably on the statement made by the Liberal party. However, to acknowledge that a statement has helped to clear up a situation should be an elementary democratic principle, T. del P. answers.

VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

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2. Some ardent pro-Fascist phrases are listed from the "Regime Fascista" - AVANTI then adds that they were written by Vittorio Montefusco - now the "arbiter of the internal organization of the High Commission for sanctions against Fascism.

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3. Wolves and sheep. In the sheeps clothing of the POWs many Fascist wolves - who terrorized their comrades in prison camps - will return. They must be tracked down and identified for what they always have been; unrepentant Fascists, says AVANTI.

GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

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possible effect on the attitude of the Allies whose help is vitally necessary to the country. (V. Lucci)

2. Nenni, President of the Council? Political commentary. It is remarked that Poletti's ordinance seems to have removed the bone of contention between liberals and leftists from the sphere of practical discussion.

3. Babcuf notes the change of hour of ITALIA RISORGE on the radio. This is reasonable, he remarks, since the optimistic note of the program is so often in contrast with the Govt news bulletin which follows it. But who changed the hour and who is responsible for ITALIA RISORGE? Rossini ?

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POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Luigi Sturzo gives reasons why he prefers the proportional system for elections.

2. It is rather surprising to hear that the three big victorious powers are going to make a treaty of alliance, writes F.S. What meaning will the Yalta and San Francisco agreements have if each power seeks its own security?

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2. Appeal to the population to help the brothers who come back home from prison or from concentration camps.

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4. Speech by the Pope, condemning nazism and expressing hope for a peace based on freedom; the smaller nations want to take their own fate in hand; they may be led to make some concessions in the name of common interests, but they have the right to oppose the enforcement of new cultural or political systems to which the majority of the population objects." The nations feel that their leaders would discredit themselves if the victory of right did not follow the mad dream of hegemony by force. Peace must be based on an effort to fight the social and economic conditions which might again lead to war. Peace must be the assertion of human dignity and of order within freedom.

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16. Alexander visits the troops in the Trieste territory. McCreery lunched at one of the Yugoslav Commands, in an atmosphere of great cordiality. The Labour Member of Parliament, Ivor Thomas, suggested that Trieste become an international base for land sea and air forces. (REUTER)

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17. The "Manchester Guardian" writes that it is high time Italy were treated more openly and that it is not right that the Italian armistice should not yet be made public. The Allies should also, says the paper, specify how long they intend to occupy Italy and why and when the A.C. will cease to function and the Italian Govt become responsible for the entire control of the country. (REUTER)

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30. Following numerous disorders in Lucca province, the Allied authorities have announced that all people found in possession of arms will be severely punished. (Lucca)

31. The Communist Hq of Carosino burnt by reactionaries.

32. A meeting to be held on Tuesday at the Prefettura to discuss the cost of living.

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AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE

1. Long article on the marvellous work done by the 40,000 Italians who, from Abyssinia and Somaliland, have during these last years gathered in Eritrea. Workers, craftsmen, retail dealers, foremen etc, overcoming all the difficulties imposed by war and by almost complete isolation, have managed to abolish almost entirely all imports and to create everything on the spot, and even to procure raw materials. Among other things they have also built 500 kilometres of railway between Asmara and Kassala. Other thousands of Italians have remained in Abyssinia because asked by the Negus to do so. (A.S.)

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finally collapses? The nation dislikes to see the leading posts in the hands of men who are not entitled to them.

VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. We could have easily warned our friends of the north, says Pacciardi, that the C.L.N.A.I. would have died the same death as the central and southern C.L.Ns. Nenni's cry "all the power to the C.L.N." has lost much of its resounding loudness. Now the Commander of Milan is an Italian General - under A.M.G. control naturally - who was a collaborator of Reatta in Spain. - And so we begin again. What has been done in the north, in the field of epuration during the interregnum of the Committees, will now not happen again. And very shortly the north too will know the daily fight for existence, black market, prostitution. The northern provinces will gradually pass under the administration of the Italian Govt; and the Italian Govt, though there may be some changes in it, will be formed by those same parties which formed the Govts of the south; it will, in other words, be a Govt paralyzed by contrasting ideas and forces, busy distributing posts and favours to the members of the parties of which it is composed; it will be a kind of advisory council of the Allied Commission. Under such conditions Nenni applies for the post of President of the Council, under the Luogotenente. Thus ends the revolution of the north. And the anti-fascist parties, though realising very well what the end will be, still fight for the illusion of power. But we, concludes Pacciardi, shall remain at our post though it will mean going against our comrades of the clandestine period.

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MORNING PAPERS

GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government) - N.N.

GLOBO (Economic)

1. Products of northern Italy may, in part, replace those "first-aids" for the South that we shall not get from America.

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2. Long article by Giorgio Sansa on the possibilities of the silk industry. Figures names and dates given.

3. Article on the consequences, in various regions, of the decree on maintenance of blocked price on wheat. (Secunder General No.23.)

4. Present condition of the publishing industry.

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. The problems of North and South are intermingled, writes Nenni. The industrial monopolies of the North are a necessary counter-part to the latifundia of the South and the program of democratisation must be a national one.

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3. Article by Renato Santoro on the institutional problem.

4. I.N. sees De Gasperi as logical candidate for President of the Council at least at the moment.

5. It is necessary to ~~re~~establish efficient and reasonably

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cheap communications with the North. Private initiative should be encouraged.

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.) - N.N.

LIBERA STAMPA

1. Italy can appoint any Govt she likes. The Allies will not refuse to approve the choice of the parties. But nobody can oblige them to collaborate with a Govt they don't approve of and which they do not trust. 'First aid' was refused by the United States to an Italian Govt which has the confidence of the Allies. Should there have been other ministers instead of the ones we have now, it would have been too easy for opposition to charge the Govt with hampering national rehabilitation. It would be a good thing to publish the Armistice clauses. The people must know what the men who govern it are pledged to do.

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2. There is talk again, as under fascism of "away with age, make room for youth"; but it cannot be done, for today's youth, brought up willy nilly, in the school of fascism is entirely lacking in administrative experience and political culture and energy. Is today's Italy, asks Secolo XX, in a position to do without the mature experience of those men who knew life before the advent of Mussolini?

3. Albatros on taxes on automobiles.

4. Electric industry must be up to the latest world progress.

TEMPO (Independent)

1. Political commentary: TEMPO wonders whether Nenni's recently adopted conciliatory line will enable him to win the Presidency of the Council. There may be opposition from the Christian Democrats.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Comments on the discussions which preceded the agreement reached between the parties.

2. Detailed account of the first meeting of Communist women.

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12. Electric energy is not sufficient.

13. The Police of "Ponte" sequestered a truck load of oil on its way to Cordinona.

14. Saragat arrived in Rome yesterday.

15. Ambassador Kirk and the American Senators who are at present visiting Rome, received by Bonomi.

16. THE CRISIS: an agreement has been reached on the progr[illegible] of the new Govt, which may be summarised thus: a) The New Govt must be the expression of the six parties; b) collaboration with the Allies is a condition "sine qua non" of Italian policy and therefore the new Govt will ask that the armistice treaty be replaced by a "pact of friendship and collaboration" and that the whole Italian territory be handed over to Italian administration; c) the Costituente must be set up as soon as possible and in the mean time the Consulta must begin functioning; d) the provincial and communal C.L.Ns. will have advisory functions; e) epuration must be carried out and the "healthy" forces of the movement of resistance will be incorporated in the regular Army; f) agricultural and industrial production must be organised so as to avoid monopolies.

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21. Alluminium works in Porto Marghera will shortly start working again; they will probably produce about 50% of their pre-war production. (I.N.S.)

22. One kilometre of docks has been set in working conditions in Venice. (U.N.R.R.A.)

23. The Italian Govt, through the Italian Embassy in London, sent a note to the British Govt pointing out that repatriation of Italian interned civilians would greatly prejudice them as many of

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them have been in Africa for many years and all their interests are there; besides their return to Italy would mean more expenses for the Italian Govt. (I.N.)

24. The Camera del Lavoro of Terni organised a meeting to protest against the high cost of living.

25. Sicilian farmers ask for an increase in the price of wheat.

26. The S.S. Roma has been repaired in Genoa; the port of Genoa will probably be repaired within a year.

27. In Val d'Aosta the French have got as far 17 kilometres from Ivrea; they distribute food and money and special "lists on which, the peasants can just put a signature and thus express their sympathy for France". The separatists play on the poverty of the peasants and promise them abolition of all taxes. (D.B.) (Ris. Lib.)

28. The Camera del Lavoro and the C.G.I.L. ask; a) a more urgent rebirth of production, specially of those products which are necessary to workers; b) that measures be taken to reduce prices of all products of popular consumption - whether food or clothing; c) immediate formation of popular food commissions; d) a ministry for food; finally the executive board expresses the feeling of discontent of the working masses for the slowness with which the Govt crisis is being solved.

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CAPITALE

1. The problem of telephones ought to be solved with a certain urgency, says La Capitale; either the State should administer the whole service or else the STET should have some competitors.

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EPOCA (Independent Leftist)

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INDIPENDENTE - Gives a complete summary of the political crisis.

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28. The Camera del Lavoro and the C.G.I.L. ask; a) a more urgent rebirth of production, specially of those products which are necessary to workers; b) that measures be taken to reduce prices of all products of popular consumption - whether food or clothing; c) immediate formation of popular food commissions; d) a ministry for food; finally the executive board expresses the feeling of discontent of the working masses for the slowness with which the Govt crisis is being solved.

AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE

1. The problem of telephones ought to be solved with a certain urgency, says La Capitale; either the State should administer the whole service or else the STET should have some competitors.

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1. Gonella's article in yesterday's POPOLO, setting forth the candidacy of De Gasperi, is called an attempt to torpedo the six party pact. EPOCA then proceeds to argue that the Socialists have a much better case, particularly as with a Socialist President, the new forces of the North could find expression in the government. EPOCA thinks the liberals would prefere a Socialist to a C.D. However it is admitted that anything can happen - even Bonomi may stay in.

INDIPENDENTE - Gives a complete summary of the political crisis.

OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican)

1. Commemoration of the liberation of Rome by the various Catholic organisations.

QUOTIDIANO (Catholic Independent)

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RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

1. R. disagrees with Gonella and says that no party should assume 'the leading part in the Govt which is shortly to be formed'. Togliatti was right in suggesting that one of the six main ministries be allotted to each of the six parties. However, if the men who worked together during the clandestine period trust each other, the parties themselves do not. The man who will be appointed President of the Council should from that time give up membership in his party. (Nordico)

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2. Commenting on the crisis, Voce says that the present Govt is not democratic. The six parties have agreed to a series of compromises on a purely negative ground; they have given up every form of general policy and organic program. The six parties that asserted they were able to govern cheated either themselves or the country.

3. Under the title 'Bonomi's merits', Voce criticises the Govt for badly epurating the police forces. Many collaborators

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of the neo-fascists are resuming their charges.

4. Italian civilian air-force. It is essential to separate it from the military air force. (Liberal)

MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. Dangerous cycle. The Christian Democrat candidacy, advanced by Gonella in Sunday's POPOLO, breaks up the six party pact and introduces a dangerous element into the politics' situation. The attitude of the S.D. party is reminiscent of that of the Popolari in the pre-fascist days and this, it will be remembered, played into the hands of the Fascists. (A. Cerone)

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4. Article on repairs of railway bridges and stations in Piedmont.

5. A.M.G. has approved a first program for public works in Milan, amounting to 135 million worth of lire.

6. List of raw materials necessary for industrial rebirth.

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7. Italo-American commercial relations are improving.

ITALIA LIBERA (Action)

1. Polemics with the liberal party which attempts to give a wrong interpretation to the statement made Saturday about the Milan agreements. The liberal paper is greatly satisfied because the C.L.Ns. have not been acknowledged by the State as institutional organs, and does not seem to realize that this stresses the political value of the C.L.N. (Orlando Reale)

2. Statement of the Action Party on the C.L.N. problem: it has approved the Milan and Rome agreements as an attempt at coming to an understanding. The Direction of the Action P. approved the advisory function accorded to the C.L.Ns., and thinks that the specification of this function, necessary to regulate the relations between the C.L.Ns. and the local authorities, does not diminish the political value of the C.L.Ns. as organs of unity between the parties. The Action P. considers that in the case of the C.L.Ns. of the various industries and concerns, any decision about their transformation remains subordinated to the decision of the Central C.L.N. jointly with the C.L.T...I.

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LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. Our resources are limited therefore their distribution cannot be left in the hands of private initiative but must be carried out through a strict discipline and a severe control, writes Leopoldo Rubinacci. He then goes on illustrating the motion brought forth by the C.G.I.L.

2. Recalling Buozzi's personality, Il Lavoro writes that

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he is still present as a symbol among the workers.

3. Giuseppe Fusco, in an interview, reports on the syndical movement in Liguria and Piedmont. All workers are animated by an unitarian spirit, he says. A propos of reconstruction he says that as the workers were united in the fight for liberation they intend now to be united in the same measure for reconstruction. (P. d'An)

4. Report on the "Federterra" activity during May.

LIBERA STAMPA

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2. Interview with Scelba, Vice Secretary of the party; the objections against Nenni's candidacy were not to his program but rather against the political advisability of his becoming now

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President. The policy of the socialist leader might have interferred with the requirements of Italy's policy with the Allies. Christian Democracy is one of the largest among the parties and one of those which best can express the political line common to all six parties, and also exercise an equilibrating function.

RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal)

1. Why this sudden outburst of separatists? Provincial separatism as in Sicily, in Trieste, in Val d'Aosta - and there is even talk of re-establishing the old republic of San Marco - and individual separatism; that is, the desire, in so many Italians, to abandon their country, as soon as it is possible to do so. This, says Erasmo, is a desire to avoid difficulties, letting the others to deal with them, and is not worthy of Italian tradition.

