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party asks all the working forces of the country to form a single bloc. All organisms of collaboration between the two parties of the working masses must therefore be strengthened and new offices of liaison must be created. The single party of the working classes must be formed as soon as possible.

The other motion, which had only 24 votes, signed by Silone and Saragat, states that union with the Communist party must be strengthened but without hindering the political independence and the autonomous administration of each party, as it is necessary in the interest of the proletariat that the Socialist and Communist parties maintain their different ideals, anyhow, until internal and international circumstances are such as to allow a union of the whole proletariat.

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17. 26 members of the OVRA to be tried by the High Court of Justice. Names given.

18. During the first day of the Christian-Democrat meeting the political organisation of the party was examined. De Gasperi said that it is necessary to convince the mass of the people who have not yet joined the party, specially the women whose contribution is so important, it must be remembered, he said,

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having stressed the necessity of holding the elections for the Costituente as soon as possible, that the Costituente does not merely mean Republic or Monarchy, but also the political and economic structure of the State and that it must represent the free will of the whole population. He then expressed disapproval of the Consulta being instituted before the Costituente as it might overthrow democratic methods and ideals, and said that he fears that peace conditions, for Italy, will have a punitive character. He ended by reading a message of congratulation to the British Labour party on their victory.

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2. Italians should not get alarmed at the various news items appearing periodically on the subject of the Italian colonies, says Voce Repubblicana; even this question, as all the others to be discussed at the peace conference, will have to be based on principles of justice and peace for all the nations.

3. Pompeo Colajanni on the necessity of school reform.

4. The "schools for peasants of the Agro-Romano" must be saved, says Voce Repubblicana.

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C.L.N. and parties have been pouring on them for one-year that they are not paying the necessary attention to the deep crisis which Italian Socialism is undergoing, writes Roberto Lucifero. Some of this party's principles traditionally old, still appeal to a vast portion of public opinion politically unprepared. But the leaders of the party realize that much of its ideology is obsolete. As things are now, there are only two ways which Socialism can follow. Either remain as it is now and thus slowly shift towards Communism, this being the way supported by Nenni; or look for a more modern solution. Saragat seems to represent this second tendency which abbandons the economic position of Marxism for a more political and moral function of Socialism. If the second way is chosen, Socialism might have an important part in the political ascent of humankind.

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LIBERA STAMPA

1. Commenting on the Socialist Congress, Enrico Terracini writes that in a democracy, it is impossible to have one party only, otherwise the State becomes a bureaucratic instrument without vitality or autonomy. At present, Socialism is a European problem and cannot be the monopoly of one country.

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2. L.S. publishes the document sent by the C.L.N. of Venezia Giulia to the Allied Authorities, confirming the Basovizza massacre.

MOMENTO - N.N.

POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Tupini's debate with Unità: the unity policy benefits only to those that promote it, i.e. the Communists, and it is actually a policy of division, for it aims at overruling the other parties and at opposing the members to the reactionary fraction which is hostile to Communism.

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UNITA' (Communist)

1. Answering to the attacks of the Liberals against the C.L.Ns., Luigi Longo explains that, now that the war is over, the C.L.Ns. must help to solve the problems of the physical and moral reconstruction of the country. As regards factory C.L.Ns., they coordinate the various organizations and political trends operating inside the plants.

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2. Polish troops have carried on new violent deeds in Teramo province. Five women were injured by a handgrenade thrown from Polish barracks. In another village they have beaten some peaceful civilians with clubs and somewhere-else they have occupied the seat of the C.L.N.

ERRATA CORRIGE

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12. 10 people injured in a railway collision near Pisa.

13. A part of the large library of Mezzasoma, Fascist Minister of Cultura Popolare, has been found near Gubbio.

14. The new Minister of the Treasury took the oath yesterday at the Quirinale.

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15. 30 people, suspected of having taken part in the massacre of the 6th of July, arrested at Schio by the Allied Military Police.

16. Parri received the members of the French Socialist delegation who were accompanied by Nenni.

17. Padre Eusebio condemned to twenty years' imprisonment, for collaborationism.

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27. The Terni Committee for reconstruction has allocated 80 million lire for the reconstruction of 600 new rooms for the "sinistrati".

28. Italy has been invited to participate in the meeting of the international Chamber of Commerce which will be held in London on the 13th of August. (USIS)

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29. 5,000 dollars worth of tinned milk have been put at the disposal of "American Relief for Italy".

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of taking the situation in hand and reestablishing a normal way of living. Too many people hope for trouble to bring about a revolution, without realizing that they have nothing to gain by it. We are moving towards a new dictatorship. The Socialist Party appears to be losing its character; the country no longer believes that political battles are being fought; it thinks everyone is defending personal interests. The English elections show us the way: British Laborism may agree with the aims of the Communists but it hates their methods which involve violence and dictatorship.

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2. Interview with Gen. Bencivenga, leader of the democratic centre; the Italians must vote, they must face their responsibility.

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3. Bread to improve from today on. Let us hope that the smaller loaves won't mean too great a profit for the bakers.

4. The auxiliary staff of the "ospedali riuniti" to go on strike if they don't obtain better salaries.

VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. V.R. approves of the choice of Federico Ricci as Soleri's successor; Ricci was a tireless opposer of fascist financial policy and is an expert administrator.

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2. Long article by the British journalist, Henry Noel Brailsford, on the foreign policy of the British Labour party.

3. Tab writes on the tragic situation of the Breda works where, out of the 6000 workers who used to be employed there, only 70 are still working. This proves, says Tab, that the situation is no better in the South than it is in the North.

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GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. Antonio Segni examines in detail the situation of the "ammassi" of wheat, and the consequences of the bad result of the campaign.

GLOBO (Economic)

1. Article from London on the plans of the Labour party.

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1. The Congress of the Socialist party, which has been full of philosophical and political discussion, has come to an end, but no time to speak of has been dedicated, says Scrutator, to the concrete problems of the working classes and of the nation. How is it that the Silone-Saragat motion was discarded? By an act which has become customary in this "Nennistically" democratic country, Achille Corona, one of the signers of the above motion, was asked to justify his Fascist past, as if we didn't know that the majority of those present are ex-Fascist hierarchs who have

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self-appointed themselves members of the anti-Fascist Socialist party. We can already imagine, goes on Scrutator, the words which Nenni will use when preparing for the elections: "The Republic will be Socialist or will not be", and "Who does not vote for the Republic of Nenni and Togliatti is a Fascist". And to think that the majority of Nenni's Socialists saluted the victory of the British Labour party as a victory of their own!

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POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Situation of the Christian Democrat party in Venezia Giulia: it has a leading action in the trade unions movement which attempts to prevent the trade unions from being incorporated in Yugoslav organizations.

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2. De Gasperi's speech given in full.

3. Commenting on the labour victory from the point of view of Italy, P.E. Taviani says that those who hoped to save their social and economic privileges by defending reaction will have to give up their illusions. In Italy there must be an evolution and no revolution. The nation must be patient, wait for the elections, make use of its common sense. Only in this way will the social and economic evolution take place peacefully.

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UNITA' (Communist)

1. Unità examines the work done by Socialists and Christian-Democrats during their meetings, and seems worried by the still undecided position of the latter.

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10. More Fascists arrested in the North.

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12. Italian property in Egypt is still blocked. (U.P.)

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13. Switzerland has sent 4,000 tons of cereals and 1,500 tons of tinned meat to Genoa. (Globo)

14. 3,000 tons of sulphur to be sent shortly from Sicily to Northern Italy. (ORBIS)

15. Italian workers to go shortly to Argentina. (A.P.)

16. Admiral Stone has announced that Emilia region as well as the provinces of Apuania and Lucca in Tuscany, and the Commune of Ancona, will pass under Italian administration.

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1. An Italian Captain repatriated from Yugoslavia stated to Orbis that tens of thousands of Italians are still there, living in pitiful conditions; they are all obliged to work terribly hard, are hardly fed at all, and hardly clothed.

INDIPENDENTE

1. Enrico Paresce thinks that now that British Labour has

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come into power, the atmosphere of the world will be less strained. They will understand the urgency of Italy's requirements. They will also understand that all the unrest caused by party struggle is unavoidable, and is enforced on Italy from outside, as well as from her inside, her structure.

TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

1. Gaetano Stammati says that private initiative and competition are the best way to fight unemployment.

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ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

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on the coal received and to be received from the Allies. A decree by which relief to veterans in also extended to veterans - and their families - of the fight for the liberation of the Country, was approved. A decree was approved according to which all public administrations have to reserve, for two years, half of their posts to patriots, repatriees, veterans, etc. 6 billion lire have been allotted to public works to fight unemployment.

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QUOTIDIANO (Independent Catholic)- N.N.

RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

1. Italians may be well satisfied with the decisions concerning Italy which were taken at Potsdam and which show a full comprehension of their situation and of what they did for their rehabilitation. This acknowledgement makes Italians confident that the rights and interests which they have valiantly attempted to safeguard, will be recognised.

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TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO - N.N.

VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. Under the title "Peace by September and Costituente by the end of the year", Pacciardi says that till yesterday he was still doubtful whether it would have been a good thing to hold the elections for the Costituente while Italy was under an armisticial regime; this might have meant having Admiral Stone as president of the Italian Republic. But today, having read the Potsdam communiqué, he realizes that now the Costituente becomes really an internal problem. In September Italy's frontiers will be fixed and Italy will sign a peace treaty with the enemies of the Italian Fascist Government and consequently the armistice signed by the King and Badoglio will be thrown into the wastepaper basket. Italy will become one of the United Nations, and her rebirth will henceforth depend entirely on the Italians themselves. And the first step towards this rebirth will be the convocation of the Costituente. It is evident, goes on Pacciardi, that administrative elections cannot possibly be held before the State is reorganised through the Costituente. Meanwhile all epuration should be speedily carried to an end. All internal obstacles should, and can, be eliminated by the end of the year, if this government, which calls itself a government of coalition - that is representing all the mass parties - has the strength to do so.

