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Mr. Stewart Leon

Please be advised that this administrative determination on the Alien petition was made as the result of our interpretation of Law. It seems to be all right on face as it goes through the reference to the 10th Amendment as a basic premise. But it does not expressly provide for the retention of proper officers in each of the sections of the main branch of our organization under the previous Act. Section. I shall be very grateful if you will advise me on this determination to.

Very truly yours,

Assistant District Director (Inv)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

R2/PRB APO 394 GSB/dp

PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

July 30, 1945

SUBJECT: Reference attached.

TO : Chief Commissioner

You inquired whether the attached (Administrative Memorandum, Number 36) concerning the Allied Publications Board, had our concurrence.

For your information the new memorandum makes only minor revisions in the old Memorandum No. 50 to take into account the situation in northern Italy. The revisions were approved by the Allied Publications Board approximately six weeks ago and have been issued with some delay.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

cc: Mr. Hopkinson

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

24 July 1945

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM)
NUMBER 36)

Allied Publications Board I
Handling of Imports of Slated Petroleum Products in Italy (excluding Fuels) . . .II
Facilities and Services to be Extended to UNRRA Italy Mission III

I--- ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 50, 1944, and Section I, Number 22, 1945, are rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

1. a. The Allied Publications Board comprised of representatives of the following have been created:

(1) Psychological Warfare Branch, AFHQ (Chairman).

(2) Censorship Branch, ING.

(3) G-2 Section.

(4) Allied Commission (ALCOM).

b. Allied Commission will be represented by the following:

(1) Political advisors from the US and British Embassies.

(2) Representatives of the Economic Section.

(3) Public Relations Officer.

c. Psychological Warfare Branch will be represented by the following:

(1) Head of PWB Liberated Italy or his representative (Chairman).

(2) Press Chief, PWB Italy or his representative (Executive Secretary).

(3) PWO, PWB, 15th Army Group or his representative.

d. Representatives of CWI and MOI.

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2. G-1 Section, MTOUSA in conjunction with G-1 (British) will designate a representative who will sit as a member of the Board whenever a question involving any of the officially designated troop morale newspapers (e.g. Stars & Stripes, Union Jack, Eighth Army News and Yank) is before the Board.

3. In conformity with the established policy of the Board of progressively delegating its powers to the Italian authorities, full powers are delegated to the Italian Press Commission to grant and suspend in territory under Italian Government jurisdiction press licenses for the publication of newspapers, magazines, books, posters, placards, brochures and similar publications without

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reference to or need of ratification by the Allied Publication Board.

a. The Communes of Naples, Ancona, Livorno, Colle Salvetti and Pisa will be regarded for Allied Publications Board purposes as territory under Italian Government jurisdiction.

b. The Allied Publications Board reserves the right of intervention in territory under Italian Government jurisdiction at the request of Allied authorities in matters concerning military censorship or undemocratic practices, including the right to suspend or revoke licenses through the channels of the Italian Press Commission.

c. The Allied Publications Board will continue to exercise its full powers in all the territory not under Italian Government jurisdiction.

4. The Board is empowered to draft such regulations and perform such functions as are necessary to properly carry out the following:

a. Control the flow into ITALY, SICILY, and SARDINIA of all newsprint and other forms of paper used for printing publications referred to in paragraph 3; to control all such paper found in ITALY, SICILY, and SARDINIA; to perform such functions as are necessary to maintain adequate supply of such paper, including freezing and releasing of stocks.

(1) Procurement of paper after the end of the current year either from abroad or from local resources will be agreed upon between the Economic Section, ALCOM and the Italian Press Commission so far as Italian needs in Government Italy are concerned, and between the Economic Section, ALCOM, and Allied Publications Board for the needs of AMG territory.

(2) Responsibility for the distribution of paper for use of the Italian Press in Italian Government territory will be assigned to an agency to be designated by the Italian Press Commission.

b. Control the allocation to specific publications and news organizations of all such communications facilities as are made available by the Chief Signal Officer, this headquarters, for collecting and disseminating news and press matter within ITALY.

c. Direct the consolidation, movement or rehabilitation of all equipment necessary for publication production.

d. Enforce the directives of the various sections concerned with publications problems, and to issue censorship and policy directives as are necessary to the proper carrying out of this authority.

e. Provide for the direction and control of the Italian Press and radio in Italian territory under AMG in accordance with the instructions of the Chief of Staff AFHQ and directives approved by him.

5. Stars & Stripes, Union Jack, Yank, and other officially designated troop morale papers are specifically exempt from Allied Publications Board control and supervision except for paper stocks, materials and facilities acquired in or derived from ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA, which shall be allotted

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AFHQ Administrative Memo #36 (cont'd)

by Allied Publications Board based upon need and availability. In the event of acute facility shortages, officially designated troop morale publications will be permitted to participate in the use of available facilities on a "Share and share alike" basis with other licensed publications. The Allied Publications Board will not exercise any control or supervision over Army Expeditionary Radio Stations, British or American.

6. It shall be the duty of the Board to report its activities and submit any recommendations beyond the scope of this order to this headquarters via Allied Commission.

7. The Board may be addressed care of PWB, Unit #12, APO 512.

II---HANDLING OF IMPORTS OF SLATED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN ITALY (EXCLUDING FUELS)

AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 27, 1945, is amended as follows:

Delete in paragraph 4E from "Long Time Burning Oil - Tn - IRS" to "Sup Steam Cyl Oil Grade 2" and substitute:

	Italy	
	British	US
Long Time Burning Oil	Civil	Civil
Car & Loco Engine Oil	"	"
Loco Gear Grease	"	"
Driving Journal Grease	"	"
Sat. Steam Cyl Oil Grade 1	"	"
Superheated Steam Cyl Oil Gd 2	"	"

III- FACILITIES AND SERVICES TO BE EXTENDED TO UNRRA ITALY MISSION

Paragraph 6f, AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 6, 1945, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

"6f POL - Issued only by the authorized Italian distributing concern, Comitato Italiano Petroli, i.e. C.I.P. No POL will be issued from MD stocks for U.N.R.R.A. vehicles after 1 August 1945."

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. CHRISTENDEN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD.

Milan
July 19

To :Stewart Brown

From: Edman-Noble.

Subject - Turin Press.

Dear Stewart,

Albert Marari, who has been press officer Turin since the outset is bringing this letter to give our view. You will get the full picture from him and no doubt from other sources too.

The duty of APB was to get out La Stampa as a pre-Fascist paper under the press plan provided the trouble ensuing was not out of proportion to the value of adhering strictly to the press plan. It was judged by Regional Commissioner Piemonte, by PWB there and by local authorities and public that the paper could come out. The trouble has proved greater than was expected.

When the trouble first started and we were consulted, we agreed that once a position was taken, it would be bad for Allied prestige to go back on it and be jockeyed out of it by certain party and irresponsible elements.

The question now is whether, since the issue is grave enough to become a national one, and since it has meant the whole Turin press coming to a halt, we should risk a certain amount of prestig and at least prevent things from becoming worse by compromising and adjusting the title, or whether AMG feels that to step back in any way would prejudice its control in larger issues than press.

Our attitude is this: from the press angle, the APB angle, the name LA STAMPA is not vitally important. The important thing is to have an independent non-party newspaper. For APB alone and the press plan alone, to insist on the name would be much beyond our terms of reference in these circumstances. We want the press of Turin to include an independent paper, but in trying to get it we dont want to halt the whole press. If the title stands, it must be only on AMG-AC issues. The Regional Commissioner has closed on the press. It may be considered that he must stick to his guns at all costs to preserve AMG authority

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If we were the only body involved, we would alter the title.

Yours sincerely,

GEORGE [illegible]AN, Chairman APB
G M Sinclair Noble. CPC APB

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Letter to Colonel Marshal, AMG Regional Commissioner, Piemonte at Turin, dictated by telephone to Sandy Koffler for relay at 01:00 hrs. July 19, 1945:

Dear Colonel:

Further to our talk of last night - since the solution accepted by the Prefect and others has not worked out, the issue has developed into a bigger one than purely press, and has become a matter of law and order.

You are naturally more concerned with the position of AMG than with AFB, but from a purely press point of view, our job is to get out independent papers and it would be beyond our terms of reference to insist on a title if it meant closing down on the whole press. From our angle therefore it would be possible to compromise on the title. Apart from that, considerations are from your angle of law and order. We are sending a representative to Rome tomorrow to see Director PR AC and understand you are doing same. In the meantime if there is there is any reason at all, call me and I should be happy to come at once to consult with you.

Sincerely yours,

GEORGE W. EIMAN, PWO
pwb, Milan

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DIRECTORY

ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday
12th July, 1945, at 7 Corso Valdocco,
Turin.

Present: Mr Paul W Wolf, O.C. PWB Unit No 18 - Chairman
Mr.S.A. Koffler, Press Officer,
PWB Unit No 18 - Executive Secretary
Mr. Albert Lazzari, PWB (observer)
Lt Clarke, Printing Officer, PWB
Captain Fleming, Press Censor, AFHQ
Captain Noe, AMG representative
(Education Officer)

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

The chairman opened the meeting and asked the Executive Secretary to read the minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes were read and approved.

2. Circulation of Newspapers - New figures

The Executive Secretary informed the board of the revised circulation figures for daily papers based on the new allocation of newsprint by Central APB. The revised figures are as follows:

Opinione	60,000
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Unita	60,000
G.L.	60,000
Popolo Nuovo	60,000
Corriere del Piemonte	120,000
La Stampa	120,000

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It was suggested and approved that allocations of newsprint be made in weight of paper rather than by circulation figures in view of the possible difference in the

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The board was asked to bring to the attention of Central APB that they considered that 15 per cent of the total newsprint allocated to Piemonte was insufficient and should be revised.

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3. La Stampa

The Executive Secretary then informed the Board that at a meeting of Central APB on 9th July it was decided that the independent paper "La Stampa" should appear in Turin. It had been decided that owing to the shortage of newsprint the publication of the other pre-Fascist paper "Gazzetta del Popolo" should be held in abeyance.

The Regional Commissioner had appointed as Receiver for the "La Stampa" Avv. Villabruna who had been requested to start the paper within the next few days. The Chief Editor would be Ing. Burzio.

The question of space at "La Stampa" plant was then mentioned. It was pointed out that with the termination of Corriere del Piemonte and the starting of the Stampa the Stampa plant would have two papers and the Stampa plant four. It was suggested that arrangements should be made to transfer one of the party papers from the Stampa plant to the Gazzetta plant.

4. Corriere del Piemonte

It was agreed that the newsprint allocated to the Corriere del Piemonte (120,000) should be divided as follows after the Corriere del Piemonte ceased publication on 15th July:

15,000 to each of the 3 party papers
30,000 to the independent "La Stampa".

This meant that the party papers would be increased to 75,000 and "La Stampa" to 150,000 - 6 days per week.

5. Corriere del Sport

This sports weekly had been authorized at the last meeting but had not yet been ratified by Central APB. It had come to the knowledge of the Executive Secretary that the Marchesant Sig. Scarzella had attempted to sell the rights to publish this paper shortly after receiving the Board's provisional permit.

It was unanimously agreed that this permit be

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It was unanimously agreed that this permit be revoked immediately.

6. Popolo Nuovo

This daily newspaper (Demochristian party) had applied for permission to increase its circulation by 30,000 copies having come to an agreement with the Milan Demochristian paper which would reduce its circulation by this figure.

Captain Noe objected that this would give some parties an advantage, especially if the practice were extended. The Executive Secretary did not agree with this as he said that Milan

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party papers could send their papers to Piemonte so h[illegible] onsidered there should be no objection to transfering newsprint [illegible] Turin, instead of sending newspapers.

It was agreed that a ruling on this should be sought [illegible] the Executive Secretary of Central APB.

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This publication was authorized at the last meeting [illegible] Soc. "Il Nilo" owned by E. Santini. As they are not able [illegible] the Radio programmes it is recommended that the license [illegible] revoked.

. New Applications

The Executive Secretary put the latest applications before the Board. These were examined and discussed and the following were authorized:

SPORT	50,000	bi-weekly	Sports
RIVOLUZIONE MORALE	5,000	fortnightly	Universal
IL GABBIERE	30,000	weekly	Cultural
ILLUSTRAZIONE DEL POPOLO	100,000	weekly	Variety
IL COMMERCIO	20,000	weekly	Commercial
ALTA FREQUENZA	1,300	quarterly	Technical
IL MONITORE INDUSTRIALE	500	monthly	Industrial
[illegible]ISTA DEI GIOVANI	1,500	monthly	Cultural
[illegible]INGOLOGIA	250	quarterly	Medical
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The following were rejected:

[illegible]ITA
[illegible]RK
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[illegible]TALO
[illegible]ORAMICA
[illegible]UNTO
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LA VOCE DEL POPOLO
CIAK
GIOVANE DEMOCRAZIA
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LA VOCE DEL POPOLO
CIAK
GIOVANE DEMOCRAZIA
TERRA NOSTRA
IL MATTERELLO
IL GIORNALE DELLA CACCIA E DELLA PESCA
IL CHIERESE

The following were held in abeyance

L'AZIONE
BOLLETTINO SALESIANO
CONTADINI D'ITALIA
[illegible]SAGGIO A LIVELLO

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9. Any other business

There being no other business the meeting adjourned.

S.M. KOFFLER
Executive Secretary
Allied Publications
Board,
Turin

DISTRIBUTION

All present	
General APB	16
PWO PWB UNIT 16	2
IV Corps	4
AMG Lombardy	6
Chief Press Officer Italy	6
All Press officers	1
CAO AMG	1

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/cb

2/PRB 9 July 45

SUBJECT: Religious Weekly Publication - Venice

TO : Liaison Division

1. Reference is made to your 741/EC(L) of 7 July.

2. We have checked with the Venice branch of the Allied Publications Board and the application has not yet been considered by the Board.

3. The recommendation of the Cardinal Patriarch of Venice should be submitted through the Regional Commissioner of Venezia Region to the Venice office of APB where the application will be considered. It is suggested that your office forward the note from Sir D'Arcy Osborne to the Regional Commissioner of Venezia Region.

4. For your information the APB has had to disapprove quite a number of applications in Venice because of lack of newsprint but I am sure they will take into favorable consideration the recommendations of the Cardinal Patriarch.

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G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

Attachment

OFFICE OF THE
ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD
62 Via Vitt. Veneto
ROME.

Minutes of Meeting of the Central Allied Publications Board held at 11 a.m. on the 9th July 1945 in Room 108, 62 Via Vitt. Veneto, Rome.

PRESENT:	Mr. G. Edman.	Chairman.
	Major G.M.Sinclair Noble.	Executive Secretary.
	Mr.C.A.R.Radford.	A.D.D., PWB-AFHQ.
	Mr. H. Hopkinson.	Political Section, A.C.
	Mr.G.Stewart Brown.	Director, Public Relations, A.C.
	Mr.L.V.R.White.	Paper Control, A.C.
	Mr. J. Linen.	O.W.I.
	Major O.C.Anderson.	Press Attache, U.S.Embassy.
	Lt.Col. Piggott.	representing Press Attache, British Embassy.
	Mr. J.G.Barney.	M.O.I.
	Major Alexander.	Military Censorship.
OBSERVERS:	Marchese Cavaletti.	Italian Press Commission.
	Miss R.A.Vining.	PWB.

I. The minutes of the last meeting were taken as read.

2. Business arising out of last meeting.

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Major Noble reported that although the cuts in newsprint supplies announced at the last meeting had been put into effect , it had not been necessary to reduce circulation to the extent feared. The circulation figures decided upon previously had been calculated on the basis of 19 grammes per paper, while there was no paper published in the North which weighed more than 15½ grammes.

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	Mr. J.G.Barney.	M.O.I.
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Mr. White stated that the newsprint situation both in AMG and Italian Government territory, was satisfactory. The mills in the North were producing regularly the 60 tons a day which had been scheduled. The price had been raised from 42 to 55 lire per kilo, largely as a result of increased labour costs. In the South the Italian Government had enough paper to last until January 1st.
Mr. Linen had made available another 1,000 - 1,500 tons and the delivery of 3,600 tons from Switzerland now depended only on transport. There was a possibility of bringing in from Austria some cellulose which had already been bought and paid for by the Italian Government.

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4. A.C. views on policy for press in Northern Italy.

Mr. Stewart Brown read a letter from Prime Minister Parri expressing the view of the new Italian Government that re-publication of pre-Fascist papers was undesirable.

5. A motion to amend Paragraph 7 of the Press Plan, dealing with pre-Fascist papers, was put to the Board, but it was decided to postpone voting until after discussion of Major Noble's report on N. Italy.

6. Report on the N.Italian Press situation.

(a) LOMBARDY.

Major Noble reported that the GIORNALE LOMBARDO had been the most successful of PWB papers, a fact which was largely due to the excellent work of its staff. This staff would like to take on the paper under another name, running it independently of the CORRIERE D'INFORMAZIONE.
Another group of individuals known as the Franchi group, who had taken a prominent part in the resistance movement, had also applied for a licence to publish an independent paper to succeed GIORNALE LOMBARDO.
The present circulation of the GIORNALE LOMBARDO was 325000 copies daily - enough to allow two new papers to be authorized.
A third application was to hand from CORRIERE D'INFORMAZIONE for an evening edition. "CORRIERE" had always had an evening edition, IL POMERIGGIO, and would in any case renew such an edition as soon as free publishing was again permitted.
After discussion, it was decided to reject the third alternative and the following recommendation was passed:

"That when PWB closes down, the title of GIORNALE LOMBARDO be abolished and two independent evening newspapers be authorised, one to be owned by the Franchi group and the other by a company to be formed by journalists at present employed on the GIORNALE LOMBARDO;
That both groups be asked to give an undertaking in writing that they will preserve the independence of their paper;
That this undertaking be passed to the Presidency of the Council".

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Major Noble reported that the GIORNALE LOMBARDO had been the most successful of PWB papers, a fact which was largely due to the excellent work of its staff. This staff would like to take on the paper under another name, running it independently of the CORRIERE D'INFORMAZIONE.
Another group of individuals known as the Franchi group, who had taken a prominent part in the resistance movement, had also applied for a licence to publish an independent paper to succeed GIORNALE LOMBARDO.
The present circulation of the GIORNALE LOMBARDO was 325000 copies daily - enough to allow two new papers to be authorized.
A third application was to hand from CORRIERE D'INFORMAZIONE for an evening edition. "CORRIERE" had always had an evening edition, IL POMERIGGIO, and would in any case renew such an edition as soon as free publishing was again permitted.
After discussion, it was decided to reject the third alternative and the following recommendation was passed:

"That when PWB closes down, the title of GIORNALE LOMBARDO be abolished and two independent evening newspapers be authorised, one to be owned by the Franchi group and the other by a company to be formed by journalists at present employed on the GIORNALE LOMBARDO;
That both groups be asked to give an undertaking in writing that they will preserve the independence of their paper;
That this undertaking be passed to the Presidency of the Council".

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Major Noble asked the board whether, in view of the fact that the Franchi group would not be ready to start immediately, the GIORNALE LOMBARDO could be allowed to continue publication after PWB closed down on the 15th July. The following resolution was adopted:

"That the GIORNALE LOMBARDO may continue publication for a week or ten days after the 15th July in order that both new evening papers might start simultaneously".

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(b) PIEDMONT.

Major Noble reported that neither the STAMPA nor the GAZZETTA DEL POPOLO were yet publishing. The GAZZETTA was not ready to publish and there was much more opposition to this paper than to LA STAMPA. The STAMPA was ready to begin publication at any time. Salvatorelli, Director of LA NUOVA EUROPA who was at one time on the staff of the STAMPA, had been asked to take over its direction. He had refused as he did not wish to leave Rome, and it had been suggested that the appointment be offerred to Burzio, a journalist of liberal tendencies but universally respected in Turin, who could be relied upon to keep the paper on balanced lines.
The Board discussed the re-authorization of LA STAMPA in the light of Signor Parri's observations on the pre-Fascist papers. It was decided that Signor Parri was acting under a misapprehension since he probably did not realise that the property rights of pre-Fascist papers were controlled by a Commisario and would eventually be disposed of by the Italian Government.

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It was agreed that on PWB closing down, the above independent paper be authorised to publish in Genoa.

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Major Noble reported that feeling against the RESTO DI CARLINO was very strong, in all sections of the population.
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Major Noble reported that there PWB dailies in Venice and Padua, while CLN had one each in Venice, Padua and Verona and two (one in Italian and one in German) in Bolzano.
The Veneto CLN had agreed to allow its allocation of newsprint for political papers to go to Milan so that the Veneto could receive Milan political dailies.

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(e) VENETO (contd).

THE GAZZETTINO DI VENEZIA was ready to publish. There was a difficulty insofar as the majority of the shares (approximate value 300 million lire) were reputed to have been bought up by members of the Christian Democrat Party in the clandestine period.
The Board recommended that GAZZETTINO be authorised to re-appear, after receipt of a guarantee signed by Commissario, editor and administrator, promising to keep to non-party informational lines, A copy of this guarantee would be forwarded to the Italian Government.

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Major Noble reported that shortly before PWB closed down in Florence the Editor of CORRIERE DEL MATTINO (owned by the Commune but 'a cura del PWB' and editorially controlled by PWB) was dismissed by the Sindaco, on the grounds that his views were "insufficiently leftist". This act, besides constituting a breach of the Commune's contract, which stipulated that editorial personnel would be employed or dismissed only after consultation with PWB, was not indicative of intention to maintain an "objective independent" line, and the paper was closed down when PWB closed, although the previous intention had been to allow it to continue under the Commune as an independent.

A new newspaper, with the old CORRIERE DEL MATTINO staff, but financed by a private group, was authorised to carry on in its place, but the Commune send a deputation to S.E. Libonati, at that time Secretary for Press, and the day after the Italian Government took over Florence territory (incidentally the day before the office of Libonati was abolished) the Commune received a licence from the Italian Government to continue to publish under a new name, with the Sindaco as Editor.

Major Noble added that he understood the Commune was doing bad business with its new newspaper and was negotiating to merge in as dignified a manner as possible, with the other group authorised by APB.

The Board expressed the opinion that since the territory came under the Italian Government, APB could no longer be interested.

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After discussion the motion was rejected on the grounds that Signor Parri was probably not aware of the fact that the property rights of pro-Fascist papers are held under a commissario for eventual disposal by the Italian Government.

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The following motion was substituted:

"That Mr. Stewart Brown write a letter to the President of the Council, on behalf of APB, pointing out that he is acting under a misapprehension of the situation, and that the Italian Government will ultimately decide this question of property rights of pro-Fascist papers.

7. Organisation of APB after PWB handover.

Mr. Edman reported that it was not yet certain that APB would continue to function after the closing down of PWB. If it did continue to function, the headquarters of Chairman and CPO would be in Milan. In each regional centre there would be a Press Officer and secretary.

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Future policy depended on newsprint supplies. If these were sufficient, there would be complete freedom of the press. Applications would be passed automatically after investigation of the penal background of the editors and backers. If newsprint shortage made selection necessary, it was hoped to restore the Italian Press Commission on a slightly different basis. A decree had been brought before the Bonomi Government which had not had time to consider it. It would now be brought before the Parri Government

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10. Other business.

Mr. Barney drew attention to cases of duplication of titles in authorizations for N. Italy. The Chairman agreed that Regional Executive Secretaries should be asked to see that such duplication did not occur.

The Chairman announced that the next meeting of the Board would be held in Milan on the 6th August.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday,
27th June, 1945, at 1500 hours at
2 Corso Valdocco, Turin

Present: Lt-Col MacFarlane, O.C. PWB Turin, Chairman
Mr. Koffler, Press Officer, Piedmont,
Executive Secretary,
Lt-Col C.R. Briggs, AMG Regional Public Safety
Captain Noe, AMG Officer,
Mr. Pettoello, "D" Section
Lt Clarke, Printing Officer PWB
Captain Fleming INC
Miss Lepper, Secretary

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The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The Executive Secretary brought to the notice of the Board certain changes requested for titles of weeklies and other periodicals which had been approved at the last meeting. The changes in titles were made because it was found that other periodicals already existed with the same names. Changes made were as follows:

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3. Newspaper circulation

The Executive Secretary informed the Board of a recent meeting of Central APB held in Rome at which all authorizations had been ratified excepting Secolo Nuova (Independent paper to continue work of PWB paper), as the Central APB felt that

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three Independent papers in Turin were unnecessary because of the paper shortage. A revised newsprint allocation effective 25th June was read to the meeting, granting a total tonnage of 60 tons daily (26 days per month) for all Northern Italy. Allocations had been made as follows:

Lombardy	40	per cent
Piedmont	15	" "
Liguria	10	" "
Emilia	15	" "
Veneto	20	" "

Regional allocations:

All parties	50	per cent
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Others	10	" "

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4. Provincial papers

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(a) The question of Provincial papers was discussed and Colonel Briggs expressed certain apprehension over the position in Novara. He recommended that a strict control should be kept over this area. While he was not in favour of suppressing the papers he was very anxious that there should be an equitable distribution. The Executive Secretary stated that he had visited Novara where, in consultation with and on the advice of Colonel Marshall and the Provincial Commissioner, both of whom were present, it was agreed that five party papers would be provisionally allowed with the reduced circulation of 15,000 copies per week.

(b) The Executive Secretary agreed to obtain a ruling from Central AFB as to whether instead of Provincial capitals having one all party paper several times a week they could not have five party papers once a week.

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(c) In answer to a query by Colonel Briggs the Executive Secretary stated that all applications for the printing of Provincial papers were submitted through the Provincial Commissioner who, therefore, was always consulted on any matters pertaining to the local press in his Province.

(d) Various requests had come in for the publication in a Provincial capital of an Independent paper in addition to the all party paper. The Executive Secretary agreed to obtain a ruling from the Central APB as to whether such papers should be authorised or not.

5. Religion papers

The Executive Secretary explained the arrangements he had made with the Archbishop of Turin whereby a certain quantity of paper would be allocated for the printing of religious periodicals. It was agreed that the decision as to how this paper should be used should be recommended by the Archbishop on whose advice licences would be granted.

6. La Stampa and Gazzetta del Popolo

It was decided that the discussion on La Stampa and Gazzetta del Popolo should be deferred until Colonel Marshall's return from Rome.

7. Authorisation

After detailed examination of a very large number of applications, the following periodicals were authorised:

Technical papers

Tribuna dei Ferrovieri	5,000 copies	fortnightly
Notiziario Aeromod.	2,000 "	"
Informazione Ind.	15,000 "	weekly
Radio	30,000 "	"
Rivista Amm. del Regno	3,000 "	monthly
Tecnica	1,500 "	monthly

Humourist

Scarillo	30,000 "	weekly

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Il Codino Rosso	15,000 "	"

Sport

[illegible]	2,000 "	monthly
Corriere del Sport	3,000 "	fortnightly
	30,000 "	bi-weekly

Medical

Il Sangue	1,500 "	bi-monthly
Giornale di Batteriologia e Immunologia	1,000 "	quarterly
Medicina Taurinense	1,000 "	monthly

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Artistic and cultural

Agorà	3,000	copies	monthly
Collaborate	5,000	"	fortnightly
Rinnovamento	5,000	"	monthly
Rivista d'Arte	10,000	"	monthly
1945	30,000	"	weekly
Caleidoscopio	6,000	"	monthly

Religious

Il Seminatore	12,000	"	monthly
L'Unionista	1,000	"	monthly

Theatre and Cinema

Cine-Teatro-Varietà	10,000	"	weekly
Cine-Mondo	15,000	"	weekly
Il Film Completo	15,000	"	monthly

Women's papers

Vita	30,000	"	weekly
Noi Donne	15,000	"	monthly
Linea	3,000	"	monthly

North

Nuova Democrazia	5,000	"	fortnightly

8. Other business

The meeting was adjourned. No date was set for the 6851 next meeting.

S.M.KOHLER
Executive Secretary
Allied Publications
Board, Turin.

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All present
Central APB 16

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Varia

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PWO PWB Unit 16	2
1V Corps	4
AMG Lombardy	6
Chief Press Officer, Italy	6
All Press Officers	1
Education Officer, AMG	1
C.O. AMG	-

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PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
UNIT No. 15 A.P.O. 512, U.S. ARMY

(See this also in APB file)

2nd July, 1945.

TO: Mr. Stewart Brown,
Public Relations Officer,
Allied Commission,
Rome.

FROM: A.L. Ellison, C.C.
P.W.B., Bologna.

It has been suggested to us that you would be interested in reading the communication sent to the Executive Secretary of the A.P.B. on June 19th, concerning the "Resto del Carlino" of Bologna.

This communication, with copies of supporting documents, is enclosed for your information.

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PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
Fifteenth ARMY GROUP
Unit 15 APO 512

SECRET

June 19, 1945.

TO: Major Sinclair Noble
Exec. Sec., Central APB

FROM: A.L. Ellison
Exec. Sec., APB, Emilia

SUBJECT: Public reaction to revival of Bologna pre-Fascist dailies: Resto del Carlino & Avvenire d'Italia

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1. The Press Officer, PWB, Bologna, has on hand the minutes of the Central APB meeting of June 5th held in Milan in which the Central Board authorized the re-appearance of the Resto del Carlino and the Avvenire d'Italia in Bologna, as soon as newsprint was available.

The Press Officer and the C.C. of PWB, Bologna, after the general press meeting held in Milan on the same day, were both of the opinion that insufficient facts had been gathered regarding the background of the Resto del Carlino and current public opinion towards its possible revival.

Accordingly, the C.C. asked "D" Section to make a survey of the history of the Resto, which survey has already been sent to the Chairman of the Central APB and the Chief Press Officer, North Italy.

2. The Press Officer, Bologna, at the same time conducted a poll of various organizations and personalities in Bologna to obtain a cross-section of opinion on the matter. The following letter was addressed to the personalities:

"According to the Allied Press Plan for North Italy, pre-Fascist newspapers may be authorized to resume publication after the Allied authorities have nominated a Commissario and after epuration has been completed, as, is set forth in Article 7 of the Press Plan.

Of the Bologna dailies, the Resto del Carlino and the Avvenire d'Italia come into this category but, for the moment, in view of the scarcity of newsprint, these dailies could not re-appear even if the two conditions established by the Press Plan were satisfied.

Nevertheless, we should appreciate knowing what, according to you, would public reaction be if these publications were able to re-appear.

We would be very grateful if you would let us have as soon as possible your opinion on the matter and we beg you to believe that it will be held in the greatest consideration."

3. The persons and organizations polled and their replies were:

Director, Corriere dell'Emilia
Avvenire: No opposition would be met
Resto: Would meet with general hostility.

Press Commission, CLN
Avvenire: Would not produce unfavorable reaction
Resto: Would absolutely advise against its revival

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Prefect of Bologna
Avvenire: Opinion reserved and cautious
Resto: Public would be unfavorably impressed
Mayor of Bologna
Avvenire: City Council not unfavorable to revival
Resto: City Council unanimously opposed to revival
Cardinal of Bologna
Avvenire: Revival would be well received by public
Resto: (No opinion expressed)
Camera del Lavoro
Avvenire: Revival would arouse a wave of indignation
Resto: Revival would arouse a wave of indignation
Communist Party
Avvenire: No objection to Nuovo Avvenire d'Italia
Resto: Revival would be an offense and insult
Socialist Party
Avvenire: Probably would recover usual Catholic readers
Resto: Would not encounter public favor
Liberal Party
Avvenire: Public would willingly accept revival
Resto: Public would not, temporarily, accept revival
Democratic Christian Party
Avvenire: Revival is keenly awaited by public
Resto: If this Fascist paper must be revived, we advise a change in mast-head.
Action Party
Avvenire: May eventually reappear but not at present
Resto: Reappearance would create a state of unrest and disorientation because of Fascist memories
Republican Party
Avvenire: Would no longer be acceptable to public
Resto: Would no longer be acceptable to public

4. It should be noted that the Cardinal's reply made no mention of the Resto del Carlino, which may be considered significant.