2. Domenico Bartoli writes from Milan on the lack of coal which hinders the Restarting of work in the industries of the north.

3. R.L. protests against the political propaganda phrases which some parties have inscribed on the walls of Roman houses or monuments. Apart from the bad taste of this scribbling, don't they know that these inscriptions cannot be erased, and will remain for ever? Why don't they use some other kind of material if they really want to write on walls?

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Article on the film industry.

TEMPO (Independent)

1. Epicarmo Corbino on the necessity of stabilising prices and currency in Italy. He suggests the lira should be stabilised at 170 to the dollar, which would mean withdrawing from circulation 150 billion lire. This could best be effectedn says Corbino, by launching a big short-term loan. At the same time the government should begin to wipe off its debts by paying out for war damage.

2. Last hours of the Germans in Rome, June 1944.

UNITA' (Communist) - N.N.

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15. Gasparotto presided the ceremony of the unveiling of the memorial stone in Via Fasse.

16. Numerous Fascists arrested in Bologna; among others also the ex prefect Fantozzi and his private secretary. (N.N.U.)

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17. Spataro received the directing board of the union of the employees of ENAC, which criticized the administration of ENAC.

18. At a press conference Scleri made a statement on the Italian financial situation as it appears after the liberation of the north; 360 billions have been spent by Mussolini's republic; the public debt amounts to 850 billion lire. There are in circulation 285 billion lire plus 81 billion Am-lire.

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29. Agricultural machines to be imported from America as well as spare parts.

30. The question of the Italian fleet will be discussed at the peace conference, stated Churchill in the House of Commons. (REUTER)

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31. The Juvenile groups of the Action party stated, in an order of the day, that the groups of the north and those of the south are united in their aim of creating a modern democratic state based on justice and freedom.

32. Russia will receive Allied ships in place of the Italian ones she had asked for.

33. Alexander Kirk and the American Senators who are visiting Rome, received by the Luogotenente.

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2. Interview with the Brasilian Ambassador Moraes Barros on the problem of emigration; Italian manpower might greatly contribute to the works (roads and railways) which have been planned.

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AVANTI (Socialist)

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2. Interview with Mario Berlinguer; a scientifically organised system of deformation of the personality of the young, has weighed for twenty years on Italians, and it is natural that great damage should have been caused by this; but happily the harm done is not irreparable.

ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

1. The British nation must choose between freedom of the individual within the frame-work of the laws freely approved by a freely elected Parliament, and socialism, which is opposed to the principles of liberty and inseparably linked with totalitarianism.



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said Churchill. Other nations are also faced with this dilemma, especially the Italians after 25 years of totalitarianism of a socialist origin. (T. Salvaggi)

2. Little has been done to commemorate the liberation of Rome. Neither the Govt nor the C.L.N. has celebrated the event. It appears that this is because some people say that Rome was liberated by the Allies only; a celebration might have offended the insurrection of the North. However this is not a reason for slighting the Allies and all the Italians who were killed or tortured by the Germans.

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interest of the British Govt in an orderly Italian democracy, and an efficient Govt might change.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. The advantages of having a Museum of arts and crafts, rather than the usual technical school, are pointed out in a detailed article by Giuseppe Sciti.

2. V.A. writes on the necessity of speeding up touristic rebirth, stressing the importance of tourism for Italy.

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their only alternative being to provoke a crisis which naturally for the sake of unity they did not wish to do. But now this situation must end. The opposition to Nenni in spite of his conciliatory attitude is an indication of how sensitive the enemies of the progressive bloc are and also shows how unreasonable their position is, in UNITA's opinion.

2. Report of last day of communist women's congress.

3. Reprint of STARS AND STRIPES article of yesterday on survival of Fascist and nationalist spirit in Venice.

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Daily Digest of Rome Press.

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finally that the Suedtiroler Volkspartei will collaborate with the Italian parties in the formation of common work, culture, women's and juvenile organisations.

11. Gigino Battisti, Socialist, appointed mayor of Trento on his repatriation from Switzerland.

12. A delegation of the "fronte della gioventu" has left for Zagreb to participate in the congress of the "European anti-fascist youth".

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18. Tens of thousands of Italians seem to have died in German concentration camps. (SIDI)

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19. It seems that over one million and a half Italians, out of Italy, are at present assisted by UNRRA. (A.P.)

20. General Clark, who is at present in the United States, at a meeting of the Italo-American Labour Council praised the Italian people and the contribution they gave to the liberation of the country. (U.P.)

21. 700 billion lire will be necessary for Public Works, stated Ruini.

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2. Article on the "new-rich" of this war, the black marketers, by Umberto de Franciscis.

INDIPENDENTE

1. The Italians may wait for the end of the crisis in unruffled calm, but not so the people of Venezia Giulia. They have been promised neutral occupation; why have they to remain so long

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in foreign hands? During the last war, they died for Italy; they must be considered as really and truly Italian. (Antonio De Berti)

OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican)

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1. When will it be finally understood in Italy, that the Italian Army can no longer bear to be under the House of Savoy? How can a King and a Prince who, at the moment of danger, run away, appear before their men? The Luogotenante has tried to, on several occasions, but has always had a very bad reception. Even the Alpine Piedmontese groups, which for old tradition are monarchist, state openly that their political faith is conditioned on the deposition of the Prince. What better example could we wish for, to prove that the military honour cannot possibly put up with the Savoia monarchy? How is it that the Allies do not realise this? asks Giorgio Ferri.

2. Prisoners still wait to be repatriated from Albania, but nobody seems to take any interest in their situation.

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3. We are not an "imperialistic power", says V.R., nor a "great power", we may even say that at the present moment we are not a power at all, but just a nation of people who suffer and who try to cure their wounds and to arise anew in a democratic regime; we had, we still have faith in French friendship and we do not want to quarrel with France. But is it quite fair that De Gaulle should take advantage of our inferior condition to try to annex to France part of Italy?

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4. The crisis "a un punto morto", says AVANTI. Word awaited from the Demo-Christians.

GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. In forming the new Govt - which we might call the Govt of Hope - we must not be too much concerned about what the Allies may or may not think. If they wanted us to do or to prevent us something, they would say so openly. The leaders of the parties must now prove to the people that they are worthy of their esteem and, leaving aside party interests, give them a Govt representing the new "Risorgimento" of Italy. The masses cannot understand this too long delay which might end in changing patriotism into "partitismo".(R.M. Luzzatto)

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ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

1. The crisis does not seem to be getting any nearer to a solution. A duel is being fought for the Presidency, while there is a real black market for the portfolios. The problems for reconstruction cannot be faced for they might endanger the coalition. The letter of the President of the Council to the secretaries of the six parties is an answer to those who, ignoring Italy, want to enforce the C.L.N. as the only constitutional organ of the country. Bonomi has obliged the six parties to face their responsibility. Either the dictatorship of the C.L.N. must be openly enforced, or a real democracy must be established, giving back freedom of action to every party, enabling them to fulfil their political function within the Govt or in the opposition. (Roberto Lucifero)

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2. The scandal of the unblocked textiles was made public yesterday, yet no action has been taken. Public opinion is waiting for an answer from the responsible Ministry.

LIBERA STAMPA

1. Ermete Santucci comments on the crisis. It is to be hoped that C.L.N. will produce a Govt before the end of the week. Now that many obstacles have been overcome, it should take in consideration the fact that the Govt cannot be the Govt of 2 or 3 parties; it must be the Govt of all anti-fascist parties. No

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fundamental reforms will be asked from this Govt. It will simply have to carry on impartially the program which has already been approved by the C.L.N. and the C.L.N.A.I.

2. Corrado Sofia's article on the situation in Sicily. There is a great wish for reconstruction. The consulta must study the problems of Sicily without delay, for Sicily needs funds.

MOMENTO

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2. Many are the reasons, besides the lack of raw materials, why industrial plants in North Italy are not working, writes Domenico Bartoli. An agreement has been reached between employers and employees by which the financial burden sustained by industrialists who have to pay salaries to workers who do not produce, will gradually diminish. The problem is now to find other activities for the numerous unemployed.

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Technical article on the condition of banks in Italy.

2. F. Cremona on Italo-Swiss commercial exchanges.

3. The electoral campaign is in full swing, in England, but all the same there has not been one single moment of hesitation in British foreign or home policy; how different English democracy and freedom from the so-called Italian democracy; for over a month, there has been talk of crisis, of solving the crisis, and for over a month the Govt has been able to do nothing for Val D'Aosta or for Venezia Giulia.

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3. THE CRISIS. The meetings of the representatives of the C.L.N. parties have been moved from Piazza SS. Apostoli to the larger premises of Montecitorio. Liberals and Socialists met yesterday without coming to any definitive agreement. Then the Socialists and the Christian-Democrats had long discussions; on leaving De Gasperi stated to the journalists that "there was nothing new but that both parties show good intentions of coming to a solution". Later on Togliatti joined the Socialists and expressed faith that an agreement may be reached. Ruini, secretary of the Labour-Democrat party, stated to CRSIS "Our party, faced by a Christian-Democrat candidacy and a Socialist one, is still in favour of a Bonomi candidacy, for we believe this to be the best solution. Only if this fails shall we then examine the possibility of a different solution". De Gasperi, Togliatti and Lussu had a meeting this morning but nothing came of it. According to Nenni at their meeting with the Socialists, the Christian-Democrats suggested the possibility of having a De Gasperi Govt with Nenni as vice-president; thus Nenni would be in charge of main internal problems while De Gasperi would remain responsible for all foreign affairs. These suggestions were written in a letter which was sent to the Socialists who, on their turn, answered refusing such a solution thus creating a definite cleavage between the two parties. Ruini meanwhile has stated that Bonomi will not abandon his post. This morning, at the Council of Ministers, the situation will be studied.

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16. The five parties of the Piedmontese C.L.N. have issued an order of the day sustaining the necessity that the autonomy of Val D'Aosta be favoured by all the parties; only this autonomy, it specifies, will be able to cancel twenty years of Fascist mis-government; the parties will maintain the utmost loyalty towards Italy and towards the interests of the population of the Val D'Aosta. (N.N.U.)

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18. Six more Senators have been deferred to the High Court of Justice.

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OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican) - N.N.

QUOTIDIANO (Independent Catholic)

1. Debates with Avanti which charges Quotidiano with a systematic antisoviet campaign. U.S.S.R. is attacking the Church; the Church is not attacking U.S.S.R., answers 2. - The socialists say they have received the investiture from the people. How did they manage as there have been no elections?

2. E.N.A.C. has forbidden all transports which have not got an official allotment of fuel. This is having very serious consequences on prices, supplies and production. The only way to curb oil black market is to allot a far greater amount of fuel to civilian transport. Tyres are still very difficult to find and very expensive. Black market in oil and tyres would get a

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serious blow if more vehicles were allowed to circulate.
(M. Braidotti)

3. Giulio Alvi debates with Lizzadri on the problem of farmers: If farmers and farmhands belong to the same federation the farmers are certain to be outnumbered by the farmhands, and their legitimate interests which are sometimes different or even opposed to those of the farmhands would always be sacrificed. Why does not the C.G.I.L. acknowledge that farmers are to agriculture what artisans are to industry ?

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3. Special news from Val D'Aosta: about a hundred an twenty signatures of "Valdostani" patriots who had passed into France in 1944, and there fought with the French patriots, have been gathered by a Prof. Chabot to witness his statement that it is not true,

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as French newspapers had announced, that 95 % of "Valdostani" wanted to become French.

4. M.C. on the necessity of changing the administration of penitentiaries.

MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. There are no open doors. To anyone who has noticed the intensity of the popular outcry for a Leftist government it would seem a very simple and natural thing to proceed to put them in, writes Nenni. However, there are no open doors for the popular will, everything the masses win must be painfully fought for. The partisan movement and the resistance against the Germans were not solely the work of the workers parties; all classes had a hand in it. Yet it cannot be denied that the working masses played the leading role. And it would seem only common sense to give political recognition to this fact. Yet the Liberals and now the Christian Democrats temporize and oppose this obvious solution. Perhaps it is not surprising in the case of the CDs; the party of De Gasperi like that of Sturzo in the old days, contains many good democrats but also a very strong reactionary current which paralyzes the party. If the Christian-Democrats' initiative of opposing a Socialist candidacy does not surprise, then the fact that the Socialist party refuses to accept the technical solution suggested by the CDs, should not cause surprise. The Socialist party, goes on Nenni, maintains his point of view because it is convinced that in so doing it works for the good of the working masses which it represents.

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2. Beniamino Arnao says there is no necessity of internationalising the ports of Trieste and Fiume.

ITALIA LIBERA (Action)

1. Giuseppe Bruno writes on the coming elections, suggesting plans.

ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

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representatives of the parties do not bother leading the country and waste their time in useless discussions. They do not seem to realize that the real problem is the direction to be given to the new Govt. The reorganization of the country can only take place when all the nation, including prisoners and interned civilians, will be able to express its opinion. The socialist point of view that there must be a socialist republic or no republic at all is inadmissible. The two opposed tendencies - republican and monarchic must have the responsibility of preparing the consultation of the nation. (Enzo Selvaggi)

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2. Many pensioned-off workers and employees will not get the indemnity for the high cost of living for in their days, insurance was not compulsory. They now find themselves in very difficult conditions.

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POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Guido Gonella defines De Gasperi's letter a document of equilibrium and impartiality inspired by a conciliatory spirit. But Socialism has evidently remained prisoner of the situation in which it has put itself and has not even stopped to examine a proposal that, whatever the solution of the crisis may be, will never again present itself in a manner so favourable to Socialist claims. Gonella then goes on criticizing some phrases such as "the country wants", "the spontaneous expression of the will of the people", "the masses ask"; What country? what people? what masses? Such words smell of a regyme which should be dead. The Socialist party, concludes Gonella, is a great party, with experienced leaders and members, who know how to fight and how to face sacrifices, but this does not mean that it must have the monopoly of the Govt.