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GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government) - N.N.

GLOBO (Economic)

1. Figures on war destruction in Pisa, where 38 per cent

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of the houses have been either destroyed or badly damaged.

2. Gerolamo Pedoja writes on the financial condition of Palermo.

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1. Commenting favourably on the Potsdam Conference and its results, Vittorio Ivella writes that declarations concerning Italy will be welcomed with great satisfaction by all Italians and calls it "the best moral introduction to a just and democratic peace".

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LIBERA STAMPA - N.N.

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MOMENTO

1. Il M. expresses satisfaction at the results of the Potsdam Conference: the peace treaty is not going to be enforced, but negotiated and this means that all our claims will be taken in consideration. Besides, the representatives of Greece and Yugoslavia, the nations which have the greatest motives for resentment against us and for territorial claims, will not participate in the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs which is to draft the peace treaty. The acknowledgement of the fact that Italy was the first to overthrow Fascism and break off her relations with Germany is of capital importance.

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3. The National Council of Christian Democracy stated that it is necessary to give the Italian State a constitution acknowledging and guaranteeing personal freedom and establishing democratic institutions. It also stated that the majority of the party is republican.

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4. Debates with Avanti which said that Christian Democracy wanted to postpone the elections taking public order as a pretence. Public order can hardly be taken as a pretence for it exists or does not exist. The Social Communists had better wish that all conditions for the summoning of the elections be realized before autumn.

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1. Parri held yesterday his weekly press conference; he said that informations concerning the Potsdam decisions, which have been received so far are not sufficient to allow him to make clarifying declarations; he nonetheless pointed out the importance oftwo facts, i.e. the recognition of the effort made by Italy towards her liberation, and the permission, for Italy, to discuss the terms of her peace treaty. Should these discussions, which he hopes may take place bery shortly, be postponed for any reason, then, he said, Italy would have to have a temporary juridic status in order to put an end to the present difficult situation. He then told the journalists how impressed he had been by the turbolent crowd of repatriees he had seen in Naples and that he considers this one of the most serious problems that the Italian Government has to face. After this he spoke about distribution of textiles and ended by saying that the question of allowing young people over 18 to vote would be discussed by the Government.

2. On his return to Rome Cecil Sprigge said that he has visited the well in the Resovizze mine, and gave a description of it adding that so far there is no definite news about numerous corpses being buried in it.

3. More Navy officers discharged. Names given.

4. Competent authorities are studying the possibility of transferring 5000 [illegible] th[illegible] [illegible]l mines.

5. Milk production in Lombardy is half what it used to be before the war.

6. An Italian mission has reached Vienna to hasten the repatriation of 50 to 60 thousand Italians who still are in Austrian concentration camps.

7. The Italian Committee of Brooklyn has decided to open in Naples a coll[illegible]ge for 5000 orphans and needy children.

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2. On his return to Rome Cecil Sprigge said that he has visited the well in the Rasovizza mine, and gave a description of it adding that so far there is no definite news about numerous corpses being buried in it.

3. More Navy officers discharged. Names given.

4. Competent authorities are studying the possibility of transferring 3000 [illegible] th[illegible] [illegible]l mines.

5. Milk production in Lombardy is half what it used to be before the war.

6. An Italian mission has reached Vienna to hasten the repatriation of 60 to 80 thousand Italians who still are in Austrian concentration camps.

7. The Italian Committee of Brooklyn has decided to open in Naples a coll[illegible] for 6000 orphans and needy children.

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9. 238,000 Italians are still waiting to be repatriated from Germany.

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10. The Ministry of the Treasury orders measures to fight the currency black market.

11. According to news from London we learn that the preliminaries of peace with Italy - as well as Hungury, Finland and Rumania - are already well advanced and that we may expect shortly a declaration giving the outline of them. (I.N.S.)

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LA CAPITALE

1. Important decisions were made about the Italian Merchant Marine at the meeting which took place a few weeks ago between the Allied and Italian Naval authorities. Italy has been admitted as associate member for the Mediterranean sector in the council of the United Maritime authorities; all our motor-sailing boats have been transferred under the Italian Government for the requirements of our maritime traffic; the rest of our merchant marine goes on belonging to the allied pool. This is not only a great success but also an important step forward towards the acknowledgement of our right on the Italian oil tankers which were blocked in

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neutral harbours in 1940. These oil takers might be repaired, freed and join the pool. It seems that AGIP is taking action to this end. We must hope that these oil tankers will be given back to us when the war is over, and that Italy's rights for what concerns the international economic collaboration will not be denied. Great comprehension shown by Admiral Cunningham.(Nauticus)

EPOCA (Independent Leftist)

1. The Potsdam conference has slightly cleared up Italy's position; however, E. sees the reconstruction of Italy as depending on European reconstruction, and on the collaboration and initiative of European countries. We hoped that European solidarity would be the natural outcome of two World Wars, and yet the Governments don't mention it and new forms of nationalisms lead the nations towards more crimes.

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[illegible] - N.N.

[illegible] (Republican)

1. Comments on the Potsdam decisions by Ugo della Seta: it seems very hard that so many innocent people will have to pay for the wickedness of the recent German regime. It is to be hoped

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that the Germans will work out their own redemption and not become further embittered by the admittedly hard terms outlined at Postdam.

MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. The whole press, whether of the Right or of the Left, seems to have noted only one point in our National Congress, that is the possibility of proletarian unity. In fact this party of the working masses will rise from the struggle of all workers to carry to its end the democratic revolution. The first step to reach this goal is to form as soon as possible the Costituente and nothing now, as far as we can see, says Nenni, should prevent us from holding the elections. He then examines the reason why none of the C.L.N. parties has any interest whatsoever at causing trouble; not even the monarchists will probably attempt to make any difficulties, because they are too discredited. Therefore those who say that Italy is institutionally incapable of attempting any democratic experiment, are saboteurs and traitors. The Socialist party, ends Nenni, makes an appeal to all men and women workers to start on their campaign for the Costituente.

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4. Sensational account of conditions in Venezia Giulia. Prominence given to statement of Parri that govt cannot even have an observer in Trieste.

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. A great effort must be made for the refugees and also for the reorganization of the budget, writes Vezio Murialdi. The

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rich must pay and private property must be used to rehabilitate the budget. Tax payers to declare all they have and lose their rights on the property which they omit to declare. The State ought to have the right to purchase the property declared by the tax payers, paying not more than the value figuring on the declaration. All declarations should be made public and every citizen allowed to see them; these declarations should be made again after six months and then at regular intervals to control the profits which can so easily be made in a period of trouble.

2. The high cost of living must be fought by putting an end to speculation, preventing people from buying up wares, and obliging them to sell the wares that have been kept hidden.

3. C.G.I.L. and Confindustria have come to an agreement for the payment of the liberation premium.

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2. Polemics with Unità: Christian Democracy does not make anti-communist propaganda; occasionally, its attitude on social

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and political matters contrasts with that of the communists. U. cannot say that C.D. is violently nationalist, for nationalism consists "in taking other people's property" while in the case of Venezia Giulia, we are only defending what is ours.

3. The victory of the Labour Party shows us that we can transform and reform the present state of things without replacing the inconveniences of private capitalism by those of State capitalism. The importance of private property is acknowledged, but its increasing is submitted to certain limits enforced by law.

4. Fruit and vegetables rot because there is no transport.

RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal) - N.N.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. 29 million lire have been allotted to the reconstruction of houses in Valmontone.

2. Article on "Cinas-Ars", a new furnishing firm which has discovered a new way of polishing and painting wood so that it does not get marked by any liquid spilled on it.

TEMPO (Independent) - N.N.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Yes, private initiative by all means, says Velio Spano, but we don't think that those who own a private firm or business of any kind should make black market profits through it.

2. Gullo appeals again to the peasants, pointing out the importance of the "ammassi" campaign. Farmers, by doing their duty, will show that they too are collaborating in the healing of the country, he says.

3. Cinema is an art, says Umberto Barbaro, and as such it must be healthy.

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GENERAL

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12. Plans for 400 million lire worth of public works in Verona, have been approved.

13. More numerous arrests in the North.

14. A fight took place in the prison of San Vittore - Milan - between partisans imprisoned for common crimes, and Fascists.

15. Finocchiaro Aprile made a speech in Messina and said that he knows that, according to the armistice clauses, Italy will be deprived of Pola, Fiume, Trieste, Zara and Bolzano. Speaking about the Separatists memo which had been sent to San Francisco, F.A. said that Sicily's independence, during the Conference, was supported by Canada and Venezuela; however, as the San Francisco Conference was not competent to deal with territorial matters, the question was postponed to the peace conference and the memo was approved by 31 votes against 8. We do not want to accept Sicilian independence as a gift, he said, and we shall therefore be glad if there will be some bloodshed. He criticised severely Parri and Aldisio and spoke about the Russians' effort to internationalize Sicily. (ORBIS)

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20. A band of forgers has been arrested and 4 millions worth of AM-lire sequestered. (OR.)

21. Under the presidency of Barbareschi a meeting was held yesterday morning between the representatives of the C.G.I.L., the Industry Confederation, the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, the Ministry of the Treasury, the Ministry of Justice and the Institute for Social Welfare to define a subsidy equal to 75 per cent of their basic salary to unemployed workers of the North.

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22. The Polish Govt expressed approval for the appointment of Eugenio Reale as Italian ambassador to Warsaw. (ANSA)

23. The Italian Communist party has 1 million and 600 thousand members.

24. Saragat was received by De Gasperi; it is rumored that he may leave his post as Italian ambassador in Paris.

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36. Interviewed by ORBIS the political secretary of the Action party stated that the first elections to be held must be those for the Constituente.