5. In addition, the present director of the FWB-sponsored Corriere dell'Emilia, Dott. Gino Tibalducci, was sounded out on the question. Sig. Tibalducci was for many years with the Resto del Carlino until his name was struck from the rolls of the journalists' association for anti-Fascism; he is apolitical with Liberal and Demo-Christian leanings. If the Corriere dell'Emilia were to cease publication in favor of the Resto del Carlino, he would be the logical candidate for the directorship of the Resto.

Nothing was said about his possible affiliation with a revived Resto, but in a general discussion Tibalducci said: "If the Corriere dell'Emilia were to be replaced by the revived Resto del Carlino (whose reappearance I personally do not oppose), I would not accept its directorship. I would not want, for the time being at least, to be associated with a paper against which public feeling is running so high."

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6. Attached will be found the exact texts of the replies received, as well as copies of two articles censored out of the local press in order not to prejudice the question of the revival of the pre-Fascist papers.

A.L. ELLISON

Copies: Chairman, Central APB
Regional Commissioner, AMG
Mr. Brown, PRO, AC

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CORRIERE dell'EMILIA

Il Direttore

Bologna 16 Giugno 1945
Via Montebello 8b

A Mister ANTHONY L. ELLISON
Capo Ufficio Stampa del P.W.B.

B O L O G N A

Rispondo alla Sua lettera dell'8 corrente con cui mi chiede quali ripercussioni avrebbero le ricomparse delle testate dei giornali "L'Avvenire d'Italia"e "Il Resto del Carlino".

Per quanto si riferisce all'Avvenire d'Italia il riapparire della vecchia testata non troverà opposizioni,dato l'atteggiamento sempre riserbato che ebbe il Giornale,e in considerazione del fatto che il quotidiano stesso cessò le pubblicazioni appena gli fu possibile,al fine di non collaborare coi tedeschi e con i fascisti.

Una generale ostilità incontrerebbe _a quanto ho potuto apprendere _la riapparizione del Resto del Carlino,cui si rimprovera,in modo particolare,il linguaggio tenuto durante il periodo della ex-repubblica fascista.Se che i diversi Partiti i componenti la Commissione Stampa,molte personalità cittadine sono unanimi nell'esprimere il dissenso in merito a tale ricomparsa. Vero è che il"Carlino" è un quotidiano che ha più di 60 anni di vita e che i suoi editori di domani potrebbero dare quelle garanzie di rettitudine e di dirittura politica indispensabili nella circostanza.Io penso che ,tutto sommato, la reazione ci sarebbe , e molto vivace.

Grado di avere risposto a quanto Ella desiderava. Per quanto mi riguarda personalmente non ho nulla da opporre alla ricomparsa del quotidiano in argomento .

Accolga ,Illustre Signore,i miei migliori saluti.

(Dott. Gino Tibalducci.)

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COMITATO REGIONALE DI LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE

COMMISSIONE STAMPA
Via Montebello 8_ BOLOGNA_Tel.n°52

Mr A.L.Ellison
Capo Ufficio Stampa
PWB .Via Manzoni
B o l o g n a

Egregio Signore

In relazione alla Sua cortese lettera dell'8 Giugno,nella quale Ella richiese il parere della Direzione di "RINASCITA" sull'eventuale apparizione dei due quotidiani bolognesi "IL RESTO DEL CARLINO"e l"AVVENIRE D'ITALIA",quota Commissione Stampa si pregia di rispondeLe:

1°.Siamo dell'avviso che il miglior criterio da seguire sia quello al quale si sono fino ad ora attenute le Autorità nell'Italia centro_meridionale :nessuno dei giornali del tempo fascista,ancorchè esistenti prima del fascismo,deve riapparire .E' bene che nulla ,neppure la testata di un giornale ,ci ricordi un passato di vergogna e di sciagure.

2°.Quanto al caso specifico de"IL RESTO DEL CARLINO"siamo certi di interpretare l'opinione pubblica sconsigliandone assolutamente l'apparizione.Detto giornale fu tra i più servili e ignobili strumenti della dittatura.

3°.Quanto all'AVVENIRE D'ITALIA,nonostante il fatto che in certi periodi abbia fiancheggiato il fascismo ,riteniamo che la sua apparizione non susciterebbe reazione sfavorevole nell'opinione pubblica.

Non possiamo peraltro omettere di rilevare che la pubblicazione dell'AVVENIRE D'ITALIA porrebbe una determinata corrente politica in condizioni di favore sarebbe pertanto opportuno che anche le altre correnti potessero , volendo fruire di un quotidiano,qualora ci consentisse l'uscita dell'"AVVENIRE".

Con considerazione.

LA COMMISSIONE STAMPA

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R. PREFETTURA DI BOLOGNA

N° Prot. 3364

Oggetto :Pubblicazione quotidiani bolognesi

Al Signor CAPO UFFICIO STAMPA P.W.B.
BOLOGNA

In risposta alla lettera dell'8 corr. mese relativa all'eventuale ripresa della pubblicazione dei quotidiani bolognesip preciso quanto segue:

"Il Resto del Carlino" Non sembra opportuna la pubblicazione con la medesima intestazione, dato che il "Carlino" è stato la bandiera della reazione fascista dai suoi inizi alla fine..

Già in fase cospirativa tutti i Partiti si erano accordati su la inopportunità della ripresa di detto giornale e l'opinione pubblica ne sarebbe sfavorevolmente impressionata.

"L'Avvenire d'Italia' Non è un semplice giornale politico. Ritengo che direttamente o indirettamente dipenda dalla Curia o da alti ambienti ecclesiastici. L'indirizzo politico durante l'ultimo periodo nazi-fascista è stato tendente all'assenteismo e alla minore collaborazione possibile.

Pertanto la posizione di questo giornale è molto diversa e più favorevole di quella del "Carlino". Ciò non toglie che,esprimendo una ben definita corrente politica, occorra esaminare a fondo il riflesso nel campo politico generale di una eventuale ripresa.

IL PREFETTO
(Ing. G. Borghese)

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COMUNE DI BOLOGNA
IL SINDACO

BOLOGNA 9 giugno 1945

Ill.mo Mr.Ellison

Aderendo al suo invito,ho sottoposto all'attenzione della Giunta Comunale nella sua adunanza di ieri sera la formulazione di un giudizio circa la opportunità di permettere che sia ripubblicato il "Resto,del Carlino".

Le dichiaro che la Giunta unanimamente ha espresso parere sfavorevole per la ripresa di un giornale,il cui titolo è profondamente squalificato dall'aperta e vergognosa collaborazione data in ogni tempo al regime fascista.

Tale ripubblicazione avrebbe perciò ripercussioni negative sull'opinione pubblica.

La Giunta ritiene,invece,chè ,gli stessi motivi sfavorevoli non sussistono per la ripresa del quotidiano cattolico "L'Avvenire d'Italia",giornale,che fra l'altro, negli ultimi mesi dell'occupazione tedesca ha volontariamente sospeso le pubblicazioni.

Gradisce i più vivi ossequi.

IL SINDACO
(Giuseppe Dozza)

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CURIA ARCIVESCOVILE
DI BOLOGNA

Bologna I2 Giugno I945

Illustrissimo Signore

In risposta al vostro foglio, Sua Eminenza il Cardinale Arcivescovo mi dà incarico di significare che ritiene che la pubblicazione dell'Avvenire d'Italia sarebbe bene accolta dalla cittadinanza, che ha sempre apprezzata la condotta del giornale e più volto molti a questa Autorità Ecclesiastica Diocesana hanno espresso il desiderio che sia nuovamente pubblicato.

Con distinti ossequi
Il Vicario Generale

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CAMERA CONFEDERALE DEL LAVORO
DELLA PROVINCIA DI BOLOGNA

N° Prot. 88 Bologna II Giugno 1945

Oggetto: Pubblicazione dei quotidiani

Al Sig. A.L.Ellison
Capo Ufficio Stampa P.W.B.
Bologna

In riscontro alla vostra pregiata dell'8 Corr.riguardante l'eventuale pubblicazione dei quotidiani bolognesi "Il Resto del Carlino" e 'L'Avvenire d'Italia' soppressi con la liberazione di Bologna, il nostro parere e quelle delle masse lavoratrici al riguardo è il seguente:

I due quotidiani in parola,sono invisi alle masse lavoratrici per il loro appoggio,incondizionato dato al fascismo durante il suo nefasto regime ai damni delle masse lavoratrici e di tutto il popolo italiano.

Inoltre essi,in particolare " Il Resto del Carlino" in questi venti mesi di dura ed eroica lotta sostentuta dai lavoratori e da tutto il popolo bolognese contro i criminali nazifascisti, hanno collaborato con la loro falsa propaganda ad indebolire il fronte dellaresistenza,presentando i patrioti e tutti quelli che lottavano per la liberazione nazionale come agenti del nemico,ed i valorosi eserviti alleati come una cozzaglia di avventuriari che avrebbero spogliata il nostro Paese e ridotto in schivitù il poppolo Italiano. Il"Resto del Carlino" si è poi reso tristemente noto per la sua campagna incitatoria di odio e di violenza contro i p partiti politici e tutti gli organismi di massa che dirigevano il movimento di liberazione nazionale.

Quindi noi, che siamo i rappresentanti delle masse lavoratrici,e che meglio di qualsiasi altro conosciamo le loro aspirazioni ed i loro sentimenti,consigliamo gli Alleati di non dare corso a ciò in quanto sarebbe un atto impolitico e indubbiamente solleverebbe un'ondata di indignazione in tutta la popolazione che si ripercuoterebbe sull'inestimabile fiducia che i valorosi Eserciti Italiani si sono conquistati con i sacrifici ed il sangue dei loro eroi,caduti,per la liberazione della nostra patria.

Vi saremmo molto grati se il nostro consiglio fosse tenuto nella massima considerazione.

Distintamente salutiamo

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PARTITO COMUNISTA ITALIANO
FEDERAZIONE PROVINCIALE DI BOLOGNA

Bologna 9 Giugno 1945

A Mister A.L.Ellison
Capo dell'Ufficio Stampa
W.W.B. Bologna

In merito alla ventilata possibilità di ripresa delle pubblicazioni dei quotidiani "Avvenire d'Italia" e Il Resto del Carlino" è nostra opinione, suffragata da una profonda conoscenza dei più larghi strati dell'opinione pubblica popolare che per quel che concerne l"Avvenire d'Italia" la sua eventuale pubblicazione come "Nuovo Avvenire d'Italia" non incontrerebbe obiezioni di rilievo.

Per contro la pubblicazione de"Il Resto del Carlino" sarebbe accolta come una offesa ed una sfida da quella popolazione che tanto ha sofferto e che è stata oltraggiata dalla prosa infame di quel foglio che ha giustificato ed esaltato le gesta dei criminali fascisti e degli invasori tedeschi.

E' vero che in un tempo assai lontano "Il Resto del Carlino" godeva di buona reputazione quale organo liberale, ma da allora è passato un quarto secolo e questa reputazione è stta calpestata nel fango e nel sangue.

La pubblicazione di detto giornale apparirebbe come un passo verso il ritorno al passato e ciò nuocerebbe all'auspicata normalizzazione e alla pacificazione degli animi verso la quale sono tesi gli sforzi di tutti i sinceri Patrioti e democratici Italiani.

IL SEGRETARIO DELLA FEDERAZIONE
PROVINCIALE

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PARTITO SOCIALISTA DI UNITA' PROLETARIA
UNIONE DI BOLOGNA

Bologna I3 Giugno I945

Prot. N9 34

Mister A.L.Ellison
Capo Ufficio Stampa P.W.B.
BOLOGNA

Oggetto: Pubblicazione"Resto del Carlino"e "Avvenire d'Italia"

In risposta alla Vostra del giorno 8 c. Vi comunichiamo che, a nostro parere la pubblicazione del"Resto del Carlino" non incontrerebbe in Bologna il favore della popolazione, la quale è da anni avversa ad un quotidiano che ha ,ad ogni occasione,cambiato indirizzo e,da ultimo ha costituito uno degli organi più servili del fascismo repubblicano.

L'Avvenire d'Italia,probabilmente ,ritroverebbe i suoi lettori,nel consueto ceto cattolico ed ecclesiastico.

Con i migliori ossequi.

Il Segretario
(Avv. Roberto Vighi)

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PARTITO LIBERALE ITALIANO

FEDERAZIONE PER EMILIA E ROMAGNA

Bologna II Giugno 1945

Al Signor Ellison
Capo Ufficio Stampa
P.W.B. Bologna

In risposta alla pregiata Vs. del 8 u.s. questo Partito ritiene che l'opinione pubblica, mentre vedrebbe volentieri la ripresa delle pubblicazioni del quotidiano "l'Avvenire d'Italia" che fu sempre intonato ad una linea di condotta tendenzialmente obbiettiva e che cessò di uscire quando la dominazione nazi-fascista si fece ancora più vessatoria, non amerebbe, almeno per il momento, di rivedere il vecchio "Resto del Carlino" già tanto compromesso con il passato regime.

Il Segretario Regionale
(avv. Pro. Tito Carnadini)

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PARTITO DEMOCRATICO CRISTIANO

Prot. N°215

Comitato Provinciale di
BOLOGNA

Bologna 14 Giugno 1945
Via Maggiore 23

La ripresa delle pubblicazioni del quotidiano "L'Avvenire d'Italia" è vivamente attesa dalla popolazione la quale ha in ogni tempo apprezzato la linea di condotta indipendente e dignitosa del giornale che spesso è stato oggetto di persecuzione e di rappresaglie da parte degli organi fascisti. Episodio recente e non dimenticato è stata l'invasione del giornale da parte degli squadristi alla vigilia della guerra per il cosidetto contegno "pacifista" dell'Avvenire d'Italia che aveva dimostrato le sue simpatie per la Polonia, il Belgio, l'Olanda, ecc. Dopo l'8 settembre il giornale sospesò per ben tre volte le sue pubblicazioni fino a cessare: si rileva che da dieci mesi le maestranze dell'Avvenire d'Italia sono senza lavoro appunto per questa fierezza e dignità di condotta.

Gli articoli dell'Avvenire d'Italia furono sempre intonati a indipendenza e a visione umana e democratica, per quanto era possibile sotto la censura, totalitaria.

Si auspica che il giornale mentenga la sua testata.

Circa il "Resto del Carlino" non può non essere rilevato che esso fu accesamente fascista fino al 25 luglio (attaccando spesso l'Avvenire d'Italia per il suo atteggiamento antirazzista e antibellicoso) antifascista dopo il 25 luglio; repubblichino intransigente dall'8 settembre in poi. La cittadinanza è concorde nel rilevare questa contradditoria linea di condotta. Se tuttavia, data la lunga tradizione, il Resto del Carlino dovesse riprendere è consigliabile il cambio della testata.

Ringrazio codesto Ufficio Stampa che prima di prendere una decisione in tale materia ha voluto chiedere il nostro parere.

IL SEGRETARIO PROVINCIALE
(Dott. Giancarlo Pascale)

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GIUSTIZIA E LIBERTA'
P A R T I T O D'A Z I O N E
Federazione Provinciale di Bologna

Bologna I2 Giugno I945

Egregio Signore,

La ringraziamo per la sua cortese lettera dell'8 u.s.,in;merito all'eventuale apparizione dei quotidiani bolognesi esistenti in epoca prefascista e fascista.

Noi crediamo che il criterio giusto da seguire sia il seguente: I giornale prefascisti che nel ventennio fascista hanno continuato le pubblicazioni, a diseducazione delle masse e a servizio della dittatura, non debbono assolutamente riapparire.

Se non erriamo, del resto, pur nella pletora dei quotidiani romani non figura alcuno dei giornali fascisti(ancorchè prefascisti).

Se non erriamo, non si vede che, nelle stesse ordinanze alleate, in merito all'epurazione,abbia l'interesse l'operato delle persone fino al I922,ma si vede che interessa l'operato dal I922 al I945.

Quanto poi al caso specifico de il "Resto del Carlino" vi è da aggiungere che nel triste ventennio esso fu tra i giornali più sfacciatamente e trivialmente servi e faziosi. Fu ,in quaeto senso,vero e proprio organo ufficiale del fascismo,diretto da esponenti fedelissimi all'ex duce.

Anche nel periodo luglio settembre wI943 il Carlino lasciò perplessi antifascisti e pubblico per la ignota collocazione del pacchetto azionario di Dino Grandi e per altri interrogativi insoluti, sui quali è bene che si faccia finalmente del chiaro.

Pensiamo quindi che la sua apparizione contribuirebbe a creare nella popolazione- in genere ostile ad ogni evidente ricordo dell'infausto regime- uno stato di disagio e di disorientamento.

In Italia abbiamo bisogno di aria nuova di vita nuova: nulla,neppure la testata di un giornale (quand'anche si trattasse solo della testata) deve rammentarci un passato vergognoso e pieno di sciagure.

Lo stesso ragionamento potrebbe valere per l'"Avvenire d'Italia" Non ne riappaia per lo meno la testata.Il giornale, pur conservando una certa dignità,ha fiancheggiato il fascismo, e per taluni anni apertamente.

Nostro parere è che questo giornale possa riapparire,ma non ora: questo è il momento per uscire dei giornali soppressi dal fascismo e di quelli sorti, diffusi stampati alla macchia.

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Non ora,anche per non godere di una condizioned di favore, ma allorchè venuta a mancare ogni limitazione restrittiva, ogni forza politica (dietro l'Avvenire starebbe comunque una forza politica) sarà nelle condizioni di poter esprimere la propria opinione. Quando cioè la vita dei singoli giornali sarà condizionata soltanto dalla bontà e dall'efficacia delle idee e dei propositi e dalla "presa" sulla pubblica opinione. Le condizioni di partenza debbono essere uguali per tutti.

La ringraziamo della richiesta del nostro parere, che le porgiamo con obbiettività.

Qualora Lei lo consentisse,potremmo pubblicare la presente sul nostro settimanale "@L" suscitanto così pareri,favorevoli o meno, che non mancheremmo di registrare.

In attesa di considerazione

Sergio Telmon
Capo Ufficio Stampa
membro dell'Esecutivo Prov. Emilia
Romagna.

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PARTITO REPUBBLICANO ITALIANO
FEDERAZIONE EMILIANA ROMAGNOLA

BOLOGNA 9 Giugno 1945

Mr. A.L. Ellison
Capo Ufficio Stampa P.W.B.
Via Montebello 8
Bologna

- Con riferimento alla lettera in data 8 corr. ci facciamo premura di comunicarVi che i due quotidiani bolognesi "Il Resto del Carlino" e "L'Avvenire d'Italia", non sarebbero più graditi ad una buona parte del pubblico bolognese. Sia pure in diversa misura, tanto il primo che il secondo giornale hanno sempre fiancheggiato l'opera del regime fascista.

Come tali, noi riteniamo che essi debbano essere epurati "in toto" titoli compresi.

Distinti saluti

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Article censored out of GIUSTIZIA E LIBERTA' (Action Party weekly) No. 3, June 16, 1945, in order to avoid prejudicing public opinion on the matter of the revival of the Resto del Carlino.

ESCE IL CARLINO ?

Corrono insistenti voci circa un possibile ritorno de il "Resto del Carlino" nelle edicole bolognesi. Ci limitiamo a chiederci: E' mai possibile che il vi= le foglio che due mesi or sono parlava ancora dei rastrellamenti e degli assassini fascisti, della imminente "riconquista" di Roma delle armi segrete possa oggi recare l'esaltazione dei Volontari della Libertà, l'apologia degli eserciti alleati, l'elogio dei vincitori?

Fino ad oggi nessuno dei giornali sostenitori e fiancheggiatori del Fascismo è riapparso: siamo certi che non si vorrà farne riapparire il più settario, il più servile.

V'è poi un interrogativo che il pubblico si è posto, senza avere risposta.

DOVE SONO ANDATE A FINIRE, NEI GIORNI DI BADOGLIO LE AZIONI DI DINO GRANDI?

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1 Article censored out of LA RINASCITA (CLN organ) on June 19, 1945 in order not to prejudice the question of the revival of the RESTO DEL CARLINO.

UN MORTO CHE NON DEVE RINASCERE

Egregio Sig. Direttore,
Si sente dire per Bologna che il giornale "Il Resto del Carlino" dovrebbe,adifferenza di tutti gli altri Giornali che hanno fatto la loro fortuna servendo il fascismo,ricomparire.
Spero davvero che si tratti solo di una chiacchiera senza fondamento,in caso contrario dovrei pensare che non si sono ancora neutralizzate quelle forze fasciste o parafasciste che detengono tuttora le azioni di Dino Grandi e la proprietà del Giornale.
Sarebbe opportuno che Lei stesso o la Commissione Stampa del C.L.N. si affrettino a promuovere,o a far promuovere un'inchiesta sul retroscena dell'ex Resto del Carlino,e facesse ogni sforzo per impedire,come hanno fatto tutti i giornali di Roma ad eccezione del "Messaggero" che i giornali venduti al fascismo riappaiano,per creare del disorientamento e della confusione
Grazie dell'ospitalità e distinti saluti

Luigi Rossi

La Commissione Stampa a cui accenna l'amico Rossi,ha già inviato un memoriale all'Autorità Alleata col quale ha preso posizione contro il tentativo di far rinascere un morto.
Ma prima ancora dalla Commissione Stampa,e in periodo clandestino il Comitato Regionale di Liberazione Nazionale si era esplicitamente pronunciato contro la pubblicazione del "Resto del Carlino".

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30th June, 1945.

TO: Major S. Noble.
Executive Secretary, A.P.B.

FROM: A.L. Ellison, Chairman A.P.B.
Emilia Region.

1. In view of the very strong hold which the "Corriere dell'Emilia" has taken in the whole Emilia region, the administration of the paper suggests that if, on the departure of PWB, the mast-head "Corriere dell'Emilia" is abandoned for another, circulation will drop considerably.

I have explained to the administration that it is the policy of PWB to take up its mast-head when it leaves and re-authorize the paper under a new title, so that there will be no physical connection between the outgoing PWB controlled daily and the incoming independent paper. However, in view of the fact that in some instances, in southern Italy, PWB controlled papers (Risorgimento and Gazzetta del Mezzogiorno) maintain their titles after our departure, it is recommended that such procedure be followed in Bologna, with the approval of the Central A.P.B.

2. Public indignation is mounting in Bologna as a result of rumours that the Fascist "Resto del Carlino" is about to be revived. Although absolutely nothing official on the reappearance of this paper has gone out of this office, it is obvious that negotiations for the appointment of a Commissario for the "Resto del Carlino" have become public knowledge through the individuals contacted.

With great difficulty and much persuasion I have been able to convince both dailies and the party weeklies not to print any articles on the question of the "Resto del Carlino". My principal argument is that the Allies are at present studying the problem, that they are fully aware of general public feeling against the reappearance of this paper, and that public discussion would only add fuel to the fire and would prejudice the negotiations.

However, it is very difficult for me to reconcile a free press with this request for censorship of such discussion. I am therefore requesting authority to permit free discussion of public resentment against "Resto del Carlino" in the interests of harmony of this office with the editors of Bologna. They cannot understand why public expression of their feelings in the matter should be subject to censorship.

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3. The following letter was addressed by the Committee of National Liberation. Emilia Region, to Col. Thomas, Provincial Commissioner, A.M.G., and myself as Commanding Officer of PWB:-

(TRANSLATION).

"Since it is rumoured that the "Resto del Carlino" is soon to resume its publication. this Committee of National Liberation, Emilia-Romagna Region, convoked in special session, has reaffirmed its decision, already adopted in the conspiracy period of the fight for freedom, namely, not to approve the publication of the above mentioned daily upon liberation of the city. The same reasons which we considered then motivate us to reaffirm to-day the inopportunity of the publication of the "Resto del Carlino", an organ completely servile to the Nazi-Fascists, a director and ferocious interpreter of the repression and the espionage against the patriots and the people, and an apologist of the methods of the nazi, and of the spirit of the traitors of their nation.

To which should be added the shameful campaign against the war of liberation of the United Nations and the hateful propaganda against the political, economic, and civil principles and institutions of the same nations that was carried on by the newspaper.

With this communication, we interpret the feeling of the Bologna population and maintain that the publication of the "Resto del Carlino" would provoke dissension and ill-will both towards the constituted organs and towards the Allies themselves.

We should not wish, therefore, that this be the cause of serious popular disorders."

4. On Thursday, June 28th, 1945, a meeting was held in this office with Ing. Borghese, Prefect of Bologna, Sig. Dozza, Mayor of Bologna, Avv. Zoccoli, President of the Committee of National Liberation, and Dott. Tibalducci, editor of the "Corriere dell'Emilia". The whole press situation was reviewed and a fuller report is forthcoming. However, the feelings expressed in the communication from the Committee of Liberation, translated above, were vigorously reaffirmed. It was especially pointed out that Bologna cannot understand why the "Corriere della Sera" of Milan, which opposed a slight resistance to Fascism, should not have been revived, and why the "Resto del Carlino", which not only was the official organ of Fascism but even went so far as to anticipate and help create Fascism, should be under such strong pressure to reappear.

5. In view of the imminent closing of PWB Bologna, it is desired to make an equitable decision in this matter as soon as possible. It is therefore

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requested that the Central APB, having duly considered public reaction towards the "Rasto del Carlino", lay down a policy to guide the Emilia Region APB.

A.L. ELLISON.

Copies to:

Mr. G. Edman, Chairman, APB,
Col. A.C. Bowman, Regional Commissioner, AMG,
Col. Floyd Thomas, Prov. Comm. Emilia, AMG,
Mr. Stewart Brown, PRO, A.C.
Mr. C.A.H. Radford, AFHQ, PWB.

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD. LOMBARDY.

Minutes of the Meeting held at Via Cesare Cantu No. 3 at 11 a.m. on the 22nd June.

PRESENT.

MEMBERS: Mr.L.Titchener. PWB. HQ 15th Army Group. Chairman.
Mr.A.Harari. PWB. Press Officer. Executive Secretary.
Lt.Col.A.S.Giles. Provincial Commissioner, AMG.
LT. Col.Francis. Regional Public Safety Officer, AMG.
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Lombardy.	40%
Piemonte.	15%
Liguria.	10%
Emilia.	15%
Veneto.	20%

These regional allocations would broadly be divided as follows:

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All parties.	50%
PWB papers.	20%
Independent dailies.	20%
Others.	10%

In reply to a query, it was stated that when the PWB daily is either closed down or transformed, this allocation of newsprint will be either partially or completely divided between the other three groups, according to local requirements.

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LIST OF PUBLICATIONS APPROVED AT THE MEETING OF LOMBARDY APB HELD ON THE 22nd June, 1945.

		Circulation approved
	CULTURALI.	
Vita Sociale.	Fortnightly.	3,000.
Italia Missionaria.	Monthly.	15,000.
	ARTISTICI.	
Le Arti.	Fortnightly.	1,000
Stile.	Monthly.	5,000.
	SOCIALI.	
L'Unificazione.	Monthly.	1,000
Opere Libere.	Monthly.	5,000.
	OPERE PIE.	
Rinascita.	Monthly.	1,000.
La Parola Amica.	Monthly.	6,000.
	GIORNALI PER RAGAZZI.	
L'Eroico.	Weekly.	12,000.
Nel Mondo Dell'Avventura.	"	10,000.
	GIUOCHI.	
Nastro Verde.	Fortnightly.	10,000.
Nastro Scarlatto.	"	20,000.
	MUSICALI.	
Musica e Jazz.	Monthly.	5,000.
	TEATRALI - CINEMATOGRAFICI.	
Rivista del Cinema	Monthly.	5,000
Gazzetta del Teatro.	Weekly.	4,000.
	SPORTIVI.	
Le Alpi.	Monthly.	10,000
La Motor.	Fortnightly.	1,000.
Bollettino di Informazioni della Federazione Italiana di Scherma.	Monthly.	800 - 1,000.
Lo Scarpone.	Fortnightly.	10,000.
	INDUSTRIALI.	
L'Industria.	Bi-Monthly.	1,500.

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L'Unificazione.	Monthly.	1,000.
Opere Libere.	Monthly.	5,000.
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	INDUSTRIALI.	
L'Industria.	Bi-Monthly.	1,500.
Materie plastiche.	Six-Monthly.	1,000.
	INFORMATIVI - COMMERCIALI.	
Giornale della Libreria.	~~Weekly or~~ fortnightly.	1,100.
Il consulente delle aziende.	Every 10 days.	6,000 - 10,000
Il commercio vinicolo.	" " "	3,000.
Il faro del commercio.	Weekly.	20,000.

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TECNICI

Alata.	Monthly.	5,000.
Motonautica.	"	2,000.
L'auto italiana.	Three-monthly.	3,000.
Motociclismo.	Weekly.	3,000.

LETTERATURA - ATTUALITA.

Oggi.	Weekly.	50,000.
Annabella.	"	60,000.
Gong.	"	10,000.
Costume.	Fortnightly.	20,000.

LAVORI FEMMINILI.

Nani di Fata.	Monthly.	10,000.
La Donna, La Casa e Il Bambino.	"	15,000.

MODA.

Dea.	Monthly.	1,200.

ECONOMIA.

L'Eco dei Campi.	Monthly.	1,000.
La Campagna Milanese.	"	2,000.

TECNICO - SCIENTIFICI.

La Metallurgia Italiana.	Three Monthly.	1,000.
Alluminio.	Four-Monthly.	1,200.
Elettricita Domestica.	Monthly.	1,000.
Castalia.	Two-Monthly.	500 - 1,000.

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MINUTES OF A.C.S.C. MEETING

20/6/1945

PRESENT: Lt.Col. H. Klein — P.W.B (Chairman)
J.Comd. D.V.Edwards — U.K.G
Capt. [illegible]Stuart — A. C.S.C (Executive Secretary)
Lt.Little — P. W.B (Printing Section)
Capt.Bell — I.U.C (Military Censorship)
Observer: Prof. Faviani

1) The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

2) [illegible]
The Executive Secretary reported that a representative of the Burgo Paper Mills, Piemonte, had attended the last editors meeting. There were apparently no great difficulties in the delivery, by rail, of the newsprint assigned to Liguria.
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After some discussion the Executive Secretary was instructed to forward the D. of L. application to the Central Northern Italy Board with a covering letter, and request the D. of L. to furnish full particulars of their local organization and membership.

4) [illegible]; subject to confirmation of the Central Board
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La Voce dei Giovani - Already authorized: circulation reduced from 15.000 to 6.000 copies.

L'età Nuova - Already authorized: circulation increased from 3.000

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Energie Nuove - Action Party youth weekly - 2.500 copies

La Rinascita - Republican youth weekly - 3.500 copies

Gioventu' Liberale - Liberal youth weekly - 3.500 copies

Gioventu' Socialista - Socialist youth weekly - 2.500 copies

b) [illegible] - In agreement with A.M.G. of Savona the following applications were authorized:
Savona Proletaria - Socialist-communist bi-weekly - 6.000 copies

Corriere del Popolo - Republican and Action Party - bi-weekly 6.000 copies

L'Opinione Liberale - Liberal Party weekly - 6.000 copies

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Voci di Popolo - Christian Democrat weekly - 6.000 copies

Noi Donne - Women's weekly - 6.000 copies

La voce dei Giovani - (Savona) Youth weekly - 6.000 copies

Il Lettimbro - Church weekly - 3.000 copies

c) IMPERIA PUBBLICATIONS - In accordance with AMG the following two publications were authorized.