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2. Letter from a Catholic communist woman protesting against the refusal of some priests to give the sacraments to communists.

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Daily Digest of Rome Press.

GENERAL

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3. It seems that the Pope will not go his villa at Castel Gandolfo, but will remain in Rome through-out the Summer.

4. Ruini and Di Vittorio discussed the problem of unemployment.

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5. The ex prefect of Venice sentenced to 12 years. (N.N.U.)

6. A home for Italian soldiers inaugurated on the Lido of Venice in the presence of various Allied officers. (N.N.U.)

7. 25,000 rations have been distributed by UNRRA to children in Rome and Province.

8. The members of the Interministerial Committee for Reconstruction and the chiefs of the Economic Sub-commission of the A.C. held a meeting to discuss important problems concerning the economic rebirth of the north.

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2. The Govt wants to find means of saving money, and it is right that it should; but will these savings be made - as usual - on the sums already so small allotted to the Ministry of Public Education? If we are not capable of imitating other nations by which we might learn a good deal, let's at least try to imitate ants, says Fausto Torrefranca, and learn to economise by gathering and not by dispersing. The Academy of Santa Cecilia is in danger, its debts are great and there is even talk of depriving it of its autonomy and uniting it with the Opera. This must not be, for the concerts of Santa Cecilia have a world wide renown; so let us hope that democracy will prove that it can act better than fascism.

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VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. That a Fascist like Cesare Rossi on trial can turn on his judge and accuse him too of having a Fascist record and can point out truthfully that 8 members of the government voted for Mussolini after the March on Rome - this is shameful for the new

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It is said that following the agreement between Alexander and Tito the Yugoslav troops will immediately abandon contested territories of Venezia Giulia, and that only a small number of Yugoslavs will remain under the orders of Marshal Alexander.

19. According to yesterday's "Corriere di Informazioni" of Milan, it seems that after the French occupation of Val d'Aosta, a delegation of Valdostani separatists was received in Paris by De Gaulle who urged them to continue their activity. (U.P.)

20. It seems that the Swiss Govt has decided to expell from Switzerland various fascist personalities, among whom Edda Ciano, Bastianini, Alfieri and Volpi. (I.N.S.)

21. Cesare Rossi sentenced to 4 years and 2 months imprisonment.

22. The Vatican has announced to the German Ambassador to the Holy See that his mission can be considered as ended.

23. A delegation of the U.D.I. has left for Belgrad to participate in the Yugoslav Congress of anti-Fascist women.

24. The C.L.N. of Naples issued an order or the day asking that there be not only a new President but a whole new Govt.

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2. The Govt wants to find means of saving money, and it is right that it should; but will these savings be made - as usual - on the sums already so small allotted to the Ministry of Public Education? If we are not capable of imitating other nations by which we might learn a good deal, let's at least try to imitate ants, says Fausto Torrefranca, and learn to economise by gathering and not by dispersing. The Academy of Santa Cecilia is in danger, its debts are great and there is even talk of depriving it of its autonomy and uniting it with the Opera. This must not be, for the concerts of Santa Cecilia have a world wide renown; so let us hope that democracy will prove that it can act better than fascism.

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VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. That a Fascist like Cesare Rossi on trial can turn on his judge and accuse him too of having a Fascist record and can point out truthfully that 8 members of the government voted for Mussolini after the March on Rome - this is shameful for the new

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democratic Italy. Yet how can it be otherwise as long as the country is compromised by its alliance with the Fascist monarchy? (Pacciardi)

2. The Luogotenente's intervention in the crisis shows that he intends to play a dominant role. Things being what they are he probably can, says V.R.

3. Exchange of letters between Parchiani and Salvemini published. The former will be glad to return to Florence and teach - but he will not give up his U.S. citizenship.

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GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. Anna Stringer - United Press correspondent - interviewed Schuschnigg in Capri; he said he has no political ambitions and only wishes to spend the rest of his life with his family.

2. GI.TI writes on the necessity of fighting the dangerously increasing plague of tb.

GLOBO (Economic)

1. Patents should be protected again, now that war is over, writes I.B.

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2. Plans for distribution of 11,000 hectars of land of the Fucino are being studied.

3. Serious lack of raw materials hinders the making of soap; but all the same the possibility of distributing 100 grams per month to all Italians is being studied.

4. A decrease in prices of fruit and vegetables - due to more abundant supplies - has been noted.

5. Article on Sicilian industrial needs.

6. The Varese shoe works are in good condition.

7. There is a daily military air service between Paris and Naples. (REUTER)

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4. It seems that the block on valuable metals and precious stones is not yet to be lifted, for foreign agents might be able to make important purchases which would prejudice national economy.

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LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. The working masses have brought about the liberation of Italy, writes Giuseppe Di Vittorio. Their aspiration to assume the political direction of the State is only legitimate. Mass parties must realize their responsibilities and, at the cost of some sacrifices, come to an agreement which will satisfy the majority of the Italian nation, and establish the political stability and free democratic development of the State.

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1. The crisis has been going on for forty days, for too long, writes R.L. Besides the Govt crisis we have now a coalition crisis, due to the fact that both Socialists and Christian-Democrats have asked for the Presidency. A coalition Govt should have a non-party man as Prime Minister. For this reason the Liberal party has not put forth the candidacy for one of its members. The situation is very serious, the country needs a Govt to solve many urgent problems; the Liberal party feels it necessary to indicate who is responsible for the prolongation of the crisis.

2. Bruno Romani describes all the measures taken by the Yugoslavs in order to "slavizzare" Trieste.

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Great Britain is going to buy marble from Italy.

2. Another attack on the R.A.I.

3. About 2000 workers will be employed in the public works planned for Rome.

TEMPO (Independent) - N.N.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Velio Spano, commenting on the crisis and on the opposition set up against the Left, says that the political atmosphere of the country must be purified from reactionary tendencies, and that therefore epuration must be carried out more thoroughly.

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GENERAL

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9. The F.N.S.I. (Federazione Nazionale Stampa Italiana) asks for complete freedom of press. (ANSA)

10. One of the Perrone brothers arrested in Genoa; more numerous arrests in the north.

11. Italy has officially asked to be admitted to San Francisco; but it is very unlikely that the request, presented to the State Department by Tarchiani, will be taken into consideration till Italy's international status is changed and she becomes and ally. (I.N.S.)

12. Yesterday, near Cassino, Myron Taylor handed over to the Italian Govt, represented by Rodinò and other personalities, the first of the three hospitals which the "American Relief for Italy" has planned to present to Italy. Admiral Stone and Tittman, as well as the Bishops of Sora and Montecassino, were present. The President of the Italian Red Cross awarded Myron Taylor the "merit cross" of the CRI.

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22. All papers have long articles commemorating Matteotti, killed by the Fascists 21 years ago.

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RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

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2. Interview with the Commissioner for lodgings.

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6. Carpenters cannot go on because furniture is too expensive and nobody buys it.

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ITALIA LIBERA (Action)

1. The crisis has revealed how far the six parties have moved towards a definite stand on the institutional question. At this point four are openly Republican and it is clear that there are very strong republican factions in the other two. The essential thing at the moment is for the parties to unite on what they have in common and realize that their differences are complementary rather than contradictory. (F.G.)

2. Report from Milano: in general political feeling as evidenced on occasion of the Liberals protest against the C.L.N. is a little more to the left than in Rome. The principle of unity of the parties has been consistently maintained. The CLN s are making the most of their advisory privileges. Life is superficially gay but the threat of unemployment hangs over the North. There is some confusion created by the three authorities of CLN, Rome, and AMG. And considerable irritation because the government ruled that some of its legislation was to take effect from 19 May while the communiqué to this effect was received only the 26th and no one has yet seen the legislation referred to. It is feared that doing away with the cordone sanitario without substitution of other controls may deprive the North of what little spare goods it has. (F. Bonomi)

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3. Attitude of the Italian Navy during the war, by Mario Mazzuoli.

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

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the popular masses are concerned with the solution of the crisis. Their greatest grievance is the high cost of living. Something might be done if we had a govt. But it is not enough to have a govt; the Italian nation needs a govt which is its direct expression. (Giuseppe Di Vittorio)

2. Article by Achille Grandi on sickness indemnity to the workers.

LIBERA STAMPA

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RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal)

1. Strength and violence are not the same thing, writes Benedetto Croce. The former means personal freedom and respect of other people's freedom, the latter is the violation of the freedom of others. From these two different conceptions comes also a different conception of the State, that is "democracy" or "autocracy". Then Croce points out how similar the mentality of the

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young communists is to the Fascist one. The really great revolutions of history were never accompanied by bloodshed; moreover one ought to meditate a little before boasting that one knows the truth and is on the right side. The truth, if it exists, can be reached only through free discussion. Then Croce comes to the paradoxical conclusion that a strong liberal government might choose, by majority vote, to suppress itself.

2. R.L. is shocked by the declaration of Avanti that there is no hurry to solve the crisis. Liberals are of exactly the opposite opinion and think that a solution is urgent. The Govt program has already been accepted by all parties. Now the parties are quarreling over the composition of the new Govt. The Liberals have stated quite clearly that as Prime Minister they want someone who represents all the parties and is trusted by all of them.

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2. M.V. interviewes Moscatelli, hero of Val Sesia and mayor of Novara, on the struggle of the clandestine period; there was not one single priest in the region - he said - who did not do his best to help the patriots.

3. The workers of the State Polygraphic and those of the "Nomentana" Paper mill offer 3,200 soups to repatriates passing through Rome.

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6. The Pope spoke to the young people of the Azione Cattolica telling them to beware of the forces which are trying to "dechristianize" the Italian people.

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7. Report on the Italian army by the Allied Commission

8. 17 Fascists kille and 15 wounded in the Ferrara prison by civilians who managed to enter the premises armed with machine guns. (N.N.U.)

9. 6 death sentences in Piedmont. (N.N.U.)

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25. The Fascist journalist Guzman has managed to escape to Switzerland with several million lire.

26. 20 tons of Egyptian cotton have arrived in Naples.

27. Abolition of the ammassi of fish in Sardinia.

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AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE

1. Commenting on Trieste F.C. says that the present agreement only means that the Allies have forced Tito to respect those conditions which had already been agreed upon.

EPOCA (Independent Leftist)

1. Soleri's report on national debt analysed by Giuseppe Genduso.

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1. Basing his criticism on an article on the New York Times, Pacciardi attacks the sluggishness shown in apurating the police forces. The Times points out, according to Pacciardi, that Rome, with a tenth of the population of New York, has an equal number of police, divided into different and jealous groups-and all underpaid. Pacciardi comments that this is always so in a country where the police are thought of as something apart from the people and capable of being used against them. It will be so in Italy until there is a true democracy by which is meant also a Republic, he says. Meanwhile the lack of apurative vigor is shocking; many of the police who served the Fascists and the Germans are still at their post - if indeed they have not been promoted.

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2. Gen. Azzi joins the Republican party. Congratulatory commentary by r.p. who says that Azzi could have capitalized on his political prominence to join any of the parties where he might have had some reward of a political nature. Joining the Republican party which has no jobs to give he shows he is the kind of man who puts principle first and the Republicans are proud to have him.

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3. Daily Mail quoted on French occupation of Piedmont. D.M. correspondent says the country has always been Italian and there is no good reason for French occupation.

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1. The working masses of the North which had the most important part in the fight for liberation, those of the South which suffered for such a long time, will not admit new compromises in the formation of the new Govt. Up to now, the various Govts which followed each other from Brindisi to Rome have not made a really bold law either or social, financial or agricultural matter. Even the law on epurations is not being enforced. (O.Lizzadri)

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2. L. protests because the Italian workers have only one printing office: U.E.S.I.S.A., while all the printing offices which belonged to fascists have been dereguisitioned.

LIBERA STAMPA

1. Commenting on the future world organization, Libera Stampa writes that as long as the big Powers agree, there will be peace, but if war breaks out among them the right of veto will not make much difference. Peace depends of the action which will be taken in international policy, far more than on the procedure adopted.

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2. The way that Rome walls are soiled by political slogans, most of them illiterate, is scandalous. The Mayor, who has lost the battle against flies, should at least win the battle against wall-painters.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. After explaining why a re-valuation of the currency would be absurd and unjust, Albatros says that the economic rehabilitation must precede the currency rehabilitation.

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UNITA' (Communist)

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2. Ostia, the sea shore of the Rome workers, must be reactivated, and the bathing establishments must be rebuilts.

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3. Important historic-legislative documents which had been carried north by the Fascist Republic, have been found in Venice.

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4. The rumor had spread yesterday that Prince Doria, Mayor of Rome, wanted to resign, but that, giving way to the entreaties of the "assessori comunali", he consented to remain at his post.

5. The P.C.A. (Pontificia Commissione Assistenza) has opened four centres for distribution of food to those repatriated from Germany.

6. Acts of violence committed by remaining fascist elements in Turin and Sceonno.

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17. Allied wheat is being delivered in Sicilian ports.

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18. The UNRRA states that it will be able to furnish no more aid to Italy, at least until after the month of August. (U.P.-Globo)

19. It seems that in the Liguria frontier zone occupied by French troops, ration cards are distributed only to those persons who vote for France.

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INDIPENDENTE

1. School buildings should no longer be used to house refugees or Allied soldiers. Communes are supposed to provide children with an education, but how are they to do so if they have not any premises?

OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican) - N.N.

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3. We must keep in mind that Fascism was able to arm the unemployed who returned from Vittorio Veneto. Our prisoners who

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are being repatriated must find, on arriving, material and moral assistance, writes Saverio Zarrelli.

4. Still another article on the tragic situation of the refugees of Cinecitta.

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1. A century in Eritrea. Account of Italian accomplishments. This cannot be called a waste of energy, it is rather a mission and in view of all that has been done in the past century it should go on. (M. d. S.)