37. Parri received yesterday the ambassador of Perù. 663

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38. Speaking in Milan Togliatti promised that there would be a special amnisty for Fascist crimes.

39. Within the week all Italians will be repatriated from Switzerland.

40. At Candidoni - Reggio Calabria - a "Commissario Prefettizio" has been kidnapped by bandits.

41. It is rumored in Washington that Trieste and Pantelleria will probably be under international control. (A.P.)

42. An Italian mission has left for Albania in order to bring assistance to those Italians who are still there.

43. It seems that some sections of the Italian wool industry are being financed by foreign financers.

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RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

1. The best means of supplying the internal market with raw materials, in view of the difficulty of transport existing at present, would be to work for foreign markets, says B. Many industries in Italy are still in condition to produce 70 or 80 per cent of what they used to produce before the war. The money received in payment for the exported products should be given directly to suppliers of raw materials; it would thus be possible to have raw materials for making more export goods and for supplying the internal market.

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GLOBO (Economic)

1. Gaetano Baldacci examines the important question of imports and exports, according to the various interests which must be safeguarded.

2. Puglia has not had such a bad season for crops for 80 years.

3. Figures on the "ammassi" in Northern Italy.

4. Globo doubts whether all the electric energy which will be produced in 1946 will be used; as many industries will not yet be in a condition to use their share of it. Globo suggests a greater quantity be allotted to domestic use.

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It must be remembered that on May 24th, the present ministry of coalition pledged itself to have the administrative elections take place without delay; the motion was drafted by Nenni and De Gasperi; now the Minister of the Constituente refuses to carry out the common program.

2. S. Jacini answers Chodec that many of the attacks made against the War Ministry are caused by a spirit of party; it is impossible to accuse the army of breaking the institutional truce. No political propaganda would be tolerated. As for the reorganization of the army, the Italian authorities are linked by the armistice clauses. One of the main problems consists in sending back to civilian life a mass of individuals who for years have been doing military service. Besides, it is impossible to send them home with their full pay. Jacini disapproves of Chodec's suggestion that the Carabinieri should be under the sole authority of the Ministry of the Interior; they would lose their prestige if they were no longer part of the army.

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11. The Italian scientist Enrico Fermi had a share in the invention of the atomic bomb. (USIS. New York)

12. Celeste Negarville to replace Eugenio Reale as under-secretary of Foreign Affairs.

13. Saragat to return to Paris today or tomorrow.

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14. Donegani seems to have payed 20 million lire to be set free from prison; the property of the "Montecatini", amounting to several hundred million lire, has been sequestered.

15. Serious disorders at Monte Sant'Angelo, Foggia, where 500 demonstrators set fire to the Tax office. In the village of Ginestra, Potenza, the water pipes were broken by other demonstrators. (ORBIS)

16. Scelba, back from Matera, said that the disorders which take place are mostly due to the low price paid to farmers for the wheat they give to the "ammassi".

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27. Streetsweepers and fishmongers go on strike in Palermo.

28. Brosio, questioned whether the places left free by the Republicans, who have refused to participate in the Consulta, will be occupied by other parties, said that these places would still be left at the disposal of the Republicans. (ORBIS)

AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE - N.R.

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EPOCA (Independent Leftist) - N.N.

INDIPENDENTE

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LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

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MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. Repeated arguments of AVANTI for holding elections for the Costituente before administrative elections. Leader admits that at one time the party had urged immediate administrative elections but contends that now the situation has changed. Points out Communists, Action Party and Republicans are in agreement on this and even C.D.s are on record as desiring elections for the Costituente "as soon as possible".

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LIBERA STAMPA - N.N.

MOMENTO - N.N.

POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Anarchy in Romagna. The authorities do not seem to take any action, and the population feels it is being completely abandoned; it asks for justice and for a minimum of order which

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is indispensable to safeguard the life and work of the citizens.

RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal)

1. Pedlars are not supposed to sell their products once they have lost their licence, but as they do not read the newspapers, they are blissfully unconscious of the regulations made against them.

2. R.L. complains that the 'Poligrafico' isn't taking back some of its employees who behaved very well during the war.

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14. A meeting of anti-Fascist women was held in Trieste; Slovenian representatives were also present.

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AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE - N.N.

EPOCA (Independent Leftist)

1. Interviewed by Epoca Pertini said that the Socialist Congress dealt chiefly with the question of the fusion between the Communist and Socialist party, because it is a question in which the working masses are mostly interested. Those who have opted for the Pertini motion, he said, must not be considered as "fusionists", because they do not wish this fusion to take place immediately; the organic union of the working masses cannot be achieved merely by a fusion between the two parties which represent them; should such a fusion have taken place immediately, we would have had a new party which would have been the source of new scissions, and this is just the thing we want to avoid. The majority obtained by the motion means simply that the voters have understood that the working masses, to avoid being further defeated, must be united in one party. And this party might be joined by parties and movements which, through different principles, aim at the same conclusion, i.e. democracy and Socialism. During and after the Costituente we shall be able to see how this organic unity can be reached. The pact of unity of action which unites the two leftist parties is not a goal, but a means to attain this organic unity; we believe furthermore that the Left wings of the Christian Democrat, the Action and the Republican parties will also feel the necessity of having a single party of all the workers. There is no danger, went on Pertini, of reaching the point of having a totalitarian party because there will be interior democracy and complete independence of the party from any exterior interference. All contrasting tendencies will be free to manifest themselves within the party, and the existence of other parties, outside the workers' one, will allow that political competition which guarantees democratic freedom. To those who fear that the Socialist party might thus lose its autonomy Pertini answers that the aim of the party is not to have its own special policy but to adopt the policy which will be of greatest aid to working masses.

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3. Nothing is being done for repatriated prisoners, complains Il L.

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INDIPENDENTE

1. Indipendente disapproves of the agitation and strike of the personnel of the Commune. Their claims, it says, are after all the same as those of almost all workers; and the others don't seem to be making so much fuss.

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2. Merits of proportional representation discussed. There are advantages and disadvantages. The majority should be assured of being able to govern yet someway must be found to give value to all votes. As for whether the elections should be held first for the Constituente or for local administration, AVANTI is in favor

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of the former procedure, supporting the arguments advanced in ITALIA LIBERA yesterday.

3. AVANTI expresses approval of the Communist communiqué calling on all parties to disarm.

GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. The disorders in Puglie, says Corrado Calvo, are due to unemployment.

GLOBO (Economic)

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2. Misdeeds of the Teti: the rates are increasing. Are the consumers supposed to pay the millions given by Teti to Salvarezza?

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POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Letter by Taviani to Pertini: now that there are no longer SS or Fascists to fight, the communists seem far less inclined to collaborate with Christian Democracy. Does the liberation mean that collaboration is to be replaced by polemics? The communists claim to speak in the name of the people. But what does the people want, what are the intentions of the masses? There is a tendency to take a demonstration by 10 or 20 thousand workers as the expression of the will of the mass. Taken as a whole, the workers class, excluding State employees and peasants, is a minority. There will be a Govt of the people after the elections; meanwhile we had better not speak of the people as the fascists did.

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11. Parri will be in Florence tomorrow to celebrate the first anniversary of the liberation of the town.

12. Molè is in Milan to preside over the meeting of the prefects of the North which will examine food problems.

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13. Paresce, undersecretary of Finance, to go to Sicily to study problems concerning the rehabilitation of the island.

14. 14,000 employees of the Commune (Rome) went on strike yesterday for two hours.

15. COUNCIL OF MINISTERS: After long discussions it was decided to pay a special indemnity of 3000 lire to all State employees; half of this sum to be paid in August and half in Sept.

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22. Ration of electric energy to be doubled starting today.

23. 54 Italian. war criminals sentenced to death "in contumacia" in Corsica. (SIDI)

24. Peasants and small farmers of Andria ask the Govt to take the necessary measures to solve the increasingly serious problem of unemployment.

25. Radio Moscow continues to give lists of Italians, troops and civilians, liberated by the Russians in Germany. (SIDI)

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CAPITALE

1. Article on the A.N.D.G. (Associazione Nazionale Danneggiati di Guerra) which, naturally, says Mario Contadino, is approved by the Govt, because the aim of the Association is to give what help it can to the "sinistrati" in rebuilding destroyed and damaged houses.

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MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. It happens occasionally that conflicts between generations are held responsible for periods of unrest and misunderstanding which are really due to conflicts between parties and classes. The neo-monarchists are now trying to find out which generation is responsible for Fascism, not realising, says Avanti, that Fascism is a political and social phenomenon for which the agrarian and industrial classes are responsible for they saw in dictatorship a means of resisting the just aspirations of the proletarian and popular masses. Therefore epuration should not be too severe on the young; the leaders must be punished, and they hardly ever belong to the younger generation.

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2. Figures on the result of wheat "ammassi".

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place in November or December and debates with Christian Democracy which wants the administrative elections to come first. Nenni might debate with Togliatti as well and, considering the pact for unity of action, with himself. The Costituente will have no value if the minority does not accept the whish expressed by the majority, but no minority will ever accept a verdict based on violence. The Liberals want an electoral campaign where propaganda can be made freely and people vote in peace. However, it appears that Nenni prefers a program of unrest to a program of order.

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1. Fascist hierarchs still in complete command at Ginestra (Potenza), where the population is without water, medical supplies and proper roads.

2. The two principal women's organisations in Italy should work in unison and not seek motives of difference, religious or otherwise, says Maria Montagnano.

3. Results of the Price Control Committee which met in Rome yesterday.

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Daily Digest of Rome Press.