Il Popolo- Christian Democrat weekly - Imperia - 3.000 copies

L'Italia Libera - Action Party - weekly - San Remo - 3.000 copies

d) OTHER PUBLICATIONS APPROVED

Compagni- (Chiavari) Communist Party weekly - 3.000 copies, AMG approved.

Vedetta dello Sport - Sport weekly - 20.000 copies (paper available)

5) APPLICATIONS REJECTED

La nostra Battaglia
La Compagna (Women's weeklies for Socialist and Republican Parties)

According to CLN and information available there is not yet sufficient activity to warrant other women's papers over and above the two already authorized ("Noi,Donne " and " In Linea")

6) There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
Unit No.14
APO 512 U.S.Army.

20th June 1945.

To : Mr. George Ekman,
PWO, HQ PWB 15th Army Group,
APO 512 U.S.Army.

From : Major David C.Cousland,
OC PWB Unit No.14,
APO 512 U.S.Army.

Subject : Corriere del Mattino.

Following my last report on the above vexed question, the situation has changed somewhat.

On Sunday night, 17th June, a deputation from the Commune proceeded to Rome by road and saw His Excellency Libonati concerning Corriere del Mattino. They obtained from Libonati permission to publish a new paper under the same administrative Commune Board, to be called Corriere Toscano. This paper to carry on the traditions of Corriere del Mattino and in format, style and context to be a replica of the original Corriere.

They returned triumphant from Rome with this permission about which I only heard vague rumours during the day of Monday 18th June.

On Monday evening at 6.15, after I had been approached by various deputations of workers, Comm. Fassigli, Marchese Fossi and others, Prof. Bracco and Dr. Junti of the Florence Commune asked to see me.

They explained at great length what had been decided and told me that H.E. Libonati had granted permission for this Corriere Toscano and that they proposed bringing it out in the morning. They informed me that they had already made all necessary arrangements to produce the paper and that the editorial staff of Corriere del Mattino were prepared to carry on as usual with that paper. I pointed out that that afternoon I had had a large deputation representing the workers of Corriere del Mattino, to speak to me and they had expressed deep dissatisfaction at the fact that a member of the Commune newspaper Committee had spoken to them on Sunday and again on Monday morning

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threatening that unless the staff continued working for Corriere Toscano they would be denied their share of the Corriere del Mattino profits.

Prof. Bracco and Junti denied hotly that such threats had been made. I pointed out, however, that it was hardly a figment of the imagination of some twelve men and that if the threat were not actually put into words, nevertheless that impression had been gained.

In view of this state of affairs, and having consulted with Mr. Wayne Bentley, Fiscal Officer, I suggested that the money owing to the workers by agreement drawn up with PWB should be paid before there be any question of a new paper commencing under the banner of the commune. Obviously the workers felt threatened and as the money had been gained while the paper was 'a cura del PWB' it would make a much neater solution if this money were paid over before Corriere Toscano started.

While Bracco and Junti were with me I spoke on the telephone to Mr. Radford in Rome and he assured me that if Corriere Toscano had had Libonati's permission to appear we could not do anything in the matter but that my suggestion that they should not print that evening should be upheld in order that the monetary question could be regulatised and everyone given a day of calm.

Special Note. Since beginning this report we have been advised that the Commune have decided to name the new paper "Il Nuovo Corriere - Quotidiano dell'Italia Centrale."

During the day the Nazione expressed the wish to come out in the morning instead of the afternoon as was originally ruled and in this connection too, Mr. Radford thought we should try and get the Nazione to agree to continue publishing in the afternoon. Here, however, we had no real control and our goodwill must suffice. It was therefore agreed with Bracco and Junti that the Nuovo Corriere would appear for the first time on Wednesday 20th June and that it was in order for it to be printed in the Nazione press which was still requisitioned by the Allies although S.T.U. were in turn managing it.

The de-requisition of this press is a matter to be dealt with now on a higher plane.

Comm. Fusaigli not unnaturally wants as long notice as possible and although the original agreement was thirty days notice, he is now asking for ninety days as this would give him time to pay off the workers and to settle the affairs of the whole Company properly. I do not think this is an unreasonable time and in view of the fact that the whole Nazione business would probably go back to the original Fascist

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owner I feel we should see our way to accommodate him in the matter. I am going into the matter with Mr. Wayne Bentley.

The question of paper for Il Nuovo Corriere is not now our problem but Corriere del Mattino originally bought and paid for a month's supply of paper and Il Nuovo Corriere is claiming this. Comm. Fassigli, however, is claiming it as his in view of the fact that we, through our APB, gave "Il Corriere" permission to publish at the same rate as Corriere del Mattino, namely 100,000 daily. At the same time, Comm. Fassigli is being very reasonable in the matter and I have had a long interview with him concerning the whole situation as it is now. He wisely feels that his paper circulation should be 20,000 copies daily, at least to begin with, and that it might be published in the afternoon so as not to compete with Il Nuovo Corriere, - a rival which he now fears somewhat in view of its strong backing.

The possibility of yet another new paper raises its ugly head as a group which calls itself an independent group has tentatively been permitted to publish by the Press Commission in Rome. This group is really a Liberal group with a Monarchist tendency and is headed by Fossombroni with Sig. Geddes and Sig. Philipson as his partners. They plan to publish in the old Telegrafico press at Leghorn where at present Il Tirreno is published. This group approached me yesterday suggesting that they co-operate with Comm. Fassigli to produce Il Corriere. Comm. Fassigli, however, is not very interested in the matter as he is afraid to be tarred with the Monarchist brush. This matter, however, the Italians must thrash out for themselves.

I had another visit to-day, 19th June, from Prof. Bracco and Dr. Junti when I was handed a letter from the Sindaco, Prof, Teraccini; this letter follows the lines of our discussion yesterday and there is no amendment necessary. Copy is attached.

During the day of 18th June, and again to-day, Marchese Fossi has been popping in and out of my office for here again a situation has arisen. He has expressed his unwillingness to edit Fassigli's paper. His arguments are many and various, but I pointed out to him that the whole matter arose over his having been dismissed out of hand by the Commune and it now seemed more than a little odd that he should wish to withdraw from the original agreement, remembering, too, that his name was put down on the licence granted Il Corriere as the Editor responsible. This matter, again, must be left to sort itself out and we can do no more.

I have agreed to do all in my power to obtain for the various papers a continued use of Allied tyres. The sundry trucks and cars allotted to the newspapers all have Allied tyres given them by us and their withdrawal would be disastrous.

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I am contacting ADOS, Florence Command, personally in this matter and it is hoped they will be given permission to purchase the tyres.

I have likewise done all in my power to obtain petrol for them, so that PWB will, at least not in any fairness, be charged with having left them in the lurch.

I honestly feel that this healthy attitude exists, in spite of the recent upset. Last night, 13th June, a dinner was given in our honour by the Administrative direction of the Nazione del Popolo. Invited to the dinner were Capt. Walker, Radio Florence, (Capt. Astley was invited but was unable to attend), Miss M. Ferguson, representing CSI, Mr. Russo, Press Officer, and myself. The President of the CTLN, Avv. Luigi Buoniforti, the ex-President, Prof. Rogghisetti, and the Secretary of the CTLN, Sig. Fosiolo Lombarti, were the principal hosts, while the main company consisted of nine members of the editorial staff of the Nazione del Popolo. A full report of the honour paid PWB in in the Nazione, to-day's edition.

The question of Corriere del Mattino can therefore safely be considered closed, although unhappily Central AFB' s recommendation that a newspaper should not be run by a community has not been observed.

D. C. C.

David C.Cousland, Major,
OC PWB Unit No.14.

Cc. to Mr. Barnes,
Mr. Radford
Mr. Ellman
Major Noble
Mr. Stewart
Mr. Stuart Brown
Mr. Russo
Miss Vining
Mr. Linen.

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IL SINDACO di FIRENZE

Al Maggiore David C.Cousland
Capo dell'Ufficio del P.W.B.
FIRENZE.

Secondo, le comunicazioni verbali che Ella ha avuto occasione di fare ieri, Le confermo per iscritto che il Governo Italiano ha concesso al Comune di Firenze il permesso di stampare, sotto la mia personale direzione responsabile, un quotidiano della mattina dal Titolo "Corriere Toscano" o altro da indicarsi. Il giornale manterra la caratteristiche del "Corriere del Mattino", nel senso che sara organo indipendente di informazioni, non legato ad alcun partito od interesse particolare.

Facendo affidamento sulle sue assicurazioni Le chiediamo in propositoconferma dell'autorizzazione a stampare il giornale nella tipografiagestita dalla S.T.E., in modo che possa comparire al pubblico a partire da domani 20 Giugno.

Nella stessa occasione Le comunico che, secondo gli ordini da Lei impartiti ieri a nome del P.W.B., la gestione del "Corriere del Mattino" provvedera alla liquidazione immediata dei redattori e degli altri impiegati che hanno prestato l'opera loro al suddetto giornale e cio secondo il diritto e nella misura ad ognuno spettante giusta le norme contrattuali che regolano i rispettivi rapporti di lavoro.

Resta inteso che i redattori e gli impiegati i quali spontaneamenterinunziassero all'immediato incasso della liquidazione, saranno considerati definitivamente assunti al Corriere Toscano, con l'anzianita gia acquisita per il "Corriere del Mattino" e col previo riconoscimento dei diritti derivanti dal contratto di lavoro giornalistico o di impiego, senza ulteriore periodo di prova.

Il Sindaco,

G. Teraccini.

Firenze
20 Giugno 1945.

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Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting of AFB Tuscany
held at PWB, Florence,
11 am. 15th June 1945.

Present : Major David C.Cousland, OC PWB Unit No.1, Chairman.
Mr. Tomasso Russo, Press Officer, PWB, Florence.
Capt. Anthony Appierto, Military Censor, Florence Area.
Com. Alberto Passigli, Managing Director S.T.E.

1. The Chairman opened the meeting by explaining that this Extraordinary Meeting of the Allied Publications Board, Tuscany, had been called in order to take the action necessary with regard to the Corriere del Mattino. As the Board knew, the Florence Commune had failed to fulfill their undertaking as regards this paper and it had been decided, with the PWO, the Executive Secretary of Central AFB and the British Press Attache all concurring, to cancel the licence granted to the Commune for the Corriere del Mattino.

The motion was therefore put that this licence be cancelled, that the name Corriere del Mattino should be permanently dropped and that this paper should not be published after the 16th June 1945.

This was unanimously carried.

2. The Chairman then brought before the Board the new proposal that a newspaper entitled "Il Corriere" should be published in place of Corriere del Mattino and that this paper should be run under the proprietorship of a single individual or a private concern.

In connection with this agreed policy Com. Passigli placed before the Board his application to publish the new paper Il Corriere. He made it clear that the traditions of the Corriere del Mattino would be fully and rigorously continued and that the editorial policy would be non-political. To this end he proposed that the control of the paper be in the hands of a small select and representative group of men of known integrity. This group would finance the paper and bear all the managerial and technical costs.

Com. Passigli would himself be a member of this group and he proposed as his colleagues Rag. Nello Baglini, Avv. Ugo Castelnuovo, Prof. Calamandrei and either Paolo Rossi or Prog. De Negri.

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The Board pronounced itself satisfied withthis scheme and accepted Com. Passigli's application for forwarding to Central AFB for final confirmation.

In the meantime permission was granted to Com. Passigli to publish Il Corriere commencing on the 19th June 1945.

In connection with the publication of this paper, Com. Passigli pointed out that it was hoped to print on the same press as that on which Corriere del Mattino had been printed, namely the old premises of the Fascist newspaper "Nazione". This press at the moment was requisitioned by PWB and a Commissario, representing the former owner's interest, held a watching brief.

Com. Passigli asked if it would be possible for PWB to ensure that with our departure his right to continue printing the paper in this plant would not be suddenly taken away with obviously disastrous results.

At the moment Com. Passigli's Company, S.T.E., were liable to thirty days notice and he wondered if this period could be extended to ninety days. In this way his workers could be made to feel more secure and plans for any eventual move could be drawn up and brought in effect smoothly and in good time.

It was agreed by the Board that this request was reasonable and that it should be referred to in the Minutes of the meeting for necessary action by the appropriate authorities.

3. Capt. Appierto mentioned that he would be remaining in Florence for some time yet on duty and that Military censorship would be observed until a future and as yet unspecified date.

4. There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 11.50 a.m.

David C. Cousland, Major.
David C. Cousland, Major,
OC PWB Unit No. 14.

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Persons to whom copies of Notes and Minutes have been sent throughout this case :

Mr. Russell Barnes
Mr. C.A.R.Radford
Mr. George Edman
Major Sinclair Noble
Mr. Michael Stewart
Mr. Stuart Brown
Mr. Russo
Miss R. Vining
Mr. James Linen.

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c) In the event of b) proving impracticable - as it might well do - the goodwill of the paper might be offered to an independent publisher always providing that this publisher was prepared to carry the paper along the same independent lines it had always pursued when the Corriere del Mattino was under the aegis of PWB.

Gen. Rusaigli was specifically named as a suitable individual to run such a publication. In view of Rusaigli's excellent record with PWB, especially with regard to paper distribution for AC, and in view of his having specially started a Company, the S.T.E., to accommodate PWB in its printing facilities, he was considered the most suitable and likely candidate for such an eventuality.

3. It was agreed that recommendations be made on those lines and that Major Noble be asked to contact Mr. Stuart Brown, Director of Public Relations, AC, in Rome, with those proposals and that he in turn should contact His Excellency Libonati giving all the views outlined in the matter and if possible obtain his concurrence.

4. Major Noble and Major Constand agreed to "sound" Gen. Rusaigli as to whether or not he would be prepared to take over such a paper.

5. Meeting was closed.

David C. Constand
Maj.

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Extraordinary Meeting of AFB Personnel
to discuss the position of
Corriere del Mattino

Present : Mr. George Edman, PWD, HQ PWB 15th AG, Chairman.
Major Sinclair Noble, Chief Press Officer,
HQ PWB 15th AG.
Mr. Michael Stuart, Press Attache,
British Embassy, Rome.
Major David Counland, CO PWB Unit No.14.

Held at PWB Florence offices, 13th June 1945.

1. Mr. Edman explained to all present that following upon the report made by Major Counland on the irregular dismissal of the Editor in Chief of the Corriere del Mattino, Florence, (Marchese Possi), it might be well to hold a small extraordinary meeting of the interested Allied personnel in Florence at this moment, in order to review the situation and make recommendations.

It was clear from Major Counland's report on the matter that the Sindaco were guilty of a breach of trust and that a very strong protest should be made concerning their behaviour.

The whole object of handing the Corriere del Mattino over to the Comune had obviously been lost sight of and the high-handed manner in which they had handled the dismissal of Marchese Possi could not but be deplored.

It was agreed, therefore, after discussion, that Dr. Vidoli should be recommended for permanent epuration and arrangements be aimed at whereby, in view of his formerly Fascist record, he should not be employed again - no matter how strongly the Sindaco might support him - on any paper pertaining to be cleared of Fascists.

2. There was a necessity for immediate action which could take several forms; after discussion it was agreed that there were three possibilities :

a) The closing down entirely of the Corriere del Mattino and the cessation of the use of that name. This meant that the Comune were automatically bereft of their ownership in the paper.

b) The setting up of a publicly owned Company which would carry on the Corriere del Mattino in its present purely informative form.

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OF A.M.B. MEETING

12/6/1945

PRESENT: Lt; Col. H. Klein — A.M.B. (Chairman)
J.Comd. E.Y. Edwards — A.M.G.
Capt. E.L. Stuart — P.W.B. (Executive Secretary)
Lt. Little — I.S.B. (Printing Section)
Capt. C.R. de la Lanterie I.M.G. (Military Censorship)

1) The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

2) NEWSPRINT
The Executive Secretary read to the Board a letter from the A.C. Industry Sub-Commission in which an allotment of 3 tons a day was suggested for Liguria. This, on a basis of 26 publishing days, would give a monthly allotment of 2[illegible] tons, 20 tons more than that provisionally agreed. It was requested by the board that the A.M.B. Central Board adopt the distribution suggested by A.C. in its letter, - a distribution which seems both reasonable and equitable.

In view of the more favorable news print situation reported by the Printing Officer, it was decided to increase the circulation of the 6 political papers to 35.000 copies and that of the "Nuovo Cittadino" to 10.000 copies: It was pointed out that this would probably be the last variation in the circulation of dailies until the [illegible] paper ceased publication and the situation was finally stabilized.

3) MILITARY CENSORSHIP
A letter from the Military Censor was tabled, reporting a violation of a censorship ruling by the "Unità" and requesting A.M.B. investigation and action.

The Executive Secretary reported that the editor of l'Unità had been called in and although it was thought politic to accept his explanation of the incident, the importance of censorship instructions had been reemphasized.

A second violation would be made the subject of strict disciplinary action.

4) CHANGE OF NAME
The request of the Action Party to change the name of its daily paper from l'Italia Libera to l'Azione was granted.

5) APPLICATIONS APPROVED
Subject to confirmation of the Central Board

[illegible] - (La Spezia) Independent illustration daily; circa-

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5) [illegible]
Subject to confirmation of the Central Board

Il Notiziario -(La Spezia) Independent information daily; already approved by A...G; 3.000 copies

La voce del popolo (La Spezia) Communist weekly; recommended by A...G; 3.000 copies.

Informazioni partigiane (La Spezia) Partisan weekly ; recommended by A...G ; 3.000 copies

6) [illegible]

Noi Giovani (La Spezia) Youth movement weekly ; 3.000 copies ; not considered desirable by A...G, La Spezia.

7) [illegible]
A number of applications were deferred for opinions from the Archbishop, C.L.N and Allied Authorities.

8) There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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OFFICE OF THE
A L L I E D P U B L I C A T I O N S B O A R D
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CONFIDENTIAL 12th June, 1945

TO : Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission,
Copies to Director, PWB AFHQ

FROM : Chairman, Allied Publications Board.

SUBJECT : Direction and Control of Italian Press and Radio.

1. A detailed scheme for the control of Italian Press and Radio in North Italy after the cessation of PWB activities is submitted herewith. The scheme provides for direction and control through press officers and a directive to govern the work of these officers is annexed thereto.

2. The scheme and directive have been adopted by APB, in accordance with recommendation 2 of the annixure to SAC(P) (45) 26, after discussion with representatives of the AMG Regional Commissioners in North Italy and of OWI and MOI.

3. The scheme does not apply to Venezia Giulia or to that part of Italian territory lying east of the security control line.

4. The scheme does not provide for the control of Southern Italian transmitters, such as Rome II, which are audible in North Italy. This question was fully considered both in consultation with representatives of the Regional Commissioners in Milan and by APB. Though, from the point of view of AMG, the desirability of such control was fully appreciated, APB considered that any attempt to reimpose political censorship over stations such as Rome II and Bari I would be out of place at the present time, when the tendency is towards a relaxation rather than a tightening of Allied control. It was further of the opinion that the real position of such control would require a use of Allied personnel and would arouse Italian opposition out of all proportion to the advantages to be gained. In reaching this conclusion APB was influenced by the consideration that such control to be effective would have to be extended to British and American transmissions in Italian, a measure beyond its terms of reference. APB was therefore of the opinion that all

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5. The annexed scheme calls for the amendment of the AFHQ Administrative Memorandum defining the powers of constitution of APB. A draft of the required amendments is attached.

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6. APB invites the AC to forward the attached scheme and directive to the Chief of Staff, AFHQ, for submission to the Supreme Allied Commander's Conference (Political) and to forward the draft amendments for issue as an AFHQ Administrative Memorandum subject to the Conference's approval of the scheme.

/s/ GEORGE W. EDMAN

Chairman,
Allied Publications Board.

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2. The elimination of material likely to inflame public opinion and the objective presentation of contentious issues to the Italian population resident in areas under Allied Military Government will be secured through Allied Press Officers whose functions and status are defined below:

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8. Licensing of the press, including weekly and monthly magazines, and the allotment of circulation to newspapers and posters, will be the responsibility of Regional APBs, whose decisions will be subject to confirmation by the Central APB.

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DIRECTIVE FOR A.P.B.

I. AIMS

1. To secure a fair and objective presentation of world and domestic news to Italian public opinion.

2. To secure the elimination from the Italian Press and Radio of all irresponsible material likely to inflame public opinion, or in any other way hinder the work of the Allied authorities.

3. To assist AC/AMG in the administration and rehabilitation of territory under Military Government.

4. To assist the reconstruction and re-education of the Italian Press in Democratic methods.

II. DIRECTIVE

1. We encourage the Italian Press and Radio to present a fair and objective picture of contentious issues, and to restrict their comment to a straightforward presentation of their own case, avoiding unnecessary misrepresentation.

2. We encourage Italian writers to avoid violent comments and the reporting of unconfirmed rumours in cases where this is likely to cause public unrest and public disorder.

3. We endeavour, by the supply of long-term material and features not otherwise available to the Italian Press and Radio, to provide them with the means of presenting a balanced picture of world events and of events in other countries.

4. We endeavour, by means of personal influence, to ensure that work necessary for the reconstruction and the efficient administration of the country is given proper publicity over the Italian Press and Radio.

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    2. The institutional question.
    3. The disposal of the Italian colonies, the Italian fleet and other similar points arising out of the Armistice terms.
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62 Via Vitt. Veneto

ROME

Minutes of Meeting of the Central Allied Publications Board held at 3.00 p.m. on the IIth June I945, in Room I08, 62 Via Vitt. Veneto, Rome.

PRESENT: Mr. Edman (Chairman)
Major Noble (Executive Secretary)
Mr. C.A.R. Radford (ADD, PWB)
Mr. A.Halford (A.C. Political Section)
Mr. Stewart Brown (DPR, AC)
Mr. White (Paper Control, AC)
Mr. Linen (Press Attaché, American Embassy)
Lt. Colonel Piggott (Representing Press Attaché British Embassy)
Mr. Barney (MCI)
Major Alexander (Military Censorship)
Major Colville (Military Censorship)
Lt. Hull (British Army Newspaper Unit)

OBSERVERS: Miss R.A. Vining (PWB)
Dott. Vitelli (Representing Italian Press Commission)

1. The Chairman opened the meeting by introducing Major Noble who has replaced Lt. Colonel Munro as Chief Press Officer and Executive Secretary APB. Mr. Edman paid a tribute to the work of Colonel Munro who has returned to England to be demobilised.

2. The minutes of the last meeting were taken as read.

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1. The Chairman opened the meeting by introducing Major Noble who has replaced Lt. Colonel Munro as Chief Press Officer and Executive Secretary APB. Mr. Edman paid a tribute to the work of Colonel Munro who has returned to England to be demobilised.

2. The minutes of the last meeting were taken as read.

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3. Business arising out of last meeting:

The following letter from Bonomi to Admiral Stone, in answer to the Board's request for information on action taken to satisfy the demands put forward by the Italian Press Federation was read out to the Board:

My dear Admiral,

a draft of regulation has been prepared in conformity with the statement I made to the National Press Federation, to which you referred in letter n. 925[illegible], of May 16th. This draft is now being discussed with the National Press Federation.

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Genoa: There was strong opposition to the publication of the "Secolo XIX" and the Press Officer had made a suggestion that the PWB paper "Corriere Ligure" should be continued being run by a public company. A motion would be put to the meeting later.

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Florence. The "Corriere del Mattino" was now being administered by Florence Commune, and when PWB closed down this would mean a cessation.
PWB editional control: Mr. Radford pointed out that under Italian law the Commune could not take over the paper without the consent of the appropriate Ministry (in this case the Undersecretariat for the Press) and it was not certain that this consent would be forthcoming. Mr. Radford added that although at the time of adoption of the Commune ownership system in Florence all were agreed, that system was no longer to be a good one.
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Mr. Holfe agreed, saying that Allied policy was one of pacification allowing normal expression.
It was agreed that there was no objection in principle to German language papers but that the applications which had been received should be considered on their merits. Major Noble agreed to investigate.
Signor Vitelli asked if there were any Italian papers being published in the Val d'Aosta. Mr. Rolfe said that he believed there were no papers in that region, unless the French were bringing them in from outside.

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an all party daily already existed, priority should be given to non-political applications.
The board agreed that while there was no objection to party weeklies being allowed in such cases, priorit priority should be given to non-political applicati ns ations, For weeklies, monthlies etc.
Major Noble referred to two publications authorised in Milan "Gli Inserti" and "La Sfefza" which were sponsored by American and British organisations. He recommended that the board should cancel these authorizations, particularly as "Gli Inserti" had published some highly inflammatory articles.
Mr. Linen, for OWI and Lt. Colonel Piggott, for MOI confirmed that it was not the policy of Allied information services to sponsor such publications.
The board agreed to suspend the licences of these two papers, pending further inquiry.

5. Report on newsprint situation.

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The board passed a motion ratifying these decisions in principle, pending receipt of the report and application in question.

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The board passed the following motion:
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As amended and approved by the board the recommendation read:
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8. Reorganisation of Press and Radio in North Italy.

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OWI and MOI will be expected to furnish the Italian staff necessary for this purpose."

ii) The draft directive was passed with one amendment the first sentence of paragraph (5) being altered to read:
"We exercise particularly close supervision over the treatment in press and radio of the following issues, which are likely to have a disturbing effect on Italian public opinion.

It was agreed that the Chairman should forward these two documents, as amended, to AC for onward transmission as the official recommendations of the board.

9. Mr. Eiman announced that the next ordinary meeting of the board will be held on Monday July 9th at 11.00 a.m. There being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

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11 June 1945

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1) Minutes of Last Meeting.

2) Business arising out of Last Meeting.

3) Report on the Press in North Italy.
   a) Independent papers.
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   c) Party papers.
   d) German language papers in Bolzano.
   e) Other press.

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7) Other APB business.

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PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH

MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY APB MEETING HELD IN MILAN ON JUNE 5th at 18.30.

Present: Mr. C. Edman, PWO, 15th Army Group Chairman
Mr. C.A.R. Radford, Asst. Dep. Dir, PWB, AFHQ.
Mr. J. Linen, Chief USIS, US Embassy
Mr. Stewart Brown, PRO, AG.
Mr. Michael Stewart, M.O.I.
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Mr. Titchener, Policy Asst. to P.W.O.
Major Anderson, U.S. Press Attache.
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P.W.B. Unit No.16

MINUTES OF A CONFERENCE AT VIA CANTU No. 5 on 5 JUNE 1945
TO DISCUSS:

A. Functions and organisation of APB after PWB has handed over.
B. Press problems in Northern Italy before PWB hands over to APB.

Present:

Mr. G.Edman, PWO 15th Army Group - Chairman
Mr. C.A.R.Radford, Asst.Dep.Dir. PWB, AFHQ
Col. L.G.A.Cust, DPWO, 15th Army Gp.
Mr. L.Titchener, Policy Asst.to PWO.
Mr. Julian Fromer, News Chief, 15th A.G.
Mr.Fred. Lyon, Admin.Officer, 15th A.G.
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Mr.Ivor Thomas, Chief Radio, PWB AFHQ.
Major J.Davies, PWB Liaison, 15th A.G.
Capt. A.Yuill, PWB Liaison, IV Corps.
Major E.Howard, PWB "D" Section.
Capt. E.Passaglia, Exec.Off. PWB Unit 16

Mr. Stewart Brown, PRO, AC.
Col. Jordan, Liguria Region AMG.
Col. Marshall, R.C.Piedmont Region AMG
Lt.Col.Hartley, R.C. Emilia Region AMG
Capt.Neufeld for R.C.Lombardy " AMG
Capt.Ellison for R.C.Venezia " AMG
Mr. J. Linen, U.S.I.D., U.S.Embassy
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Col. Walker, SCAO, G5, IV Corps.
Capt. Orbeck, Military Censorship

Mr. Dante Grudi, OC, PWB Milan
Lt. Col. D. Macfarlane, OC, PWB Turin
Lt. Col. H. Klein, OC, PWB Genoa
Lt. Col. J.E.M. Skinner, OC, PWB Venice
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Capt. Stuart, Press Officer, PWB Genoa
Capt.Isolani, Press Officer, PWB Venice
Lt. Grigis, Press Officer, PWB 8 Army
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Capt.Sonnabend, Press Officer, PWB Bolzano
Mr. Koffler, Press Officer

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Mr.Ivor Thomas, Chief Radio, PWB AFHQ.
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Capt. E.Passaglia, Exec.Off, PWB Unit 16

Mr. Stewart Brown, PRO, AC.
Col. Jordan, Liguria Region AMG.
Col. Marshall, R.C.Piedmont Region AMG
Lt.Col.Hartley, R.C. Emilia Region AMG
Capt.Neufeld for R.C.Lombardy " AMG
Capt.Ellison for R.C.Venezia " AMG
Mr. J. Linen, U.S.I.D., U.S.Embassy
Mr. M. Stewart, Press Attache, Br. Embassy
Mr. H. Hopkinson, British Embassy.
Mr. L. White, Paper Supply Chief AC
Col. Walker, SCAO, PB, IV Corps.
Capt. Orback, Military Consorship

Mr. Dante Gnudi, OC, PWB Milan
Lt. Col. D. Macfarlane, OC, PWB Turin
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Major G.M.S.Noble, Chief Press Officer, PWB Italy
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Mr. Brown, PRO, AC, when asked for the view of AC said that in general the proposal that, when PWB ceased, APB should exercise control in North Italy, co-operating with Regional Commissioners over the type of material likely to cause unrest, had the approval of AC. He pointed out that apart from military censorship, the best way to keep any check on such material was post-publication scrutiny by Press Officers. AC had been present at discussions at Caserta and had no objections, but the Regional authorities might have specific recommendations.

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The 14 points of the draft "Proposal for the Control of Italian Press and Radio" were then discussed in order by the Meeting.

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Points 5 and 6. The controversy on chain of command, referred to under Point 3, was settled by the Chairman, who made it clear that both the AMG Commissioner and the APB Press Officer would work on directives from their higher headquarters. Should any emergency point arise for which no allowance had been made in the APB directive, the question should be referred back to higher headquarters by both AMG and APB, the APB Press Officer taking his instructions from the AMG Regional Commissioner, until the question was settled on a higher level. Point 6 remained with no amendments.

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Point 7. Mr. Titchener objected to the word "control" in this point, and indeed throughout the paper, stressing that the work of APB should be advisory. Mr. Brown said that APB powers should be control of a supervisory nature and that to safeguard public safety there would also be Military Censorship. Mr. Hopkinson agreed that we had not for a long time given positive directives to newspapers except those under our control, and that we could only attempt to guide them. Major Noble also agreed with this. Lt. Col. Street proposed that the word "supervision" should be inserted into the title of the draft and it was agreed that this should read "Proposal for the Supervision and Control of Italian Press and Radio". Mr. Radford suggested that frontier questions should be in the form of a separate annexe.

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B. PRESS PROBLEMS IN NORTHERN ITALY BEFORE PWB HANDS OVER TO APB.

The Chief Press Officer, on work to be completed before PWB handed over, said that the main point on which the hand-over depended was the settling in important centres of independent non-party papers in order to continue the work of PWB papers in presenting and keeping an objective view of news. It could not be ensured that the papers that were created or re-created would remain independent over a long period, but we could either authorise papers which had proved themselves to have a really strong, pro-Fascist independent tradition, or turn over the PWB papers as independent sheets to public companies or private companies.