2. Report on Val d'Aosta from J. Israel, INS. The French are causing much resentment among the people and are a source of great embarrassment to A.M.G. which is following directives and treating them with great tact. They seem to be making their way toward the hydro-electric centers. There have been numerous clashes betweenthethe French and the people and it is to be hoped that an accord similar to that drawn up between Tito and the Allies can be reached. Meanwhile the French keep infiltrating and bringing in supplies, particularly salt. Recently there has been considerable discontent among the partigiani because Maj. Howell allowed the French to remove for trial to Briancon an Italian accused of striking a Frenchman.

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GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. A century in Eritrea. Account of Italian accomplishments. This cannot be called a waste of energy, it is rather a mission and in view of all that has been done in the past century it should go on. (M. d. S.)

2. Report on Val d'Aosta from J. Israel, INS. The French are causing much resentment among the people and are a source of great embarrassment to A.M.G. which is following directives and treating them with great tact. They seem to be making their way toward the hydro-electric centers. There have been numerous clashes betweenthethe French and the people and it is to be hoped that an accord similar to that drawn up between Tito and the Allies can be reached. Meanwhile the French keep infiltrating and bringing in supplies, particularly salt. Recently there has been considerable discontent among the partigiani because Maj. Howell allowed the French to remove for trial to Briancon an Italian accused of striking a Frenchman.

GLOBO (Economic)

1. Six months ago Italy had asked the Allies for 40,000 trucks, considered necessary to face the most urgent necessities; 2,000 arrived in Rome, but at the last moment they were assigned to Allied Military service. Such an experience should have taught us not to count too much on the Allies' possibilities or will to help us. Why don't we learn to act for ourselves? asks Gaspare Messina. It may be objected that for lack of coal we cannot construct new cars and trucks; but why don't we at least put in



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working condition those many cars which the enemy has abandoned and a great number of which only need very slight repairs? Why waste time? While we are waiting for the coal to arrive, we can do other things just as useful and necessary. We must keep in mind that to repair means to gain time and to contribute to the solution of many very serious problems.

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2. The decision whether Italy will have a monarchy or a republic ought to be made after a solid democratic State has been built, writes Raoul Margottini.

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. In the South, some of the decisions taken by the C.G.I.L. have been sabotaged by the treasonable. This proves that the working masses must exercise direct pressure to obtain the enforcement of what has been decided. The decree allowing to raise rents must also be revoked. (G. Di Vittorio)

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2. Up to now, no mission of the Italian Govt has been sent to Germany to take care of Italian refugees, while other countries have sent missions.

3. It appears that Moli issued a circular to the officials of the Viminale, asking them not to become members of the unions organization for State employees as a regulation preventing these functionaries from participating in syndical life was soon to be issued.

MOLENTO - N.N.

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3. A pamphlet published by the Vatican, recounting the

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efforts made by the Pope for preventing the war in Europe and later keeping Italy out of it, is summarized.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Secolo XX examines the bank problem in Italy and makes a few suggestions about the most urgent reforms. In its opinion private and regional banks should be encouraged.

3. Roberto Marchi writes on the functions of the new "Comar" substituting the "Cogena".

4. The E.N.A.P.I., with a different organization will still be necessary to the State and some of the men who directed it so well during the difficulties of the Fascist Regime, should be still utilized. (Giuseppe Sciti)

5. F. Cremona illustrates and gives figures on commercial relations between Poland and Italy before the war.

6. The new regulations on prices, as expected, have had the result of increasing them just at the moment when they were naturally going down.

TEMPO (Independent)

1. We had foreseen a week ago, writes Tempo, that the crisis would end, following Bonomi's resignation, in the hands of the Luogotenente. We were right; let us hope we were not right in foreseeing that the solution that the Luogotenente would choose would cause new and stronger wrath and exasperation.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Unità reviews the different possibilities offered by the crisis and wonders how and why the leftist parties find so much opposition when it is known by everybody that they represent the majority of the Italian people, any how of the people who count, that is the working masses.

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five Ministers without portfolio belonging to the C.L.N.A.I. so as to insure liaison with the north which is still under A.M.G. control. Parri is expected in Rome today. Sforza, asked to express his opinion on the present situation, stated that at the present moment it is most important for Italy to show the world that she is capable of governing herself. He furthermore pointed out that the length of the crisis of 1922 was one of the the causes of the rise of Fascism. Yesterday afternoon Bonomi received De Gasperi.

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10. The press office of the presidency announces that the Belgian Govt has decided to derequisition all Italian property.

11. At the last moment, when the Palermo theatre which the Allies had put at the disposal of the Socialist Party for the commemoration of Matteotti was full, an Allied officer pointed out that the ceremony should have a non-political character; the

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meeting was therefore dissolved. (Avanti)

12. A spokesman of the foreign Office stated that very probably Italy will participate in the discussions about the status of Tangeres.

13. It seems that Carlo Alberto Biggini, ex fascist minister of Public Instruction, has been arrested.

14. 31,000 Italians have been repatriated from Germany by the Allies.

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CAPITALE

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C.L.N.s that have sprung up throughout Europe. Their job is done, he thinks, and their continued existence may well be a danger to democratic development of their respective countries. As for Italy it is time the parties realised that unity is essential if they wish to maintain their preeminence. A general election would clear the air.

EPOCA (Independent Leftist) - N.N.

INDIPENDENTE

1. Commenting on the crisis, Indipendente writes that the parties ought to face their responsibilities; Italian economy can only be rehabilitated by a Govt which will have the confidence of the Allies. At the same time, solidarity with the working classes is indispensable, for there must be a price policy which will stop inflation. From the international point of view, Italy might resume her former position; the country must be rebuilt, but all this can only be done by men whose sense of duty will be above party interests.

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2. Is it possible that Italians will never cure themselves of their manie of wanting at all costs to participate on one side or on another? This manie has often thrown Italy into wars which might otherwise have been avoided; now they begin again; some of us are all in favour of Russia, others of England, others of America, some even of France or of the Vatican.

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TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

1. It is evident, says T. del P. commenting on the crisis, that if no conclusion is reached by the parties, the serious problem of leaving the country without a Govt will arise; in this case there would only be two paths to follow; either refuse to accept Bonomi's resignation or else have a new choice based on the consultations which have already been held.

VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

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CIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

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2. The C.L.N., after 50 days of discussions after which it would have been honest to recognise its incapacity to form a Govt, but wanting instead to monopolize power at all costs, has called to the Presidency a "homo novus" unknown to Central and South Italy. At the moment there are two responsibilities: one of the Crown which must choose the man who represents the majority of the country and which is not represented by the six parties of the C.L.N.; the other of the C.L.N. which ought to be conscious

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of the internal and international situation of Italy and of the responsibility they have towards the country, their program and democracy. (S.E.)

3. Reporting on the railway situation I.N. writes that it is learned from unofficial sources that by the middle of July the railway Brennero-Reggio Calabria will be reactivated.

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. Lavoro protests against the attitude on the so-called 'independent' papers on the question of the decrease in prices.

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2. Correspondence from Milan; prices are rapidly rising and the town is invaded by black-marketers. (Bruno Romani)

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. The six parties are like the Cartesian devils in their closed glass jars; at the slightest blow of wind, from the north or from the south, they perform ridiculous dances and change colour.

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Is it really impossible, or so terribly difficult, to form a Govt composed of serious and willing men, capable of giving the country the fulfillment of its claims?

3. Third article on public transport.

DEMO (Independent) - N.N.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Unità complains about the opposition which seems to rise every time there is talk of giving the representatives of the working masses some important posts in the Govt.

2. N.N. writes on the wheat ammassi; about two thirds of the amount conferred last year will be conferred to the ammassi this year.

3. Unemployed, repatriates and reconstruction should represent one problem. There is unemployment, says r.l., and it increases as repatriation continues; but there also exists the problem of reconstruction which might be solved by setting the unemployed repatriates to work.

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4. According to the "Washington Star" the end of war enables the Allies to consider the possibility of putting an end to their control over Italy.

5. According to Yugoslav news the Allied authorities have discharged the Tribunals of the people which had been installed in Trieste by the Yugoslavs. (I.N.S.)

6. General Clark received yesterday morning by the Pope.

7. The Pope received a group of American Congressmen.

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17. In spite of the block 260 million lire worth of textiles have been clandestinely introduced into Rome.

18. Rino Parenti, ex prefect of Milan, condemned to 25 years imprisonment. The ex prefect of Turin and the ex questore of Cuneo arrested. Graziani and other generals handed over to the military Court of Justice.

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policy taking in consideration the numerous requirements of the country.

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solid and definite basis. Its formation will not be easy, nor will it take place immediately; it is up to the working masses to keep the subject of its formation alive and to keep on discussing the best means to reach a happy conclusion. The third good result born from the crisis, goes on Nenni, is that now the problem of Reconstruction is going to pass into its active period. If this new Govt, concludes the writer, is able to govern with the people and for the people, if it is able to impose a new style, to moralize public administration, if it gives a good example of courage and duty, then it will keep its promise and lead, within a few months, the Italian people to the Costituente, thus setting before them the possibility of rebirth.

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4. 100,000 Kws of electric energy to be sent from northern to central Italy.

5. The Commissariato Profughi had handed over 100 tons of wool in exchange for blankets and woolen materials; this wool has ended in the black market. An inquest is being carried out.

6. It is rumored that also Venezuela may open her frontiers to Italian peasants.

7. Mortality due to tb. has increased by 122 %.

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between Italy and Yugoslavia. Friendly relations between both countries will always be necessary for the maintenance of peace in Central and Oriental Europe. It is also important that Franco-Italian relations should improve, for France and Italy will have to play an important part in the Mediterranean and form a barrier against further German attempts.

2. Leonardo's Last Supper reported to be intact. (A.D.)

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3. Are there to be no artists among the advisers for the Consulta chosen among the representatives of culture and free professions? (Alfredo Bonaccorsi)

4. The young Christian Democrats are republican. To be able to include Christian Democracy among the republican parties would mean a great step forward, not only towards the republic, but also towards the political and social structure of the republic and towards the normalization of Italian policy.

5. The Authorities of Catania have forbidden the press to criticise the dynasty. The C.L.N. protests.

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3. Are there to be no artists among the advisers for the Consulta chosen among the representatives of culture and free professions? (Alfredo Bonaccorsi)

4. The young Christian Democrats are republican. To be able to include Christian Democracy among the republican parties would mean a great step forward, not only towards the republic, but also towards the political and social structure of the republic and towards the normalization of Italian policy.

5. The Authorities of Catania have forbidden the press to criticise the dynasty. The C.L.N. protests.

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MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. It was inevitable, says Nenni, that the Socialist candidacy should find a strong opposition; but it is thanks to this candidacy that the political direction has changed from Right-Centre to Left-Centre, and from pre-Fascist Italy to the Italy of anti-Fascist insurrection, so worthily represented by Ferruccio Parri. Today's solution is the best we could have wished for after the disagreement between Socialists and Communists on one side and Liberals and Christian-Democrats on the other which had, at a certain moment, endangered the existence of the C.L.N. The second aim which we have reached is that the Costituente is now set on a

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initiative are doing very well.

EPOCA (Independent)

1. Long comment on the crisis by Repaci. He does not consider that there is reason for too much despair over the duration of the negotiations; true they lasted too long but a part of the delay was merely indicative of the difference between democracy and the authoritarian Fascism Italians had unfortunately become used to. He feels every confidence in Parri, believes that Nenni has scored a victory since epuration and the Costituente will now be under his control and hopes that the cabinet which will be as good as possible under the circumstances will be up to the tasks ahead of it.

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2. Warning by A.M.G. to the population of Lucca because of the numerous unlawful incidents which took place in the province. Such acts will meet with severe punishment. A.M.G. will support the Italian laws and will not allow fascism to crop up again under another name. (N.N.U.)

RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

1. Commenting on the situation in general, Umberto Micali hopes that the peace conference will make possible a direct agreement

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6. The negotiations between the Yugoslav Govt and the Allied Authorities have been interrupted because of a difference of opinion about the administration of the territories occupied by the Anglo Americans. It seems that the Yugoslav authorities are opposed to the Yugoslav C.L.N. being replaced by AMG officials. (U.P.)

7. Tito's troops to leave Pola tomorrow. British troops have landed in the Pola port.

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18. In Milan the general strike ended with a demonstration for better epuration; Milanese women against black market.

19. Workers of the Marghera plants - Venice - go on strike and ask for increase of salaries.

AFTERNOON PAPERS

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1. Cerabona and E.N.A.C. have made a complete muddle of the question of transports and paralyzed the whole thing; on the contrary, C.I.T. and other enterprises which were left to private

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4. Statement of Col. Poletti about the fate of the Republican soldiers: at present they are considered as prisoners of war. They are being moved, but informations are soon to be given. - The Verona-Bologna, Verona-Vicenza-Venezia, and Milan-Bologna railways to be shortly rehabilitated. The Milan Stock Exchange to be reopened.

5. Two Italian soldiers murdered in Alto Adige. It is rumoured that the population of Aldo Adige feels that the nazi-fascists are getting active once more.

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towards the feelings of the others, then Professor Ferruccio Parri might become the recognised founder of a new class of Italian leaders.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Taking occasion from the news appeared yesterday of the discharge, in the north, of all commissioners appointed by the C.L.N., Unità complains about the lack of comprehension shown by the A.M.G. on the Italian situation.

2. Famine threatens Sardinia, stated Pinna interviewed by Unità.

3. Radio Moscow relates, in Italian, that in Great Britain and in America the reactionary press is carrying on an anti-Italian campaign. The London Times, for instance - said the speaker - has published absurd news about the existence, in the north, of local "soviet" and has stated that in Milan the people want a social republic, though the majority of the population is moderate. Where did the unknown correspondent of Times get this fantastic news? It is quite true that the Italians of the north have expressed their opinion, but not through the soviet". They have expressed it by the heroic struggle and the general insurrection of April.