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13. COUNCIL OF MINISTERS: One billion lire has been allotted to the building of "shelter-houses" for those people whose houses have been destroyed by war. The Ministry of Public Works has intensified repairs to damaged houses and has drafted

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plans for the construction of small popular houses in those localities which have been mostly damaged by war. The Council then approved a decree concerning enlistment of veterans of the war of liberation in the Police. It was decided that the Italian Govt would give extra pay to all Italian workers who are going to work in the Far East for the British Admiralty. Le Malfa gave an account of the Central Europe railway organisation, and the Council approved Italy's joining it. Following suggestions made by the Minister of the Treasury it was decided to allow the State employees facilitations in subscribing to the Public Loan. It was lastly announced that plans for a better economic treatment of unemployed workers of central and southern Italy were under study.

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22. It is rumored in London that very shortly Carandini will enjoy all diplomatic privileges. (I.N.S.)

23. State employees on strike in the North to protest against the non-extension, to the North, of economic facilities granted

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to State employees of Southern and Central Italy.

24. A number of Italians repatriated from Eritrea and South Africa landed yesterday in Naples and Taranto.

AFTERNOON PAPERS

CAPITALE - N.R.

EPOCA (Independent Leftist)

1. Gaspare Gratti regrets that in America there are still too many Italo-Americans who regret the fall of Mussolini and hope for a possible rebirth of Fascism.

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RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

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legislative power, and in the institutes which are supposed to regulate the life of the nation.

2. Interview with Nenni; the present crisis can only be solved by summoning the Costituente as soon as possible.

VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. Unrest in the country. Approving of the communist appeal to disarm, Pacciardi goes on to comment on the general situation of law and order. He feels it absurd that the army should still be mobilized and shocking that they will not give up their hold on the Carabinieri. In this and in the failure to epurate the navy he sees signs of the monarchy's desire to hang on by force. The recent unrest among the veterans he feels is justified and proceeds to develope his repeated thesis that the government has not really faced the problem but is only disposed to play politics and perpetuate the six party dominance. The Costituente is the only solution he feels.

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GLOBO (Economic)

1. The present tonnage is much greater than it used to be

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before the war, so, even keeping in mind the necessities brought about by demobilisation and repatriation, we believe that now that war is over throughout the whole world, a great quantity of shipping can be used to provide for the needs of the civilian populations. We quite realise that numerous difficulties of all kinds have still to be overcome, say Globo, but all the same we believe we are right in hoping that by next winter the situation will begin to improve.

2. Having interviewed Finocchiaro Aprile, Gerolamo Pedoja says that the leader of Sicilian Separatists explained that the reason of this movement lies in the fact that the island is tired of being merely an "economic colony of the mainland" and therefore wants to get its independence so as not to be any longer obliged to serve without getting anything in return.

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2. We believe in future peace, for those who are at present the arbiter of the world's fate proved to be above the petty disagreements of diplomacy.

MOMENTO

1. The present defeat is enough to cancel the past military

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glory of Japan. But mankind is thinking more about the era of peace that is to come than about the defeat of Japan.

POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Greengrocers won't have competition and protest because producers have started selling their products in Rome directly without going through the channel of the 'Mercati Generali'.

2. The P.X. in Via Tritone has a shop-window full of American cigarettes, chocolate, etc. This is not in very good taste, for the population is not allowed to buy these things.

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UNITA' (Communist)

1. The democratic forces which have won Fascism and war, must now keep united to build up peace, writes Unità commenting on Japan's surrender.

2. Modestino Petrozziello examines the problem of epuration of civil servants back from the North.

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Daily digest of Rome press

GENERAL

1. Manifestations of joy took place in Bologna at the announcement of Japan's surrender. (ANSA)

2. The Japanese ambassador to the Vatican unperturbed by announcement. (REUTER)

3. A bus travelling between Naples and Rome assaulted by a gang of armed bandits; luggage was stolen and travellers were robbed.

4. It seems, according to calculation done so far, that about 15 women will participate in the Consulta.

5. Italian and Allied police working together have sequestered 120 million lire worth of tyres and fuel; while continuing their search they discovered a huge depot of arms and ammunition ; 200 people have been denounced.

6. While awaiting the Costituente the Liberals ask that the Administrative elections be carried on.

7. A partisan killed near Mestre for having refused to praise Fascism.

8. Admiral Cunningham visited the works of reconstruction in the port of Savona.

9. A 10,000 ton passenger and merchant ship to be launched shortly in Genoa.

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11. Parri was enthusiastically received in Florence yesterday morning; the mayor of the town welcomed him, then Agnoletti speaking for the C.L.N. of Florence, recalled the history of the heroic insurrection of the town. Parri then spoke about the duties and the necessities of the present moment.

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5. Italian and Allied police working together have sequestered 120 million lire worth of tyres and fuel; while continuing their search they discovered a huge depot of arms and ammunition ; 200 people have been denounced.

6. While awaiting the Costituente the Liberals ask that the Administrative elections be carried on.

7. A partisan killed near Mestre for having refused to praise Fascism.

8. Admiral Cunningham visited the works of reconstruction in the port of Savona.

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14. 18 American soldiers have refused to be repatriated for the moment because they are waiting to marry Italian girls.

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15. Strike in Fiumicino to protest against lack of communications with Rome.

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CAPITALE

1. As Cesar would not have been able to fight against guns and tanks, so Hiro Hito cannot possibly fight against the atomic bomb. Now we are entitled to hope that wars may be abolished for ever, says Massimo Mercurio. The next hundred years will belong to the United States of America, and before

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this period is over maybe that our sons and grandchildren will see the realisation of that old dream which has not been able so far to become reality: the United States of the World. What reason could not realize will perhaps be realised by the energy of the atomic bomb.

2. During these last nine months over 10 billion lire have arrived in Italy sent, by Italians living in the United States, in the British Dominions, in the African colonies to their relatives in Italy.

EPOCA (Indipendent Leftist)

1. Ettore Margadonna writes on the very low living conditions of the Japanese people which have facilitated a dictatorship of the military and capitalistic classes.

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2. Ladispoli is a lovely beach; the ferrovietta which carry there every Sunday numerous Romans, are very well organised; but the whole thing is too expensive, says o.b.

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3. Luigi Berra writes on the advisability of instituting in Rome a Centre of American Culture.

RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

1. Commenting on Japan's defeat, R. agrees with Congressman Thomas that to speak of epuration and reeducation of the Japanese is absurd, for it is almost impossible for us to understand them. It is better to leave the framework of their political system which is theocratic, and try and liberate the Emperor from the influence of the military gang which dominated him up to now.

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2. Another attack against the TETTI which should be controlled by the State, says Avanti.

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GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. Carlo Sforza writes on the possibilities offered to humanity by the discovery of atomic power.

GLOBO (Economic)

1. We cannot be at the mercy of the possibility or not of receiving coal from abroad, says Ugo Pulliti, and we must therefore rehabilitate our electric plants; having found the electric plants of Northern Italy in unexpectedly good condition seems to many to be sufficient; but it is not; we need all the electricity we can possibly produce, in order to carry on our reconstruction.

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that are not at all above criticism. The Minister of Public Instruction does all he can to support such appointments.

POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Gennaro Cassiani's article on the new form of emigration which will be protected by legal control.

RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal) - N.N.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Municipalization and statization are no remedies, but only demagogic expedients.

2. Statement of the Rubber Division of the Industry Sub-Commission: Italy will receive about 1/3 of the amount of rubber it used to import before the war, minus the percentage formed by the import for war requirements. To this she will be able to add a certain amount of synthetic rubber.

3. The cost of reconstruction in Emilia and Romagna will amount to 5 billion lire.

TEMPO (Indipendent)

1. Approving comment on Parri's phrase, quoted from the penultimate press conference, to the effect that the nation looks to the freedom of private enterprise as a mainspring of recovery. This is the right idea, TEMPO thinks, and expresses surprise that it has not been more widely commented upon.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Unita' hopes that the United Nations will not let themselves be blinded by the news which is beginning to be spread, about Hiro Hito not being responsible for the aggressions carried out by the Japanese. Hiro Hito must remain in the list of war criminals.

2. About 5000 Italian are repatriated every day. What has been done to receive them and provide for them, asks Marco Cesarini?

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12. Molè spoke in Milan stressing the importance of the "ammassi" and urging producers to do their duty in order to avoid tragic consequences in the future.

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14. First feminine meeting of the A.C.L.I. (Associazione

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Cattolica Lavoratori Italiani)

15. Severe sanctions will be taken against those farmers who leave bits of land uncultivated, stated Gullo, Minister of Agriculture.

16. Longo, speaking in Milan on Communism said that the Communist party, contrary to rumors spread by the reactionaries, has no secret program; it is a party of the masses, he said, and it acts openly; the methods of struggle used during the clandestine period must be abandoned and replaced by democratic methods; much more than has been done so far must be done for veterans and repatriates. As for the reconstruction of the country, said Longo, if sufficient capital cannot be found, then those huge fortunes which have been accumulated by Fascist hierarchs will have to be used. The "new party", ended the orator, must realise the union of all truly democratic forces.

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LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. The campaign of the C.G.I.L. against the high cost of living has given some results, but unemployment is increasing. The Government must take action and control the management of industries and cooperatives and distributing organs; and it must be quick about it.

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GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. In order to re-establish international commercial relation, it is necessary that every country should have a governmental organism to act as trait-d'union between the national

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industries and the Government and the foreign countries. We used to have something of the kind, says Antonio Barendson: i.e. the Ufficio Scambi e Valute; but it has been abolished. Now, he says, something else must immediately be set up to replace it, if we want to rebuild our foreign commerce.