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On the question of PWB papers, before PWB closed down, the future of the PWB dailies should be settled. If proper independent papers were established as agreed in the Press Plan, then there was no reason why PWB newspapers should continue, unless to meet special demands, as the independent newspapers would cover objective news and AMG notices, etc. The projection of Britain and America will evolve on material sent up by OWI and MOI.

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Lt. Col. MacFarlane suggested that the 5 Turin party papers should be published in Milan. He thought that the PWB paper "Corriere del Piemonte", which now had a circulation of 150,000, should continue after PWB leaves as "Il Secolo Nuovo". Also at the last APB meeting in Turin it was agreed that the two pre-Fascist papers, "La Stampa" and the "Gazzetta del Popolo" which would be welcomed by the public and gradually accepted by the parties, should be revived as soon as possible. They would be supervised by Commissarios, and daily circulations of 125,000 copies each had been authorised. Any increase of paper supply would go to these two papers, until their circulation reached 200,000. Should there be any cut in paper supplies, the circulation for all 7 papers would be cut in the same proportion.

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Press Officer Turin replied that firstly the PWB paper was authorised before it was decided to revive the two pre-Fascist papers, and secondly, that most of the party papers expressed the intention of printing a Turin edition of their paper in Milan, leaving only the three papers in Turin.

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Mr. Brown called an Extraordinary Meeting of APB to follow the present meeting, to take a decision on the production of the new independent papers recommended by Lt. Col. Klein.

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C.C., PWB Bologna. Mr. Ross said that APB would be faced with a similar situation in Bologna with regard to "Il Resto del Carlino". Newsprint shortage meant that a number of party papers had been forced to suspend in favour of the Comitato information paper "La Rinascita" with a circulation of 40,000. The PWB daily information paper, "Corriere dell'Emilia" had a circulation of 120,000. There were 6 large cities in the region publishing small bi-weeklies under temporary licenses. Party papers were authorised to appear only last week on a weekly circulation of 10,000 copies printed flatbed, which was regarded as a token license. Mr. Ross asked whether the PWB paper should continue under new ownership under the same name, or whether the "Resto del Carlino" should be reconstituted.

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Press Officer, Venice. Captain Isolani said that the direction of this paper (Societa di San Marco) had very few funds. It had been suggested by CLN that a committee of 5, one member from each party representing CLN, should direct it. Another suggestion was that an independent person of some standing should be directed to run it, for which "D" Section had produced a name, as yet un-examined. The present director of the PWB paper should became a co-director and it should be an a-political non-party independent daily. Captain Isolani was asked to recommend this to APB through the Chief Press Officer.

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Press Officer, Venice. Captain Isolani said that the direction of this paper (Societa di San Marco) had very few funds. It had been suggested by CLN that a committee of 5, one member from each party representing CLN, should direct it. Another suggestion was that an independent person of some standing should be directed to run it, for which "D" Section had produced a name, as yet un-examined. The present director of the PWB paper should become a co-director and it should be an a-political non-party independent daily. Captain Isolani was asked to recommend this to APB through the Chief Press Officer.

The Chairman then introduced his Chief British Military Officer, Colonel Cust., after which he asked if there was any other business to discuss.

Mr. Koffler quoted a statement made by Major Noble that all Press Officers should review present circulation in the light of future production, and added that it would be very difficult to review cases without being informed of the future distribution of newsprint. Major Noble replied that part of our job before handing over will be to check up on newsprint in hand and in view, to ensure that we are not authorising publications on a short-term basis.

In answer to another question from Mr. Koffler, Major Noble replied that all newsprint being produced was for newspapers and periodicals and that newsprint would not be provided for books, which were being published with paper in stock.

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Mr. White then asked whether permission could be obtained from APB for publishers' licenses to be transferred from Rome to Milan. Major Noble answered that while Milan could not produce enough newsprint for a number of its own important periodicals, the transfer of licenses could not be authorised.

The Chairman summed up by saying that all discussions and recommendations made at the meeting would be given every consideration.

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Colonel Bowman, R.C. Emilia Region.
Colonel Wells, ACS, G2, IV Corps.
Lieut. Robbins, IV Corps.
Captain Case, Aide to C.G. IV Corps.
Brigadier Lush, A.C.
Rear Admiral Stone, A.C.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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4 June 1945

SUBJECT: Attached correspondence

TO : Executive Secretary
Allied Publications Board
62 Via Veneto

1. We are passing on to you the attached application for authorization of the publication of the paper "Alto Adige" for any necessary action.

For the Director,

Encl: Application from the above named paper
and covering note from Lt. Col. A.A. Wm. E. McBratney
Provincial Comm
Bolzano Province
Venezia Region.
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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

Minutes of Meeting at PWB Press Officer at 3100hrs on Friday 1st June 45.

Present Lt Col J.E.M. GARDNER, OC PWB VENETO - Chairman
Mr G.M. KOTTLER, Press Officer VENETO - Executive Secretary
Major HARRIS .MG Public Safety
Capt Eric B FORBES, Consorship VENETO Region
Lt R DISCHI, Printing and Supplies Officer, PWB VENETO Region
Capt ISCLANI, newly appointed Press Officer PWB VENETO Region, Observer
Mrs .. STREET, Secretary

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The Executive Secretary also pointed out that while it was usual to allot a certain amount of paper to the Church for the publication of those periodicals the Church deemed fit, the Allied Publications Board would have to consider those publications that were requested until the "Settimana Religiosa" was authorised then the matter of Church publications could be turned over to the Archbishop.

The following applications for books were considered and the publication authorised:- 5979

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Lettera di Don Calabrese	D Calabria	1000	Religious
Corso di Cultura Superiore Religiose Vol 5	Petrozzi	2000	Religious
Italo-Engl Pocket Dictionary	Dr Pesenti dei Thei	5000	Dictionary
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Il Giovanotto Povero	R.L. STEVENSON	1000	Novel
Delle Cose Notabili che sono in Venezia	Sansovino	1000	Historical
Inni Sticheri di Vittoria	Pindaro	1000	Classic
La stazione Ferroviaria di S Luca	Ant Gottardi	300	Technical
Attraverso Attraverso l'U.S.I R.E.	Avv Fatiglia	1000	Economic
Gesù Trionfo nel Sacerdote	P. Millet	5000	Religious
Il prete santificato Vol 6	R.P. Chaignon	3000	"
Infanzia, delitti, Menzogne errori del Fascismo e la sua fine	Dott Senizza	2000	Economic
Incisioni di Viviani	Italo Cremona	1500	Art
Incontro con Oscar Wilde	Andre Gide	2990	Biography

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Le Tre Ariette	S. Mallarme	1500	Poetry
Le Piu Bellenovello	Various	10000	Shorts
A Scientific grammar	Marsadi	10000	Grammar
Dorian Gray	Oscar Wilde	3000	Novel
Il Sogno	Zola	3000	"
Qualcuno Guida	Feronna Bartolemi	3000	"
Il trille del Diavolo	D'Augusta Arrigo	5000	"

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Bolletino Diocesano	Religious	"
Ricostruire	CLN(CENTRZA)	Weekly
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Cine Gazzetta	Movie	"
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The next meeting was called for Saturday 9th June.

(Sgd) S.M. KOFFLER.
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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

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Central APB 18
British Mission 2
US Mission 2
PWO, 15th Army Group 2
VENICE Area Command 1
AMG(VENETO) FANA 1
AMG VENICE 1
Censorship 10
Chief Press Officer 2
Movement

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LOMBARDY

Minutes of meeting held at PWB Press Office, No. 3 Via Cesare Cantù, Milan, at 1100 hours on Friday, 1 June 1945.

PRESENT:

Members: Mr. George Edman, PWO 15th Army Group. Chairman
Major Sinclair Noble, [illegible] Chief Press Off. Italy, Executive Secretary.
Lt. Col. Francis, Regional Public Safety Officer AMG.
Lt. Col. Rorimer, representing City Commissioner, AMG.
Major Bateman, Milan Province AMG.
Lt. Bouchereau, PWB Paper & Printing officer, Lombardy.
Capt. Orback, Censorship, Lombardy Region.

Observers: Capt. Yuill, PWB Liaison IV Corps
Prince Rospigliosi, "D" Section, PWB Unit No. 16

In the absence of Mr. Gnudi (CO, PWB Milan), Chairman, Mr. George Edman, (PWO, PWB 15th Army Group) took the Chair.

1. The Executive Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting.

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4. The Printing Officer reported that newspapers were authorised with circulations which did not take into account that paper-producing mills did not work on the many feast-days. Newspapers would have, therefore, 1/7th less than authorised amounts of paper for each day in the week on which mills were closed for special holidays.

Capt. Yuill was asked to bring to the attention of G-5, IV Corps - who had guaranteed that 15 trucks belonging to the paper mills would be permitted to circulate carrying raw materials for paper production and paper - that all 15 trucks had not yet been released, despite the fact that they had IV Corps passes. Nearly a month of the 60-day plan was over, and some trucks were still either not on the road because they had not been given AMG authority, or were being used by AMG for other purposes in the Provinces.

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The Printing Officer confirmed that stocks of flatbed paper were in hand to be used for the small publications before the meeting.

5. New applications are as attached. All these had been investigated by the Executive Secretary and Major Piscop. No paper production for them is involved, as flatbed stock is available to carry production of the publications for six months. Mr. Ellman asked if these had been vetted by AMG. The Executive Secretary said not: it had been a week's work for him to get the applications selected and vetted, and there would seem to be no reason for AMG to vet them again. Careful scrutiny could be maintained after authorisation, and if necessary licences withdrawn.

Capt. Orback asked that it should be made clear to publishers that these publications should be submitted for military censorship. The Executive Secretary asked him to submit a letter to the publishers, which could be circulated to them from the APB office with the licences to publish.

Colonel Rorimer asked if authorisation could not be given for any set period of time, say six months, rather than leaving them indefinitely. The Chairman explained that after the work of PWB had ceased and AC had taken over, the Italian Press Commission would supervise press and publications and could ratify or cancel licences.

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DISTRIBUTION

Central APB	16
British Mission	2
U.S.Mission	2
PWO, PWB 15th Army Group	2
Milan Area Command	1
IV Corps	4
AMG Lombardy	26
AMG Milan City	1
AMG Milan Province	1
Chief Press Officer, Italy	6
All Press Officers	1
All Present	2

G.M. SINCLAIR NOBLE,
Major, The Buffs,
Executive Secretary
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APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY APB LOMBARDY 1 JUNE 1945

TITLE	DESCRIPTION	FREQUENCY	CIRCULATION APPVD.
Bollettino di Informazioni Seriche	Silk Trade	weekly	400
L'Informatore Commerciale	Industrial inf.	weekly	10,000
Notiziario per i proprietari di Case	Property owners bulletin	monthly	2,000
Bollettino delle estrazioni	Banking	fortnightly	16,500
Efficienza e Prosperita	Business Methods	monthly	2,000
Il Raggualio Librario	Books	monthly	10,000
Bollettino Consorziale	News for Business houses	monthly	6,000
Gazzetta Tributaria	Taxes	monthly	2,000
Bollettino d'Informazioni Tributario	Taxes	monthly	2,500
Orario Milano	Railway guide	monthly	20,000
Bollettino dell'UTI	Organ of Italian Technicians Union	monthly	30,000
Il Commercio di Milano	Commercial & Econ.inf.	fortnightly	20,000
Rassegna d'Espasione Commerciale	Commercial Expansion	bi-monthly	1,000
Finanza e Amministrazione	Business organisation & Administration	monthly	6,000
"A"	National reconstruction Architecture, etc.	fortnightly	30,000
Domus		monthly	10,000
I Problemi della Ricostruzione	Town Planning	monthly	1,000
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Bollettino delle estrazioni	Banking	fortnightly	16,500
Efficienza e Prosperita	Business Methods	monthly	2,000
Il Ragguaglio Librario	Books	monthly	10,000
Bollettino Consorziale	News for business houses	monthly	6,000
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Il Carbone	Coal utilization	monthly	1,000
Il Legno	Wood	monthly	800
Il Fonditore	Iron & Steel	monthly	1,000
Il Cemento	Construction	monthly	350
Radio Industria	Radio technical	monthly	1,000
L'Energia Elettrica	Electricity	bi-monthly	2,500
L'Elettrotechnica	"	16, yearly	6,000
L'Ingegnere	Engineering	monthly	1,300

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TITLE.	DESCRIPTION	FREQUENCY	CIRC. APPROVED
Il Monitore tecnico	Electrical production	monthly	1,000
La Chimica e L'Industria	Chemical Industry	bi-monthly	3,000
Il Monitore dell' Industria	Industrial	fortnightly	1,000
Le Leggi	Law	monthly	1,000
Rivista di Terapia Pratica	Medical	bi-monthly	20,000
Bollettino dell' Istituto Sieroterapetico Milanese	"	monthly	2,000
Terapia	"	monthly	10,000
La Medicina del Lavoro	Prof. deseases	monthly	450
L'Avvenire Sanitario	Professional	monthly	1,000
Il Sangue	For doctors, nurses; Blood transfusions.	bi-monthly	1,100
Clinica Veterinaria	Vet.	monthly	2,000
Rivista Internazionale di Scienze Sociali	Social Science	fortnightly	700
Scientia	Scientific	quarterly	1,200
"Jus"	Science	3, yearly	700
Aegyptus	Egyptology	quarterly	400
Rivista degli Amici dell'Universita Cattolica del S. Cuore	University	monthly	95,000
La Cultura Moderna	Cultural	monthly	350
Studi Filosofici	"	quarterly	1,200
Rivista di Filosofia Neoscolastica	"	fortnightly	700
		bi-monthly	1,000

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Rivista di Terapia Pratica	Medical	bi-monthly	[illegible]
Bollettino dell' Istituto Sieroterapetico Milanese	"	monthly	2,000
Terapia	"	monthly	10,000
La Medicina del Lavoro	Prof. deseases	monthly	450
L'Avvenire Sanitario	Professionel	monthly	1,000
Il Sangue	For doctors, nurses; Blood transfusions.	bi-monthly	1,100
Clinica Veterinaria	Vet.	monthly	2,000
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Scientia	Scientific	quarterly	1,200
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Rivista di Filosofia Neoscolastica	"	fortnightly	700
Unione Mondiale Colezionisti	"	bi-monthly	1,000
La Donna	Fashion	bi-monthly	15,000
Vesta	"	quarterly	15,000
"Eva"	Women	monthly	50,000
Per voi Signora	"	monthly	2,000
Fili	Embroidery	monthly	10,000
I Giardini	Gardening	monthly	1,500

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday May 31st
at 1530 hours

Present: Lt. Col. MacFarlane, O.C. PWB Turin, Chairman
Mr. Harari, Press Officer, Piedmont, Executive Secretary
Colonel Marshall, Regional Commissioner, A.M.G.
Lt. Colonel Fiore, Provincial Commissioner, A.M.G.
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6. There had also been a request for the publication of POPOLO SERA, (which was in the past the evening edition of the GAZZETTA del POPOLO), by Sig. T. Giordana who intended to publish it independently of the Gazzetta del Popolo.

/ 7. Colonel

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7. Colonel Marshall moved the following:

a. That the POPOLO SERA should not be accepted as a separate paper and that Sig. Giordana's application be rejected.

The motion was carried unanimously.

b. That the two newspapers LA STAMPA and GAZZETTA del POPOLO be authorized as soon as suitable Commissarios could be appointed by the Regional Commissioner and that they should be allowed to allocate such proportion of their allotted newsprint to an evening edition as they saw fit.

The motion was carried unanimously.

8. Lieut. Clarke reported on the newsprint situation. He said he hoped the rate of production of the mills could soon be increased but the present production was about 25 tons daily. Allowing for the present circulation of the party papers andof the Corriere del Piemonte he was able to supply six tons a day to Liguria, and this left a surplus of four to five tons a day which would allow an increase of circulation of the party papers to 100,000 and a circulation of 125,000 for each of the pre-Fascist papers.

The following was put to the vote:

"That the following daily papers and circulation figures be authorized:

CORRIERE DEL PIEMONTE	P.W.B.	150,000
LA STAMPA	Independent	125,000
LA GAZZETTA DEL POPOLO	Independent	125,000
IL POPOLO NUOVO	Democ-christian	100,000
GIUSTIZIA e LIBERTA	Action Party	100,000
AVANTI	Socialist	100,000
L'UNITA	Communist	100,000
L'OPINIONE	Liberal	100,000
SECOLO NUOVO	Independent	100,000

(this daily to be published only after the PWB controlled CORRIERE DEL PIEMONTE will have been withdrawn).

The motion was carried. 5956

Colonel Marshall then moved the following:

"That any surplus newsprint which might become available in the near future should be allotted LA STAMPA and GAZZETTA DEL POPOLO until they had reached a circulation of 200,000. Furthermore, any cut in newsprint due to breakdown in production should be shared between all eight daily newspapers at a pro-

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The motion was carried unanimously.

9. Weekly andother periodicals were then considered. The Executive Secretary pointed out that these were all to be printed on flat-bed presses and would not prejudice the allocation of roll newsprint. It was unanimously decided that all requests for publication by political parties represented by any of the five party papers should be turned down. This excluded all the political weeklies with the exeption of one Monarchist and one Republican paper which would be allowed. It was unanimously carried that the following periodicals be authorized:

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Fucile e Lenza	sports	3,000	fortnightly
Liberta	cultural	2,000	weekly
Pubblicita Economica	publicity	5,000	bi-weekly
Il Popolo	monarchic	20,000	weekly
Corriere dei Ragazzi	childrens	20,000	weekly
L'Illustrazione	variety	20,000	weekly
Parole [illegible]	cross words	20,000	weekly
Giornale Acc. Medicina	medical	400	bi-yearly
La Settimana Torinese	sports	2,000	weekly
[illegible] Ippica	sports	2,800	monthly
[illegible]omma Giovanile	culture	2,000	fortnightly
[illegible]attifone	humourist	10,000	weekly
Il giuocatore del Lotto	gambling	700	monthly
Novella	literary	3,000	monthly
Piemonte Industriale	industrial	4,000	weekly
I quattro Venti	cultural	20,000	weekly
Gazzetta Letteraria	literary	10,000	weekly
Moda Torino	fashion	25,000	bi-yearly
Evoluzione della Moda	fashion	5,000	bi-yearly
La Voce della Giustizia	law	5,000	weekly
Giurisprudenza Italiana	law	5,000	monthly
Lex	law	11,000	quarterly
Minerva	variety	2,200	monthly

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The meeting adjourned.

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A. HARARI
Executive Secretary
Allied Publications
Board, Turin

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[illegible] 1 & P.B.	16
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Chief Press Officer, Italy	6
All Press Officers	1
All present	2
Public Safety Officer AMG	1
Education Officer "	1
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MINUTESS OF A.F.B. MEETING 30/5/1945 /

PRESENT:

Lt.Col. H.Klein.	P.W.B.	(Chairman)
J.Comd. E.Y. Edwards	A.M.G.	
Capt. E.L. Stuart	P.W.B.	(Executive secretary)
Lt.Little	P.W.B.	(Printing Section)
Capt.S.R.de la Mahotiere	I.N.C.	(Mil.Censorship)

OBSERVER:

Prof. Taviani	C.L.N.

1. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

2. NEWSPRINT:
Lt.Little reported that there was enough newsprint for the first few days of June but that nothing yet had been heard of the agreed regular weekly consignment of 45 tons. It was decided that Lt.Little should make another trip to Turin to settle this matter, and with it the circulations of the dailies on a lasting and satisfactory basis.

3. DAILY NEWSPAPERS:
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Il Nuovo Cittadino A request for this paper to print 25.000 instead of 12.000 copies on Sundays was approved subject to reconfirmation from Archbishop that this Catholic Paper served the entired needs of the local Catholic community.

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Voce degli Intellettuali Cultural fortnightly - 1.000 copies published asclandestine sheet and approved by C.L.N. Left wing tendency, but no particular party affiliation.

Cronaca dei Dibattimenti, proteste e dibattiti Small commercial and legal sheet. 15.000 copies weekly.

C.M. : Technical weekly. University and physics weekly. University collaborators. 6.000 copies - Newsprint available for five months.

6. APPLICATIONS DEFERRED:
Il piccolo: ... papers are still beeing

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6. SAVONA PAPERS The executive secretary reported that four application had been received from A.M.G. Savona. He intended to take a trip there and would report at the next meeting.

7. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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31 May 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Press Decree

TO : Allied Publications Board

1. This is in reference to your letter of 7 May on the above subject to the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

2. Attached for your information is the translation of an interim reply from the Prime Minister.

C. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Encl.

Copy for info to: Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner
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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers

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Rome, 28 May 1945

My dear Admiral,

a draft of regulation has been prepared in conformity with the statement I made to the National Press Federation, to which you referred in letter n. 9291, of May 16th. This draft is now being discussed with the National Press Federation.

I will send you the text of the regulation as soon as a final agreement will have been reached.

Yours sincerely,

S. I. Bonomi

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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Roma, 28 maggio 1945.

Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri

Mio Caro Ammiraglio,

in conformità alle dichiarazioni da me fatte alla Federazione nazionale della stampa, alle quali Ella fa riferimento nella lettera, n.9251, del 16 maggio c.a., è stato redatto un apposito schema di provvedimento. Tale schema è attualmente oggetto di discussione con la Federazione nazionale della stampa.

Facendo riserva di farLe avere il testo del provvedimento, non appena esso sarà definitivamente concordato, Le rinnovo l'espressione della mia viva considerazione.

Bonomi

Ammiraglio Ellery W Stone
Commissario Capo
della Commissione Alleata

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Minutes of meeting held at PWB Press Office
No. 3 Via Cesare Cantu, Milan, at 1100 hours
Friday, 25th May, 1945

PRESENT:

Members : Mr. Gnudi, OC., PWB Lombardy - Chairman
Major Sinclair Noble, Press Officer, Lombardy - Executive Secretary.
Lt. Col. Giles, Provincial Commissioner, AMG.
Lt. Col. Rorimer, representing City Commissioner AMG.
Major Flanders, representing Public Safety Officer AMG
Major Piscop, Deputy Chief Paper & Printing, PWB.,AFHQ.
Lieut Boucherean, PWB Printing Officer, Lombardy,
Captain Orbeck, Censorship, Lombardy Region,

Observers: Mr Lanham Pitchener, Coordinator Propaganda, PWB.
Lieut. Robbins, P.R.C., IV Corps,
Mr. John Hogan, C.I.C.
Captain Yuill, PWB Liaison IV Corps,
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Provincial and City Commissioners recommended that the Printing Officer advise local AMG officers of all paper mills in their areas, so that there would be no difficulty in the mills' obtaining permits for their trucks to circulate.

/The Chairman

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The Chairman stated it might well be considered that party dailies of N. Italy should be combined into single editions, say at Milan, instead of having separate editions in Milan, Genoa, Turin, etc.

Public Safety representative asked for clarification on policy regarding posters, etc. Executive Secretary stated that he had requested AMG to recommend any posters considered desirable, and that no other posters would be authorised. Provincial Commissioner agreed to establish who should be proper AMG authority to whom posters be referred.

Executive Secretary reported 310 applications to date for newspapers and periodicals. He also reported having investigated Press situations at Pavia, Piacenza, Cremona, Mantova, Brescia, Bergamo, Como and Lecco, and stated that in most centres, he had found both CLN and party papers and had explained that with shortage of newsprint, it was not possible for parties to have a collective (CLN) voice and also separate party voices, especially as they were receiving from Milan the N. Italy editions of their parties. This they did not find unreasonable.

The following applications were considered and the publications authorised:

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LA SFERZA	Independent	Weekly	20,000
GLI INSORTI	Independent	Weekly	20,000
LO STATO MODERNO	Independent Cultural & Critical.	Monthly	10,000
RIVISTA DELL'AM'NZ PROV'LE DI MILANO	Milan Civil Service Organ.	Monthly	500
CREMONA			
IL FRONTE DEMOCRATICO	CLN	Daily	35,000
VITA CATTOLICA	Archbishop	Weekly	15,000
PAVIA			
IL FRONTE PAVESE	CLN	Tri-weekly	40,000

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IL TICINO	Archivescovo	Weekly	15,000
PIACENZA			
PIACENZA NUOVA	CLN	Daily	15,000
MANTOVA			
MANTOVA LIBERA	CLN	Daily	15,000

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BRESCIA			
IL GIORNALE DI BRESCIA	CLN	Daily	35,000
BERGAMO			
IL GIORNALE DEL POPOLO	CLN	Daily	25,000
L'ECO DI BERGAMO	Archivescovo	Weekly	20,000
COMO			
IL POPOLO COMASCO	CLN	Daily	15,000
ORDINE DELLA DOMENICA	Arcivescovo	Weekly	15,000
LECCO			
IL GIORNALE DI LECCO	CLN	Tri-weekly	10,000
VARESE			
CORRIERE PREALPINO	CLN	Daily	15,000

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD.
LOMBARDY.

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U.S. Mission	2
FAO PUB 15 Army Group	2
Milan Area Command	1
IV Corps	4
AMG Lombardy	26
AMG Milan City	1

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COMO

IL POPOLO COMASCO	CLN	Daily	15,000
ORDINE DELLA DOMENICA	Archivescovo	Weekly	15,000

LECCO

IL GIORNALE DI LECCO	CLN	Tri-weekly	10,000

VARESE

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AMG Milan Province	1
Censorship	10
Chief Press Officer, Italy	6
All Press Officers	1
All present	2

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OFFICE OF THE LOCAL
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Nazione Building.
FLORENCE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Florence APB held at 11 a.m. on the 24th May, 1945.

PRESENT: Major David C. Cousland. O.C.P.W.B. Unit No.14
Mr. T. Russo (Chairman) Press Officer, P.W.B. (Executive Secretary)
Major H. Dring. Allied Commission.
Capt. A. Appierto Censorship.
Ten. P. Pepè. "
Mr.R.N. Collins. PWB Printing & Paper Supplies.
Comm.A.Passigli. S.T.E. Representative for paper stocks.

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1. Minutes.
The minutes of the last meeting, held on the 10th January, were read and confirmed. There was no business arising therefrom.

2. Press situation in Tuscany.
Mr. Russo, Press Officer, PWB Florence, gave a report on the Press situation in Tuscany. When the Allies first came here in August, two papers were permitted:

"Corriere del Mattino" PWB editorially controlled.
"Nazione del Popolo" CNL paper.

Scon after "Tl Tirreno" was permitted in Leghorn.

Since then a number of other periodicals had been published so that there were now:
6 dailies.
3 bi-weeklies. (See appendix A for names)
9 weeklies.
2 bi-monthlies.
2 monthlies.

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Capt. A. Appierto Censorship.
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Mr.R.H. Collins. PWB Printing & Paper Supplies.
Comm.A.Passigli. S.T.E. Representative for paper stocks.

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1. Minutes.
The minutes of the last meeting, held on the 10th January, were read and confirmed. There was no business arising therefrom.

2. Press situation in Tuscany.
Mr. Russo, Press Officer, PWB Florence, gave a report on the Press situation in Tuscany. When the Allies first came here in August, two papers were permitted:

"Corriere del Mattino" PWB editorially controlled.
"Nazione del Popolo" CNL paper.

Soon after "Il Tirreno" was permitted in Leghorn.

Since then a number of other periodicals had been published so that there were now:
6 dailies.
3 bi-weeklies. (See appendix A for names)
9 weeklies.
2 bi-monthlies.
2 monthlies.
For all these, the newsprint was furnished by APB.

At the beginning there were difficulties concerning newsprint, which was in short supply, and so necessarily limited the number of publications permitted. Happily there was now enough paper to satisfy most legitimate needs.
Major Cousland mentioned at this stage that all these papers were supplied with news, features and photographs by the PWB services.

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3. Newsprint.

Comm. Passigli reported on the newsprint situation. He stated that at the beginning of things the situation had been critical, but that there had been a great improvement.
As of to-day a stock of 400 tons was held, which would be sufficient for needs up the 15th August, working on the average consumption of 130 tons per month.
It was stated that Mr. White of Allied Commission had promised a further supply of paper in possibly a month's time.
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Proposer. Mr. Russo.
Seconder: Capt. Appierto.

5. New applications.

The Executive Secretary presented a list of new applications which consisted of:
(i) a list of 40 applications for periodicals and
(ii) 37 requests for the publication of books.

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It was considered that in view of the coming handover, these lists should also be passed over to the Italian Press Commission for consideration, via the Prefettura. The Executive Secretary brought the attention of the Board to one book which it was thought might be authorised forthwith, viz: "Il Progresso Anglo-Americano e gli Italiani" by G. Bonacci, and the Board passed the following motion:

> "That the publishers be authorised to proceed with the publication of "Il Progresso Anglo-Americano e gli Italiani" by G. Bonacci, for which an allotment of 10 quintals of paper would be authorised".

Proposer: Mr. Russo.
Seconder: Major Dring.

The Executive Secretary then brought before the meeting a late application which had been received. This was a request from the CLN asking that the pubblications of separate weeklies for each party be permitted. Sig. Passigli said that, unlike the cities in the North, tey were not asking for party dailies, but he cited the example of Perugia, where separate party papers were granted authorization. The Board decided that this application should be referred to the Prefettura for transmission to the Italian Press Commission as in the other cases, with a strong recommendation that this be given sympathetic consideration.

6. Other business.

Before closing the meeting, the Chairman stated that he had one point to add. The PWB Unit in Florence would shortly be closing and therefore the activities of MMU, Monitoring, Basic News and Radio would be ceasing. He was instructed to say that the actual date, however, was not yet settled as confirmation was awaited from AFHQ, and until that date all the functions of both APB and PWB would remain in force in Florence.

There being no other business, the Meeting adjourned. 5935

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APPENDIX A.

T U S C A N Y.

a.	Dailies. (6)	CORRIERE DEL MATTINO.	Florence.
		NAZIONE DEL POPOLO.	"
		LA PATRIA	"
		LA GAZZETTA DEL SERCHIO.	Lucca.
		RINASCITA.	Siena.
		IL TIRRENO.	Leghorn.
b.	Bi-weeklies.(3)	INFORMATORE.	Arezzo.
		CORRIERE DELL'ARNO.	Pisa.
		LA PROVINCIA DI SIENA.	Siena.
c.	Weeklies. (9)	FIL.. RIVISTA.	Florence.
		RADIO.	"
		LA CRONACA DEI TG DI FIRENZE.	"
		L'ARNO.	"
		LA DOMENICA ILLUSTRATA.	"
		INFORMATORE ECONOMICO.	"
		VITA NOVA.	"
		GIOVANI.	"
		LA SETTIMANA DEI RAGAZZI.	"
d.	BiMonthly (2)	IL MONDO.	Florence
		BOLLETTINO COLLEGIO INGEGNERI.	"
e.	Monthlies.(2)	RASSEGNA (PANORAMA)	
		PONTE.	

24th May, 1945.

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MINUTES OF A.P.B. MEETING 23/5/45

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PRESENT: Lt.Col. H. Klein, P.W.B. (Chairman)
J.Comd. E.Y. Edwards A.M.G.
Capt. E.L. Stuart P.W.B. (Executive Secretary)
Lt. Little P.W.B. (Printing Section)

OBSERVER: Prof. Taviani C.L.N.

1. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

2. NEWSPRINT:

Lt.Little reported that some 30 tons of newsprint had arrived, and it was decided that the position was satisfactory enough to grant at least a temporary increase for the daily papers.