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because of his years, Meuccio Ruini, who likes to dream that the C.L.N. being made supreme in the choice of ministers and then failing to come to agreement under Parri might well turn to him.

4. Interview with Aldisio. He feels the govt must be national in character and not devoted to a particular class. Stresses importance of attention to regional problem.

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

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GLOBO (Economic)

1. An Italian delegation is to leave shortly for Switzerland to study, with the Swiss Govt, the possibilities of re-establishing commercial exchanges between the two nations; Giuseppe Messina makes suggestions.

2. Prices of food, clothing and shoes in Milan have reached the Rome standard; long article by Carlo Vaccaro giving figures and details.

3. There is no limitation on exchange of goods between the north and the south. Only for rationed food will special authorization be necessary.

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3. Babeuf writes maliciously on the article in RICOSTRUZIONE (see above). This talk of putting aside the Luogotenente and Stone's consent to such an attitude - one would think it was UNITA' or AVANTI. But no, it is that old Republican, no less ambitious

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QUOTIDIANO (Independent Catholic)

1. Public Parsi writes on the tragic adventures of workers and soldiers who were interned in Germany.

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14. Starting on Wednesday the tram service will go on until midnight.

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OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican)

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2. The Manchester Guardian writes that freedom of discussion should be allowed in Italy, and finds it absurd that the south - which is less democratic - should have more freedom than the north. Very shortly the A.M.G. will hand over the whole of Italy to the Italian Govt, goes on the paper, but at present there is too much control over political discussions, which are necessary to the Italian people to decide their future. (REUTER)

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9. Plans for a canal uniting Milan to the Po have been drawn up. (C.V.)

10. Swiss radio reports that very shortly Italo-Swiss frontiers will be reopened to tourism.

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Late at night Parri spent one more hour with the members of the C.L.N.A.I., at the Grand Hotel.

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And they can have these qualities only if they have had some experience of political life.

2. Plans for reactivating Italian Chambers of Commerce abroad are under study.

3. The milk industry, in Lombardy, has not suffered very much; legal price of milk is 4 lire per litre, while it can be had on the black market for about 10 lire.

4. Italian hemp to be sold to the Allies.

5. a.m. writes on the future of Italian tourism.

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2. Parri's account of conversation with Admiral Stone. He described it as very cordial and he had the impression that the Allies too are awaiting with confidence the solution of the crisis.

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

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4. Article on sickness insurance.

5. Bridges are being repaired in Lombardy.

6. An international congress to be held shortly in Naples for studying means of salvaging sunken ships. (Reuter)

7. No leather shoes have arrived yet from the north. Article giving figures and details of production and prices.

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LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. The C.G.I.L. means to have a regulating function in the economic and social field and will not be disregarded. If the reactionary forces prevent the formation of a Govt, the working classes will intervene and assume their share of responsibility in the political direction of the country. (Giovanni Canini)

2. Attack against Fedrici who is opposing the Commissioner appointed to his concern and tries to bring dissension among the workers.

LIBERA STAMPA - N.N.

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another step forward, in the solution of the crisis, unless we begin by the Costituente; this new Govt which is being formed with so much difficulty must be the Govt of the Costituente. Nenni then goes on expressing surprise at the Allied Commission's note and particularly at the mention of prolonging the institutional truce; though recognising our position of defeated nation, it is very hard, he says, to see that the Allies still have the right to interfere in our home policy.

2. Why oblige those poor improvised farmers who have managed to build small kitchen gardens on the banks of the Tiber, go give up their hard earned small crops? Surely it is not all of a sudden so urgent to start the work of setting in order the banks of the river; or, if this has become all of a sudden a very urgent necessity, why not start on those stretches of bank where there are no cultivations?

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2. When Italo-Swiss frontiers reopen to traffic - as it seems they will very shortly, then communications between Rome, Milan and Paris will be possible; these communications are considered very important by the Allies for movement of their troops. (I.N.S.)

3. Plans are under study to transport coal from the Ruhr to Italy by river. Long detailed article by Carlo Vaccaro.

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be able to give a feeling of union to the govt coalition.

TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

1. With 'posthumous solicitude' the authorities are trying to convince the South that nobody meant to offend it and that it comes first with the men of the North. However it is difficult to bridge the gap, and any govt to come, whether republican or monarchic, will find itself without roots, without credit. Government means the comprehension of the superior interests of the community. The North and the South form Italy, the Italian State which must have its place in the new society of the States.

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MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. After yesterday's consultations, Parri knows now that at the bottom of the ministerial crisis there is a political crisis which concerns all the parties. The working masses, says Nenni, have contributed to the three Govts which have followed one another, without ever having a representation worthy of the force they represent; but now we, who represent these masses, will not take

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speak about the political side of the question which will be solved at the peace table, but only about the economic one. They must not remain as refugees in Italy any longer, but must be sent back to the work they left in Africa, for their own good and for the good of our country, says Giuseppe Cavallaro.

2. Interview with Leonida Rech, president of the "Associazione del Lavoro". It is necessary, he said, to create a union in work among all those who contribute to production.

3. Article on the exhibition of masterpieces in Palazzo Venezia.

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In the Washington political circles Admiral Stone's statement to the Italian Govt has been judged as a very good means of hastening the solution of the crisis which is considered as having lasted already too long; and particularly his request of postponing the institutional questioned is judged as very timely

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country had managed to put aside all party feelings and interests. Let us hope, says Unità, that this same feeling which inspired them during the clandestine period, will continue to live in the minds of all Italian patriots who have now to fight for freedom and democracy.

2. Leading article in praise of Parri who never fraternized with Fascism and who did not wait for the 25 of July to show openly his real feelings and aims. We feel sure, goes on the article, that Parri will understand that the two main things now are, to install a new regime, really democratic and anti-fascist and to find a place, in the Govt of national unity, for the working masses.

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2. Publication of decree on rents has been held up by C.G.I.L. This does not seem right to R.L. pointing out there has been plenty of discussion and full authorization given to the law.

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UNITA' (Communist)

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situation of Italy. This declaration has been like a slap to the Italian public opinion, that is to say that part of the population outside the parties which believed it had won some rights after two years of work and fight against the nazi-fascists. Only the parties seem to be indifferent to the statement and this because they have a dirty conscience. Really responsible for this statement are the Allies themselves because they imposed an armistice on Italy which forbade her to show her real possibilities of fighting for freedom. The Allies created the C.L.Ns. and imposed them on the country allowing them to get the monopoly of national life. Now the Allies reap the harvest of their mistakes, that is the anarchy which has been sweeping the country for over a year. The Italian people cannot bear any longer a dictatorship of the C.L.N., they have the right to ask for a Govt which is not supported by foreign guns.

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observed that Italy is still treated as an enemy country. Obviously it is said, the institutional truce must end when the campaign for the Costituente begins; otherwise how are the people to be educated in the merits of the question. It is hoped that the provinces still under AMG will return as soon as possible to the Govt.

3. Commentary on Sardinia. Transportation and communications with mainland needed. The continent will have to come to the help of the island.

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ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

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TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

1. Commenting on the crisis Ordel B. writes that Italy mustn't forget that she is still in part under Allied control. Mistrust and suspicion against Bonomi will probably crop up again against his successor and this before long, for they are caused by the state of unrest and disorganization of the country which will go on as long as we look for a solution without taking reality in consideration.

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2. Comment on the Allies' conditions for the new Govt: it is

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1. Braidotti's article on small industries and artisans; they are faced with terrible difficulties and are being stifled by bureaucracy.

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2. Florence has returned to life, writes Carlo Cucciolli.

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3. It seems that the exact spot where Mussolini has been buried in Milan is now known to the general public and that every day somebody goes and treads on his tomb. (I.N.S.)

4. Many bottles of asphyxiating gas, buried by the Germans, were discovered near Reggio Emilia.

5. It seems that the Spanish Govt has decided to pay its debts to Italy.

6. More numerous arrests and death sentences in the north.

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2. By order of Marshal Alexander the French troops are leaving Val d'Aosta where they are being replaced by Americans, further news from London states that France will set forth, at the Peace Conference, the question of cultural problems in Val d'Aosta, as well as the question of rectification of her frontiers. (I.N.S.)

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EPOCA (Independent Leftist)

1. Parri has overcome all obstacles in forming the govt, according to EPOCA, save that the C.D.s are insisting on Education and threatening to wreck the govt if they don't get it. IL POPOLO is quoted to that effect. It is also reported that there are to be three new ministries, Labour, Reconstruction and Post War Relief.

2. Bevilacqua writes from Milan. There is an uneasiness in the air, a vague sense of something - no one knows what - about to happen. Rising prices are causing dismay and resentment

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3. Parri is doing very well but EPOCA points out that it is not enough to say "bravo, Parri" and forget the matter. Democracy means everyone interested in the govt and all the time. Parri will want help as well as approval.

INDIPENDENTE

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VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. The ministry is formed and it's the same old thing, writes r.p. Parri, an honest man, will be smothered by the bureaucracy of the Interni, Casa Savoia will still be in charge of the Army, Nenni will have his claws clipped, Togliatti knows nothing of law and will rely on his advisers-all moderates. The Allies, as Togliatti has said, were supposed to drive out the Fascists and then consult the Italian people, but from Salerno on they have forced on us a number of unilateral commitments. Of course there was no reason why anyone - save Badoglio and his group - should ever have accepted these obligations. As for the present signing either it is done with intent to deceive and then the Allies will intervene, or else it is done in good faith in which case to talk about the government of the Costituente is absurd. As for us we will stay out of it - and in three months we shall remind the Italian people of what we said.

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3. Lorenzo Marinese writes on discontent among Sicilian peasants for the low price of wheat.

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4. Italian production of sugar will be very scarce.

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5. Some preparations should be made in the field of tourism in view of the visitors who will come to Italy in 1950, that is the "holy year".

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L'Unità (C.G.I.L.)

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2. Lizzadri and Di Vittorio have gone to Milan to attend the Congress of the Camera del Lavoro which will coordinate the action of the trade unions.

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MOMENTO

1. Except for the C.L.N., there was no unity in Italy. The new Govt is faced with a huge task. The country is supposed to have regained its freedom for over a year, but nothing has changed; fascist laws are still in force and democratization is but a word. The citizens must feel they are being protected by just laws and supported in their work for reconstruction. All this we expect from the Parri Ministry. (F. Paolo Giordani)

POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Il Popolo gives in full the joint official announcement

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of all the parties declaring that they did not object to the assignement of the Education portfolio to the Christian Democrats.

2. Private property and private initiative should be maintained and supported, writes Novello Papafava.

RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal)

1. Much, in international peace, depends on Italy, says Ricimerc, and on her capacity of showing the world that she is a serious, ordered country, willing to cooperate with the work of her citizens, in international reconstruction.

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2. There is lots of work to be done at Centocelle, says Unità; this part of Rome is without water and in a very bad condition.

3. The question of the Lido of Ostia must be solved.

4. Article on the National Feminine Confederation of Italian Communist women.

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Nenni, speaking to the members of his party, stated that "the do not intend to carry out a sectarian political line but that they are willing and capable of creating national political solidarity

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2. Paul Boncour, speaking in San Francisco and having mentioned the necessity of trying to avoid future aggressions, like the German one in 1940, said: "We should make pacts of non-aggression with Great Britain, Holland, Belgium, and, now that Fascism has been eliminated, even with Italy. (A.P.)

3. Discussions on the Trieste matter were interrupted, according to TANJUG, because of disagreement between the anglo-Americans and the Yugoslavs on the civilian administration of those territories which, following the agreement of the 9th of June, have passed under Allied control.

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12. Morandi, Brusasca, and other members of the C.L.N.A.I. and of the C.L.Ns. of the north, left Rome yesterday.

13. Biagi has been condemned to 16 years imprisonment, and Chiavolini to 14.

14. Block to be lifted from Italian patrimony in Brazil. (U.P.)

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15. Gold coins and jewellery discovered at Valdagno. (A.S.)

16. The electric plant of Castel Madama has been reactivated.

17. In Padova, during a trial, one of the prisoners was lynched by the crowd while others were beaten. The C.L.N. of the town and the Mayor, deplore the incident, and urge the citizens to be calm, promising them that the popular will will be satisfied by the organism of legal justice.

AFTERNOON PAPERS

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should not merely be called the Govt of the Costituente, but the Govt of the Costituente and of Reconstruction. Our party has been assigned two very important Ministries, Food and Reconstruction; we feel sure that our friends will be able to face the difficult situation with the calm strength which derives from political preparation and hard work. Parri, though belonging to a party, does not represent this party; he represents anti-fascism, he represents the C.L.N. and the new Italian Democracy which wants to work and, through work, to rebuild the country.

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MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. Nenni's speech. Gives history of the crisis and states

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his program. Wants to have Costituente convoked within a few months, is planning special committees to study agrarian reform, socialization of monopolies and communal and regional autonomy. Promises that Socialist and Communist unity will continue, says the will of the Socialists is still Republican. On this ground there is agreement with Parri, though in social matters Parri does not share the Soc. point of view. Nenni also promises expeditious action in matter of Fascist sanctions though there will be no room for personal vendettas.

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1. Comparing Parri's Cabinet to the first Bonomi Govt, Scrutator writes that the two are exactly alike. In both cases the parties made a coalition with the common purpose of not doing anything, of not governing. It is also evident that the C.L.N. wanted to monopolize power in order to make sure that the "Costituente" will bring the Republic. Therefore nobody can trust the equity and objectivity of Parri's Cabinet.

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2. Today we have this certainty: that under the protection of the Allied armies the C.L.N. dictatorship will set up the Republic, writes I.N. commenting on Nenni's declarations on the program of the new government.

3. It is said that a whole block of houses will be assigned to German Prisoners in Livorno. It is absurd to requisition houses just in that town where whole families have to live in one room only because of the destructions caused by the Germans.