GLOBO (Economic)

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ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

1. That part of the Italian press which rejoyced at the announcement of the British Labour victory thinking that the British attitude towards Italy would entirely change, has evidently not considered the fact that the Conservatives who were in power in England when the Allies landed in Sicily two years ago, were not really as "reactionary and monarchic" as this press campaign has tried to make them appear; if they had been, we

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ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

1. That part of the Italian press which rejoyced at the announcement of the British Labour victory thinking that the British attitude towards Italy would entirely change, has evidently not considered the fact that the Conservatives who were in power in England when the Allies landed in Sicily two years ago, were not really as "reactionary and monarchic" as this press campaign has tried to make them appear; if they had been, we would not have had the Bari meeting, nor would the Allies have given their support to a C.L.N. Government. All Italians, says Enzo Selvaggi, and the Socialists and Communists too, should keep in mind that, even with a Labour British Govt, the line of "self-help" should be followed.

2. The political line followed by the Allies in Alto Adige, says Giorgio Moser, favours German interests hidden behind organisations which call themselves anti-Nazi.

3. Thousands of mothers, wifes and children ask for news

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LIBERA STAMPA

1. Italy is going to have her peace, a peace which ought to be fair and reasonable, for she was the first country to break her relations with the Axis, she fought against Germany and Japan and showed her will to reject all anti-democratic forms of regime. This has already been acknowledged by the Allies, but it seems likely that we shall mostly get a moral reward. The Italian nation had better not nurse too many illusions about the mildness of the conditions which it will be allowed to 'negotiate'. (G.S.P.)

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5. The budget of Rome Commune is bankrupt, writes a. blanco. Follow suggestions of how Commune incomes might be increased.

6. According to Secolo XX, A.F.H.Q. will be transferred from Caserta to Rome.

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<u>TEMPO</u> (Independent Catholic)

1. Why are there sleeping and restaurant cars on the trains going North whilst the train going South has still a single class, asks a reader ?

2. American troops have dug out a necropolis a few miles off Salerno.

<u>UNITA'</u> (Communist)

1. On the question whether the administrative or the Costituente elections should be held first, the leftist parties and the conservative parties are of two opposite opinions, writes Ottavio Pastore. Reactionaries, and Christian Democrats with them, justify their point of view by saying that the country is not yet ready to hold elections in a calm atmosphere. The truth is that they want to put off the Costituente as long as possible hoping that meanwhile something favourable to them may happen.

2. The State should provide those women who, because working all day have no time to think about it themselves, with an identity card, in order to enable them to vote, writes Rina Recalcato.

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Daily Digest of Rome Press.

GENERAL

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10. The Ministry of Post War-Relief announces that the Russian Govt has given assurance that Italian civilians and

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troops liberated by the Russians in Germany will shortly be repatriated.

11. Enrico Fermi, the Italian scientist who had a share in the invention of the atomic bomb, to come to Italy. (ORBIS)

12. Mussolini's youngest daughter, Anna Maria, is seriously ill. (ORBIS)

13. It seems that all surplus war material still existing in Italy will be handed over to the Italian Govt. The terms of the agreement are not known yet, but it is supposed that the greatest possible facilities will be made available to the Italian Govt. (SIDI)

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3. Immediate assistance for soldiers that have been seriously disabled by war.

OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican) - N.N.

QUOTIDIANO (Independent Catholic) - N.N.

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GLOBO (Economic)

1. E. Terracini writes on the port of Genoa and on the

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financial help given by the Swiss Govt.

2. The sugar mill of Iesi to start working again shortly.

3. Travelling conditions in Central and Southern railways must be improved upon.

4. Starting today distribution of all medicines imported in Italy by the Allies will be taken in hand by the Institute for Foreign Commerce. (ORBIS)

5. Private nursing homes have no linen for their sick.

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2. What happens to our prisoners in Russia? Our Govt must insist that the Russian Govt provide at least a list of names.

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Statement by General Pinna, High Commissioner for Sardinia; the industrialization of Sardinia must be started at once. The workers and the peasants require immediate help. The Govt always acts too late, and makes the people feel that they will obtain something only through violence.

2. Bad harvest in Sicily.

3. In Naples, 500 repatriated prisoners have started working for the reconstruction of the town, according to a plan drafted by the Prefect in agreement with Col. Pennyquick. 10 trucks granted by the Allies.

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GENERAL

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15. It seems that two tiny atomic bombs had exploded in Rome in 1938, in the laboratory of the "Istituto Superiore di Sanità", while experiments were carried out.

16. The Allied Mediterranean Command states that about 200,000 tons of surplus war material will be left in Italy;

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Italian railways will profit by 248 American engines which will be left over here. (I.N.S.)

17. The Prefect of Rome has started on a trip of propaganda for the "ammassi".

18. The Ethiopian UNRRA representative expressed himself against further relief being given to Italy. (A.P.)

19. The Allies have authorised demobilisation of Italian troops of the 1915 class, states the Ministry of War.

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If the Valley authorities ask for it they will also be granted 99 years free use of the mines existing in the territory. As an experiment the Valley has been given exemption from customs duties for three years. The Council then decided to annul all appointments made between 1935 and 1943 without competitions.

Finally, the decree was confirmed whereby workers in the north may not be discharged.

29. Harold Laski, interviewed by the weekly "Tribune Economique" stated that it is the intention of Great Britain to give Italy all the economic assistance it can and to help her in her foreign policy.

30. It is rumored that Orlando and Sforza will preside over the Italian delegation which is to go to London in Sept to draw up the separate peace between Italy and the Allies; other members of the delegation would be Parpiani, Venosta, De Courten and Ricci.

31. One and a half billion lire have been allotted to public works in Sicily.

32. UNRRA meeting in London; the South African delegate was against extending to Italy and Austria the "program of complete help". The American delegate stated that if Italy was not allowed to enjoy full benefits offered by the United States, the United States would stop all financial contribution to the UNRRA. (U.P.)

33. Block on Italian property in Belgium has been lifted.

34. 22 million metres of textiles existing in America to be distributed to Italy. (U.P.)

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CAPITALE - N.N.

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to give Italy all the economic assistance it can and to help her in her foreign policy.

30. It is rumored that Orlando and Sforza will preside over the Italian delegation which is to go to London in Sept to draw up the separate peace between Italy and the Allies; other members of the delegation would be Parchiani, Venosta, De Courten and Ricci.

31. One and a half billion lire have been allotted to public works in Sicily.

32. UNRRA meeting in London; the South African delegate was against extending to Italy and Austria the "program of complete help". The American delegate stated that if Italy was not allowed to enjoy full benefits offered by the United States, the United States would stop all financial contribution to the UNRRA. (U.P.)

33. Block on Italian property in Belgium has been lifted.

34. 22 million metres of textiles existing in America to be distributed to Italy. (U.P.)

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2. At Torre Marangone, a few kilometres south of Civitavecchia, the first "villaggio del fanciullo" has been inaugurated. Thirthy "sciuscià" are there already, and 200 more should be arriving within a month if Don Rivolta, the founder of

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this "village", will find the help he needs and his worthy efforts deserve.

INDIPENDENTE

1. Italian newspaper-men did not need P.W.B.'s teaching, writes Sancio. Many of them had left the country and were carrying on strong anti-fascist propaganda abroad. P.W.B. was often narrow minded and chaotic. As a matter of fact, many newspaper-men now epurated and abused were writing anti-fascist and anti-German articles under the threat of German taks.

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TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

1. Article by Politicus on the internal organization of the Costituente.

VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. Having examined the evolution of Socialism in various European countries, Randolfo Pacciardi says that at present Socialism is almost everywhere tendentially republican. If Socialism no longer wavers between dictatorship and freedom, then

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it will represent the aim of liberal revolutions. The we shall be able to say that all we have been through has not been in vain. The problem of fusion between Communism and Socialism will probably present itself again, but we republicans do not believe in it, and the presence of international Socialist representatives in the national congresses shows that very probably a new Social-Democrat Internationale will soon be born. As for Italy, goes on Pacciardi, we do hope that all Italian republican forces will unite against Monarchy, though we should like all parties to retain their differences.

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2. The Arabs in Cirenaica appreciate the work which has been done by the Italians.

MOMENTO

1. Elections for the Costituente should not be postponed any further, according to Tomaso Smith.

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POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Franco Bozzini writes on the situation in Puglia between Sept 1943 and March '44.

RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal)

1. Celso approves of Modigliani's words that it was high time that those people who have a Socialist tradition took up a position against the aggressive acts of the Russian regime which are not so much communistic as examples of imperialistic nationalism.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

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1. Ugo Zatterin describes the despotic way in which big

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landowners of the Fucino area treat their tenants.

GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. The elections for the Costituente should be held before the Administrative ones and as soon as possible in order to confer on the victorious parties that authority which can only derive from public suffrage and thus enable them to solve the institutional question and give the State a greater prestige, says Mario Berlinguer.

GLOBO (Economic)

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2. The only resources left to Apulia, after the bad wheat crop, are grapes and wine. But transport situation is very bad. Some measures to improve it should be taken.

3. Bigi of the Camera del Lavoro, in an interview, stated that the only way to improve workers' conditions is to reduce prices, by fighting profiteers with every possible means. He also suggests a program of public works which should be simple and easy to carryout.

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ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

1. I.N. has always said that the C.L.N. would never produce a homogeneous Govt, that it prevented the country from moving either right or left. For this reason, the men who supported concrete democracy, were charged with being reactionaries while nothing was said against those who favoured monopolies and violence. This was a proof of the bad faith of the new leaders. But now, Modigliani, one of the most important men of the Socialist party has reached the same conclusions when he identifies the action of the communist parties in the various European countries with the imperialistic action of the Soviet Union. Democratic Italians must beware of those who claim to be the friends of the Soviet Union and undermine future peace by identifying the Soviet Union with the world's working class. The said Soviet Union does not trust the influence of the various Communist parties, and asks for sound territorial guarantees. (Scrutator)

2. Nenni is unlucky, writes I.N. All his attempts seem to fail. Even the French Socialists that he claimed to know so well have violently rejected all his offers to collaborate with the Communists. He may have to leave his post as Secretary of the Party and perhaps even the Govt. However he can always be made Minister of State. It is better than nothing.