3. DAILY NEWSPAPERS: CIRCULATION INCREASE:

Corriere Ligure -	120.000	copies	480 quints.montly
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Il Secolo Liberale	25.000	"	" "
Corriere	25.000	"	" "
L'Italia Libera	25.000	"	" "
Il Lavoro Nuovo	25.000	"	" "
Il Nuovo Cittadino	12.000	"	52 "

Noted: No increase authorised for Tribuna del Popolo until sale possibilities demonstrated. The increase for Il Nuovo Cittadino makes unnecessary the authorisation of other religious periodicals.

4. APPLICATIONS APPROVED: Subject to confirmation of the Central Board. 5953

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Voci dei Giovani	Weekly	15.000	copies	10	quintals monthly
In Linea	X dem.Womens'	Weekly 3.000	"	2	"
L'Età	XDem.Youth	Weekly 3.000	"	2	"
Il Girrarosto	Humorous	weekly10.000	"	6 1/2	"

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Note: Deferred from last meeting. Approved by C.L.N. Director politically and journalistically satisfactory.

5. APPLICATIONS REJECTED:

La Settimana Religiosa: Religious weekly	4.000	copies
Pace a Bene Religious monthly sheet	600	"
Il Padre Santo Religious monthly	4.000	"
Vita Francescana Monthly	2.800	"

Note: Above four applications, three of wich were deferred from previous meeting, were rejected after consultation with the Archbishoup. See Note on Il Nuovo Cittadino increase above.

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6. BOOKS: A number of books, mostly for university education course, were approved.

7. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

Minutes of Meeting at PWB Press Office at 1530 hrs on Tuesday May 22 1945.

Present: Lt Col T.B.H. SKINNER, OC PWB VENETO, Chairman.
Mr S.H. KOFFLER, Press Officer VENETO, Executive Chairman
Major HARRIS, Public Safety, AMG
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The Chairman opened the first meeting of the ALLIED Publications Board by explaining the purpose of the Board and the meetings ahd immediately asked the Executive Secretary to carry on.

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Lt Col SKINNER read extracts from a paper just received from PWB AFHQ which indicated that the general trend was to restore press liberty as soon as possible. It was agreed that the Press Officer and the Board would keep this point in mind when requests for publication were submitted, within the limits and restrictions of paper supply.

During the meeting the Executive Secretary submitted to the Board the case of the religious weekly 'Settimana Religiosa', which had been listed as a Fascist periodical. He also informed the members present that he was to have a meeting with the Archbishop that same evening and the Board agreed that the Archbishop be asked to choose an editorial staff for the paper which he could assure as non-Fascist.

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It was also agreed that the appointment of a Commissario would be needed before authorsation could be granted.

The Executive Secretary also submitted before the Board the request for publication of the Art magazine 'Piccola Galleria', the first number of which had been printed on the day of the arrival of the Allied. It was agreed that the first number could be permitted to be put on sale and that the authorisation of the monthly magazine would be taken up at the next meeting of the Board; pending a review of the paper stock declaration which was not made clear by the publi shing house.

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Vita Libera (CLN PADUA)	10,000	52
Corriere Padovano (Provisionally PWB to be changed to independant paper)	40,000	200
	Total	782

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Voce del Popolo	20,000		16
Popolo del Veneto (Christian Democratic Party)	20,000		16
		Total	80

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Il Canzoniere del-l'Anima Mia	Pastega Prof.Nina	Pastega Prof.Nino	1000	Kg. 25
La Poesia Latina di G Pascoli	Prof E Turolla	Dr Montuoro	700	" 620
Istituzione di Diritto Civilo	Avv. A Trabucchi	Dr Montuoro	1500	" 2600
Lirici Francesci del Primo Ottocento	Prof I Siciliano	Dr Montuoro	900	" 100
L'Epica spagnola e Il Cantar de mio cid	Prof A Cavaliere	Dr Monturor	500	" 100
Viaggio a Venezia	I Taine.	Edizioni Serenissima	1000	" 250
Le Acqueforti del Canaletto	Pallucchini Guarnati	Daria Guarnati	2000	" 3780
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AMG VENETO (PADUA)	1	"
AMG VENICE	1	"
Censorship	10	"

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Istituzione di Diritto Civilo	Avv. A Trabucchi	Dr Montuoro	1500	"	2600
Lirici Francesci del Primo Ottocento	Prof I Siciliano	Dr Montuoro	900	"	100
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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

Minutes of Meeting held at PWB Press Office
at 1100 hours on Friday, 18th May, 1945

Present : Mr. Gnudi, CC., PWB Lombardy, Chairman,
Major Sinclair Noble, Press Officer Lombardy,
Executive Secretary.
Lt. Col. Francis, Public Safety, A.M.G.
Major Howard, D Section, PWB
Captain Orback, Censorship, AFHQ.
Lieut. Boucherean, Printing Officer, PWB
Captain Yuill, PWB Liaison IV Corps (Observer)
Miss Jane MacLean, D Section (Observer)
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/Executive Secretary

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Executive Secretary recommended that increases in circulations of party papers be authorised immediately and that they be given a date - preferably a week from now - after which, with a proviso that increased circulations were dependent on restricted transport, the increases would become effective. He stated that he had the assurance of the Deputy Director of Paper & Printing that all of the 40 tons produced daily in Lombardy would be used in Lombardy, and that possible shortages in Liguria would be met from surpluses in Piedemonte or from A.C. supplies.

The Chairman expressed the opinion that circulations should not be raised immediately. Executive Secretary stressed that we had only been able to contain the five papers here - as against the 20 odd in Rome - by giving an assurance that circulations would be raised immediately the newsprint report showed the possibility of increase. Newspapers were aware of that possibility now.

The Chairman and Major Howard proposed for vote the following motions:

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IL POPOLO (Christian Democrat)	250,000	1,320
D'ITALIA LIBERA (Action)	200,000	1,050
LA LIBERTA (Liberal)	200,000	1,050
CORRIERE D INFORMAZIONE (Independent)	150,000	810
IL POPOLO SOVRANO (Republican)	75,000	390
LA PATRIA (Italian Army)	15,000	90

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The following were also authorised:-

NAME	CIRCULATION	QUINTALE MONTHLY.
Twice Weekly		
IL SOLE (Financial)	20,000	30
Weeklies		
L'AZIONE DEL POPOLO	75,000	52
LA GAZZETTA DELLO SPORT	50,000	36
LA SETTIMANA DE "L'ITALIA" (Cardinal)	160,000	112
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Milan Area Command	1
IV Corps	4
AMG Lombardy	26
AMG Milan City	1
MAG Milan Province	1
Censorship	10
Chief Press Officer, Italy,	6
All Press Officers	1
All present	2

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MINUTES OF A.P.B. MEETING GENOA 12 5 945

PRESENT: Lt. Col. H. Klein, P.W.B. (Chairman)
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J. Comd. L.Y. Edwards, A.C.
Capt. E.L. Stuart, P.W.B. (Executive Secretary)
Capt. S.D. de la Mahotiere, I.N.C. (Military Censorship)
Lt. Little, P.W.B. (Printing Section)

OBSERVER: Prof. Taviani, C.L.N.

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3° APPLICATIONS APPROVED, subject to confirmation of the Central Board.

"Il Nuovo Cittadino" -Catholic daily - 6.000 copies

Note: The Executive Secretary reported that this paper had been discussed with Lt. Col. Munro in Milan and it had been agreed to recommend to the Regional Board that a provisional license be issued. The circulation should not exceed its pre-war figure of 12.000 (See minutes of 8.5.45).

4° APPLICATIONS DEFERRED:

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Note:
Decision was deferred, as authorisation of these periodicals would involve authorising others of different political tendencies. It was decided to ask the C.L.N. to recommend youth and women's papers acceptable to all parties, and suggest the possibility of supplements for the political papers already authorised. The matter was to be discussed again at the next meeting.

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"La Settimana Religiosa" -Religious weekly - 4.000 copies

"Pace e bene" -Religious monthly sheet - 600 copies

"Il Padre Santo" -Religious monthly - 4.000 copies

Note: Not considered necessary in view of the authorisation of "Il Nuovo Cittadino", but the situation to be explained to the Aschbishop before refusal.

"Il Girarrosto" - Humorous weekly - 15.000 copies.

Note: Deferred for enquiries concerning director's political record and journalistic capacity.

5° APPLICATIONS REJECTED :

"La Filatelica d'Italia" - Stamp collectors' monthly 4.000 copies. Not considered essential.

"Umanità Nova" - Organ of Fronte Unico and Federazione Comunista Libertaria. - Anarchist weekly - 5.000 copies Suspended by Fascist Party 1924. Although approved by C.L.N. for Liguria. (It does form part of several local C.L.N.) Not considered opportune; demand to be resubmitted later.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

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16 May 1945.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I enclose a copy of a letter which I have received from the Allied Publications Board regarding the Italian Press Decree of 5 January. With reference to paragraph 5 of the letter, may this Commission be advised what remedial action is proposed by the Italian Government in implementation of Your Excellency's statement to the National Press Federation.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
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His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
Rome.

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Office of the

ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

62 Via Veneto, Rome

Telephone 489171 Extension No. 178

CONFIDENTIAL

7 May 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Press Decree

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission

FROM: A.P.B.

1. The Allied Publications Board at its meetings on 3rd April and 7th May considered the resolution passed by the Italian National Press Federation on March 13 protesting against the Decree of 5th January (Gazzetta Ufficiale No 15) which accorded to the Italian Press Commission a consultative capacity.

2. The A.P.B. further took notice of Premier Bonomi's statement to the National Press Federation to the effect that he proposed to take remedial action.

3. The A.P.B. was of the opinion that the decree in question, though consonent with the Italian Press licensing law enacted on January 14, 1944 was contrary to the spirit of that law, to the informal instructions then issued to Prefects, to grant licenses in accordance with the decisions of the A.P.B. and to the previous practice both of A.P.B. and of the Italian Press Commission.

4. The A.P.B. was further of the opinion that the decree in question if not modified by subsequent legislation might constitute a threat to the democratic freedom of the Press.

5. The A.P.B., to which, as constituted by AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No 50, is reserved the right of intervention in cases involving undemocratic practices, feels it necessary to report this matter to the A.C. with the request that these views be forwarded to the Italian Government and that the Board be informed of the remedial action taken by the Italian Government in accordance with the promise made by Premier Bonomi.

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/s/ C.A. Ralegh Radford
CHAIRMAN

/s/ J. Barnes
For: EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

C O I Y

THE ITALIAN NATIONAL PRESS FEDERATION

Rome

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Later, on 18 December 1944, the Federal Directive Council was received by the Prime Minister, who confirmed the assurances recorded above.

However, it being ascertained that up to this moment the Government has not put into execution their proposals and promises, the Federal Directive Council renews the motion expressed by it and, in particular, that for the suppression of the General Directorate of the Press, an organ which, in the ambiguity of its character and the uncertainty of its functioning, has revealed itself as not being helpful to a free and democratic press regime.

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that the Federation agreed to this request, and that the National Press Commission, right from its outset, has functioned on the basis of the powers above defined, - as is clear both from the minutes of the said Commission, and from the measures deliberated and put into execution by the Prefectural Authorities - ;

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that the reduction of control on the part of the Allied authorities over the Italian Press, effective on 1 January 1945, a control which was already exercised by the Italian Commission with the participation of Allied representatives, was by those Allied authorities expressly bound up with the handing-over of that same control to the National Press Commission, (point 3 AFHQ memo. No 50, 25 November 1944) - the full powers remaining for the granting and revocation of licenses of authorizations for publications, the Allies reserving the right to request of the said Press Commission suspension or revocation of licenses for military reasons;

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b) re-distribution, on the proposal of the Undersecretariat, among the other Rome dailies of the 105 thousand copies extra, following the cessation of the "Corriere di Roma" and the equalization of the circulation of the "Giornale del Mattino", - a re-distribution which should not have been made if the paper prospects were not favorable;

c) proposal of the Undersecretariat to assign to the new

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dailies a number of copies greater than that of 10,000 shown under experimental heading in the Federation's motion of 5 January 1945;

d) proposal put forward by the National Association of Newspaper Editors to the administrations of the dailies that they could choose between the ordinary and calandered papers, save for the difference in price;

that, on the contrary, the situation of newsprint was then already a matter of preoccupation, as the Federation has since been able to ascertain by enquiries from the competent Allied offices and in consequence of the well-known and deplored inconveniences in the furnishing of newsprint for the Naples papers;

that the Federation, by means of its representatives on the National Press Commission, had time and time again requested to be put in the picture with a written account of the real newsprint situation, without, however, getting satisfaction for this request, which was explicitly renewed in writing in its motion of 24 November 1944 presented to the Prime Minister on 18 December 1944 and subsequently endorsed by the National Press Commission at its meeting of 20 December 1944 and later;

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3 May 1945

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OBSERVER: Prof. Taviani - C.L.N.

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2° Newsprint

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3° P.W.B. paper "Corriere Ligure"

It was reported that an agreement had been made with the C.L.N. that this paper would have a circulation equal to the total circulation of the party papers, such circulation to be variable according to the newsprint situation.

4° Applications Approved, subject to confirmation of the Central Board.

(a) Dailies

" L'Unità " - Communist 20.000 copies
" Il Secolo Liberale " - Liberal 20.000 copies
" Il Lavoro Nuovo " - Socialist 20.000 copies
" L'Italian Libera" - Action Party 20.000 "
" Corriere " - Christian Democrat 20.000 "
" Il Tribuno del Popolo "Republican 20.000 "

Note
The above were alrea publishing on provisional license, with 15.000 copies.

" Il Nuovo Cittadino " Catholic 4.000 copies

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No action had been taken on this application, pending the Central Board's confirmation. A letter from the Archbishop was to be sent to the Central Board. The Executive Secretary reported that 4.000 copies had been been put forward as a commencing figure, although the application was for 15.000 The C.L.N. was favorably disposed.

(b) Weeklies:

" Il Partigiano " - Ligurian Partisan Movement
20.000 copies

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Note
Clandestine publication of high reputation, without party affiliation. Paper stocks (flatstock) declared and available. C.L.N. approved.

" Omnia " - Educational Weekly 5.000 copies

Note
Well recommended. Would have University collaboration. C.L.N. approved. Paper available.

" Illustrazione Ligure " Illustrated Weekly
5.000 copies

Note
C.L.N. approved. Technicallycompetent. Paper available.

" Lo Scolaro " - School children's weekly
10.000 copies

Note
Recommended by C.L.N. Paper available.

(c) General publication:

"Listino giornaliero di Borsa " 5 days a week
250 copies

Stock exchange Price-list. Paper available.

5° Application deferred

Monthies

" L'Immacolata ed il suo Cuore " - Church paper.
" Orario Palagi " - Railway guide.

6° There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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A L L I E D P U B L I C A T I O N S B O A R D

62 Via Vitt. Veneto,

ROME.

Minutes of Meeting of the Central Allied Publications Board held at 3,30 p.m. on the 7th May 1945, in Room 108, 62 Via Vitt. Veneto, Rome.

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	Mr. J.G. Barney.	M.O.I. (acting for Executive Secretary).
	Major Colville.	Censorship.
	Major Anderson.	Press Attaché, Amer. Embassy.
	Mr. Michael Stewart.	Press Attaché, Brit. Embassy.
	Mr. L.V.R. White.	A.C. (newsprint)
	Miss Margry Evans.	Representing DPR, A.C.
OBSERVERS:	Miss R.A. Vining.	P.W.B.
	Marchese Cavalletti.	Ital. Nat. Press Commission.

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"Unità", (Communist).
"Avanti",(Socialist).
"Italia Libera",(Action party).
"Il Popolo",(Christian Democrat).
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For, the moment a PWB paper is being published in the "Corriere della Sera" offices with "Corriere della Sera" staff. It carries the masthead "Giornale Lombardo", with "Corriere Alleato" as a sub title. The report added that a Commissario had not at that date been appointed for "Corriere della Sera", but that all parties on the Committee, except the Socialists, favoured its re-birth as an independent newspaper. The Chairman said that he believed a Commissario had since been appointed.

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The Board approved a letter to the Chief Commissioner, A.C., drafted in implementation of the decision taken at the last meeting, asking that it be informed what action had been taken by the Government as a result of the Press Federation's protest.

"Presence" application for newsprint.

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The following new applications were considered:

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Mr. White reported that 3 tons of newsprint as available in Florence for the use of Ancona papers. It was agreed that this would suffice until the area was returned to Italian Administration - a transfer likely to take place this month. In view of this fact, the Board agreed to hold over these applications and refer them to the Italian Press Commission as soon as the area concerned passed out of AMG control.

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4. PAPER FOR "VOCE ADRIATICA":

Mr. White said that he had agreed to let "Voce Adriatica" draw two months supply of paper - 40 quntls - from stock. It covdred their immediate need.

The Board agreed that the final decision of this application should also be held over and referred to the Italian Press Commission.

5. The report on the Press plan in Northern Italy having already been covered, and there being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

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Agenda for AFB Meeting on 7th May 1945.

1 Minutes of the last ordinary meeting of Tuesday 3rd April, to be read and approved:

Business arising out of the last ordinary meeting:

(2a) Press plan for Northern Italy issued by the director of PWB with the approval of the Chief of Staff AFHQ on April 26th.

(2c) Rehabilitation of Italian paper industry, Mr. White to report.

(3) Newsprint stocks in Switzerland. Mr. White to report.

(4) Italian Press Federation and Italian Press Commission. Mr. Radford to report.

(5) Presence allotted paper by Italian Press Commission. Letter of thanks to AFB.

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4 Application of "Voce Adriatica" to increase paper stock.

5 Report on the operation of the Press plan in Northern Italy. Lt. Colonel Munro will report.

6 Other business.

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OFFICE OF THE
ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD
62 Via Vitt.Veneto,
ROME.

Minutes of Meeting of the Central Allied Publications Board held at 3 p.m. on the 3rd April, 1945 in Room 108, 62 Via Vitt. Veneto.

PRESENT:	Mr. C. A. Raleigh Radford.	A.D.D.P.W.B.(Chairman)
	Lt. Col. I.S.Munro.	P.W.B. (Executive Secretary)
	Major I.Alexander	Censorship.
	Mr. G.Stewart Brown.	Director, Public Relations,A.C.
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The minutes of the Special Meeting held on the 26th March were read and confirmed. The minutes of the last ordinary meeting held on the 7th March were also read and confirmed.

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In accordance with the request of the Board at its Meeting on the 7th

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(c) A.C.Industry Sub-Commission -- suggestion re imports.
In accordance with the request of the Board at its Meeting on the 7th March, the Executive Secretary had put forward to the A.C.Industry Sub-Commission the suggestion concerning the importation of raw materials and machine parts. It was reported that working together the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour and the Industry Sub-Commission have in recent months drawn up a complete programme for the rehabilitation of the Italian paper industry. This has been placed in the form of a requisition and is shortly to be submitted to Washington as part of the Joint Programme for Italian needs.

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(d) Letter concerning "Petrosa".
It was reported that the action proposed at the last meeting had been taken.

(e) ANSA/CHINIGO Complaint.
It was reported that no reply had been received from Avv.Rossini. In view of the apparent lack of interest in the matter by Chinigo and also by the fact that his work had not seemed very seriously to have been hampered, it was decided by the Board to let this matter drop.

3. Newsprint stocks in Switzerland.

It was reported that copy of a letter from the Commerce Sub-Commission A.C. to the Economic Section A.C. had been sent to A.P.B. This letter enclosed correspondence from the Ente Nazionale per la Cellulose e Carta" which comes under the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour, in which is revealed the existence in Switzerland of 3,600 tons of newsprint (3,000 tons of it in rolls) the property of the Ente, of a value of 2,000,000 Swiss francs.

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(c) it disclaimed all responsibility for the contradictory series of measures adopted by the executive bodies over the newsprint crisis.

The Chairman pointed out that if the Board decided, after discussing the matter, to take action, they would be in a position to do so under that clause of Administrative Memorandum No.50 which gave them power to intervene in cases where the Italian Press Commission or Italian Government was considered guilty of undemocratic practice.

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The decree referred to in the Italian Press Federation's statement published on the 3rd February referred back to the law of the 14th January, 1944, in which the power of issuing licenses was placed in the hands of prefects in Liberated Italy. This law still remained in force and the prefects' authority was now qualified by this Consultative Commission.
Mr. Barney said he understood that the matter had been brought to the attention of S.E. Bonomi by the Italian Press Federation and the Prime Minister had promised favourable consideration: Mr. Barney enquired whether it was desired further to influence this consideration by a resolution from the Board.

After the discussion which ensued it was decided that the Executive Secretary, with the aid of two members of the Board - Mr. Barney and Mr. Stewart Brown - should write a letter to the Allied Commission drawing attention to these facts, and to this decree, stating that it had taken note of Premier Bonomi's statement that he proposed to take remedial action and enquiring whether the Board could be informed of what action was being taken in the matter.

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To express their interest in this matter the Board passed the following resolution:

"That the Executive Secretary write to the Italian Press Commission stating that APB invite the Commission to give sympathetic consideration to providing a loan of paper for "Presence" amounting to one-half ton per week."

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A discussion of the broader interpretation which could be given to this matter - that of the question of the paper supply for any foreign Government publications - followed, but it was decided by the Board not to take nay further action so far as this was concerned at this stage.

6. "Eco" Bari Publication - use of name of P.W.B.

It was reported that a letter had been received from Avv. Rossini (Italian Press Commission) stating that in consequence of the Board's complaint, the above paper was no longer using any kind of reference to P.W.B. andthat all Prefects had been warned to prevent this abuse eleswhere

7. "Voce Adriatica" - Non-transference to Ancona

The reasons put forward by the Provincial Commissioner for not granting permission to this paper to transfer to Ancona were placed before the Board:
(a) Because the paper "Ricostruzione" is already publishing there.
(b) In addition there are five political papers.
(c) An issue of the above paper had to be impounded

8. Political papers of Perugia.

The Board was advised that, in accordance with the decision of the Meeting of the 8th February, when permission was granted for seven weeklies to be issued (i.e. the six parties of the C.L.N. and the Republican Party), the applications had been duly authorised, with a circulation of 3,000 copies.

9. New applications:
The following new applications were agreed:

(a)	Stella Rossa - Ascoli Piceno - Communist weekly.	
(b)	L'Union - Macerata - Liberal weekly.	
(c)	Il Lavoratore - Macerata - Communist weekly.	) Already publishing under) AMG license.
(d)	Il Cittadino - Macerata - Christian Democrat Weekly	) Newsprint requirements) 12 quintals monthly.
(e)	Umbria Nuova - Perugia - Italian Democratic Party Weekly, Circulation 2,500. Newsprint requirements 2quintals monthly.	
(f)	Idea Libera - Terni - Liberal weekly.	) Temporarily authorised
(g)	L'Umbria Democratica - Terni - Christian Democrat Weekly.	) by AMG. Newsprint req.) 3 quintals monthly.

10. There being no other business the meeting adjourned.

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD
62 Via Vitt.Veneto
ROME.

NOTICE.

A Meeting of the Central Allied Publications Board will be held at No. 62 Via Vitt. Veneto (Room 108, 1st Floor) on Tuesday afternoon next, the 3rd April, 1945 at 3 p.m.

OMISSION FROM LIST OF AMENDMENTS AGREED TO AT THE SPECIAL MEETING CIRCULATED ON THE 27th MARCH.

Draft Press Plan for Northern Italy.

Paragraph 11.

The phrase "as soon as he shall begin to function" to be put in parenthesis.

I.S. Munro.
Lt.Col.

29th March, 1945.

I. S. MUNRO,
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Executive Secretary.

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD
62 Via Vittorio Veneto
ROME.

23rd March, 1945.

SUBJECT: Special Meeting,
Allied Publications Board.

A Special Meeting of Allied Publications Board will be held at 62 Via Vitt. Veneto (Room 109, 1st Floor) on Monday, 26th March, at 3 p.m. to deal with the following agenda:

(1) Draft Press Plan for North Italy.
(2) Draft PWB Newspaper Contract.
(3) Draft Amendment to Order 50.

Copies of these drafts are attached for your information. Please bring them with you to the Meeting.

I. S. MUNRO,
Lt. Colonel,
Executive Secretary.

DISTRIBUTION:
Mr. Radford.
Mr. James M. Finific.
Major Alexander.
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH

March, 1944.

CONFIDENTIAL

PRESS PLAN FOR NORTHERN ITALY.

1. The Press Plan for Northern Italy supersedes all previous instructions. Responsibility for carrying out this Press Plan lies with P.W.B. 15th Army Group, through P.W.B. Chief Press Officer, in conformity with AFHQ directives, but subject to 15th Army Group Military Command and in strict cooperation with A.C. and A.P.B.

2. Suppression of Fascist Papers. On entering a newly liberated town or area, all newspapers and other periodicals of Fascist creation or papers identified with Fascist leaders, such as Farinacci's "Regime Fascista" of Cremona, will be suppressed and not allowed to re-appear.

3. Combat Team Information Sheet. PWB Combat Teams will issue "Corriere Alleato" as an emergency news and information sheet. The conduct, allocation and duration of these Combat Team papers will be on the initiative and at the discretion of PWB Combat Teams with the respective armies, acting under general PWB 15th Army Group directions. In addition to news, they will carry AMG and Army proclamations, as required. The personnel of such papers form a part of PWB 15th Army Group.

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Any profits accruing will be frozen by the Commissario who will retain control until the area is attached to Italian administration. Questions of ownership and eventual political control will then be settled in accordance with procedure to be laid down by the Italian Government, which has agreed that none of these papers will be returned to the control of Fascist owners.

A list of the papers covered by this procedure is given in Appendix A.

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8. PWB Information Papers. As freedom of the Press automatically excludes the rights of the Allies to impose their own information directives or policy on Italian editors, the Allies will reserve their own channel by means of openly declared Allied news sheets which may be published in the Italian language at the following centres: Bologna, Milan, Turin, Genoa, Venice, Trieste. Each will be called "Corriere" with an indication of the region it serves (e.g. Corriere Emiliano in Bologna). PWB will also bring out wall news bulletins as required.

All leading articles, comments and general layout of these papers will follow PWB directives.

In no case will such leaders or comment be signed by their Italian writers. They will rank as operational activities, which may be opened up or closed down without obligation or reference to any Italian commercial or proprietary interest.

Provision will be made for the cancellation of the titles of these papers after the cessation of PWB editorial control.

9. C.N.L. In order to prevent discrimination among applicants and to help towards the equitable distribution of available newsprint or flatbed paper, it is recognised on principle that the parties of the C.N.L. shall have first priority when applications for political papers are being eventually considered.

10. Dailies and weeklies. With reference to paragraphs 4, 5, 6, and 7 and with reference to the publication of newspapers in general prior to the restoration of the Northern areas to Italian jurisdiction, all daily papers everywhere should be information sheets only (all party or no party) and party papers should be weeklies. However, if the local Committees of National Liberation recommend that party organs be allowed as dailies and provided such arrangements are approved by AMG, APB will judge the matter of ratification solely from the point of view of newsprint available. It is recognised that Milan and Turin present special problems in this regard and that if the local Committee of National Liberation ask for party dailies, such requests would receive consideration provided that it were possible to supply the necessary newsprint.

11. Provisional permits. In army forward areas provisional permits will normally be issued through the PWB Press Officer, subject to the right of the AMG Officer at army HQ and the C.A.O. ~~and~~ as soon as he shall ~~begin to function~~, to authorise such publications as he may consider necessary within the framework of this plan.

Such provisional permits are at all times subject to suspension or withdrawal by order of the Military Governor.

12. Allied Publications Board. As soon as conditions permit, APB will set up regional boards to which all applications for permits will thereafter be made. Provisional permits granted in accordance with the preceding paragraph will be referred to these Regional Boards for action by APB.

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14. Military Censorship. Military censorship is essential. No permits will be considered or allowed unless military censorship control on the spot can be guaranteed and sustained.

In the large cities (Bologna, Milan, Turin, Genoa, Venice, Trieste) AFHQ Press Censorship Offices will be established and will assume responsibility for military censorship of local Press and Radio, as at present in Florence.

In localities other than those mentioned above, censorship will be exercised by responsible persons designated by AMG Provincial Commissioners. These censors will act in accordance with military censorship directives laid down by AFHQ, which will be furnished by PWB Combat Team Press Officers. Liaison between AFHQ Press Censors in large cities and AMG-nominated Censors in other localities should be established and maintained.

15. Circulation Proviso. No party or other newspapers published outside the 15th Army Group area will be allowed to enter any point within the said area without the specific approval of the Military Commander on recommendation from PWB.

16. Paper Stocks. As each town or area is entered by the Allied troops, every stockholder of newsprint or flatbed paper will be required by PWB Printing Officer to declare what stocks and resources he has in hand and to what purpose they are being used.

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DRAFT. 21st March, 1945.

APPENDIX A. (Draft PWB Press Plan for Northern Italy of 20th March, 1945)

Newspapers affected by this ruling are:

"Resto di Carlino"	of Bologna.
"Corriere della Sera"	of Milan.
"La Stampa" and)	
"Gazzetta del Popolo")	of Turin.
"Gazzettino"	of Venice.
"Piccolo"	of Trieste.
"Il Secolo XIX"	of Genoa.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Psychological Warfare Branch.

Draft Standard agreement for P.W.B. Editorially controlled newspapers in North Italy.

Any Contract between P.W.B. and "X" Publishing House (hereinafter called "The Company") will contain the following clauses together with such others as may be considered necessary to meet special individual cases at the discretion of the Local Press Officer.
Such contract should be initialled and put into immediate effect by the local Press Officer. If there is any additional clause, the contract must be intialled also by the Chief Press Officer.
In any event all contracts, when agreed upon between the Press Officer and the Company, will be forwarded to the Chief Press Officer for transmission to the Director of P.W.B.

Article I. The Company agrees to print, publish and circulate "Corriere di ....." a cura del P.W.B. and also agrees to place its technical, machine and other personnel at the disposition of the said "Corriere di ....." with precedence over all other publications of the Company.
Each number will carry prominently displayed as an "ear" beside the title "a cura del PWB".

Article II. The title "Corriere di ....." is the property of PWB and ceases when the paper stops publication on the orders of PWB. Under no circumstances may the title of this paper be adopted or revived by any Italian group after the cessation of its publication by the Allies.

Article III. PWB reserve the right of appointing the responsible editor and chief sub-editor which the Company is to employ for the "Corriere di ....."

Article IV. The Company will assist PWB in ensuring that the responsible editor and the chief sub-editor form an editorial staff such as may be required for the proper conduct of the "Corriere di ...." from elements uncompromised by Fascism and always subject to the approval of PWB.

Article V. "Corriere di ....." will be under the editorial direction of PWB. It is PWB's intention to carry straight news and to present to Italians Allied ways of life and thought in war and in peace. The "Corriere di ....." will be used to further the policy of AFHQ. It will present an objective picture of Italian internal affairs and will not participate in Italian party conflicts.

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Article VI. Control of circulation figure, format and the amount of advertising accepted will rest with PWB, with the reservation that circulation and format will be governed by the amount of newsprint and transport available for the Press in general and that at least one column of advertising per issue is available to the Company if desired.

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Article VII. All advertising, circulation and other revenue will belong to the Company.

Article VIII. The Company will bear all salary, printing, paper and overhead costs.

Article IX. The Company hereby agrees to hold PWB and its individual staff free and harmless and to defend them against any causes of action that may arise from this transaction.

Article X. PWB shall have the right to terminate this arrangement at any time.

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21st March, 1945.

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ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM

NUMBER

ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD.

AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 50 of 25th November 1944 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Paragraph 1 (b) to read:

(1) Representative of the US and British Embassies.
(2) Representative of the Economic Section.
(3) Public Relations Officer.