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MOVIMENTO

1. Article by Public on small industries. As there is only a limited amount of raw materials, which are the industries which the State should help first? The State must not allow industrial groups well trained to achieve their own ends to get the upperhand. Such large concerns, usually in close alliance with one another represent disturbing elements in the socially useful play of competition. The problem of industrial rehabilitation ought to be considered from the point of view of the allotment of raw materials and funds to the various territories. To favour large concerns

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would mean the collapse of many small plants; besides, the employment of manpower would not take place according to a national plan, but would vary according to the regions.

2. The numerous crimes which are being committed every day are deplorable but so is the inexplicable slowness of justice and its too mild verdicts which shock popular conscience.

DOPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Let us hope that the new Cabinet will have a prosperous life, writes Guido Gonella. It is doubtful that a Government of six parties can be efficient, as it was proved by the December crisis. But what is really engrossing is the animosity which poisoned the last crisis. The Christian Democrats are prepared to make all possible efforts towards a loyal cooperation for national rebirth.

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Terzaghi continues writing on the future of Italian steel industry, while Fulvio Maccia writes on the necessity of modernising the glass industry.

2. A relation of the Textile Division of the A.C. on the plans for importing raw materials for reactivating the textile industries of northen Italy.

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3. The "Cisa-Viscosa" to restart shortly its Roman production of "rayon".

4. Plans are under study for commercial exchanges between Belgium and Italy.

5. In Naples workers and employees will be able to buy shoes at fixed prices varying between 1300 and 2400 lire per pair.

6. The New York branch of the bank of Naples to reopen shortly.

7. 500 kilos of nylon produced daily in Verbania.

8. Nitric acid is being produced again in the Mara Maestro works.

9. 14 Italian firms in Spain have been cancelled from the Allies' black list. (ORBIS)

10. On the electric situation in Sicily.

UOMO (Independent)

1. It seems that we are moving towards the formation of the Costituente, says Arturo Labriola, it would therefore be natural to introduce in the new charter which marks the political organisation of the country, the principle of regional financial and economic autonomy. If we want to avoid regional separatism, he goes on, we must have a certain amount of regional autonomy; a federalist solution might represent a good solution in the circumstances.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Fifty days have been spent by the members of the parties in discussions, but the actual crisis, says Unità, only lasted 8 days; which can really be considered as a very short time. Anyhow these 58 days, concludes the Communist paper, have shown that nothing can be done outside the C.L.N.

2. Article on the functioning of the 130 price control commissions.

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The Undersecretaries have not yet been appointed, but an agreement has been reached on their number; they are to be 24,4 for each party. It seems possible that the post of Undersecretary of Post-war welfare will be occupied by a woman.

Parri sent yesterday a message to a Naples newspaper, stating that he is equally concerned with the future of Naples as with that of Milan, and that the Govt's first aim is "reconstruction".

2. The Agency France Press has transmitted the following news dated from Rome: three ships full of coal for the industries of northern Italy, which should have been unloaded in Genoa, have been ordered, by Allied authorities, to change their route. This measures is evidently intended as a warning to the new Italian Govt; it must be remembered that before the formation of the Cabinet the A.C. issued a communiqué recalling the conditions which the Govt had to respect according to the clauses of the armistice; first of all maintainance of the existing political institutions.

3. At a Press meeting in Milan Alexander stated that Italy, according to him, has rehabilitated herself the day she began fighting with the United Nations as cobelligerant and that, from the military point of view, the secrete clauses of the armistice have lost all their value, and that if they are not made public it is purely for political reasons. He then praised the Italian troops, and stated that all territorial and frontier questions will be settled at the peace table. (U.P.)

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Parri sent yesterday a message to a Naples newspaper, stating that he is equally concerned with the future of Naples as with that of Milan, and that the Govt's first aim is "reconstruction".

2. The Agency France Press has transmitted the following news dated from Rome: three ships full of coal for the industries of northern Italy, which should have been unloaded in Genoa, have been ordered, by Allied authorities, to change their route. This measures is evidently intended as a warning to the new Italian Govt; it must be remembered that before the formation of the Cabinet the A.C. isuued a communiqué recalling the conditions which the Govt had to respect according to the clauses of the armistice; first of all maintainance of the existing political institutions.

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5. The Ministry of Post and Telecommunications will have its seat in Viale Aventino in the building which should have housed the Ministry of Italian East Africa.

6. An Allied Chief of Staff officer explained that the "Morgan Line" does not intend to be a tactically defensible frontier line. An agreement has been reached about the town of Pola; the Allies will occupy the town, the port and the air-field, while the Yugoslavs will remain in possession of the suburbs and

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of the Brioni isles. The Allies will furthermore enjoy right of transit between Pola and Trieste. (REUTER)

7. The General Director of UNRRA announces that by the end of June UNRRA food relief to Italy will have reached 77 thousand tons. UNRRA will also concern itself with repatriation of 850,000 Italians at present in Germany. (A.P.)

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19. Bread ration has been increased in Trieste.

20. Demonstrations took place in Venice to protest against the high cost of living.

21. The Swiss Govt announced that Alfieri, Bastianini, Edda Ciano, Volpi, and other Fascists will be expelled from Switzerland; they will be accompanied by Swiss authorities as far as the frontier. (S.I.D.I.)

21. Italy too will receive a certain number of American prebuilt houses.

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AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE

1. Article by Mab. on the frightful increase of venereal diseases due to war.

2. Article on the financial difficulties of the Holy See.

3. The solution of the Lido of Ostia difficulties is not very simple, says Capitale.

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2. The recostitution of the Italian Unions Confederation and of the National League of Cooperatives means a return to freedom which is the essential element of cooperative order.

RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

1. Debates with Popolo which seems to find the functions of the Ministry for Reconstruction useless.

2. Sick people never see the supplements they should get through Sepral.

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2. The agreement signed by the Allies and the Yugoslavs, deprives Italy of many valuable products; Italy thus loses about half her national production of coal, almost all the bauxite and a good part of quick-silver.

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3. Numerous boats and ships and other valuable material have been sunk in the port of Genoa by the Germans.

4. Globo publishes a letter from the A.C. explaining the exact situation of the trucks which had been sent over to Italy from America and which had been used by the A.C. for transport of supplies to the civilian population. The Transport Sub-Commission of the A.C. urge the Italian Govt to accept those missions which are already set up. Globo thanks the A.C. for the explanation.

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2. In North Italy, the secretaries of the C.G.I.L. and the trade unions discuss salaries, prices and supplies. The problem of unemployment which is threatening the workers of the industrial centres because of the lack of raw materials will also be discussed.

3. Interview with Lizzadri: the unity of the trade unions is deeply felt in the North.

LIBERA STAMPA

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Our new Govt should be considered in Italy with the same hopeful expectation with which it is considered abroad; its first duty, says Secolo XX, is to be a unitarian Govt capable of abolishing the cleavage which has been formed between the north and the south.

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2. Article on the gold and currency black market, in piazza Colonna - Rome - and in piazza Cordusio - Milan.

3. The C.L.N.A.I. has made some changes in the first aid plans.

4. If raw materials, particularly coal and iron, do not arrive in Italy immediately, in a few weeks all works will have to close down, and this will mean thousands of unemployed and starvation, specially in the north. We believe, writes Secolo XX, that the Allies have no intention of abandoning Italy to misery, but all the same we must recognise that the Italian internal situation during these past months has not been such as to inspire confidence on the part of the Allies. With order and good will and work, we must show them that we are worthy of their help.

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12. Admiral H.R. Stark received by the Pope.

13. The Brenner railway almost completely repaired by German prisoners.

14. Milan workers go on strike because salaries have not been increased to meet the increased cost of living; demonstrations also in Turin, Pavia, Brescia and Novara.

15. Shortage of gas and water in Naples.

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16. The British press asks that a political line of non-intervention be practice in dealing with Italian internal matters for, the greater the responsibilities left to the Parri Govt and the greater will its possibilities of success be.

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INDIPENDENTE

1. The Allies have reminded the ministers that they must respect the institutional truce till the Italian nation has the opportunity of making its own choice. This does not mean that the preliminary studies for the Costituente shouldn't be started;

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INDIPENDENTE

1. The Allies have reminded the ministers that they must respect the institutional truce till the Italian nation has the opportunity of making its own choice. This does not mean that the preliminary studies for the Costituente shouldn't be started; it may also be possible to negotiate to obtain the modification of the Allied decision. - The Consulta must prepare an electoral law expressing the new tendencies and aspirations. The Costituente will have to choose between monarchy and republic. It was therefore essential for the new Ministry to divide the tasks between Nenni and Brosio.

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politics; this explain why some [illegible] can talk of their being 'tolerated' and unable to fulfil some charges of great and public responsibility. The Catholics have to prove by their presence on the whole front of national life that in Italy they are the 'hosts' and not the 'guests'. (M. Tupini)

2. It is again rumoured that the S. Lorenzo Basilica is soon to be rebuilt; it is high time to start working.

3. The Commissariat for Lodgings must have the material possibility of working. 60 employees are housed in 11 rooms and supposed to receive from 500 to 1000 people daily.

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2. Only a complete knowledge of their plans might have enabled the Italian army to collaborate with the Allies, after the 8th of September; the ignorance of these plans has instead caused the complete disbandment of the Italian troops. It is not entirely their fault, says Achille Corona, if the Allies did not trust Italy completely for she was then represented by Badoglio and the King. The writer then goes on commenting on the letter written by General Smith, Chief of Staff of the Allied forces, to General Castellano, Badoglio's envoy.

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prisoners' return on a new basis and hopes that the Allies will re-examine the whole problem. We hope that if the transport situation allows it, the P.O.W. who are still in the United Nations will be able to return to Italy.

La Malfa stressed the importance of the problem of transport in the reconstruction of the country.

L'ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

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6. The "Concentrazione autonomista meridionale" has been formed in Naples. It aims at solving economic and administrative problems of Southern Italy and at protecting industrial and agricultural interests. It is not a separatist movement but it might become one. The South has proved that it can live even without the industrial North.

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LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. Il Lavoro approves of the formation of the new Ministries. The workers are conscious of the new historical part they have to play and are certainly not going to give it up. The Parri Govt is an improvement on the Bonomi one; however, though the workers mean to collaborate with the Govt of the Costituente, they are going to strengthen their organizations, in order to be more adequately represented in the future.

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RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal)

1. Protest against the exclusion of the former Minister of Finance from the new Govt because he had once possessed a Fascist

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card. Is the erstwhile possession of this damning card to overshadow the years spent in prison as a reward for later anti-fascist activities, to say nothing of the intelligence and capacity of the Minister in question?

2. Food shortage under hard Yugoslav Govt for the Italian population of Pola and Fiume.

STOCLO XX (Economic)

1. General living conditions and prices in Turin. Fiat and Lancia factories only waiting for coal to start production.

2. New measures of taxation to substitute stamp duties.

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3. For the first time the High Commissioner for sanctions against Fascist crimes has availed himself of the right of appealing to the "Corte di Cassazione" against a sentence which he judged as not being severe enough. This has happened following the trial of Giuseppina d'Amato, who was absolved by the High Court of Naples in spite of her record of collaboration with the Germans. (ANSA)

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4. Following orders issued by A.M.G. price of medicines has been increased in the north.

5. A "food-barrier" has been set up between the north and the south of Italy in order to control all movement of food.

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18. It is foreseen that this year the wheat crop will be about 25 % smaller than last year.

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AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE - N.N.

EPOCA (Independent Leftist)

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2. If Italy doesn't have an internal policy worthy of the name, she will greatly compromise reconstruction and what is more, the independence and unity of the country. France, Yugoslavia, Austria even are making claims. Meanwhile Italian statesmen wrangle about the best way of allotting goods that nobody really means to produce, and are definitely bent on vengeance. (S. Federici)

RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

1. Nordico praises Bonomi's work; At first, the Allies didn't believe that the union of the 6 parties would give any

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concrete result. However, Bonomi convinced them that the C.L.N. was better than Badoglio.

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GLOBO (Economic)

1. G.M. di Simone stresses the importance of other public loans, in order to break up the vicious circle of inflation.

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2. Article on the damage caused by war in Terni; 30 % of the houses demolished, and 45 % seriously damaged; but those industrial establishments which could be reactivated, are working. (Gerolamo Pedoja)

3. Article on commercial relations between Italy and Great Britain.

4. The tree nurseries in the Pistoia region have not been damaged.

5. The Fiat works to build special large engines for merchant fleet.

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4. Fronte Giuliano at Rome protests against "Morgan line".

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. Comments on Parri's speech: he wants to be and will be the friend of the workers; he wants their collaboration and knows their living conditions. (Vezio Muricldi)

2. The Rome Prefect asked the A.S.A. Vigilance Committee for bakeries to be placed under public management. The C.G.I.L. had already made this suggestion, but the administrative authorities had followed the example of inefficiency given by the Bonomi Govt.

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3. The meetings of the Camere del Lavoro of Northern Italy start today; the problems of unemployment, reconstruction, salaries and also that of the high cost of living are to be discussed. - Di Vittorio stresses the importance of the unity of the trade unions.

Examining the problems of Lombardia, Col. Poletti stated that the C.G.I.L. has been authorized to make agreements with the manufacturers a propos of the salaries; these agreements are to be submitted to the approval of A.M.G. A committee composed of a representative of the Govt, a delegate of the C.d.L. and a delegate of the Industrial Union will have an advisory function, for such problems as negotiations about salaries, cost of living, finding work for ex-prisoners or repatriated workers.

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2. R.L. publishes a letter by Pesenti, ex Minister of Finance, who wishes to make clear some points about his anti-fascist record which has been criticised.

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Antonio Barendson points out the necessity, for Italian rebirth, of getting raw materials from the Allies. Without this help Italy cannot possibly hope to start a new life. It remains to be seen also if she will be able to pay for what help she may get with exchange of goods, or if she will once more be reduced to her role of a poor country living on charity.