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2. The partisans do not ask much, writes Nino Vicentini. They want the title of partisan to be given only to those who took part in actual fighting, they claim the same rights as the members of the armed forces. Above all they ask for work. Only they are sick of waiting.

MOMENTO - N.N.

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POPOLO (Christian Democrat) - N.N.

RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal)

1. Commenting on the Bretton Woods agreements, Giuseppe Ugo Papi says that no help, no political 'promotion' will save the Italian nation from the hard work that lies before it.

2. The 'Squadre del buon costume' is overdoing it a bit. Every time they see a woman with an Ally they drag her to the Questura and register her as a prostitute, whether this be true or not.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

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GENERAL

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14. Employees of public transport have gone on strike in Palermo to protest against discharge of some of their colleagues.

15. Answering the requests made by the Italian Government, Moscow states that it cannot give the names of Italian prisoners as they are all working freely in various far off villages. (ANSA)

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16. London spokesmen foresee that in September a separate peace treaty will be drawn between Italy and the Allies; but that the question of Trieste and Venezia Giulia and of the Italian colonies will not be solved till later. (I.N.S.)

17. Parri denies the rumor according to which an Italian delegation was to leave for London to discuss the peace terms.

18. Parry held his weekly press conference , and spoke about the sad necessity of enforcing the ammassi and taking sanctions against those peasants who do not do their duty. He then said that during the month of September Italy will probably get about 380,000 tons of coal; this amount marks an increase on the quantity imported so far and is very nearly equal to the minimum necessity of the nation. He ended by speaking about the gradual rehabilitation of Italian industry. He also said that he hoped the Consulta may begin functioning by the 15th of September.

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2. Rents mustn't be raised. Too many people have seen their savings disappear. We shall not support a new rise of prices to favour landlords.

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3. The meeting of the Provincial Commission for Prices about the price of wine has been sabotaged by great producers. Only the rich are to have wine.

OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican) N.N.

QUOTIDIANO (Independent Catholic) N/N.

RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

1. Those who exercise free trade, free industries, etc are still well off because they have been able to speculate on everybody else's misfortune.

TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

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GLOBO (Economic)

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LIBERA STAMPA N.N.

MOMENTO

1. Do the parties investigate the past of the people who ask to become members? They cannot be toocareful, writes il M.

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giving as an example the case of the "Umberto di Savoia Associazione" for monarchic propaganda, whose leader had a very dubious record.

2. T.B. increases: 3618 cases in 1944 against 1535 in 1939.

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4. Wool ammassing is proceeding very badly. Why is it not abolished?

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TEMPO (Independent)

1. It is obvious that the elections will be held only next year, writes Tempo. Apart from technical difficulties, it would be an offence to our liberal tradition to hold them while most of our prisoners are still abroad and when Trento e Trieste would not be represented.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Velio Spano stresses the necessity of taking urgent measures to help Sardinia; the whole island, he says, is in a tragic condition.

2. As elections in England were necessary in order to face the post war period, so the Costituente is necessary in Italy in order to carry on our work of recontrusction. We need a more authoritative Government, and this we can obtain only through the Costituente, where a majority will express the will of the country. (Ottavio Pastore)

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10. The Action party declared itself in favour of holding the elections for the Costituente before the administrative ones.

11. An American ship has arrived in Civitavecchia loaded with 2200 tons of sugar, milk and soup to be distributed in Tuscany, Lazio and Umbria.

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12. A ship loaded with Irish relief, to be distributed through ENDSI, has arrived in Naples.

13. 4000 sick and wounded Italians are repatriated weekly from Germany and sent to Merano.

14. The Yugoslav UNRRA delegate reconfirms his hostility to Italy.

15. The grape production in Tuscany will be smaller than usual this year.

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

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2. Aladino Bibolotti disapproves of concerns being managed by Commissioners; the workers should be represented.

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3. Italian Ambassadors travel too much. They had better stay where they have been appointed.

OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican) - N.N.

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MOMENTO - R.I.

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policy till its power can be regulated and the potentiality of the States which own it can be balanced.

2. The attempts made to balance prices and salaries have up to now been quite unsuccessful. Why not let all agricultural products, except wheat, be sold freely, and ask producers to hand over a percentage of these products to some organizations which would sell them to consumers with a fixed income (workers, employees, "pensionati" etc.)? (F. Ch.)

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2. In Parma the aristocracy, helped by the Poles and the "Ustacia", are gathering arms and organizing a reactionary movement very similar to Fascism, writes Riccardo Longone.

3. Young people of 18 should be granted the right to vote, writes Michele Rossi. A long account of all the good work carried out by the "Fronte della Gioventù", is given.

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August 22, 1945.

Daily Digest of Rome Press.

GENERAL

1. The C.G.I.L. sent a memo to the Govt asking for: a) the increase of special rations for children, workers with a fixed income, and unemployed, by bringing upon the market hidden or bought up products, and making adequate agreements with the Allied Govts. b) Cooperative management of bakeries, mills, etc. c) fight against black market by directly supplying soup kitchens and popular stores. d) work to be given immediately to the unemployed; e) industrialization of agricultural products. f) emigration of Italian workers, for whom the best possible conditions should be obtained.

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8. Those responsible for the Schio slaughter have been identified and arrested. The trial to start on the 27th. (ANSA)

9. Tobacco ration, contrary to rumor, will not be increased.

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10. The A.C. announces that the coal allotted to Italy will be about 350,000 tons per month till the end of the year. This coal will be distributed by a special committee formed by representatives of the A.C. and the Italian Govt.

11. De Gasperi gave a dinner for Tarchiani, before the latter's return to Washington; other Ministers were present.

12. The Govt has allotted 70 million lire for public works in La Spezia, announced Romita during his visit to that town.

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13. The UNRRA assembly approved the American and British proposal to grant Italy unlimited relief; only contrary vote was from Yugoslav delegate.

14. Graziani won't be handed over to the Italian authorities as yet for his case will be examined during the Council of Foreign Ministers in London. (SIDI)

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OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican) - N.N.

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QUOTIDIANO (Independent Catholic) - N.N.

RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat)

1. Repatriated prisoners are supposed to get a pack of clothing from the Ministry for Post War Relief. Today they spent hours waiting and threatened to burn the Ministry.

TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO - N.N.

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which do not want to submit to their monopolistic govts. The C.L.N. parties, goes on Selvaggi, should meditate on these words.

2. Roman fountains must be supplied with water in order to put and end to the invasion of mosquitoes which is now rendering our nights sleepless.

LIBERA STAMPA

1. We must hope that Italy will be allowed to discuss the question of her colonies, writes G. Solari Bozzi. All the colonies we acquired before Fascism were acquired with the consent of Great Britain. Besides, it is to England's interest not to upset the Mediterranean equilibrium or destroy a painstakingly created situation. If the Atlantic Charter has not yet grown old-fashioned, how could we be deprived of the raw materials of our colonies, which are the fruit of the work of our people? Is it in the interest of the big Powers to see Italy, which is already lacking in raw materials, deprived of what little iron or aluminium she can obtain from he colonies? What would be the fate of the numerous Italian workers who, years ago, went to Eritrea, Lybia or Somalia?

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RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal)

1. A group of unemployed mechanics went to the Viminale to protest because they are being left to starve while German prisoners are working in Italy. The authorities should not allow such injustice.

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SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Complete details on the distribution of coal to Italy, and figures on the various industries, in the North and in the South.

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14. The secretariat of the Christian Democrat party, following the debates on the "victory Te Deum", invites all members to meditate on the matter, but not to let themselves be drawn into manifestations of protest; this is one of the numerous questions which the Costituente will have to solve.

15. THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MET YESTERDAY: Having examined some questions concerning the Consulta the Council decided to postpone any further discussion till Saturday. Brosio suggested that Orlando and Nitti be appointed members of the Consulta; it was decided that the work for the actual formation of the Assembly start on the 15th of Sept. The Council then decided to increase the powers of the provincial organs of the High Commissariat for sanctions against Fascism. Nenni hopes than within three months epuration will be concluded. A decree allowing credit institutes to advance loans up to 3 billion lire to those industrial firms which ask for them, was approved; the State will guarantee 60 per cent of these sums. It was decided to allot 50 million lire to railway works in Palermo. Following suggestions made by the Minister of Commerce and Industry it was decided to abolish the monopoly on foreign coal. A decree by which those workers who are temporarily unemployed through no fault of theirs will benefit by a daily payment of 30 lire plus 5 lire for every child, was approved. Aldisio gave an account of the general situation in Sicily and denied that there is any truth in these rumors spread by the Separatists concerning landing, in the island, of Italo-American elements. Molè has asked that a daily train be scheduled to carry wine from the South. His request will be examined at the next meeting of the Council, on Saturday.

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19. Peasants' demonstrations near Salerno.

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21. Railway traffic between Genoa and Switzerland to be resumed shortly.