Paragraph 1 (c) to read:

(1) Head of PWB Liberated Italy or his representative (Chairman)
(2) Press Chief, PWB Italy or his representative (Executive Secretary)
(3) P.W.O, PWB 15th Army Group or his representative.

Paragraph 3 (e) to be deleted.

Paragraph 7 to read:

The Board may be addressed care of PWB, Unit No.12, APO. 512.

By Command of

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

AFHQ 512

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM) 25 NOVEMBER 1944

NUMBER 50)

ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 24, and Section III, Number 44, both 1944, are rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

1. a. The Allied Publications Board comprised of representatives of the following has been created:

(1) Psychological Warfare Branch, AFHQ(Chairman)
(2) Censorship Branch, ING
(3) G-2 Section
(4) Allied Commission (ALCOM)

b. Allied Commission will be represented by the following:

(1) Representatives of the Political Section
(2) Representatives of the Economic Section
(3) Public Relations Officer

c. Psychological Warfare Branch will be represented by the following:

(1) A&D, P.W.B.(Lib.) Italy (Chairman)
(2) Press Chief, PWB Italy (Executive Secretary)
(3) Liaison officer with ALCOM

2. G-1 Section, MTOUSA in conjunction with G-1 (British) will designate a representative who will sit as a member of the Board whenever a question involving any of the officially designated troop morale newspaper(e.g. Stars & Stripes, Union Jack, Eighth Army News and Yank) is before the Board

3. In conformity with the established policy of the Board of progressively delegating its powers to the Italian authorities, full powers are delegated to the Italian Press Commission to grant and sus-

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a. The Naples area will be regarded for Allied Publications Board purposes as territory under Italian Government jurisdiction.

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AFHQ Adm. Memo No. 29 (cont'd)

b. The Allied Publications Board reserves the right of intervention in territory under Italian Government jurisdiction at the request of Allied authorities in matters concerning military censorship or undemocratic practices, including the right to suspend or revoke licenses through the channels of the Italian Press Commission.

c. Nothing in this delegation of authority shall be construed to affect the existing status of PWB controlled or to be controlled, papers in the territory under Italian Government jurisdiction.

d. The Allied Publications Board will continue to exercise its full powers in all the territory not under Italian Government jurisdiction.

4. The Board is empowered to draft such regulations and perform such functions as are necessary to properly carry out the following:

a. Control the flow into ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA of all newsprint and other forms of paper used for printing publications referred to in paragraph 3: to control all such paper found in ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA; to perform such functions as are necessary to maintain adequate supply of such paper, including freezing and releasing of stocks.

(1) Procurement of paper after the end of the current year either from abroad or from local resources will be agreed upon between the Economic Section, AFHQ and the Italian Press Commission so far as Italian needs in Government Italy are concerned, and between the Economic Section, AFHQ, and Allied Publications Board for the needs of AMG territory.

(2) Responsibility for the distribution of paper for use of the Italian Press in Italian Government territory will be assigned to an agency to be designated by the Italian Press Commission.

(b) Control the allocation to specific publications and news organizations of all such communications facilities as are made available by the Chief Signal Officer, this headquarters, for collecting and disseminating news and press matter within Italy.

(c) Direct the consolidation, movement or rehabilitation of all

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(c) Direct the consolidation, movement or rehabilitation of all equipment necessary for publication production.

(d) Enforce the directives of the various sections concerned with publication problems, and to issue censorship and policy directives as are necessary for the proper carrying out of this authority.

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5. Stars & Stripes, Union Jack, and other officially designated troop morale papers are specifically exempt from Allied Publications Board control and supervision except for paper stocks, materials, and facilities acquired in or derived from ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA, which shall be allotted by Allied Publications Board based upon need and availability. In the event of acute facility shortages, officially designated troop morale publications will be permitted to participate in the use of available facilities on a "share and share alike" basis with other licensed publications. The Allied Publications Board will not exercise any control or supervision over Army Expeditionary Radio Stations, British or American.

6. It shall be the duty of the Board to report its activities and submit any recommendations beyond the scope of this order to this headquarters via Allied Commission.

7. The Board may be addressed care of PWB, Unit No.12, APO 512. The Chairman of the Board is Mr. George W. Ehman, PWB, AFHQ.

By command of General WILSON:

(signed) H.V.ROBERTS
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SECRET

To: Chief Commissioner, A.C.
From: P.W.O , PWB 15th Army Group

With reference to the revised press plan prepared by PWB Liberated Italy, a copy of which was sent to you, we are forwarding our comments to you for consideration. These have of course been sent to PWB AFHQ and PWB Liberated Italy.

1. Our view is that 3(a) is much to be preferred to 3(b). We are aware of some of the views which have led to the suggestion in 3(b), but at the same time we feel that it should be borne in mind that the Italians may well choose this course so that any difficulties that arise can be blamed on the Allies. We also feel that such a course would involve us in endless difficulties, that in some cases - that of 'Piccolo' for example - the pro-Fascist owner had committed suicide when the paper was taken from him, and that we should be the butt of criticism not only from the CLN and the people of Northern Italy, but from anybody else who felt aggrieved in the disposal of property. Furthermore there was at least a likelihood that popular resentment against these papers might be expressed much more violently than had been the case in the South. Further we feel that questions of proprietorship and other legal questions will not be able to be held over. Use of a title involves PWB in the question of proprietorship, and disposal of the profits would give the legal proprietor a claim against PWB.

2. Para 6: We suggest that the phrase "subject to military needs for paper" should be added at the end of the sentence.

3. Para 10: We suggest that application for permits should be made to the PWB press officer and later to APB rather than to CAO. It should perhaps be stated that newspapers suspended under para 7(a) may not apply for permits in accordance with Para 10.

4. Para 15: We suggest that Trento should be omitted as PWB does not plan a newspaper there.

5. Para 11: We suggest that the phrase "on recommendation from PWB" should be added.

6. Para 15: Trento should be omitted.

7. Para 16:

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Should make reference to para 7, condition 3(b)

7. Para 16: This is in contradiction with Para 3(b)

8. Para 17: We suggest the following should be added: "No other Italian language news or photographic service will be permitted to operate in the army area until such time as the Allied Commission permits the resumption of normal commercial news distribution.

March 19th, 1945

John Rayner

P.W.O

Copies to: A.C. North Planning
Mr. Stewart Brown

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH

8th March 1945

Revised Draft Press Plan for Northern Italy

NOTE : This is framed as a working plan and is based exclusively on the Press Plan dated the 9th February as amended in conference with Mr. John Rayner and Mr.C.A. Ralegh Radford.
It is also in keeping with the suggestions made at a conference with prospective Regional Commissioners of Lombardy and Piedmont.

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1. The following Press Plan for Northern Italy supersedes all previous instructions. Responsibility for carrying out this Press Plan lies with P.W.B. 15th Army Group, through P.W.B. Chief Press Officer, in conformity with AFHQ directives, but subject to 15th Army Group Military Command and in strict co-operation with A.C. and A.P.B.

2. Suppression of Fascist Papers.
On entering a newly liberated town or area, all newspaper and other periodicals of Fascist creation or papers identified with fascist leaders, such as Farinacci's "Regime Fascista" of Cremona, will be suppressed and not allowed to re-appear.

3. Pre-Fascist Papers.
(a) Papers with a pre-Fascist history which had, however, been taken over and run as Fascist periodicals will be suspended until responsibility for the Italian Press shall be passed over to the Italian Government when it eventually assumes jurisdiction. In this way the Allies will be kept clear of juridical, financial and epuration complications concerning proprietorship and the rights of property. Newspapers affected by this ruling will include:

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Italian jurisdiction takes over but without prejudicing the re-appearance of these famous papers as a national patrimony.

4. Combat Team Information Sheet.

PWB Combat Teams will issue "Corriere Alleato" as an emergency news and information sheet. The conduct, allocation and duration of these Combat Teams papers will be on the initation and at the discretion of PWB Combat Teams with their respective armies, acting under general PWB 15th Army Group directions. In addition to news they will carry AMG and Army proclamations, as required.

The personnel of such papers form a part of PWB 15th Army Group.

5. Treatment of Clandestine Press.

Newspapers and other periodicals favourable to the Allied cause and publishing clandestinely prior to Allied liberation may continue to publish, openly, on the following conditions:-

(a) Application for a provisional permit must be made within seven days of the Military Governor's proclamation.
(b) All such papers must be subject to military censorship (see para. 13)

6. Non-Fascist papers and papers of a technical nature will be permitted to continue publication on the same provisional permit conditions.

7. Provisional Permits.

These provisional permits in the Army forward area will be issued by the PWB Press Officer in consultation and agreement with AMG Headquarters with the Army.

The issue of such provisional permits and their suspension or withdrawal in the forward army area is always subject to any countermanding order by the Military Governor.

8. Printing Plants.

The suspension order referred to in Paragraph 3 will not prevent the requisitioning or employment of the printing and publishing establishments from which such papers have issued.

9. Paper Stocks

As each town or area is entered by the Allied troops, every stockholder of newsprint or flatbed paper will be required by PWB Printing Officer to declare what stocks and resources he has in hand and to what purpose they are being used.

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Army proclamations, as required.

The personnel of such papers form a part of PWB 15th Army Group.

5. Treatment of Clandestine Press.

Newspapers and other periodicals favourable to the Allied cause and publishing clandestinely prior to Allied liberation may continue to publish, openly, on the following conditions:-

(a) Application for a provisional permit must be made within seven days of the Military Governor's proclamation.
(b) All such papers must be subject to military censorship (see para. 13)

6. Non-Fascist papers and papers of a technical nature will be permitted to continue publication on the same provisional permit conditions.

7. Provisional Permits.

These provisional permits in the Army forward area will be issued by the PWB Press Officer in consultation and agreement with AMG Headquarters with the Army.

The issue of such provisional permits and their suspension or withdrawal in the forward army area is always subject to any countermanding order by the Military Governor.

8. Printing Plants.

The suspension order referred to in Paragraph 3 will not prevent the requisitioning or employment of the printing and publishing establishments from which such papers have issued.

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In order to prevent discrimination among applicants and to help towards the equitable distribution of available newsprint or flatbed paper, it is recognised on principle that the parties of the C.N.L. shall have first priority when applications for political papers are being eventually considered.

12. Allied Publications Board.

All permits will be provisional and will be notified with adequate particulars to Allied Publications Board.
If proven desirable, the provisional permits will be endorsed by A.P.B. to ensure that useful publications are safeguarded and that they will

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thus pass within the competence of A.P.B. which, in due course, merges Allied control with Italian responsibility as territory is ceded to the Italian jurisdiction.

13. Military Censorship

Military censorship is essential. No permits will be considered or allowed unless military censorship control on the spot can be guaranteed and sustained.

In the large cities (Bologna, Milan-Turin-Genoa-Venice-Trieste-Trento) AFHQ Press Censorship Offices will be established, and will assume responsibility for military censorship of Local Press and Radio, as at present in Florence.

In localities other than those mentioned above, censorship will be exercised by responsible persons designated by AMG Provincial Commissioners. These censors will act in accordance with military censorship directives laid down by AFHQ, which will be furnished by PWB Combat Team Press Officers. Liaison between AFHQ Press Censors in large cities and AMG-nominated Censors in other localities should be established and maintained.

14. Circulation Proviso.

No party or other newspapers published outside the 15th Army Group area will be allowed to enter any point within the said area without the specific approval of the Military Commander.

15. P.W.B. Information Papers.

As freedom of the Press automatically excludes the rights of the Allies to impose their own information directives or policy on Italian editors, the Allies will reserve their own channels by means of openly declared Allied news sheets which may be published in the Italian languages at the following centres : Bologna, Milan, Turin, Genoa, Venice, Trieste, Trento. To emphasize their Allied character, they will be called "Corriere di.....Lombardia", etc.
All leading articles , comments and the general layout of these papers, will follow Allied directives through P.W.B. Chief Press Officer. In no case will such leaders or comment be signed by their Italian writers. They will rank as operational activities, which may be opened up or closed down without obligation or reference to any Italian commercial or proprietary interest. In no case may the titles of these papers be adopted by any Italian group after the cessation of their publication by the Allies.

16. Finance and Management

With the exception of PWB's responsibility for the combat "Corriere Alleato" publications, neither PWB nor AMG will concern themselves with the financial or administrative side of newspapers or other periodicals. In the case of the PWB information papers referred to in Paragraph 15, Italian groups will be financially and administra-

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17. News Service.

PWB will provide on demand a free Italian language news service, special articles, maps and photographs, to all authorised publications within the limits of whatever communications exist or may be established.

Distribution :
Admiral Stone.
Mr.J. Rayner
A.C. North Planning Committee
Mr. Ellman
Mr. Stewart Brown
Mr.C.A.R. Radford
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I.S. Munto, Lt.Col.
Chief Press Officer, PWB

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OFFICE OF THE
ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD
62 Via Vitt.Veneto,
ROME.

MINUTES of Meeting of the Central Allied Publications Board, held in Room 108, 62 Via Vittorio Veneto, on the 7th March, 1945 at 3 p.m.

PRESENT: Lt.Col. I.S.Munro (Executive Secretary) In the chair in the absence of Mr. Edman.
Mr.Stewart Brown, Public Relations Director, A.C.
Mr.L.V.R.White, Economic Section, A.C.
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The minutes of the Meeting held on the 8th February were read and approved.

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The following business arising out of these minutes was dealt with:

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(b) Handover of PWB-controlled dailies in Italian Government territory.
The Executive Secretary, in his capacity as Chief Press Officer, PWB, reported that PWB, in accordance with AFHQ orders, had relinquished all control over the remaining four PWB editorially controlled newspapers in territory now under Italian jurisdiction. This relinquishment took effect as from the 4th March and coincided with the relinquishment of PWB A.M.G. services over the same area.
He further reported that the four papers would be continuing under their own responsibility.

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This action had been notified to the Italian Press Commission, which had in turn agreed with the papers themselves, on reduced figures for their continued independent circulation. The papers concerned, (with their circulation figures) are as follows:

"Risorgimento"	Naples.	92,000.
"Gazzetta del Mezzogiorno"	Bari.	70,000.
"Giornale di Sicilia"	Palermo.	50,000.
"Corriere di Sicilia"	Catania.	30,000.

(c) Italian Press Commission.

It was reported that after the two days' stoppage of papers in Naples on account of newsprint shortage and after a visit of the Naples Press Federation to Rome, the Italian Press Commission ordered the suspension of all Rome papers licensed since the beginning of the year. However, on reflection Prime Minister Bonomi reversed this decision and the matter had been met by a general overall cut of 33 1/3rd% in every paper, throughout liberated Italy, including the Rome papers.

(d) Newsprint situation.

It was reported that following Col. Evans' request for an indent of newsprint requirements for the last half of 1945 a figure of 1500 tons per month was fixed for all Italy including areas in the North not so far liberated.

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> "In view of the shortage of newsprint which confronts the Board, the Italian Press Commission should be notified that the following allocation of imported newsprint would be made to them:
> 50% of all stocks arriving for the first half year indent.
> 25% of all subsequent stocks arriving.

It was further agreed that the Executive Secretary, in co-operation with Mr.White, should write to the A.C Industry Sub Commission with a suggestion concerning the importation of raw materials and machine parts.

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(e) Wrongful profits on imported newsprint.

In accordance with APB instructions at the last meeting on the 8th February, Mr. White reported that he had written to the Italian Press Under-Secretariat making it clear that no profit was permissible on Allied newsprint imported and that it had to be sold at the importation price. He had received no reply but had spoken to Sig. Rossini, who had promised to have a meeting. He further stated that the situation was becoming more complicated as the price of locally produced newsprint was rising.

(f) "Giornale dell'Umbria" (Perugia.

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Mr. Barney reported the support of Avv. Rossini's argument by the Italian Press Commission at its meetings of the 17th and 19th February.

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(h) ANSA/CHINIGO Complaint.

Mr. Barney reported that this was raised by Avv. Rossini before the Italian Press Commission on the 3rd March when he informed the meeting that Sig. Libonati was endeavouring to get corroboration or otherwise of the statement alleged to have been made by Sciavicco at the ANSA meeting but this information was still not yet to hand.

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3. CONSTITUTION OF ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD.

In view of the abolition of the Political Section of Allied Commission as from the 1st March 1945, the position of the two representatives of that Section on the Board called for adjustment in Order 50.

The Executive Secretary was instructed to take the necessary steps with AFHQ after consultation with the other authorities interested. It was noted that this problem was involved with the general reorganisation of PWB and AC in connection with operations pending in the North and the establishment of a more independent Italian regime in Liberated Italy.

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For the information of the Board, Lt. Col. Munro outlined his draft Press Plan for the North of Italy and reported that before being submitted to AFHQ it was being reviewed by the following authorities:

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Allied Commission. (Admiral Stone, Mr. Stewart Brown and the Planning Committee for the North)

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7. NEW APPLICATIONS

(a) "Corriere di Lucca".

The local newspaper at Lucca "Corriere di Lucca" started up under the auspices of PWB and the local AMG, was attacked by the "Avanti" and from other quarters because of the alleged fascist record of Signor Felice del Beccaro, appointed editor some weeks ago.

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Protests regarding fascist infiltration into its editorship, to the exclusion of genuine anti-fascist elements who had started the paper, were made by the local Committee of Liberation to APB, Florence. The position has been thoroughly investigated by APB, Florence and the Florentine Committee of Liberation; as a consequence, Signor Felice del Beccaro was called upon to resign, and a new editor, Avv. Andrea de Vita, member of the local Liberation Committee, appointed in his place.

The name of the paper is being changed to "La Gazzetta del Serchio" and will come out three times a week with a circulation of 10,000 copies.

A new application, based on the new set-up approved by the Lucca AMG has been received. It was agreed that this be authorised immediately. The newspaper is already appearing on an AMG provisional permit under its new name and editorship.

(b) <u>New permits.</u>

Permits were agreed for the following:

"Gazzetta del Serchio"	Lucca.	Information 3 times weekly.	C.N.L. 10,000.
"Il Nuovo Piceno"	Ascoli-Piceno.	Religious. Weekly.	
"Gioventù in Azione"	San Geresio	Religious.	

MEETING ADJOURNED.

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Communications Sub-Commission

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In reply
refer to: A.G.12/33

6 March 1945

Subject : Newspapers in A.M.G. Territory.

To : A.M.G. Aosta Region (Attn. Postal Officer).
" Taranto " " " "
" Venezia " " " "
" Udine-Gorizia " " " "

With reference to A.G.12/3.76 of 30 January 1945.

1. It sometimes happens that when postal services are re-introduced in a Province, permission is sought for the postal transmission to subscribers and agents within the Province of a newspaper which does not appear in the "List of Authorised Publications in A.M.G. Territory".

2. Such unlisted publications may be operating under provisional permits issued by the officials of the Allied Publication Board have not yet been submitted (circular A.G.12/3 of 1st December to Boards mentioned in Section 1 therein) may refer).

3. The view taken by A.G.C. is that where a newspaper is being published under proper and authority, no objection is seen to its transmission through the post under the same conditions as apply to those which appear on the authorised list.

4. On receipt of the application, the Provincial Civil Officer responsible for the provisional permit should be consulted and if he sees no objection, permission may be given for the newspaper concerned to be posted under the standing regulations.

By Command of Vice Admiral Stone.

W.J.H. Greene
Major
for J.I. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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Copies to:
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Civil Censorship
A.M.G. (Lt. Barney).

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ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION

2835 27 Feb 45 ROUTINE

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IN REPLY TO YOUR TELETYPE WE HAVE INVITED THE ALLIED PUBLICATIONS
PAPER TO ALCOM SUPREME HEADQUARTERS FOR MATERIAL IF REQUIRABLE
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READY TO INQUIRE INTO THE MATTER WITH THE ITALIAN PRESS
COMMISSION PD SIGNED ADMIRAL STONE

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Public Relations Br

G. STEWART BROWN

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In risposta vostro telegramma informiamovi che Governo Italiano prende misure per definire situazione cui riferite.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:
Date Time of Origin: FEB 24

Message Centre No: D/3228
Date Time Rec'd: FEB 21/2145
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: NAPOLI

TO: ALLIPROCTIC STONE COMMISSIONE ALLEATA ROMA

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IN CLEAR.

INDIUSTIFICATO PROVVEDIMENTO SOTTOSEGRETARIATO STAMPA CONTRO QUOTIDIANO INDIPENDENTE CORRIERE EST ALTAMENTE LESIVO LIBERTA DI STAMPA PROPUGNATA DA GRANDI DEMOCRAZIE ALLEATE ALT DENUNCIAMO MANOVRA ORIGINATA BASSA CONCORRENZA POLITICA ET INDUSTRIALE LOCALE ET INVOCHIAMO VOSTRO AUTOREVOLE INTERVENTO PER REVOCA PROVVEDIMENTO CHE EQUIVALE SOPPRESSIONE GIORNALE CUI PERMESSO FU DATO DA AUTORITA ALLEATA. REDATTORI ET PERSONALE CORRIERE

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Copy for 2/1943

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20 February 1945.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

My attention has been called to the decision of the Italian Press Commission temporarily to suspend six newspapers in Rome because of the shortage of newsprint.

In the opinion of the Allied Commission this is not the proper and democratic manner of solving the problem. We feel it would have been better to have made an equitable pro-rata reduction in the allocation of newsprint to all newspapers rather than arbitrarily to suspend certain papers. We believe the papers affected have a legitimate reason to protest against this action.

I very much hope you will give this your personal attention and take steps to have the matter reconsidered at the earliest possible date.

Yours very truly,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome.

Copy to: Lieut. Col. I.S. Munro
Executive Secretary,
Allied Publications Board.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

Refs 25/12.02

19 Feb 45

SUBJECT: Newsprint

TO : Chief Commissioner

THROUGH: Executive Commissioner

1. Sig. Stangoni called Lt. Grottanelli this morning on behalf of the Prime Minister, to ask whether the Allied Commission was prepared to guarantee a monthly allocation of newsprint for Italian Government territory of 300 tons.

2. In the past, there has been no "block allocation" of newsprint to Italian Government territory, although roughly 300 tons a month has been made available through imports for Naples, Bari, Palermo, and Cagliari.

3. It is considered that the shipping situation on newsprint is so unpredictable that it is impossible to guarantee an allocation of any given tonnage of newsprint to the Italian Press Commission (the organization responsible for newsprint allocations in Italian Government territory).

4. The furnishing of any imported newsprint to the Italian Press Commission, for distribution in Italian Government territory, is dependent in the future on a satisfactory solution by the Italian Government to the situation described in the Chief Commissioner's letter to the Prime Minister, dated 31 January 1945.

5. Due to shipping difficulties the present supply of imported newsprint is extremely low, and this tight situation is likely to continue until around the end of March, when shipment of newsprint from North America is expected. It is suggested that during the period between now and the end of March, the Italian Government make every effort to redistribute local production of newsprint, in such a way as to insure fair treatment of the cities normally served by imported newsprint.

HARLAN CLEVELAND
Executive Director
Economic Section

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16 February 1945

SUBJECT : Newsprint Situation

TO : Economic Section
attn.Mr.Cleveland

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Absolutely no newsprint arrived in Italy in December, January, or to date this month. However, due to the freeze that had been placed, a stock of paper as a reserve had been built up which with care could cover newsprint needs until late in February or 1 March.

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3. However, the second factor in the situation came into play at the end of November. By terms of A.F.H.Q. Memorandum N.50 of 25 November the functions of licensing papers and distributing

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newsprint in Government Italy were transferred from the Allied Publications Board and A.C. to the Italian Press Commission.

The licensing of papers was a task immediately assumed by the Italian Press Commission, but this commission was loathe to accept the responsibility of distribution. In Rome the work of distribution was entrusted in December to the Association of Newspaper Editors despite the objections of this office which felt this organization to be untrustworthy and wished I.C.S. to assume this function.

In the other cities of Italy the Press Commission hoped to form similar associations to undertake the same work but was forced to abandon the idea when this office about the fifteenth of January insisted that it was no longer able to continue to distribute paper. At this point the Banca Nazionale del Lavoro was appointed to distribute paper.

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5. This office is attempting to do everything possible to obtain newsprint. A.F.H.Q. is well aware of the situation and has sent cables to America on three occasions requesting the immediate shipment of newsprint. It is understood that 1600 tons are booked for and awaiting shipment. 170 tons have been forwarded to Italy from N.~~America~~ and the Middle East. The paper manufacturers have been supplied with almost 300 tons of scrap paper for repulping located by this office in salvage depots. And finally paper has been borrowed from Stars and Stripes, P.W.B., etc.

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MEMORANDUM on Conference at 12:00 hours of His Excellency, Sig.Libonati, Undersecretary for the Press and Information, Lt.Col.Munro,Press Officer, P.W.B., Mr.Barney, Rome Press Officer, P.W.B. and Mr.White, Commerce Sub-Commission, A.C.

Sig.Libonati put forward the opinion that the situation in Naples was entirely political and bore no semblance to reality. He insisted that newsprint did exist in Naples. This fact was confirmed by Lt.Col.Munro in a telephone conversation with Mr.Stuart, PWB press officer in Naples although the paper for today's publication only arrived in Naples last night.

It seems to be quite clear that the Naples editors are enraged with the activities of the Italian Press Commission and partially by it is showing to the Rome papers. It would also appear that at the moment their refusal to publish amounts to a strike which may continue until they have forced the resignation of Avv.Rossini, director of the press, and a more realistic policy is adopted by the Press Commission or at least a policy more favorable to their interests.

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Subject: Lack of Newsprint in Naples

TO: Admiral Stone

Brigadier Dunlop called at 1715 hours to say that owing to lack of newsprint, the Naples papers had not been published today. Rossini is expected hourly in Naples but has not yet arrived. The Naples editors are very incensed that they should be deprived of paper while Rome is using, they allege, 420 tons a month. They are fully aware that it is not the fault of the AC or allied authorities.

The Brigadier wished you to know this since he knows that you are personally interested in the question and are doing what you can to solve the matter here in Rome.

J.A.G.

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ALLIED OFFICE OF THE PUBLICATIONS BOARD
62 Via Vitt. Veneto
ROME.

MINUTES of Meeting of the Central Allied Publications Board, held in Room 108, 62 Via Vitt. Veneto, on the 8th February, 1945 at 3 p.m.

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Minutes of Special Meeting held on the 26th January were read and approved.

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Arising out of these minutes it was duly reported that the Executive Secretary had written to Admiral Stone as instructed, attaching statement made by Mr. Getlin and a copy of the minutes of the special meeting. On the 31st January Admiral Stone forwarded these to Prime Minister Bonomi with the following explanatory letter, which was read at the meeting:

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The Board concurred with the provisional steps taken to ensure that these stocks could be used in Naples.

At the same time, the Executive Secretary was asked to press for the report from Avv. Rossini with regard to the Prefect's action.

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(d) Italian Press Commission.

Mr. Barney, who had attended the meetings of the Italian Press Commission as AFB representative, reported that at the meeting held on the 22nd January, thirteen new Rome dailies had been authorized, and three in Naples, also one at Catanzaro. So far six of the new Rome dailies had made their appearance In further discussion Mr. Barney made it clear that the Italian Press Commission considered these applications on their merits and the question of the availability or otherwise of newsprint was not discussed.

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Copy of a circular letter from Sig. Libonati to Prefects was read. This outlined the arrangements for the handling of newsprint and flat bed storage and distribution by the Italian Press Commission as from the 1st February.

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(f) "Il Telegrafo" Plant, Leghorn.

The Executive Secretary reported that arrangements have now been completed for printing the new Leghorn paper "Il Terreno" at the "Telegrafo" Plant in Leghorn. The paper made its first appearance on the 28th January and promises well.

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5. NEW APPLICATIONS

(a) Ancona Newspapers.

A letter from the Provincial Commissioner at Ancona was read stating that the authorization granted at the last meeting of A.P.B. for a daily paper of 20,000 copies, was being limited in the meantime to an issue of three days a week with a circulation of 10,000 copies. Paper, he said, was available locally and there would be no call on A.C. stocks from Florence.

The same Commissioner added an application for a second Ancona daily, to be called "Ric stazione". He asked that the same circulation be afforded to it and notified his intention, however, of restricting its actual appearance and numbers in the same way as he had dealt with "L'Italia del Popolo"

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The Board gave the Executive Secretary authority to approve whatever recommendation the AMG official makes.

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(d) Gazzetta delle Marche, Macerata.

A permit for this information sheet started by the PWB Combat Team was approved, for a circulation of 4,000.

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6. Complaint against cartoon in "Pettirosse" of February 4.

Lt. Col. Munro reported that Public Safety, AMG, had complained to this office in regard to a cartoon which appeared in "Pettirosse" of the 4th February, depicting a negro soldier complaining that he had to wear shoes, to which he was not accustomed, while the citizens of Rome around him had to go barefooted. He added that the complaint had been forwarded to Avv. Rossini for the Italian Press Commission, in anticipation of the present APB meeting, for any immediate action which he might see fit to take.

He tabled a letter just received from Avv. Rossini containing an expression of apology from the Editor of the Socialist paper "Avanti" (from which "Pettirosse" depends). Avv. Rossini in his letter noted that in view of the apology, he was not putting Lt. Col. Munro's letter in front of the Italian Press Commission and considered the matter closed.

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7. "Il Paese", Naples.

A letter from Capt. Stuart, Naples Press Officer, P.W.B. was read, alleging the political and moral unsuitability of Avv. Pistolese to operate this new Naples daily, authorized by the Italian Press Commission on the 22nd January. Colonel Munro reported that Capt. Stuart's report had been transmitted to the Italian Press Commission for their information, enquiry and eventual action. This step was approved.

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for Chief Commissioner.

The Chief Commissioner has already seen the Minutes of the APB Meeting to which these letters refer (2 copies of Minutes attached) and has noted that he "will be pleased to act as soon as requested". My suggestion is that a copy of these Minutes be sent by the Chief Commissioner to the Prime Minister, with a letter of which I attach a draft. I make the suggestion of sending the Minutes themselves because nothing else could convey so clear and damaging a picture of the state of affairs.

I feel bound to add that I think it is a little hard to put the whole blame on the Italian Government. For many months before the Italian Press Commission was created, I endeavoured over and over again at Meetings of the APB to stress the fact that paper was not properly controlled and it was only after much argument that some of my suggestions - as will be seen on Page 3 of the Minutes - were half-heartedly adopted. I always held that paper allotment should be checked against circulation, but I was always told that it was impossible. The APB have really been just as culpable as the Italian Press Commission. Therefore I do not agree with the second para of Colonel Munro's letter. But certainly the responsibility does now fall on the Italian Government and it is evidently necessary that strong steps should be taken to stop this racket.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

2/PRB 30 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Allied Publications Board

TO : Chief Commissioner.

I think you may be interested to see these Minutes of a special meeting of the APB if you have not already seen them. You will see from page 5 that your intervention is likely to be requested.

Lionel Fielden

LIONEL FIELDEN
Major,
Public Relations Director.

Noted. I shall be glad to act as soon as requested

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
INFORMATION AND CENSORSHIP SECTION
PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
ITALIAN THEATRE HEADQUARTERS
P.W.B. UNIT No. 12 U.S.A.P.O. 512

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26 January 1945

To: Lt. Col. Munro

At the request of the APB, this writer is submitting the following facts to you in the presence of Mr. Roberto LaPiccirella, Maresciello of Public Safety of Naples, and Cpl. Robert C. Weiss, both investigators for S.I.S., Provost Marshal, Naples.