2. Summary executions which are still being carried on in the north are humiliation for all Italians, says Secolo XX.

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5. The composer Blanc, author of the fascist official hymn, "Giovinezza", arrested by the Allied police.

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6. The first list of maximum prices to be charged in Rome, has been issued.

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7. According to the French paper "Resistance" Val d'Aosta has the right to decide its own future. Of 30,000 voters, says "Resistance" 25,000 have opted for incorporation with France.

8. Following a misterious telephone call which was made in the early morning 60,000 workers abandoned their work in Trieste. (REUTER)

9. 56 accomplices of Pietro Koch to be tried in Milan; death sentences in Alessandria and Verona. (ORBIS)

10. The new Minister of war, Stefano Jacini, sent a message to the army, saying that he will work with the same faith and enthusiasm as his predecessor, and inviting all the troops to collaborate with him.

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INDIPENDENTE

1. Aldo Boni's article on the danger of t.b. 300 thousand people suffering from t.b. are about to come back to Italy, and every possible means of defence must be used against this terrible plague. The creation of a High Commissariat for Public Health is most timely; we must try and save the present generation and as far as possible protect the future ones.

OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican)

1. The first thing to be reconstructed, writes P. Bianchi, is the family.

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2. The Costituente or the Revolution, says Azzi in a speech.

3. Long article from London ECONOMIST pointing out that centralization of power in Italy runs contrary to Anglo-Saxon idea of democracy. Approving comment by V.R. "Not all advice from England is good but here they are right".

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1. Calosso writes on the need of freely discussing the Costituente. It is folly to think of putting aside discussion until "zero hour".

2. Open letter to Mr. Crowley, head of FEA asking him please not to overlook the one Italian delegate among those of so many other nationalities that flock around his desk.

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5. Riccardo Forte says that complete freedom of traffic might be re-established if the right to buy and sell were given only to specially authorised dealers.

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Only the C.L.N. can produce a temperary Govt which will really prepare and defend the Costituente. However, those who support the House of Savoy wouldn't be speaking about 'despotic monopoly' if the Luogotenente had been able to create the much wished for ministry of technicians and neutral men, excluding the representatives of the six parties. The new Govt does not express exclusively the interests of the parties; the forces of democracy can only be consolidated by a govt which will adapt the rythm of national life to the requirements and claims of the people, and destroy fascist remains. (F. Fancello)

2. Sardinia is waiting for the trial of Generals Basso and Castegna, guilty of treason, writes Seroiks.

3. P.W.B. is reputed to be anti-fascist; it is to be hoped it won't allow the publication in Bologna of 'Il Resto del Carlino' and 'L'Avvenire d'Italia' well known in all Emilia for having spread fascist propaganda for twenty years.

4. It is to be hoped that fish and meat will reappear on the market.

ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

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2. Sardinia is waiting for the trial of Generals Basso and Castegna, guilty of treason, writes Seroiks.

3. P.W.B. is reputed to be anti-fascist; it is to be hoped it won't allow the publication in Bologna of 'Il Resto del Carlino' and 'L'Avvenire d'Italia' well known in all Emilia for having spread fascist propaganda for twenty years.

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3. Welcome of the workers to Berbareschi, Minister of Labour.

LIBERA STAMPA

1. The British always answer Italian requests in the following way: lack of shipping, England has her own problems and is fighting Japan, Italy followed Germany till Stalingrad and El Alamein. After a year of fighting side by side, mistrust is deeply rooted

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in British public opinion; this mistrust prevents Great Britain from coping with the present problems, and makes her treat Parri as if he were the spiritual heir of Mussolini. British mistrust prevents Liberty ships from being manned with Italian sailors, from using Italian manpower to relieve British manpower. British mistrust has prevented a real Italo-British collaboration which ought to be part of a greater Anglo-European collaboration.

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5. Something should be done to relieve the grave threat of unemployment looming over Italy due to lack of fuel.

TEMPO (Independent)

1. Epicarmo Corbino, writing on the Italian financial situation, says that stabilisation of currency should be solved separately from confiscation of Fascist profits; it would be a

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mistake to handle the two matters together.

2. Interviewed by the "Corriere di Sicilia" Parri stated that he will visit Sicily as soon as possible - that, as a matter of fact, if he could have obeyed his impulse he would have gone immediately following his appointment at President of the Council - Speaking about the unity of price of wheat throughout the whole of the Country, which rather frightens Sicilian farmers, Parri said that the matter will be carefully studied.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Listening to Parri on the Radio, writes V.S., we had for the first time the impression of listening to the president of a really democratic Italian Govt. We were specially struck by his tone, the tone of a man who sincerely believes what he says.

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June 27, 1945.

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GENERAL

1. The Council of Ministers met yesterday morning at 11 hours; a film was taken by the "Nuova Luce" news-reel films, and then work began. It was decided to hold a meeting of the Council every Wed; at 16 hours, and that drafts, except in cases of urgency, be submitted five days before the meetings; after this the program of the new Govt was approved (See yesterday's Digest under No. 1.) The list of undersecretaries was approved (See below) and then it was decided, following examination of a decree presented by Nenni, to abolish the title of "Eccellenza". In the afternoon Soleri made a statement on the Italian financial situation and the budget for the coming two months was approved. A Committee including Ruini, La Malfa, Gronchi, Scoccimarro and Barbareschi, was formed to study economic coordination of prices, salaries and wages between the South and the North. The publication of the decree on increase of rents was postponed for further examination.

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| (Merchant) | Angelo Corsi | Socialist |
| - Post War Relief | Mario Ferrara | Liberal |
| - Public Works | Giuseppe Bruno | Action Party |
| - Reconstruction | Vittorio Foa | Action Party |
| - Transport | Antonio Priolo | Socialist |
| (Post) | Mario Fano | Independent |
| - Treasury | Giovanni Persico | Labour Democrat |
| | Pietro Mastino | Action Party |

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- War — Pompeo Colajanni, Gen. Luigi Chatrian — Communist

The appointment of Vittorio Foà (Reconstruction) is not certain yet; a second undersecretary for Post War Relief has still to be appointed.

2. The 24 hour strike in Trieste has come to an end without any incident. "Tanjug" states that the A.M.G. in Venezia Giulia has been acting against the peace conference decisions, by re-establishing Italian Fascist administration; this, concludes Tanjug, represents a great menace for the interests and the rights of the people in Venezia Giulia (REUTER)

3. The Allies handed over 62 trucks of used tyres to the Pirelli works at Tor Spaccata - Rome.

4. Arts and crafts workers who gathered in Rome ask for an Undersecretariat for Arts and Crafts, and for a "general direction" of the same.

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7. It seems that at the peace conference Ethiopia will ask Italy also for Somaliland. (U.P.)

8. Parri and other Ministers to visit the North before the end of the week.

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13. Owing to drought there are two million tons of wheat less than there should have been.

14. A deficit of 150 billion lire is foreseen for the financial year 1945-46.

15. General MacNarney stated that in 1946 only 2500 Americans will remain in Italy and that one division will remain in Trieste. (ANSA)

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16. State employees ask for increase of salaries.

17. In America more funds have been allotted to Italian indastrial rebirth.

AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE - N.N.

EPOCA (Independant Leftist) - N.N.

INDIPENDENTE

1. Comments on the program of the new Govt. The authority can only come from the consent of the people. The ideal of the Govt is to include as many popular forces as possible, to interpret their ideals. A well ordered democracy can always entrust the people with supreme responsabilities; this is one of the characteristics of progressive democracy. Those who are frightened by the presence of the communists in the Govt have no reason to worry. The strength of the Parri cabinet lies in the various currents of opinion of the parties. It is essential to summon the Costituente without delay. A Govt which has to cope with reality, lead the State towards new forms of life, conciliate its aspirations with those of other countries cannot neglect the problems of foreign policy, which are most urgent because of our situation in regard to the Allies and other nations. However, all this must be based on moral invigoration of public life, starting with sanctions ageinst Fascism and epuration.

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2. Rebuttal of AVANTI's defence of the Consulta as a form of liaison between Govt and people. V.R. quotes Bertini as being against it and cannot understand AVANTI's present attitude.

3. Debate with Ingrosso of the Corte dei Conti on the function of the Senate during the Costituente. According to V.R. the Senate should cease to function as soon as the Costituente is convoked.

4. Extension of the amnesty to recently liberated regions is an act of clemency and justice. But it is not yet complete because

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cases judged by the Allied Military Courts do not come under the amnesty. This is regrettable in V.R.'s opinion.

MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. Leader stresses that this government is really the Govt of the people and is anxious to maintain contact with the people. The Consulta is admittedly a stop-gap but perhaps it can be improved. In any case it will in no sense replace the Costituente which will be the real spokesman of the people. It is true that the legitimacy of the C.L.N. is arguable; however until the Costituente it is certainly the most adequate expression of Italian democracy. The Govt has not forgotten its international position; it has asked for an end of "the armistice regime" and the return of the Northern provinces to Italian administration. Thus, for the first time, the people have a govt which interprets their desires clearly and courageously on both the domestic and foreign front.

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ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

1. Vincenzo Lucci, after a gloomy exposition of the situation of the industrial economy in the North, writes that if a democratic regime, founded on national concord, had been realized the situation would not have looked so bad and the Allies might have granted us more quickly the promised help.

2. A partisan police has been setting up its quarters in Rome for two months, writes I.N., they carry out investigations, perquisitions, confiscations, they arrest and blackmail people. All this should be stopped at once.

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

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1. R.L. laments the fact that the Bill authorising increased profits has been put off once more for further examination. As the measure had been approved already by the last Council of Ministers, why must we have all this delay? 121

2. Cannon announces that one hundred million dollars have been put at the disposal of the American Occupational forces in Italy for helping that country.

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Angelo Sanfelice examines prices fixed for agricultural products in North Italy and expresses the opinion that they should be higher.

TEMPO (Independent)

1. Comment on the Govt program is that it might have been more specific. The general objectives as announced by the Parri cabinet we have all heard before. It must not be forgotten that the great majority of Italians, "in their instinctive political wisdom" have refrained from joining any party; they are waiting to see something concrete.

2. TEMPO is glad the Govt expresses itself as not content with Venezia Giulia arrangement but is also very skeptical about any good coming of direct negotiations.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. The question of schools is strictly connected with that of refugees, writes Unità, as all schools, or anyhow most of them, are used to house refugees. Therefore if we want to solve the school question, we must first find other lodgings for refugees.

2. Nothing has been done to solve the problem of the Lido of Ostia, where bathers have to undress on the beach; Unità finds this is not a very moral thing.

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RB/PRB June 26, 1945.

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ERRATA CORRIGE

In yesterday's Digest, in the list of Undersecretaries, Gentaro Cassiani (Labour and Welfare) has been designed as Liberal; he belongs instead to the Christian Democrat party.

GENERAL

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3. The Italian M/S Saturnia has been rebaptised "Francis Slanger" and is now the fastest hospital-ship of the world. (New York)

4. Alice Pacini, responsible for having made the Germans burn down the village of Lucchio and for having handed over to the enemy many partisans, has been arrested in Lucca.

5. Near the Lido of Venice a boat struck a floating mine; the five passengers died immediately.

6. A conflict between carabinieri and thieves took place near Barra - Naples; one of the thieves was killed.

7. Owing to damage caused by the great drought, Italy will have to import, during the coming year, 2 million tons of wheat.

8. Another "fossa tragica" has been discovered near Rome, at ponte Mammolo, where 9 patriots were buried by the Germans. The place was indicated by two young boys who have just returned from a German concentration camp, and who had witnessed the summary execution of the patriots.

9. Col. Poletti has arrived in Rome; he is lodged at the Grand Hotel.

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4. Alice Pacini, responsible for having made the Germans burn down the village of Lucchio and for having handed over to the enemy many partisans, has been arrested in Lucca.

5. Near the Lido of Venice a boat struck a floating mine; the five passengers died immediately.

6. A conflict between carabinieri and thieves took place near Barra - Naples; one of the thieves was killed.

7. Owing to damage caused by the great drought, Italy will have to import, during the coming year, 2 million tons of wheat.

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9. Col. Poletti has arrived in Rome; he is lodged at the Grand Hotel.

10. Saragat, interviewed by the Paris paper "Liberation", said that Italy intends to come to friendly agreements with all other democratic nations. Italy is already doing her best, said Saragat; to overcome the enormous difficulties due to twenty years of Fascist policy.

11. Disorders in Val d'Aosta; a bomb exploded in Suse, killing two French soldiers and an Italian woman; other incidents in Curmayeur between Italians and French; it seems that 30 million francs have been put at the disposal of the French

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13. Parri received yesterday Antonicelli, president of the regional C.L.N. of Piedmont.

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CAPITALE

1. The rumor has spread - and there probably is some truth in it - that the State - or rather the Banca d'Italia - has begun printing new currency and that a large order has been given to a New York establishment which is specialized in printing currency for foreign countries to procure several billion worth of a thousand lire notes. Evidently the Govt is preparing secretly - or not too secretely - to change all currency at present in circulation, so as to ascertain - in view of taxation - the patrimony of every citizen. This plan seems to be similar to those already carried out in France and Belgium. Following this news the black market price of foreign currency has greatly increased, and foreign money is now rather difficult to find; whoever has any is unwilling to part with it, or any how will not give it in exchange for Italian bank-notes, but only for machinery, houses or similar goods.

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2. We have often heard people who were forced to idleness during German occupation, say that they would have been willing



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to do anything - as long as they could work and be useful - even clean up rubble or the such. But then, with the liberation of Rome, these good intentions completely disappeared. Now at last it seems that some people are beginning to realize that it is high time to start working. The Brigade "Volontari della Ricostruzione" G. Mattaotti is giving the good example, says Paolo Pardo, and has begun working in Albano; most of these men are workers, but there are a great number of pale thin students - some not more than 16 years old - and a professor and a few employees. They are not paid for what they do, but they all work seriously and try very hard to do as much as they can. The Comune of Albano offers these workers, at noon, a light snack - a rol and ham - and wine "a volontà".