22. The president of the economic C.L.N. of Genoa stated that he has obtained Rome's authorisation to start negotiations with the great industrialists of Liguria in order to obtain the capital necessary to carry out the works of the port of Genoa. (ANSA)

23. The first train from Rome arrived in Vienna.

24. Speaking at the meeting of the Radical party Herriot stated that it is necessary to help Italy to return to Liberalism. (REUTER)

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meant it, it would have issued a decree making Sicily autonomous. The separatist movement aims at breaking up the Italian unity of 1860. There are three possible solution: a) an administration implying that Sicily is detached from Italy. b) to consider Sicily as formally united to Italy, but in fact detached, i.e. militarily and politically occupied by an Allied power during a certain number of years, as a safeguard. c) a plebiscite to take place before the end of the year. - The Allies will be welcomed. - The leader of the separatist movement added that several hundreds of Sicilian-American functionaries arrived during the last few days to assume the public powers when decisions have been made for the organization of the island. Finocchiaro-Aprile expressed his gratitude to President Truman for the delicacy with which he chose these functionaries among the Sicilians of America.

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TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

1. Interviewed on the C.G.I.L. memorandum Cattani said: there are many good suggestions, however the C.G.I.L. ought to have asked its members to make an effort to determine a state

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2. Interview with Fancello, Commissioner of the Roman hospitals: improvement in the food, medicine, and linen supplies, but much remains to be done.

VOCE REPUBBLICANA (Republican)

1. We fear very much, says Antonio Conti speaking on the question of Italian frontiers, that all solutions will be based too much on nationalistic tendencies, which, on the contrary, should have been killed by this war.

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GLOBO (Economic)

1. The problem of foreign commerce should be above party discussions, says Vittorio Cerruti; the Govt doesn't seem to have understood its importance.

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2. Article on the aluminium industry, which is very important for Italy.

ITALIA LIBERA (Action)

1. Bevin's desire not to interfere in Spanish internal affairs has caused Franco and his accolitas to rejoice; this joy may be short-living, says Alberto Cianca, but it is all the same regrettable that such a statement should have been made, because it is not admissable that Franco's regime should survive in what is supposed to be a democratic world.

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2. R.L. protests against an arbitrary derequisition in favour of a Soviet film concern. Why should the Italian State department ask the "Commissariato Alloggi" to eject an Italian

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refugee? And anyhow, the Russian concern should have requisitioned the flat through the channel of the Allied Command.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Pulvio Maccia expresses satisfaction at the news that the question of regional autonomy will be discussed at the Consulta.

2. Why doesn't the Govt deny all the idiotic rumors spread by Finocchiaro-Aprile and his gang? asks Secolo XX.

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R/108/19/PRB August 24, 1945.

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11. Palermo has become an American dock-yard, stated admiral Kent Hewitt. (REUTER)

12. American circles enphatically deny Finocchiaro-Aprile's statement. (ORBIS)

13. The press office of the Presidency of the Council communicates: the deliberation on the Val d'Aosta taken by the Council of Ministers is important because it shows that the new democratic Italian Govt does not only make generic declarations.

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but really aims at facing the actual situation, beginning with those zones where the ethnic and language differences render more urgent a decentralisation of administrative power in order to safeguard the rights of the minority. The Govt intends taking the same measures which it has taken for Val d'Aosta, also for Venecia Tridentina and Alto Adige.

14. The American embassy denies that any Sicilian memorandum has ever been discussed at the San Francisco Conference.

15. The mayor of Turin received yesterday by Parri.

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2. The first steps towards reconstructions; a brick factory in the outskirts of Rome has started working; it employes 53 workers who are paid between 30 and 48 lire per hour.

INDIPENDENTE

1. Statement of Commissioner Secco Suardo on the repatriation of young Italians whom the war left stranded abroad: the Allies and the countries where the children reside must authorize this repatriation; the Navy is willing to help in the

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question of transport. The children are well cared for though the "Fondazione figli italiani all'estero" can spend only 85 lire a day for each of them.

LAVORO (C.G.I.L.)

1. Received by Parri, Rovida, mayor of Turin, stated that the Govt must not only take action to improve the condition of the workers but also give administrative autonomy to the Communes.

2. 80 million lire are not enough to rebuild tenement houses in Rome.

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2. Every stone, every square yard of ground of the Italian colonies speaks of Italian labour. So why, asks M. d. S., should we not be allowed to continue working in Africa?

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GLOBO (Economic)

1. Ugo Papi praises Scelba, as a man and as a Minister. What he has done for the economic rebirth of the country will never be forgotten.

2. Shortage of electric energy in Sicily hinders a rapid rehabilitation of all industries.

3. Italian snuff can again be found in American markets.

4. Gerolamo Pedoja explains the reasons owing to which the mainland will receive this year less cotton than usual from Sicily.

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economic freedom, but the nation took it. Legally speaking, economy is controlled; practically speaking, it is free; therefore, we accumulate the inconveniences of both systems. N.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Five 2500 tons ships are being built in the Adriatic dock-yards, and many more at La Spezia.

2. Article on the beetroot situation in Italy.

TEMPO (Independent)

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14. Serena Fonda, representative of the Trieste University Committee, who has come to Rome to protest against the suppression of the faculties of literature, philosophy and engineering, was received by Arangio Ruiz; she pointed out that the suppression of the above faculties may cause a cleavage in the university equilibrium of Venezia Giulia and thus cause great damage to Italian interests. (ANSA)

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15. General strike in Caltanisetta to protest against the high cost of living.

16. The supply office of the Italian State railway will distribute the American war surplus material.

17. The competent Ministries are studying plans for the suppression of commissariat control of firms.

18. It is foreseen in Washington that Italy may have to pay for her war reparations by means of territorial concessions. (A.P.)

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OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican) - N.R.

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QUOTIDIANO (Independent Catholic)

1. Still debating on the question of the thanksgiving mass S. Federici says that "Nenni and his friends" ought to realize that no cleavage is possible between Church and Catholics, neither in Italy nor elsewhere

RICOSTRUZIONE (Labour Democrat) - N.N.

TRIBUNA DEL POPOLO

1. Interviews on the C.G.I.L. memo.

The Action party is favourable to the memo. The profits of the regime must be confiscated in order to avoid inflation.

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2. Paolo Pellari hopes that the expenses which the Govt will have to face in order to carry out public works won't necessitate more taxes for the population.

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3. The Omegna port has been freed from all mines.

4. Romita will be in Naples on Monday and will study the necessities of the port.

5. Lack of cellulose hinders the rayon industry.

ITALIA LIBERA (Action) - N.N.

ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

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2. Program of the A.G.I.P. (Azienda Generale Italiana Petroli).

3. Clear figures are necessary in order to carry out national reconstruction.

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TEMPO (Independent)

1. Club without exact. Under this headline Tempo comments bitterly on AP announcement (see General No. 18.) on reparations which will be asked of Italy. It concludes by saying that when the Italian people welcomed the Allied troops as liberators, they believed that freedom meant independence; but independence cannot be realised if it comes with large economic and territorial mutilations.

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Daily Digest of Rome Press.

GENERAL

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4. Nenni asks for complete epuration of the Senate.

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13. The A.C. together with the interministerial Reconstruction Committee will study plans for imports during the year 1946.

SIS

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14. The Socialist party to hold a meeting in Milan between the 4th and the 8th of September to discuss the following order of the day: 1) Socialist party and Costituente; 2) the Republican state scholastic reforms, and local autonomy; 3) agrarian reform; 4) industrial and bank reform; 5) system to be used for the elections of the Costituente and for the Administrative ones; 6) peace problems; and 7) constitution of the Socialist party.

15. Plans for 80 million lire worth of repairs to poor peoples houses in Rome to be carried out immediately.

16. 250 million lire of cotton to arrive shortly to Italy.

17. Duecussions for a commercial agreement between Rome and Prague are taking place, announces the press office of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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EPOCA (Indipendent Leftist)

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INDIPENDENTE

1. The problem of the partisans is most complicated; for it appears that only those who took part in some military action are entitled to the title of partisan and therefore to an indemnity. The longer we wait the more difficult the situation becomes, for it will be almost impossible to ascertain who actually fought and who did not. Nemo points out that men who never took part in any military action but did sabotage work, threw bombs etc. ran as great a risk as the fighting partisans and sometimes rendered greater services.

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AVANTI (Socialist)

1. The appeal of the directorate of the Socialist party

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to all Italian Socialists given in full (See under General no. 14)

2. Nenni received a telegram from the Caltanisetta peasants who want their right to strike to be respected.

GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (Government)

1. Gustavo Ingrosso, president of the Corte dei Conti, points out the advantages of the one member constituency electoral system, as compared with the proportional representation.

GLOBO (Economic)

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2. Sforza's statement : The Italians will be intelligently selfish only if they remain serene, and prove that they are thinking of European peace as much as of their own interests. Some sacrifices would make wounds that cannot be healed, but there are conditions which appear very hard and yet may have advantageous results.

3. E.N.D.S.I. has distributed in less than a year sixty thousand qls of goods amounting to 140 million dollars.

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MOMENTO

1. We shouldn't worry too much about the various news regarding peace for Italy. Most of it is simply made up by journalists. We cannot believe that after Potsdam such clauses could be enforced; it would mean that the Big Three were making fun of us. We shall have a hard time in London, but the battle isn't lost yet. If some of the alleged plans are carried out, The Big Three will prove to the world that they are unable to give it a just peace.

POPOLO (Christian Democrat)

1. Comments on the loan: the result has been normal, neither particularly brilliant, nor especially unsatisfactory; it corresponds to the economic and financial situation of the country.

RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal) N.N.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. One E.G. writes an open letter to the general director of the tobacco monopoly, complaining on the small quantity and bad quality of cigarettes distributed with ration cards, while any amount, and usually better, can be found on the black market.

2. A new huge cinema is being built near San Giovanni, it will cost approximately 12 million lire; for that price, and more or less with the material used to build it, a house of sixty rooms might have been built; how can the Government allow such things to happen?

TEMPO (Indipendent) N.N.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. Unita' rejoices at the announcement that Italian POWs in Russia will be repatriated. This will show how humanity and understanding the USSR is, it says. The sad part is that only one fifth of the missing troops will come back. 80 thousand boys lost their lives in the Russian plains. Germans and Fascists, most of them still happily in their posts in Italy, are responsible for their death.