For the past three weeks, the Provost Marshal's office has been investigating stolen Allied paper, which has found its way into a good many printing establishments, both in Naples as well as in Rome. That paper was sold at tremendously high prices, very much in excess of the established AC prices. From confessions and statements made, some of this paper was AC newsprint allocated for Italian publications. In the case of Naples, some 2-1/2 tons were stolen from the MATTINO ILLUSTRATO.

In Rome, where Carlo Sonnino, Ubaldo Gioacchino and Mario Bracciani are under investigation and are being held by S.I.S., the portiere reported that rolls of newsprint, recognized by him as the same rolls of newsprint he saw being used by Italian newspapers, were brought into this establishment and immediately sheeted, and trucks came and picked it up. However, this was not confessed to by the owners of the establishment and the entire Roman paper situation, which is involving many firms, is now under a thorough investigation by S.I.S. All other details on the entire newsprint situation can be seen by whoever is interested at the Provost Marshal's Office in Naples.

As stated above, all of these cases, as yet, are not completed and the further we go, the larger it gets and the more complicated it becomes. It is impossible at this time to state how long it will take to complete the investigation and when prosecution will begin.

There are now approximately ten confessions obtained by the Provost Marshal in Naples. I might also add that from the contacts I have made in working with these investigators, I find that the entire paper situation is in a deplorable state of affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

Natt S. Catlin

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Chief, PWB-AFHQ Printing & Paper Division

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD
Via Veneto 52
ROME

27 January 1945

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone, USN
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission.

Dear Admiral Stone:

There was a special meeting held on Friday to go into a very serious belief and conviction that U.S. imported newsprint was being trafficked on the black market. Mr. Gellin, in charge of newsprint importation for PWB, came specially to the meeting and provided those present with some startling evidence of a situation which demanded immediate remedy. After very full discussion (as you will see from the enclosed minutes) two things were agreed on:

1. That the Italian Government, through its Press Commission, was to blame for this state of affairs on account of what the Allied Publications Board felt to be the Italian Press Commission's culpable negligence.

2. That the position was too big a one to be dealt with by APB and the Italian Press Commission. It is for that reason that I have been instructed to write you this letter asking for your views on the advisability of the Government being approached by the Allied Commission.

In addition to the minutes of the meeting, I enclose a copy of Mr. Gellin's letter which he was requested to write for Allied Publications Board.

The suggestion of Allied Publications Board is that the Italian Government be informed that unless machinery is produced to the satisfaction of APB within the next thirty days to guarantee proper control of imported

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A L L I E D P U B L I C A T I O N S B O A R D
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MINUTES of a Special Meeting of the Central Allied Publications Board, Held in Room 108, 62 Via Veneto, on January 26, 1945 at 3:00 PM

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2. The Chairman then invited Mr. Getlin to supplement Captain Piscop's letter by bringing forward special evidence which he had collected in Naples. Mr. Getlin reported as follows:

"About four weeks ago the Italian police stopped a boy with a cart with three rolls of newsprint stamped 'made in Napoli' at four o'clock in the morning. That paper was stolen from PWB Warehouse 1079. An investigation was opened by a Special Investigation Commission of the Military Police. It resulted in approximately thirty confessions, copies of which I have here. It seems that there is a regular ring operating. It all led to one person by the name of Paris whom they just caught a few days ago after he had hastily departed from Naples when he found the police were looking for him to get receipts from firms in Rome to whom he had supposedly sold this paper. This paper is A.C. and "Stars and Stripes' paper -- in fact it includes everything. Some of the confessions say this paper was taken out of the plants that print Italian newspapers in Naples as well as in Rome. They are practically all implicated. Whether the owners are or not, I don't know, but some of the foremen are. The three firms in Rome whom I have checked with Mr. White have no business to sell American paper, as they were not supposed to have any in their possession. So far about thirty tons of PWB paper has been accounted for, seventeen tons recovered and the other already sold for booklets, writing pads, etc. Some of it was also sold to the French Government. The paper sold as high as $2000 a ton by the time the last guy got it. Some of it is Italian paper with the kind of weave that shows our scrap in it. We believe we have practically all of it. I am meeting the police here at nine o'clock tonight and then they will go to the three firms in Rome, make the investigation and also make arrests, if necessary.

MR. EDMAN: What action would you like to strengthen your hand?

MR. GETLIN: Here is the suggestion I would like to make. I believe that A.C. should review its allotments to all of its publishers in a regular newspaper manner, based on the population of each town, divided by four to each family. I think somebody should be appointed at once to go to all these papers, review their allotments and assign the paper accordingly. The second thing is that we should warn these publishers that if they don't take steps in their own plants to safeguard the paper and account for it, no paper will be forthcoming. That is about all you can do.

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MR. GETLIN: About PWB stocks, I am going to be perfectly frank. We know all the paper that comes in from the States but it would be humanly impossible to get an exact figure on what is used by military operations and the various things we print, publications and so forth. As near as we can possibly calculate -- and the police record shows it on confessions -- some thirty confessions -- there is a trace of about thirty tons of that paper on the black market, out of which we have recovered seventeen; there are seventeen tons not accounted for.

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MR. STEWART: The machinery for controlling distribution of paper, the Italian machinery, is unsatisfactory.

MR. GETLIN: Make a plant responsible for the publication of so many papers, give them just enough newsprint to cover the job. I would not be surprised if a good circulation manager from Britain or from the States in reviewing the situation as it stands today would find that each one of the publishers gets more newsprint than called for.

MAJOR ALEXANDER: What is the stolen paper used for?

MR. GETLIN: School textbooks - I have some samples - books, novels sold in stands, children's writing pads, calendars, many things.

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MR. STEWART: Control on that basis is too complicated.

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MR. GETLIN: If Russell Barnes will release me for two weeks I will give you a complete check of how much paper AC should give these papers in accordance with population and whether or not you can control the press run - unless they put in their own meters you just couldn't know what they published every day.

MR. STEWART: If you transfer control of distribution to an agency not directly interested, as the Italian Press Commission is, maybe.....

MR. GETLIN: Get permission to control circulation and have sworn statement once a month - that would give a check.

MR. EDMAN: What about communicating with the Italian Press Commission, giving them some of the facts Getlin presented, suggest to them the idea of separating the paper control from the Italian Press Commission and also ask them: "What do you propose to do about this situation?" We don't propose to import any more paper unless stiff action is taken.

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MR. GETLIN: What the Allied police are concerned about more than anything else is the fact that so much paper has been stolen.

The Executive Secretary then made the following motion, which was unanimously adopted: That this meeting of APB ask Mr. Getlin to make up his case and present a real accusation which could be supported by evidence if called for: and that the matter should be presented to the Italian Government, not as an inducement to be better in the future, but as a reason why we are going to suggest to the Allied Governments that no more newsprint be exported into Italy until the Italians can themselves produce machinery to guarantee its proper use.

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MR. EDMAN: When that letter is written, if the members of the Board would like to see it, we can see that

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the draft is submitted to you and we won't have to call a meeting again unless necessary.

COL.MUNRO: We should put a time limit on it - when we are going to stop the paper allotments.

MR. GETLIN: I would give them sixty days.

COL. MUNRO: I would make it less.

MR. BARNEY: I think it is a very good idea to take this up with the Government because the Italian Press Federation, the Italian Press Commission and Under-Secretary himself have shirked responsibility on newsprint by taking a completely negative attitude; they were supposed to take over distribution from Mr. White....

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Minutes of December 12, 1944 meeting were read and approved.

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4. FUTURE OF APB

The Chairman stated that the future of APB would be as follows: It will move into [illegible] territory but will maintain itself in readiness to exercise its powers in this territory whenever called upon to do so by Allied military authorities, in accordance with Order 50, paragraph [illegible]

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5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF LAST MINUTES

(a) "La Voce Repubblicana" - In accordance with the directions of the Board, the Military Censor communicated with General McCrystal, who in turn sent a letter to the Editor of "La Voce Repubblicana" protesting against certain censorship infringements in that the paper had mentioned SIM, the Italian Secret Service. No reply has been received but the letter did not call for any and merely said in rather strong terms that "La Voce Repubblicana" should realize that they cannot infringe censorship regulations.

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(c) Naples Hand-Over - Captain Stuart, Secretary of the former APB, Naples, reported that the Ufficio Stampa Prefatura in Naples had over 300 applications in hand and the number was increasing daily. This has been called to the attention of the Italian Press Commission.

(d) Tagliacozzo Paper Stocks - The Italian Press Commission, following the request of this Board, asked the Prefect of Aquila to look into the question of these paper stocks. No further report has been received nor has Mr. White of A.C. heard anything. The Executive Secretary asked that a report on this matter be requested of the Italian Press Commission.

6. GENERAL ORDER 50

Prime Minister Bonomi's acknowledgment to Admiral Stone of General Order 50 was read, as was Avv. Rossini's letter to the Executive Secretary with regard to General Order 50.

7. ROME ITALIAN PRESS COMMISSION MEETINGS

Mr. John Barney reported that under the new Under-Secretary, Sig. Libonati, the Italian Press Commission is conducting its affairs in a business-like manner. The Italian Commission has been reconstituted. There are now six members of the Italian Press Federation on the Board. The next meeting, on Monday, January 22, will consider, among other matters, the 300 applications from Naples referred to in paragraph 5 (c) of these minutes. They will also consider 20 applications for new dailies in Rome.

8. ROME ITALIAN PRESS COMMISSION AUTHORIZED LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

The list of newspapers authorized by APB and confirmed by the Italian Press Commission, together with new authorizations of their own, as at 31 December 1944, was tabled, for information.

9. NEWSPRINT

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(d) Tagliacozzo Paper Stocks - The Italian Press Commission, following the request of this Board, asked the Prefect of Aquila to look into the question of these paper stocks. No further report has been received nor has Mr. White of A.C. heard anything. The Executive Secretary asked that a report on this matter be requested of the Italian Press Commission.

6. GENERAL ORDER 50

Prime Minister Bonomi's acknowledgment to Admiral Stone of General Order 50 was read, as was Avv. Rossini's letter to the Executive Secretary with regard to General Order 50.

7. ROME ITALIAN PRESS COMMISSION MEETINGS

Mr. John Barney reported that under the new Under-Secretary, Sig. Libonati, the Italian Press Commission is conducting its affairs in a business-like manner. The Italian Commission has been reconstituted. There are now six members of the Italian Press Federation on the Board. The next meeting, on Monday, January 22, will consider, among other matters, the 300 applications from Naples referred to in paragraph 5 (c) of these minutes. They will also consider 20 applications for new dailies in Rome.

8. ROME ITALIAN PRESS COMMISSION AUTHORIZED LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

The list of newspapers authorized by APB and confirmed by the Italian Press Commission, together with new authorizations of their own, as at 31 December 1944, was tabled, for information. 5877

9. NEWSPRINT

Mr. White reported that the newsprint situation was as follows: A requisition was forwarded to AFHQ in November and 1000 tons were expected for January. However, one week ago Mr. Edman received a letter from AFHQ stating that the requisition had not gone forward to America. Stocks of newsprint are sufficient to last us until February. No hope is seen of paper arriving in the month of January, and when February arrives, except for local production, there may just not be any newsprint.

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"There are stocks enough in Palermo and also in Sardinia to last through the month of February.

"The Italian Press Commission has not made arrangements in any cities, other than Rome, to take over control of the distribution of newsprint. Release after release for paper has been requested from A.C. After the letter came through from AFHQ, which Mr. Edman forwarded to me, I went to see Mr. Libonati and explained how critical this situation was and informed him there would be no releases made in these other cities to any but authorized publications until they had taken over control because it is felt that as long as Allied officers take on the Italian Commission's responsibilities, they should not take the blame for dissipation of small stocks by the Press Commission. We will continue to give newsprint to the authorized dailies but that is as far as we can go. Sig. Libonati expressed disappointment. Here in Rome the Press Commission is able to distribute the stocks to suit themselves.

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Mr. White explained that Rome's newsprint requirements were covered by local production but that if the Italian Press Commission were not careful they may not have any local production at all.

10. FLORENCE APB MEETING - December 2

The minutes of the meeting of the Florence local APB were read.

"The question of newsprint for the Florence papers, CORRIERE DEL MATTINO and NAZIONE DEL POPOLO was brought up. Captain Piscop advised that a paper mill north of Florence was now producing newsprint and

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that it was proposed to freeze a certain amount of newsprint in every 100 tons for possible eventual use in Bologna and other points northward. The amount available beyond the amount which PWB will have frozen is unknown at present. The mill is at La Lima. This was approved.

It was agreed that the surplus production, after the printing of that figure of 100 tons, should be devoted in the first place to carrying out the increase suggestions put forward in the APB Minutes of December 7 for "Corriere del Mattino" and "Nazione del Popolo" and that any surplus after these papers are satisfied should be devoted to the area under the supervision or control of the Florence APB. It was also agreed that the Central Board allow the Florence Board a certain amount of discretion as to where it goes, but that careful consideration was to be given to the needs of the areas surrounding the City of Florence. This motion was carried with the proviso that consideration be given particularly to Ancona and Livorno.

11. NAPLES APB MEETING - December 6

The minutes of the Naples Local APB meeting of December 6, 1944 were tabled.

12. STARS AND STRIPES APPLICATION FOR PAPER

Mr. White reported that the request of STARS AND STRIPES for paper could not be granted as none is available at the moment. Captain Piscop reported that all stocks are earmarked for program going on now and that any paper owned by OWI cannot be sold or put to any other use, so that the request could not be granted. He reported that Major Christiansen at Caserta is going to put in a requisition for paper to be shipped immediately from America.

13. NEW APPLICATIONS

"L'Italia del Popolo" - Ancona

As the need for a paper in this district is acute and as it is the desire of AMG that a paper be started in this area, the application was approved with a daily circulation of 20,000, newsprint to be supplied out of Florence stocks.

"La Turbina" - Terni

This application, supported by the Regional Commissioner, Col. A. D. Bonham-Carter, was approved, with a weekly circulation of 5000.

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The Executive Secretary reported that Mr. Michael Chinigo, Chief of the Rome Bureau of International News Service and author of the letter in question, had accepted an invitation to come to today's meeting with a view to giving any further information which he might wish to provide. Mr. Chinigo, however, did not turn up. It was, therefore, decided that the Chairman and the Executive Secretary would draft a letter to the Italian Press Commission, calling their

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attention to the alleged close affiliation of the Unione Editori and ANSA, and requesting that this matter be looked into and clarified. Mr. Michael Chinigo is to be advised of the action of the Board in this respect.

15. OTHER BUSINESS

With reference to the printing plant in Leghorn (ex "Il Telegrafo") Captain Piscop pointed out that the plant was under requisition by PWB. He maintained that a body of trustees should be selected to run the plant and be responsible for the equitable distribution of newsprint production to all concerned. He advised that this matter was to be settled in the next few days and that the Press Officer in Florence was expected in Rome on Saturday, the 2-th, to go over this matter. The Executive Secretary suggested that the advice of the Italian Government be enlisted in this resot, in anticipation of what they mean to do in similar cases when they get North.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

2/PRB

8 January 1945.

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6 January 1945.

SUBJECT : Periodicals published in liberated Italy

TO : Lieut. Colonel Cameron-Curry,
C/o G-2 (I.C.S.S.) AFHQ.,
C/o R.A.A.C., A.P.O. 794 U.S. Army.

Replying to your request of 1 Jan '45, we enclose herewith list dated 31 Dec. 44 of the periodicals published in Italian Government territory, as compiled by the Italian Press Commission.

This list excludes those publications now appearing in AC territory, but apart from Florence, they are small papers and not very important. As soon as the list of these is compiled, we will send you a copy.

LIONEL FIELDEN
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
INFORMATION AND CENSORSHIP SECTION
PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
ITALIAN THEATRE HEADQUARTERS
P.W.B. UNIT No. 12 U.S.A.P.O. 512

5 January 1945

TO : Major L. Fielden PRC AC
FROM : Mr. J.G. Barney, Press Officer
SUBJECT : Periodicals published in liberated Italy

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We have also asked the Italian Press Comsion to place your name on the distribution list for future issues for two copies. In this way you will be able to keep G2 RAAC up to date on this matter.

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P.W.B. UNIT No. 12 U.S.A.P.O. 512

3 January 1945

Subject: Press Conferences

To: Major Lionel Fielden, PRC, Allied Commission Hq.

Dear Lionel:

I quote herewith a report from Lt. Col. Munro in answer to your memorandums of 22 and 27 December:

"I cannot understand what Lionel Fielden is complaining about. Is our fault one of commission or omission? Probably both, from his point of view. In a letter to me, he refers to "so far taking no objection" to my conferences with the Italian editors. That is about the fastest one I have ever listened to. If the A.C. officials fail to keep Major Fielden informed of what they are doing, he can hardly turn around and blame PWB. Any speaker who has come from A.C. has himself always suggested the meeting. In no case has any such speaker ever come without securing the authority of his superior officer."

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cc: Brigadier G. R. Upjohn

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This I believe is contained in the list drawn up by APB on 10 November 1944, of which however we have no spare copy, nor may it be quite up to date at the present time.

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C/o. G-2 (I.O.S. 2) AFHQ.,
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Original work - Mr Barney. APO.

MEMORANDUM

TO : Public Relations Branch, Allied Commission, Rome.

SUBJECT : Periodicals published in liberated Italy.

DATE: 1 Jan 45.

1. Having been requested by the Economic Advisory Branch (ZO & MEW), to keep them informed regarding articles on economic and technical topics appearing in the press of liberated Italy, it would be appreciated if you could make arrangements to inform me of the titles and characteristics of all periodicals the publication of which has already been authorised by the appropriate authority. Similarly I should be grateful if you could arrange the comunicate to me the same information regarding any new or additional periodical the publication of which may be authorised from time to time in future.

J. Cameron-Curry
Lt.Col.
(Sgd)

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PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI
Sottosegretariato per la Stampa, Spettacolo e Turismo

ELENCO DI GIORNALI E ALTRE PUBBLICAZIONI PERIODICHE AUTORIZZATE A TUTTO IL 31 DICEMBRE 1944 NEL TERRITORIO DELL'ITALIA LIBERATA

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1)	L'INDIPENDENTE	quotidiano	d'informazioni	40.000
2)	CORRIERE DI ROMA	quotidiano	P.N.B.	180.000
3)	AVANTI!	quotidiano	socialista	42.000
4)	UNITA'	quotidiano	comunista	40.000
5)	IL POPOLO	quotidiano	democristiano	23.000
6)	ITALIA LIBERA	quotidiano	P.d'A.	28.000
7)	RICOSTRUZIONE	quotidiano	Dem.del lavoro	23.000
8)	RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE	quotidiano	liberale	23.000
9)	ITALIA NUOVA	quotidiano	democratico	10.000
10)	ESERCITO	quotidiano	indipendente	25.000
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12)	IL QUOTIDIANO	quotidiano	azione catt.	13.000
13)	LA RINASCITA (trasf.Salerno)	settimanale	comunista	15.000
14)	RISVEGLIO	settimanale	monarchico	10.000
15)	UMANITA' NUOVA	settimanale	anarchico	2.000
16)	VOCE OPERAIA	settimanale	catt.comun.	10.000
17)	IL PARTIGIANO	settimanale	partigiani	10.000
18)	L'UNIONE	settimanale	indipendente	5.000
19)	IL LAVORO	quindicinale	diss. destra	10.000
20)	ESILIO	settimanale	polit.cult.	3.000
21)	NUOVA EUROPA	settimanale	culturale	15.000
22)	REALTA' POLITICA	quindicinale	culturale	5.000
23)	CRITICA POLITICA	mensile	repubblicano	5.000
24)	DEMOCRAZIA INTERNAZIONALE	settimanale	un.democr.	10.000
25)	REALTA'	settimanale	cult.polit.	5.000
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27)	LA VOCE DEL LAZIO	settimanale	polit.relig.	6.000
28)	IL CONVENTO	settimanale	dem.cristiana	5.000
29)	POLITICA D'OGGI	quindicinale	dem.cristiana	2.000
30)	IL DOVERE	settimanale	ex combattenti	20.000
31)	ROMA	quindicinale	culturale	3.000
32)	LA SETTIMANA	settimanale	culturale	15.000
33)	IL FURIOSO	quindicinale	culturale	8.000
34)	IL GUERACCIO	settimanale	culturale	8.000
34 bis)	Il Reporter	trisettimanale	informazioni	30.000

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35) ORIZZONTE	settimanale	letterario	5.000
36) INDICE DEI FATTI E	settimanale	informazioni	3.000
37) DELLE IDEE			
38) L'INTRANSIGENTE	settimanale	democratico	10.000
39) LOTTA PARTIGIANA	settimanale	partigiano ••	30.000
40) SOCIALISMO	bimensile	socialista	2.000
41) BATTAGLIE SINDACALI	settimanale	C.G.L.	35.000
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43) L'AZIONE SOCIALE	settimanale	prob.sindacali	5.000
44) LE LEGGI	settimanale	legislativo	3.000
45) CRIMEN	settimanale	giuridico	10.000
46) RACCOLTA LEGGI E DECRETI	mensile	giuridico	
47) IL DIRITTO CONCORDATARIO	mensile	giuridico	1.000
48) GAZZETTA DELLA GIUSTIZIA	mensile	giuridico	5.000
49) IL FORO ITALIANO	quindicinale	giuridico	8.000
50) IL MASSIMARIO DEL FORO ITALIANO	quindicinale	prassi giuridica	10.000
51) GIUSTIZIA	mensile	giuridico	2.000
52) NUOVA RACCOLTA LEGISLATIVA	quindicinale	legale	1.000
53) RIVISTA DI LEGISLAZIONE FISCALE	mensile	fiscale	2.500
54) LA NUOVA RIVISTA TRIBUTARIA	mensile	tributi	500
55) CASSAZIONE PENALE	mensile	giuridico	4.000
56) IL NOTARO	quindicinale	legale	3.000
57) IL CORRIERE GIUDIZIARIO	settimanale	legale	4.000
58) LA SETTIMANA DELLA CASSAZIONE	settimanale	legale	2.000
59) BOLLETTINO UFFICIALE	mensile	az.cattolica	2.500
60) IL MAESTRO	trimestrale	az.cattolica	4.000
61) COLOMBO	settimanale	az.cattolica	5.000
62) L'ASPIRANTE	settimanale	az.cattolica	5.000
63) CHIESE	settimanale	az.cattolica	2.000
64) IN ALTO	bisettimanale	az.cattolica	5.000
65) GIOVENTU' ITALICA	mensile	az.cattolica	1.000
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40) SOCIALISMO	settimanale	C.C.L.	35.000
41) BATTAGLIE SINDACALI	settimanale	C.G.L.	25.000
42) BATTAGLIE DEL LAVORO	settimanale	prob.sindacali	5.000
43) L'AZIONE SOCIALE	settimanale	legislativo	3.000
44) LE LEGGI	settimanale	giuridico	10.000
45) CRIMEN	mensile	giuridico	
46) RACCOLTA LEGGI E DECRETI	mensile	giuridico	1.000
47) IL DIRITTO CONCORDATARIO	mensile	giuridico	5.000
48) GAZZETTA DELLA GIUSTIZIA	quindicinale	giuridico	2.000
49) IL FORO ITALIANO	quindicinale	prassi giuridica	10.000
50) IL MASSIMARIO DEL FORO ITALIANO	mensile	giuridico	2.000
51) GIUSTIZIA	quindicinale	legale	1.000
52) NUOVA RACCOLTA LEGISLATIVA	mensile	fiscale	2.000
53) RIVISTA DI LEGISLAZIONE FISCALE	mensile	tributi	500
54) LA NUOVA RIVISTA TRIBUTARIA	mensile	giuridico	4.000
55) CASSAZIONE PENALE	quindicinale	legale	3.000
56) IL NOTARO	settimanale	legale	4.000
57) IL CORRIERE GIUDIZIARIO	settimanale	legale	2.000
58) LA SETTIMANA DELLA CASSAZIONE	mensile	az.cattolica	2.000
59) BOLLETTINO UFFICIALE	trimestrale	az.cattolica	4.000
60) IL MAESTRO	settimanale	az.cattolica	5.000
61) COLOMBO	settimanale	az.cattolica	5.000
62) L'ASPIRANTE	settimanale	az.cattolica	2.000
63) CREDERE	bisettimanale	az.cattolica	5.000
64) IN ALTO	mensile	az.cattolica	1.000
65) GIOVENTU' ITALICA	settimanale	az.cattolica	5.000
66) GIOVENTU' NUOVA	quindicinale	az.cattolica	6.000
67) AZIONE FUCINA	mensile	missionario	500
68) REGINA DEGLI APOSTOLI	mensile	missionario	10.000
69) IL MASSAIA	mensile	missionario	1.200
70) IL MONTE CARMELO	quadrimensile	missionario	5.000
71) THE EYLON		missionario	
72) LEGA MISSIONARIA STUDENTI	mensile	missionario	
73) LE MISSIONI DEI SERVI DI MARIA	mensile	missionario	5000

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TITOLO	PERIODICITA'	CARATTERE	TIRATURA
74) LA SANTA CROCIATA	mensile	missionario	30.000
75) LA MADONNA DEL POZZO	mensile	missionario	800
76) LA VOCE DEL SEMINARIO	mensile	missionario	500
77) NOI UOMINI!	mensile	cattolico	20.000
78) IL PICCOLO FIORE DI GESU'	mensile	cattolico	1.000
79) STUDIUM	mensile	cattolico	3.500
80) SUSSIDIO PER L'APOSTOLATO	mensile	cattolico	2.000
81) BOLLETTINO DI P.CAVOUR	mensile	religioso	500
82) LA PAROLA DI DIO	festivo	religioso	80.000
83) CHARITAS	mensile	cattolico	1.500
84) ARACOELI	mensile	religioso	900
85) IL CROCIATO DELLA EUCARESTIA	mensile	religioso	5.000
86) SANTA LEGA PRO CLERO	trimensile	religioso	6.000
87) KNIGHTS OF MALTA	periodico	religioso	1.400
88) MESSAGGERO DEL S.CRO CUORE	mensile	religioso	6.000
89) CUORE DI GESU' NELLA FAMIGLIA	mensile	religioso	4.000
90) ADVENIAT REGNUM TUUM	quadrimestrale	religioso	50.000
91) EPHEMERIDES CALASANTIANAE	bimestrale	religioso	250
92) ACTA ORDINIS SERVORUM	mensile	religioso	800
93) L'ADDOLORATA	mensile	religioso	400
94) IL TESTIMONIO	mensile	protestante	800
95) VITA PARROCCHIALE	mensile	religioso	60.000
~~96) L'ASPIRANTE~~	~~settimanale~~	~~az. cattolica~~	~~5.000~~
~~97) ORIENTE~~	~~settimanale~~	~~az. cattolica~~	2.000
98) LA LUCE	quindicinale	valdese	1.500
99) LA STRADA	bimensile	parrocchiale	2.000
100) L'ECONOMISTA	quindicinale	tecnico-econ.	2.000
101) BOLLETTINO ECONOMICO FINANZIARIO	quotidiano	finanziario	1.000
102) UNIONE EUROPEA	settimanale	pol.-finanz.	15.000
103) IL CORRIERE DEL LAVORO	settimanale	economico	4.000

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74) LA SANTA CROCIATA	mensile	missionario	30.000
75) LA MADONNA DEL POZZO	mensile	missionario	800
76) LA VOCE DEL SEMINARIO	mensile	missionario	500
77) NOI UOMINI!	mensile	cattolico	20.000
78) IL PICCOLO FIORE DI GESU'	mensile	cattolico	1.000
79) STUDIUM	mensile	cattolico	3.500
80) SUSSIDIO PER L'APOSTOLATO	mensile	cattolico	2.000
81) BOLLETTINO DI P.CAVOUR	mensile	religioso	500
82) LA PAROLA DI DIO	festivo	religioso	80.000
83) CHARITAS	mensile	cattolico	1.500
84) ARACOELI	mensile	religioso	800
85) IL CROCIATO DELLA EUCARESTIA	mensile	religioso	5.000
86) SANTA LEGA PRO CLERO	trimensile	religioso	6.000
87) KNIGHTS OF MALTA	aperiodico	religioso	1.400
88) MESSAGGERO DEL S.CRO CUORE	mensile	religioso	6.000
89) CUORE DI GESU' NELLA FAMIGLIA	mensile	religioso	4.000
90) ADVENIAT REGNUM TUUM	quadrimestrale	religioso	80.000
91) EFEMERIDES CALASANTIANAE	bimestrale	religioso	250
92) ACTA ORDINIS SERVORUM	mensile	religioso	800
93) L'ADDOLORATA	mensile	religioso	400
94) IL TESTIMONIO	mensile	protestante	800
95) VITA PARROCCHIALE	mensile	religioso	60.000
~~96) L'ASPIRANTE~~	~~settimanale~~	~~az. cattolica~~	~~5.000~~
~~97) ORIENTE~~	~~settimanale~~	~~az. cattolica~~	2.000
98) LA LUCE	quindicinale	valdese	1.500
99) LA STRADA	bimensile	parrocchiale	2.000
100) L'ECONOMISTA	quindicinale	tecnico-econ.	2.000
101) BOLLETTINO ECONOMICO FINANZIARIO	quotidiano	finanziario	1.000
102) UNIONE EUROPEA	settimanale	pol.-finanz.	15.000
103) IL CORRIERE DEL LAVORO	settimanale	economico	4.000
104) L'INFORMAZIONE ITALIANA (in cinque lingue)	trimestrale	economico	2.000 (x5)
105) IL GLOBO	settimanale	economico	12.000
106) IL PROGRESSO ECONOMICO	settimanale	economico	10.000
107) IL CONSUMATORE	settimanale	economico	5.000

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108)STATISTICAL GRAPHIC SERVICE	quotidiano	grafici-ec.	200
109)IL SECOLO XX	settimanale	economico	5.000
110)LIBERTA' ECONOMICA	settimanale	economico	5.000
111)LA RASSEGNA	settimanale	economico	5.000
112)ASSICURAZIONI	bimestrale	assicurativo	1.500
113)RICOSTRUIRE	mensile	danni di guerra	3.000
114)DANNI DI GUERRA	mensile	danni di guerra	5.000
115)IL POLICLINICO	settimanale	medico	6.000
116)CUORE E CIRCOLAZIONE	mensile	medico	500
117)LA CLINICA OSTETRICA	mensile	medico	1.000
118)IL VALSALVA	mensile	medico	800
119)RIVISTA DI MALARIOLOGIA	bimestrale	medico	500
120)L'ATTUALITA' MEDICA	mensile	medico	1.500
121)ANNALI D'IGIENE	mensile	medico	1.000
122)IL MEDICO CONDOTTO	mensile	medico	5.000
123)BOLLETTINO DELL'ORDINE DEI FARMACISTI	mensile	medico	200
124)LA RINASCITA CHIMICA	mensile	chimico	3.000
125)ISTITUTO SUPERIORE DI SANITA'	trimestrale	scientifico	1.250
126)RIVISTA PSICOANALITICA	bimestrale	scientifico	1.000
127)ANNALI DELL'ISTITUTO FORLANINI	mensile	scientifico	500
128)MEMORIE DELLA SOCIETA' ITALIANA DELLE SCIENZE	semestrale	scientifico	300
129)MEDICINA DEMOGRAFICA	mensile	scientifico	500
130)ODONTOLOGIA	mensile	scientifico	500
131)RADIOLOGIA MED.	mensile	scientifico	500
132)FISIOLOGIA	mensile	scientifico	500
133)MEDICINA E BIOLOGIA	bimestrale	scientifico	3.000
134)SERENISSIMA	settimanale	sat.politico	10.000
135)CANTACHIARO	settimanale	umoristico	30.000
136)MUGANTINO	bisettimanale	umoristico	5.000
137)MARFORIO	settimanale	umoristico	20.000
138)IL MONOCOLO	mensile	umoristico	10.000
139)GIORNALE DELL'AVIATORE	settimanale	aviazione	10.000
		marina	20.000