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1. Article by francesco Donzelli on public health in Italy. Mortality has increased by 100 %. The sanitary conditions of the population are going from bad to worse. Tropical diseases are spreading in various places. In Italy, the sanitary organization is old fashioned and insufficient. Each province ought to have an autonomous sanitary office, while sanitary officials should be considered as employees of the State and have the possibility of making a career. What can you expect of the present officials,

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mostly doctors who have no special preparation in hygiene and no prospect of a career?

TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

1. Is William Bullitt to be Ambassador in Rome?

2. The parties have given up their own particular positions and have acknowledged the need for limitations without which there is no coalition govt. The new govt means to defend freedom, i.e. it will oppose every form of violence and unlawfulness. A common denominator must be found if the citizens are to respect the law and participate in national solidarity, and if the forces of production, labour and private initiative are really to contribute to the work of reconstruction.

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3. AVANTI takes issue with RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE on the decree on rents. It is only right, says AVANTI, that the new govt should have time to reconsider a decree which Bonomi deliberately left unpublished.

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4. Abolition of the title /of Excellency is a healthy sign of the times, writes Mino Caudana.

GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. In his simple and human speech Parri said "enough with acts of violence and of arbitrary justice". Yes, writes Mario Berlinguer, Parri is right; the revolt of the north and the indignation of the people and the summary executions were a natural and just reaction to twenty years of fascist oppression; but then legal tribunals were set up and they have been working rapidly and efficiently, they may not be perfect, but this is no reason why popular and private vengeance should still be carried on. Popular reprisals do not increase our prestige in the eyes of the Allies, on the contrary; and we must keep in mind that we need the Allies' help.

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2. I.N. gives a detailed unofficial account of the incidents, supported by the local Socialists and Communists, which took place in Adria and Minervino Murge. According to I.N. some criminal bands have got hold of the town compelling the police to remain inside their barracks.

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3. The abolition of the title of "Eccellenza" reminds one of the very formal clothes adopted by the Fascists when they came to power, writes Babeuf. They both show the statesmen's indifference for public welfare and their love for their own interests.

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Article by Valentino Brosio explaining why the proposed setting-up of a new Cinecittà in Turin is doomed to certain failure, unless it is backed by an association which could assure it international markets.

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2. France orders 50,000 tons of pyrites from Italy.

3. Prices fixed for clothing are much too high - higher than those actually practised in the city.

TEMPO (Independent)

1. On situation in Minervino Murge TEMPO reserves judgment until further information is available, remarking only that this will test the Govt on the question of preserving respect for the law.

2. Report from Sicily. Flourishing black market, armed bands at large in the country, intense political activity with numerous parties and factions. (C.F.S.)

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Testorio's wife killed herself a few hours after the execution of her husband, leaving a scribbled not accusing the Communists of having killed the man she loved. Velio Spano comments on the matter stressing the importance of punishing all those who have actively collaborated in acts of violence, even if they do have a wife.

2. Article on the increase of malaria in the Pontine Marshes.

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12. The C.G.I.L. presented to the President of the Council new plans for increase of rents and for basing taxes on these rents. (ANSA)

13. The strike of the workers of the Torlonia estate has come to an end; salaries are going to be increased.

14. 32,000 roofless people in Livorno because of lodging given to German prisoners.

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18. Calm has been reestablished in Minervino Murge and Andria.

19. The new Undersecretaries took the oath yesterday at the Viminale.

20. Slovenian elements arrested in Trieste by the Allies. (REUTER)

21. According to a statement made by S.M. Keeny - chief of the Italian mission of the UNRRA, fifty million dollars have been allotted so far by UNRRA for relief to Italy.

22. A delegation of the C.G.I.L. presented to Parri a memorandum on public works, unemployment, emigration, employment of German prisoners, and increase of rents.

23. Parri's trip to the north is due to private matters.

24. Interviewed by ORBIS Ruini stated that it is his intention to continue the work done so far by the C.I.R. (Comitato Interministeriale Ricostruzione) and to coordinate the work of the various competent ministers with the aim of economic reconstruction of the country. One of the first problems to be solved is that of unemployment, he said, but it is not easy as work cannot be started until we have something to work with.

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18. Calm has been reestablished in Minervino Murge and Andria.

19. The new Undersecretaries took the oath yesterday at the Viminale.

20. Slovenian elements arrested in Trieste by the Allies. (REUTER)

21. According to a statement made by S.M. Keeny - chief of the Italian mission of the UNRRA, fifty million dollars have been allotted so far by UNRRA for relief to Italy.

22. A delegation of the C.G.I.L. presented to Parri a memorandum on public works, unemployment, emigration, employment of German prisoners, and increase of rents.

23. Parri's trip to the north is due to private matters.

24. Interviewed by ORBIS Ruini stated that it is his intention to continue the work done so far by the C.I.R. (Comitato Interministeriale Ricostruzione) and to coordinate the work of the various competent ministers with the aim of economic reconstruction of the country. One of the first problems to be solved is that of unemployment, he said, but it is not easy as work cannot be started until we have something to work with.

AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE

1. Parri has chosen to live in a small dusty room in the Viminale. Bruto does not approve of this exaggerated form of humility which recalls to mind an episode about the Roman Emperor Nero who, asked to sign a death sentence, said he was sorry he could write, and a short time later killed his mother and burnt down Rome.

2. Is Admiral Stone going to be replaced? Under this head line Capitale says there is rumor that Admiral Stone may be called back to the United States to another job and that his place as

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chief of the A.C. would be taken by Mr. Douglas, at present secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Chicago. At the same time the A.C. would lose almost completely its military character and would become a kind of advisory commercial-economic mission, while the British and American Embassies would return to their normal functions.

EPOCA (Independent Leftist)

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2. Interviewed by V.S. Brosio stated that his work will begin very shortly and that the Consulta must "accustom Italians to public debates and to free and meditated elaboration of legislature". He then explained how representatives of the north will be designated and how the Consulta will be regulated.

VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. Note from Walter Toscanini to Tarchiani. The former refused to take part in a banquet given in honor of the Ambassador of the House of Savoy. V.R. comments favorably adding that the whole govt is in the same position as Tarchiani.

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MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. A social problem. Calm has returned to Minervino Murge and thanks to the intervention of Barbareschi and Molinella we may hope there will be no further need of police or troops. But this kind of agitation is symptomatic; the reactionaries may dismiss it as brigandage but the fact is there is much poverty and suffering in the South and until that is changed there will always be trouble. The setting up of the Ministry for Post War Relief is a good step but what is needed is national social planning and a settlement of the agrarian question. (Leader)

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1. On the first of July all Italian prisoners in Italy who are at present working under Allied control, will pass under direct control of the Italian Govt thus being officially readmitted into the Italian army.

2. Riots similar to the Minervino Murge and to the Andria ones, writes G. Scavia, occur in Puglia about once a week; has the Govt not realized yet the existence of a problem of public order, in Puglia? In Rome, when these riots are taken seriously, then those who shout the loudest are usually the members or leaders of the leftist parties, and they say that these disorders

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are due to lack of thorough and severe epuration. The strange thing, ends the writer, is that most of yesterday's "squadristi" and fascists belong now to the two leftist parties.

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. For twenty months, the workers of the North have fought against the Germans, sabotaging the work, defending the plants and preventing the removal of machinery and raw materials. As a reward they find themselves unemployed, for the plants are being closed. The workers are ready to make more sacrifices, not so the manufacturers who are ready to close their plants if they do not make a profit. The workers cannot be thrown out. An effort must be made to find the remaining raw materials, and repair the machinery. In Italy and abroad, some groups are trying to prevent the concerns administered by 'Comitati d'azienda' from getting supplies. One more, class interest proves more powerful than that of the Nation. (O. Lizzadri)

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Interview with Secretary of the Comitato Industriale of Northern Italy regarding plans for the reactivation of the iron and steel industry.

2. Fishing industry begins to return to normal.

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3. Details of housing plans for the homeless in the province of Rome.

4. Railway conditions in Italy.

TEMPO (Independent)

1. Italy will soon also exchange her old bank notes for new ones printed in Italy. This operation may result in a pleasant surprise as it is possible that fewer notes than were expected are still in circulation.

2. First batch of repatriates from France to arrive in Italy soon.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. While - following the memo of the C.G.I.L. - the Govt is studying the advisability of approving the decree on increase of rents, let us point out once more - says Unità - the reasons why we believe that this decree should not be approved unless it is first corrected and changed. The various reasons can be summed up in one: increase of rents would cause increase in the economic budget - so much overloaded already - of all workers. Increase of rents would have to be followed by increase of salaries, and the workers have pledged themselves to ask for no more increases for at least three months. Furthermore a certain economic equilibrium is beginning to be noticed so why upset it again ?

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12. The press office of the presidency announces; order had been reestablished in Puglie owing to the intervention of the Govt and of the parties, but in the afternoon of the 28th a new

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incident took place at Corato, where two communists were killed by the Carabinieri; reprisals followed and three more were killed. In Andria too disorders broke out again. Scoccimarro has left for Bari.

13. The Manchester Guardian expresses hope that the Allies will give Italy all the help they can; they can also help the Parri Govt to maintain order and to reorganise the internal life of the country, by showing sympathy and understanding. Mentioning the question of the Status of Italy, the paper says that the new Italian Govt deserves to be treated as "an adult member of the European family".

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24. Edda Ciano, learning that she was going to be sent out of Switzerland, broke down and stated that she is ready to "say all she knows".

25. The ex fascist minister Renato Ricci has been arrested in Lecco. (N.N.U.)

26. Rupinacci, of the C.G.I.L., discussed with Parri the means of protecting Italian labourers who go abroad.

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AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE

1. Italians are apt to forget that it is not possible to lead a serious political life without a thorough preparation and a will to conquer a knowledge of all forms which have been used by men in their work of moral and material construction. This new Govt has been defined as the Govt of the Costituente, but no one thinks of explaining to the people the importance of this event through which the nation is preparing to give us a new collective discipline. (Ernesto Buonaiuti)

EPOCA (Independent Leftist) - N.N.

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1. As long as there are armed bands richly supplied with bombs and machine guns, there isn't much chance of basing social reforms on reason and right. This has very serious repercussions, and creates very great difficulties for the govt and the parties. Political proselytism cannot be patronized by bandits without being corrupted. The parties must cope with this state of things.

VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. Reproduction of an article by G.A. Borgese in which the

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writer says that Italy should be admitted to the San Francisco Conference, giving the reasons why the Italian status of cobelligerency should be changed into one of alliance.

2. V.R. expresses violent disapproval at the appointment of Pietro Pagani - once Procuratore Generale of the Corte di Appello of Catanzaro and well known fascist (a part of a speech of his in which he said that he would continue to work for the glory of the fascist regime is reproduced) to the post of President of the commission for epuration of the Ministry of Justice. We hope for much from Togliatti... ends the article.

3. In Salvemini's New York paper, "L'Italia Libera", the text of the order issued by the A.C. to the new Italian ministers not to tackle for the moment the institutional question, is followed by this statement: "There have been enough unconditional surrenders; the first one was made by the King and Badoglio, with the armistices of the 3rd and 29th of Sept 1943; the second one was made by Sforza, Croce, Togliatti and Co, in April 1944; the third by Bonomi, Sforza, Croce and Togliatti, in June 1944; the fourth one by Bonomi, De Gasperi, Togliatti and Co, in Dec 1944. Let us hope that Parri, "the white haired man decorated with three silver medals", will be able to say: "enough". V.R. comments: Salvemini is known as a great pessimist; he has himself often repeated that he has been wrong only when he was optimistic.

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7. Gippi explains why there is shortage of water and how thousands of litres are daily withdraw from public distribution.

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MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. Article by Lizzadri celebrating the unification of Northern and National labor unions. He goes on to say that in the North it is the unions that have taken the lead in tackling industrial problems; the capitalists are timid and hesitant but they must collaborate in the initiative of the workers if unemployment is to be checked and production resumed.

2. On the situation in Apulia AVANTI holds that the real cause is the state of peonage in which the contadini live.

3. The CGIL always offers concrete advice and the workers look to it as their advocate. The recommendation on the rent law and on evictions are sound and likewise the warning against increasing unemployment by making use of German prisoners. (NOI)

4. Dark prospects for harvest; not only drought but also lack of fuel and equipment responsible.

5. Letter from "a mother" asking if no one cares about the fate of the POWs.

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3. The CGIL always offers concrete advice and the workers look to it as their advocate. The recommendation on the rent law and on evictions are sound and likewise the warning against increasing unemployment by making use of German prisoners. (NOI)

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3. Il Lavoro complains about the quality of the matches supplied by the State.

LIBERA STAMPA - N.N.

MOMENTO

1. It is necessary to extend our exchanges with foreign countruas, writes Public. The intervention of the State should be as small as possible, for private initiative is sure to succeed best. Parri said he would rely mostly on private

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initiative. The main thing is to rehabilitate all the forms of free industrial organization.

2. The decree of prices has caused great disappointment; it seems to do nothing but encourage black market, and takes in consideration a very small number of foodstuffs only, and entirely disregards fruit and vegetables, while most of the population lives on them in summer.

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1. The tragic events in Puglia are due to two main causes, says Unità: the persistent agrarian offensive, and the persistent lack of epuration; in many small centres the landowners sabotage work and thus force peasants to starve; as for lack of epuration, the way in which the people have to see in posts of command the worst elements of fascist reaction, is simply shocking.

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2. Riccardo Longone writes from Milan; the situation is very serious, but the workers don't passively await a solution; they do all they can to prevent works and plants from closing down. But how long will this apparent calm last? There is great need of coal; it must be provided somehow, anyhow, to prevent unemployment.

3. The Rome "sinistrati" must be lodged somewhere, stresses Unità.

4. Why are the lists of maximum prices not being corrected?

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