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Daily Digest of Rome Press.

GENERAL

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7. The meeting of the C.L.N.A.I., which is to start on the 31, is meant to be a manifestation of fraternity and unity, on the eve of the passing of the Northern provinces under Italian administration, stated Morandi interviewed by ORBIS.

8. Three Admirals and three Generals to be tried by the Military Court of Justice.

9. A reception to be held today in the Campidoglio in honour of the Allies to celebrate the end of the war.

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10. All senators, except the four who will take part in the Consulta and Ricci, Minister of Finance, turned over to the High Court of Justice for epuration proceedings.

11. The Italian Govt has asked the Yugoslav Govt, through Allied channels, to explain why they have sequestered three Italian fishing boats and their crews. The Belgrad Govt has now answered that the 16 members of the three crews will be repatriated as soon as possible no mention is made of the boats. (SIDI)

12. Pacciardi spoke in Tivoli on the necessity of having a Republic based on regional autonomy.

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16. Gronchi in Milan to preside over the meeting for unblocking and fixing prices of textiles and shoes.

17. Anti-Italian posters have appeared in some streets in Trieste.

18. 600 American soldiers will be allowed to follow courses in Italian universities.

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CAPITALE - N.N.

EPOCA (Independent Leftist)- N.N.

INDIPENDENTE - N.N.

OSSERVATORE ROMANO (Vatican)

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2. Account of Pacciardi's speech and reception accorded him in Tivoli. Speech follows usual Republican lines.

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LIBERA STAMPA

1. The only way to go to Milan or Florence by sleeping

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car is to buy one's ticket through the black market.

MOMENTO

1. The problem of unemployment will only be made worse by the return of prisoners. It is likely that many prisoners would willingly remain in the country where they have spent many years and where they might find a good job, for they realize that they will meet with a great many difficulties if they return to Italy. Why not try and avoid a big traffic of in-coming prisoners and out-going workers, and settle that the prisoners who want to do so may remain as workers? (L.L.)

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2. Luigi Longo, speaking on the functions of the CLNs, said that, after the fight against Fascists and Germans, their task is now to mantain unity of action among all democratic forces.

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3. If an average worker's family wants to keep clean, one seventh of their income must be spent in soap and other cleaning stuff, writes Unità. But an average worker's family cannot afford it. Besides bread and clothes we also want soap.

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GENERAL

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8. Bertini reaffirmed the Socialists' desire of holding the elections for the Costituente before the Administrative ones.

9. Five armed bandits break into the Questura of Bergamo.

10. Increasing banditism in Veneto.

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11. The trial of those accused of/the Schio massacre to start on the 4th of Sept, under the presidency of Col. Bedrens, chief of the Legal Sub-Commission of the A.C.

12. On his return to Washington Tarchiani was received by Byrnes. (U.P.)

13. Six ex Fascists sentenced to death by the Genoa High Court of Justice.

14. The Pope has invited all Bishops to give clear instructions to all nuns and priests to vote only for those candidates who will surely defend the observance of divine laws and the rights of religion and of the Church.

15. Prices of the "vini dei Castelli" are no longer blocked.

16. The Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs received the Italian ambassador in Madrid. (REUTER)

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2. Interview with Priolo, Undersecretary for Transports: great improvements are foreseen in the sector of transportation. The State RRs are making a great effort to increase the number of carriages and engines which are now available. We may hope that the situation will soon be normal again.

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3. The control commission of Tnic has been sabotaged in the most perfect Fascist style, says Lavoro.

4. The Govt should cope without delay with the problem of unemployment. Enough plans have been drafted. Action must be taken.

5. Inefficiency of the Sopral in distribution of wine.

6. It is unfair to grant a reduced food indemnity to workers with a fixed salary.

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MORNING PAPERS

AVANTI (Socialist)

1. Critical analysis of the Labor Democrat party which according to the writer is not very strong and really represents no very important segment of Italian political opinion. This by way of answer to the L.D.'s suggestion that ~~Administrative~~ elections should be held as soon as possible taking precedence over elections for the Constituente.

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ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

1. A number of suggestions for building up Italian agriculture made by F. Nicotera. Among other things he suggests

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the abandonment of "anti-economic" prices paid for the ammassi.

2. The glorious record of Thaon de Revel should have protected him from the epuration measures recently taken against Senators, says I.N. But it seems now that it is not so much a matter of epurating senators as an attempt to get rid of the whole senate. If this is a part of the campaign of the Parri Govt to build a republic it is a mistake, warns I.N.

3. Sale of Italian art in Washington bears looking into, comments I.N. Where did these treasures come from? Who allowed them to be sold? The prices seem a little low, too. Ministry of Education might explain.

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2. The fact that the Italian Govt refused to have a thanksgiving ceremony celebrated for the end of the war has been unfavourably noted in the United States.

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3. What does Di Vittorio mean when he says that 'Italian workers try to improve relations with Yugoslavia in spite of some Fascist reactions which take place in Italy and which are against a fair settlement of the Trieste question'.

RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE (Liberal) - N.M.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

1. Situation of the Roman Film industry: lack of technical means. Part of the equipment of Cinecittà has been transferred North; and now the workers protest and won't have it taken back. Will the C.G.I.L. be able to solve the question?

2. Commercial exchanges with France have been resumed without waiting for the signature of a commercial agreement.

TEMPO (Independent)

1. The Separatist Army is still in force in Sicily, writes Igor Man. A new Commander in Chief has been appointed who has published an appeal to his troops in a Mussolinian style. It is worrying, G.M. comments, to see how the Separatists go on making their preparations undisturbed.

UNITA' (Communist)

1. End of the report given by Togliatti on the Economic policy of the Communist party (see yesterday's Digest under Unità.) Reviewing practical problems to be solved, Togliatti stresses the importance of workers increasing their output. Owners should be made to pay adequate taxes, if necessary, by means of pressure exercised by some democratic organisation. He then goes on examining the situation in some unions where more importance should be given to production problems. He concludes by saying that sabotage should be fought vigorously, explaining how capitalists know that through an economic collapse all attempts towards a popular and progressive democracy would be frustrated.

2. In an interview the General Director of the Monopolies stated that the 20 cigarettes ration is ensured for two years ahead. Rations cannot be increased because South Italy must also supply the North.

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GENERAL

1. The first regional Congress of "Pax Romana" - world confederation of catholic universities - opened yesterday in London. (REUTER)

2. The "Nuova Stampa" of Turin points out the necessity of re-establishing communications with the passo della Tenda region; with the coming winter snows, there is danger that this region, may be entirely cut off from the rest of Italy. (ANSA)

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Commissioner for sanctions against Fascism, of sending all Senators together before the High Court of Justice; De Gasperi expressed regret that so much publicity should have been given to the matter. Nenni answered that all Senators will have to be tried - except 15 who are well known anti-fascists - and that the Court will see whether they must all be punished or not. A decree guaranteeing credits to sequestered firms was then approved. The Council then named a commission charged to prepare the law system to be used in the elections for the Costituente. (Names of the members of this commission are given). The Council approved a declaration reconfirming the will of the Govt to satisfy the autonomistic aspirations of Sicily and Sardinia. Finally the Council of Ministers approved the first list of members of the Consulta. List of names given.

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Italian and the American school system.

EPOCA (Independent Leftist) - N.N.

INDIPENDENTE

1. Yesterday, in the Campidoglio, the Allies were guests of the Italian authorities; this means, says Indipendente, that they were all united in the hope of a future based on the old history of the Campidoglio. The reception has annulled any possible discussion on Italy's participation in the fight for freedom and democracy.

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ITALIA LIBERA (Action)

1. Lussu's radio speech to veterans given in full. Their two essential problems, he said, are to cure the ill and to find work for the healthy.

ITALIA NUOVA (Democrat)

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2. In Milan the black market exists but does not operate openly.

3. It appears that a kind of 'via Tasso' has been established in the seat of a Yugoslav office in Rome. Many Yugoslavs hostile to Tito have already disappeared in mysterious circumstances.

SECOLO XX (Finance)

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3. Alleged violent deeds of the Polish troops against Communists in Marche Region are reported by Unità.

4. Following the Italia Nuova line, Unità reproduces and comments unfavourably on a cartoon of the "Two Types".

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in order to study, together with the local C.L.Ns. and the representatives of the workers and of the employers, the problem of unemployment.

11. According to a reliable source of informations it seems that it is not true that the Italian Govt has given authorisation for Italian masterpieces to be sold abroad. (R.)

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according to Monsterace; and this is not surprising, he says, for after all Milan was the cradle of Fascism.

2. Does Prince Doria really take no interest at all in what goes on throughout Rome? asks Capitale, speaking about the scandalous black market of Porta San Paolo.

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1. Those suffering from infectious diseases should be forced to enter hospitals, says Renato Pollitzer.

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2. We have probably been wrong, says Mario Alessandrini, in not following France's example and rendering the problem of reconstruction entirely free from any political influence. In France political interference, when existing, has not been strong enough to hinder the work of reconstruction, and so plans have immediately been drawn up by competent people. In Italy instead the Govt has no clear program and private initiative is paralyzed. As we cannot hope to have prefabricated houses, in wood, aluminium or other precious materials of which Italy is at present completely lacking, houses should be built as they always have been, according to regional possibilities. It is in the interest of the country, ends the writer, that local activities should be awakened, at least in the field of house building.

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5. It seems that the Yugoslav Govt asks for a 150 billion lire worth of raw materials which are in Istria and which belong to Italy; Globo gives details.

6. 25 million lire have been spent to repair damage caused by war to the "Acqua Marcia".

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ITALIA LIBERA (Action)

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