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	TITOLO	PERIODICITA'	CARATTERE	TIRATURA
108)	STATISTICAL GRAPHIC SERVICE	quotidiano	grafici-ec.	200
109)	IL SECOLO XX	settimanale	economico	5.000
110)	LIBERTA' ECONOMICA	settimanale	economico	5.000
111)	LA RASSEGNA	bimestrale	economico	5.000
112)	ASSICURAZIONI	mensile	assicurativo	1.500
113)	RICOSTRUIRE	mensile	danni di guerra	3.000
114)	DANNI DI GUERRA	settimanale	danni di guerra	5.000
115)	IL POLICLINICO	mensile	medico	6.000
116)	CUORE E CIRCOLAZIONE	mensile	medico	500
117)	LA CLINICA OSTETRICA	mensile	medico	1.000
118)	IL VALSALVA	bimestrale	medico	500
119)	RIVISTA DI MALARIOLOGIA	mensile	medico	500
120)	L'ATTUALITA' MEDICA	mensile	medico	1.500
121)	ANNALI D'IGIENE	mensile	medico	1.000
122)	IL MEDICO CONDOTTO	mensile	medico	5.000
123)	BOLLETTINO DELL'ORDINE DEI FARMACISTI	mensile	medico	200
124)	LA RINASCITA CHIMICA	mensile	chimico	3.000
125)	ISTITUTO SUPERIORE DI SANITA'	trimestrale	scientifico	1.250
126)	RIVISTA PSICOANALITICA	bimestrale	scientifico	1.000
127)	ANNALI DELL'ISTITUTO FORLANINI	mensile	scientifico	500
128)	MEMORIE DELLA SOCIETA' ITALIANA DELLE SCIENZE	semestrale	scientifico	300
129)	MEDICINA DEMOGRAFICA	mensile	scientifico	500
130)	ODONTOLOGIA	mensile	scientifico	500
131)	RADIOLOGIA ECC.	mensile	scientifico	500
132)	FISIOLOGIA	mensile	scientifico	500
133)	MEDICINA E BIOLOGIA	bimestrale	scientifico	3.000
134)	SERENISSIMA	settimanale	sat.politico	10.000
135)	CANTACHIARO	bisettimanale	umoristico	30.000
136)	RUGANTINO	settimanale	umoristico	5.000
137)	MANFURIO	mensile	umoristico	20.000
138)	IL MONOCOLO	settimanale	umoristico	10.000
139)	GIORNALE DELL'AVIATORE	settimanale	aviazione	10.000
140)	BUONA GUARDIA	mensile	marina	20.000
141)	ITALIA MARINARA	bimensile	marina	10.000
142)	LAVORO AERONAUTICO	bimensile	tecnico	3.000
143)	QUADERNI DI ARCHITETTURA	mensile	architettura	2.000
144)	RIVISTA ITALIANA DEL PETROLIO		tecnico	10.000

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TITOLO	PERIODICITA'	CARATTERE	TIRATURA
145) URBANISTICA	bimensile	piano regolat.	800
146) L'ACQUA	mensile	idraulico	1.800
147) RIVISTA ITALIANA DI RAGIONERIA	trimestrale	categoria	2.000
148) LA PREVIDENZA	bimensile	assicurazioni	1.000
149) IL CORRIERE AERONAUTICO MARITTIMO	quindicinale	tecnico	8.000
150) TECNICA	mensile	tecnico	1.000
151) RIVISTA DI TECNICA AGRARIA	mensile	tecnico	5.000
152) CRITICA TECNICA	quindicinale	tecnico	8.000
153) MOTOR	settimanale	tecnico	5.000
154) LAVORO E TECNICA	mensile	tecnico	1.000
155) CERVISIA	mensile	fermenti	500
156) L'OPINIONE ILLUSTRATA (suppl.de "L'Opinione)	settimanale	illustrato	20.000
157) DOMENICA	settimanale	pol.letterario	20.000
158) COSMOPOLITA	settimanale	pol.letterario	20.000
159) MERCURIO	mensile	letterario	10.000
160) CITTA'	settimanale	letterario	10.000
161) PERSONE	mensile	letterario	1.000
162) VITTORIOSO	settimanale	per ragazzi	20.000
163) L'AVVENTURA	settimanale	per ragazzi	10.000
164) GIRAMONDO	settimanale	per ragazzi	7.000
165) CRONACHE D'OGGI	settimanale	varietà	6.000
166) ATLANTE	settimanale	viaggi	10.000
167) ROMANA GENS	mensile	archeologico	400
168) AER.P.E.A.	mensile	archeologico	500
169) NOI DONNE	bimensile	femminile	20.000
170) LA DONNA DEL PARTITO D'AZIONE	mensile	femminile	3.000
171) SPECCHIO	mensile	mode	10.000
172) BELLA	settimanale	mode	8.000
173) LUI E LEI	quindicinale	femminile	1.000
174) VOCI	settimanale	R.A.I.	7.000
175) STAR	settimanale	films	25.000
176) CINENOVELLE	settimanale	novelle	3.000
177) CAPITOLIUM	mensile	culturale	1.500
178) LA GAZZETTA	settimanale	musica	10.000
	settimanale	musica	6.000

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145) URBANISTICA	bimensile	idraulico		
146) L'ACQUA	mensile	categoria	2.000	
147) RIVISTA ITALIANA DI RAGIONERIA	trimestrale	assicurazioni	1.000	
148) LA PREVIDENZA	bimensile	tecnico	8.000	
149) IL CORRIERE AERONAUTICO	quindicinale	tecnico	1.000	
150) TECNICA	mensile	tecnico	5.000	
151) RIVISTA DI TECNICA AGRARIA	mensile	tecnico	8.000	
152) CRITICA TECNICA	quindicinale	tecnico	5.000	
153) MOTOR	settimanale	tecnico	1.000	
154) LAVORO E TECNICA	mensile	fermenti	500	
155) CERVISIA	mensile	illustrato	20.000	
156) L'OPINIONE ILLUSTRATA (suppl.to "L'Opinione)	settimanale			
157) DOMENICA	settimanale	pol.letterario	20.000	
158) COSMOPOLITA	settimanale	pol.letterario	20.000	
159) MERCURIO	mensile	letterario	10.000	
160) CITTA'	settimanale	letterario	10.000	
161) PERSONE	mensile	letterario	1.000	
162) VITTORIOSO	settimanale	per ragazzi	20.000	
163) L'AVVENTURA	settimanale	per ragazzi	10.000	
164) GIRAMONDO	settimanale	per ragazzi	7.000	
165) CRONACHE D'OGGI	settimanale	varietà	6.000	
166) ATLANTE	mensile	viaggi	10.000	
167) ROMANA GENS	mensile	archeologico	400	
168) ARR.D.L.A.	bimensile	archeologico	500	
169) NOI DONNE	mensile	femminile	20.000	
170) LA DONNA DEL PARTITO D'AZIONE	mensile	femminile	3.000	
171) SPECCHIO	mensile	mode	10.000	
172) BELLA	settimanale	mode	8.000	
173) LUI E LEI	quindicinale	femminile	1.000	
174) VOCE	settimanale	R.A.I.	7.000	
175) STAR	settimanale	films	25.000	
176) CINENOVELLE	settimanale	novelle	3.000	
177) CAPITOLIUM	mensile	culturale	1.500	
178) LA GAZZETTA	settimanale	musica	10.000	
179) IL MONDO MUSICALE	settimanale	musica	6.000	
180) L'UOMO QUALUNQUE	settimanale	culturale	5.000	
181) QUATRAINE	settimanale	culturale	5.000	
182) DOMENICA DEL POPOLO	quindicinale	varietà	20.000	
183) VITA OPERAIA	settimanale	div.scientifica	2.000	
184) RISVEGLIO	settimanale	varietà	5.000	
185) IL PORTAVOCE	settimanale	varietà	5.000	
186) IL GIORNALINO	settimanale	per ragazzi	5.000	

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1[illegible])	IL MONDO DEI PICCOLI	settimanale	per ragazzi	10.000
18[illegible])	FUMETTO	settimanale	per ragazzi	10.000
189)	LO STUDENTE	settimanale	probl.scolast.	5.000
190)	SCOLASTICA	trimestrale	ins.elementare	5.000
191)	CRONACHE SCOLASTICHE	mensile	org.insegnanti	10.000
192)	DIRITTI DELLA SCUOLA	ogni 20 giorni	org.insegnanti	10.000
193)	LA VOCE DELLA SCUOLA	quindicinale	org.insegnanti	2.000
194)	MASCHERE	mensile	teatro	5.000
195)	LA SCENA	settimanale	teatro	10.000
196)	EDEN	settimanale	teatro di var.	2.000
197)	LO SPETTATORE	mensile	tecnico cinem.	12.000
198)	LA CACCIA	settimanale	sportivo	6.000
199)	LA CACCIA ILLUSTRATA (suppl."La Caccia")	bisettimanale	sportivo	2.000
200)	IL CAVALLO	settimanale	sportivo	3.000
201)	NUOVO SPORT	quotidiano	sportivo	3.000
202)	IL CORRIERE DELLO SPORT		sportivo	4.000
203)	BOLLETTINO UFFICIALE DEL LE NAZIONALI CORSE AL TROTTO	settimanale	sportivo tec.	
204)	A.I.A.C.	settimanale	sintesi pol.	5.000
205)	LA STAMPA DEL MONDO	settimanale	rass.stampa	15.000
206)	POLITICA ESTERA	mensile	riv.stampa est.	10.000
207)	SARDEGNA	bimestrale	probl.locali	1.000
208)	BUONGIORNO	settimanale	O.N.D.	20.000
209)	NOVELLE DI TUTTI I PAESI	settimanale	novellistica	10.000
210)	SETTE	quindicinale	racconti	6.000
211)	ITALIA ILLUSTRATA	settimanale	varieta'	60.000
212)	POESIA E VERITA'	mensile	culturale	2.000
213)	PI ESSE	quindicinale	Pubbl.Sic.	8.000
214)	IL CARABINIERE DELLA NUOVA ITALIA	mensile	Arma Carabinieri	10.000
215)	GIORNALE DEGLI INFERMI (ex Periodico degli Stati)	bimensile	categoria	2.000
216)	PER IL VOSTRO MIDO	mensile	ricami	2.000
217)	ISRAEL	settimanale	com. ebraica	2.000
218)	LA CUCINA ITALIANA	mensile	culinaria	10.000
219)	MONZIARIO (Olii e sanse)	mensile	industriale	200
220)	FOR YOU	mensile	propaganda	5.000
221)	NOVELLE D'AMORE DEI PAESI	mensile	novelle	5.000

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188)	IL MONDO DEI PICCOLI	settimanale	per ragazzi	10.000
189)	RUGAZZETTO	settimanale	per ragazzi	10.000
190)	LO STUDENTE	settimanale	probl.scolast.	5.000
191)	SCOLASTICA	settimanale	inc.elementare	5.000
192)	CRONACHE SCOLASTICHE	trimestrale	org.insegnanti	10.000
193)	DIRITTI DELLA SCUOLA	mensile	org.insegnanti	10.000
194)	LA VOCE DELLA SCUOLA	ogni 20 giorni	org.insegnanti	2.000
195)	RASSEGNA	quindicinale	teatro	5.000
196)	LA SCENA	mensile	teatro	10.000
197)	EDEN	settimanale	teatro di var.	2.000
198)	LO SPETTATORE	settimanale	tecnico cinem.	12.000
199)	LA CACCIA	mensile	sportivo	6.000
199)	LA CACCIA ILLUSTRATA (suppl."La Caccia")	settimanale	sportivo	2.000
200)	IL CAVALLO	bisettimanale	sportivo	3.000
201)	NUOVO SPORT	settimanale	sportivo	3.000
202)	IL CORRIERE DELLO SPORT	quotidiano	sportivo	2.000
203)	BOLLETTINO UFFICIALE DELLE CORSE AL TROTTO	settimanale	sportivo tec.	
204)	A.B.C.	settimanale	sintesi pol.	5.000
205)	LA STAMPA DEL MONDO	settimanale	rass.stampa	15.000
206)	POLITICA ESTERA	bimestrale	riv.stampa est.	10.000
207)	SARDEGNA	bimestrale	probl.locali	1.000
208)	BUONGIORNO	settimanale	O.N.D.	20.000
209)	NOVELLE DI TUTTI I PAESI	settimanale	novellistica	10.000
210)	SETTE	quindicinale	racconti	6.000
211)	ITALIA ILLUSTRATA	settimanale	varietà	60.000
212)	POESIA E VERITA'	mensile	culturale	2.000
213)	DI ESSE	quindicinale	Dubbl.Sic.	8.000
214)	IL CARABINIERE DELLA NUOVA ITALIA	mensile	Arma Carabinieri	10.000
215)	GIORNALE DEGLI IMPIEGATI (ex Periodico degli Statali)	bimensile	categoria	2.000
216)	PER IL VOSTRO NIDO	mensile	ricami	8.000
217)	ISRAEL	settimanale	com. ebraica	2.000
218)	LA CUCINA ITALIANA	mensile	culinaria	10.000
219)	NOVIZIARIO (Oli e sonar)	mensile	industriale	200
220)	FOR YOU	mensile	propaganda	5.000
221)	NOVELLE D'AMORE DEI PAESI LIBERI	mensile	novelle	5.000

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TITOLO	PERIODICITA'	CARATTERE	TIRATURA
NAPOLI			
1) RISORGIMENTO	quotidiano	P.W.B.	120.000
2) IL GIORNALE DEL POPOLO	quotidiano	democristiano	15.000
3) LA VOCE	quotidiano	com.social.	50.000
4) IL GIORNALE (ex'Libertà')	quotidiano	liberale	50.000
5) IL DOMANI D'ITALIA	quotidiano	democristiano	15.000
6) L'AZIONE	bisettimanale	P.d'A.	35.000
7) IL LAVORO D'ITALIA	settimanale	dem.lavoro	12.000
8) IL GIORNO (4 pag.)	settimanale	demoliberale	30.000
9) BATTAGLIE SINDACALI	settimanale	C.G.L.	20.000
10) LA TIACCOLA	settimanale	soc.riv.	10.000
11) LA REPUBBLICA	settimanale	repubblicano	10.000
12) BOLLETTINO MENSILE INTERNO	mensile	comunista	500
13) LA TRIBUNA DEI TERRAPOVIERI	bimensile	categoria	2000
14) IL LAVORATORE DEL MARE	settimanale	un.marinai	10.000
15) IL FARO	bimensile	lav.portuali	10.000
16) CORRIERE DEL LAVORO	settimanale	Un.lavoratori	5.000
17) PANORAMA	settimanale	indipendente	10.000
18) BOLLETTINO DELL'ISTITUTO SIEROTERAPICO	mensile	medico	500
19) IL PROGRESSO MEDICO	bimensile	medico	4.000
20) FOGLI ANNUNZI LEGALI	bisettimanale	legale	1.000
21) GIUSTIZIA	settimanale	legale	5.000
22) CILENTO	settimanale	artistico	10.000
23) RENDICONTO SOCIETA' REALE	annuale	R.S.Scienze	500
24) STOA	mensile	pol.scient.	500
25) IL NOSTRO DOMANI	trimestrale	ist.Oriente	250
26) ARETHUSA	mensile	letterario	2.000
27) GIOVENTU'	mensile	scolastico	2.000
28) LIBERA SCUOLA	bimensile	scolastico	5.000
29) SOLIDARIETA'	mensile	educativo	10.000
30) LA SANZIONA (ex"La Prora")	settimanale	pedagogico	3.000
31) L'UNIVERSITA' DI NAPOLI"	settimanale	boll.uff.	14.000
32) L'ACROPOLI	mensile	educativo	7.000
33) BOLL.ECCLESIASTICO ARCIDIOCESI	mensile	religioso	2.500
34) L'ORFANELLA DI S.GEMMA	mensile	religioso	8.000
		orfani	5.000

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1)	RISORGIMENTO	quotidiano	P.W.B.	[illegible]
2)	IL GIORNALE DEL POPOLO	quotidiano	democristiano	15.000
3)	LA VOCE	quotidiano	com.social.	50.000
4)	IL GIORNALE (ex"Libertà")	quotidiano	liberale	50.000
5)	IL DOMANI D'ITALIA	bisettimanale	democristiano	15.000
6)	L'AZIONE	settimanale	P.d'A.	35.000
7)	IL LAVORO D'ITALIA	settimanale	dem.lavoro	12.000
8)	IL GIORNO (4 pag.)	settimanale	demoliberale	30.000
9)	BATTAGLIE SINDACALI	settimanale	C.G.L.	20.000
10)	LA PIACCOLA	settimanale	soc.riv.	10.000
11)	LA REPUBBLICA	settimanale	repubblicano	10.000
12)	BOLLETTINO MENSILE INTERNO	mensile	comunista	500
13)	LA TRIBUNA DEI INVALIDI	bimensile	categoria	2000
14)	IL LAVORATORE DEL MARE	settimanale	un.marinai	10.000
15)	IL FARO	bimensile	lav.portuali	10.000
16)	CORRIERE DEL LAVORO	settimanale	Un.lavoratori	5.000
17)	PANORAMA	settimanale	indipendente	10.000
18)	BOLLETTINO DELL'ISTITUTO SANATORIALE	mensile	medico	500
19)	IL PROGRESSO MEDICO	bimensile	medico	4.000
20)	NUOVI ANNUNZI LEGALI	bisettimanale	legale	1.000
21)	GIUSTIZIA	settimanale	legale	5.000
22)	CILENTO	settimanale	artistico	10.000
23)	RENDICONTO SOCIETA' REALI	annuale	R.S.Scienze	500
24)	STOA	mensile	pol.scient.	500
25)	IL NOSTRO DOMANI	trimestrale	ist.Oriente	250
26)	ARCHIVIO	mensile	letterario	2.000
27)	GIOVENTU'	mensile	scolastico	2.000
28)	NUOVA SCUOLA	bimensile	scolastico	5.000
29)	SOLIDARIETA'	mensile	educativo	10.000
30)	LA LANTERNA (ex"La Fiamma")	settimanale	pedagogico	3.000
31)	L'UNIVERSITA' DI NAPOLI"	settimanale	boll.uff.	14.000
32)	L'ACROPOLI	mensile	educativo	7.000
33)	BOLL.ECCLESIASTICO ARCHIDIOCESI	mensile	religioso	2.500
34)	D'ORIANELLA DI S.GELTRUDE	mensile	religioso	8.000
35)	LA BARCACCIA DELL'ARCO	bimestrale	orfani	5.000
36)	LISTINO UFF.BORSA	5 volte sett.	borsa e valori	50
37)	CORRIERE DEL COSTRUTTORE	periodico	industriale	2.000
38)	NAPOLI	mensile	municipio	300
~~39)~~	~~BOLLETTINO~~	~~mensile~~	~~medico~~	~~500~~

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TITOLO	PERIODICITA'	CARATTERE	TIRATURA
VITERBO			
VOCE DI VITERBO	settimanale	A.N.G.	3.000
RIETI			
LA PROVINCIA	settimanale	A.N.G.	3.000
FROSINONE			
IL POPOLANO	settimanale	comunista	3.000
AQUILA			
RISORGERE	settimanale	P.N.E.	4.000
CHIETI			
LA RINASCITA D'ABRUZZO			
CASTELLAMMARE (Napoli)			
IL PELLEGRINO	mensile	parrocchiale	500
SORRENTO (Napoli)			
LA RIVIERA	settimanale	cattolico	15.000
PALERMO Il Corriere	settimanale	Indipend.	20.000
1) VEDETTA LIBERALE	settimanale	P.L.	4.000
2) UNITA' PROLETARIA	settimanale	P.C.	4.000
3) IL LAVORO	settimanale	socialista	7.000
4) DEMOCRAZIA DEL LAVORO	settimanale	dem.lavoro	3.000
5) L'ORA DEL POPOLO	settimanale	democristiano	7.000
6) ALBA REPUBBLICANA	settimanale	P.d'A.	5.000
7) CROCIATA NOSTRA (ex "Gioventù")	mensile	religioso	1.000
8) DON CHISCIOTTE	bimensile	umoristico	15.000
9) ARCHIVIO DI SCIENZA DEL LA CELEBRAZIONE E DEI PERCUSSI	trimestrale	scientifico	350
10) VITA DIOCESANA	bimensile	religioso	300
CASTELVETRANO			
[illegible]	[illegible]le	P.d'A.	[illegible]

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VOCE DI VITERBO	settimanale	A.N.V.	
RIETI			
LA PROVINCIA	settimanale	A.N.G.	3.000
TRIESTE			
IL POPOLANO	settimanale	comunista	3.000
AQUILA			
RISORGERE	settimanale	P.N.E.	4.000
CHIETI			
LA RINASCITA D'ABRUZZO			
PRATAMAGGIORE (Napoli)			
IL RISVEGLIO	mensile	parrocchiale	500
SORRENTO (Napoli)			
LA RIVIERA	settimanale	cattolico	15.000
PALERMO Il Corriere			
1) VEDETTA LIBERALE	settimanale	Indipend.	20.000
2) UNITA' PROLETARIA	settimanale	P.L.	4.000
3) IL LAVORO	settimanale	P.C.	4.000
4) DEMOCRAZIA DEL LAVORO	settimanale	socialista	7.000
5) L'ORA DEL POPOLO	settimanale	dem.lavoro	3.000
6) ALBA REPUBBLICANA	settimanale	democristiano	7.000
7) CROCIATA NOSTRA (ex "Gioventù")	mensile	P.d'A.	5.000
8) DON CHISCIOTTE	bimensile	religioso	1.000
9) ARCHIVIO DI SCIENZA DEL LA CELEBRAZIONE E DEI FOLCLORISTI	trimestrale	umoristico	15.000
0) VITA DIOCESANA	bimensile	scientifico	350
		religioso	300
[illegible]	[illegible]	P.d'A.	2.[illegible]
ISERNIA			
LA RISCOSSA	settimanale	socialista	5000
LERICI (Salerno)			
RINASCITA	settimanale	indipendente	[illegible]

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TITOLO	PERIODICITA'	CATEGORIA	PREZZO
1) [illegible]			
1)[illegible] DEL MEZZOGIORNO	quotidiano	P.N.F.	70.000
2)L'IDEA LIBERALE	settimanale	liberale	15.000
3)CIVILTA' PROLETARIA	settimanale	comunista	15.000
4)IL RISVEGLIO	settimanale	democristiano	12.000
5)AVANTI!	settimanale	socialista	20.000
6)LA RASSEGNA	settimanale	indipendente	12.000
7)IL SECONDO RISORGIMENTO	settimanale	giovanile	5.000
8)RISCOSSA	bimensile	femminile	6.000
9)RACCONTI	bimensile	novelle	5.000
10)[illegible]	mensile	umoristico	10.000
11)[illegible]	bimensile	boys scouts	6.000
12)L'ECO	mensile	rass.stam.est.	8.000
13)[illegible]	bimensile	radio	5.000
14)[illegible] VITA	mensile	religioso	5.000
15)[illegible]	settimanale	religioso	500
16)L'[illegible]	mensile	religioso	5.000
17)[illegible]	mensile	religioso	1.500
18)[illegible]	bimensile	religioso	8.000
19)LA FAMIGLIA	mensile	religioso	10.000
20)[illegible]	mensile	religioso	
21)L'AURORA [illegible]	settimanale	religioso	5.000
22)LA DILIGENZA	semestrale	per ragazzi	5.000
23)[illegible]		storico	500
CASA-MASSIMA (Bari)			
LA CROCE	bimensile	religioso	700
NOICATTARO (Bari)			
[illegible] CHRISTI	bimensile	seminario	1.500
ORATORIANI	settimanale	culturale	3.000
[illegible] (Bari)			
ROGATE ERGO	mensile	religioso	1.000
[illegible] (Bari)			
[illegible]	mensile	notiziario	
[illegible] (Bari)			
RACCOLTA	quindicinale	religioso	500

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3)[illegible]	settimanale	democristiano	12.000
4)IL RISVEGLIO	settimanale	socialista	20.000
5)[illegible]	settimanale	indipendente	12.000
6)[illegible]	settimanale	giovanile	5.000
7)IL [illegible] RISORGIMENTO	settimanale	femminile	6.000
8)[illegible]CONTA	bimensile	novelle	5.000
9)RACCONTI	bimensile	umoristico	10.000
10)[illegible]	mensile	boys scouts	6.000
11)[illegible]	bimensile	rass.stam.est.	8.000
12)[illegible]	mensile	radio	5.000
13)[illegible]	bimensile	religioso	5.000
14)[illegible]	mensile	religioso	500
15)[illegible]	settimanale	religioso	5.000
16)[illegible]	mensile	religioso	1.500
17)[illegible]	mensile	religioso	8.000
18)[illegible]	bimensile	religioso	10.000
19)LA FAMIGLIA	mensile	religioso	
20)[illegible]	mensile	religioso	5.000
21)L'AURORA [illegible]	mensile	per ragazzi	5.000
22)LA [illegible]	settimanale	storico	500
23)[illegible]	semestrale		

CASAMASSIMA (Bari)

LA CROCE	bimensile	religioso	700

[illegible] (Bari)

MILES CHRISTI	bimensile	seminario	1.500
ORIZZONTI	settimanale	culturale	3.000

[illegible] (Bari)

ROGATE ERGO	mensile	religioso	1.000

[illegible] (Bari)

L'[illegible]	mensile	notiziario	

[illegible] (Bari)

[illegible]	quindicinale	religioso	500

PUGLIA

LA CATTEDRALE	settimanale	informazioni	5.000
[illegible]	quindicinale	religioso	1.000
L'[illegible]	mensile	religioso	600

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TITOLO	PERIODICITA'	CARATTERE	TIRATURA
ILLEGIBILE (Foggia)			
AZIONE DEMOCRATICA	settimanale	not.locali	2.000
LECCE			
1) LA PROVINCIA DI LECCE	settimanale	probl.locali	4.500
2) LIBERA VOCE	settimanale	P. d'A.	3.000
3) IL SALENTO	settimanale	demoliberale	3.000
4) IL TRIFUNO SALENTINO	settimanale	socialista	3.000
5) DEMOCRAZIA DEL LAVORO	settimanale	partito lav.	4.000
6) IL LAVORATORE DEL SALENTO	settimanale	comunista	4.000
7) LA BOTTEGA	settimanale	notiziario	5.000
8) ITALIA	settimanale	esercito	
9) LA FIAMMA	mensile	religioso	600
10) RITORNO	mensile	culturale	150
TARANTO			
LA VOCE DEL POPOLO	settimanale	monarchico	3.000
LA RINASCITA	settimanale	demoliberale	3.000
FORZE UNITE	settimanale	C.L.N.	3.000
CORRIERE JONICO (ex"Giustizia Sociale")	settimanale	democristiano	5.000
BRINDISI			
L'UNIONE	mensile	monarchico	5.000
POTENZA			
L'ORDINE	trimensile	democristiano	2.000
IL LAVORATORE	mensile	indipendente	1.000
AZIONE PROLETARIA	settimanale	comunista	2.000
IL GAZZETTINO	bimensile	legale	
DEMOCRAZIA (Melfi)	bimensile	dem.lav.	500
MURO LUCANO (Potenza)			
LA RINASCITA	decadale ~~bimensile~~	notiziario	4.000
CATANZARO			
1)TERRA BRUZIA	settimanale	dem.lavoro	1.000
2)NUOVA CALABRIA	quotidiano	notiziario	8.000
3)LA VOCE DEL POPOLO	settimanale	comunista	6.500
4)CALABRIA AVANTI!	settimanale	socialista	6.000
5)L'IDEA CRISTIANA	settimanale	democristiano	8.000
6)IL RINNOVAMENTO	settimanale	demoliberale	4.000
7)L'AMICO DEL POPOLO	settimanale	repubblicano	4.000

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1) LA PROVINCIA DI LECCE	settimanale	probl.locali	4.500
2) LIBERA VOCE	settimanale	P. d'A.	3.000
3) IL SALENTO	settimanale	demoliberale	3.000
4) IL TRIFUNO SALENTINO	settimanale	socialista	3.000
5) DEMOCRAZIA DEL LAVORO	settimanale	partito lav.	4.000
6) IL LAVORATORE DEL SALENTO	settimanale	comunista	4.000
7) LA BOTTEGA	settimanale	notiziario	5.000
8) ITALIA	settimanale	esercito	
9) LA FIAMMA	mensile	religioso	600
10) RITORNO	mensile	culturale	150
TARANTO			
LA VOCE DEL POPOLO	settimanale	monarchico	3.000
LA RINASCITA	settimanale	demoliberale	3.000
FORZE UNITE	settimanale	C.L.N.	3.000
CORRIERE JONICO (ex"Giustizia Sociale")	settimanale	democristiano	5.000
BRINDISI			
L'UNIONE	mensile	monarchico	5.000
POTENZA			
L'ORDINE	trimensile	democristiano	2.000
IL LAVORATORE	mensile	indipendente	1.000
AZIONE PROLETARIA	settimanale	comunista	2.000
IL GAZZETTINO	bimensile	legale	
DEMOCRAZIA (Melfi)	bimensile	dem.lav.	500
MURO LUCANO (Potenza)	~~bimensile~~ decadale		
LA RINASCITA		notiziario	4.000
CATANZARO			
1)TERRA BRUZIA	settimanale	dem.lavoro	1.000
2)NUOVA CALABRIA	quotidiano	notiziario	8.000
3)LA VOCE DEL POPOLO	settimanale	comunista	6.500
4)CALABRIA AVANTI!	settimanale	socialista	6.000
5)L'IDEA CRISTIANA	settimanale	democristiano	8.000
6)IL RINNOVAMENTO	settimanale	demoliberale	4.000
7)L'AMICO DEL POPOLO	settimanale	repubblicano	4.000
8)VETRINA DELLA CULTURA	mensile	culturale	3.000
9)LA CALABRIA GIUDIZIARIA	mensile	legale	2.000
10)NORD E SUD	settimanale	pol.letterario	2.000

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TITOLO	PERIODICITA'	CARATTERE	TIRATURA
VIBO VALENTIA (Catanzaro)			
IL LAVORO	bimensile	dem.lavoro	1.000
NICASTRO (Catanzaro)			
IL PROLETARIO	settimanale	comunista	2.000
LA CALABRIA	settimanale	demoliberale	2.000
REGGIO CALABRIA			
1) IL TEMPO	quotidiano	informazioni	12.000
2) IL LAVORATORE	settimanale	comunista	4.000
3) DEMOCRAZIE	settimanale	dem.lav.	2.500
4) L'AZIONE	settimanale	P.d'A.	3.000
5) VOCI DELLA CALABRIA	settimanale	democristiano	8.000
6) LA LUCE	settimanale		4.000
7) L'AMICO DEL POPOLO	settimanale	conf.lav.	8.000
8) IL COMMERCIO CALABRESE	settimanale	commerciale	3.000
COSENZA			
1) CORRIERE DEL SUD (ex "Italia Nuova")	quotidiano	notiziario	5.000
2) ORDINE PROLETARIO	settimanale	ccomunista	4.000
3) LA PAROLA SOCIALISTA	settimanale	socialista	5.000
4) EMANCIPAZIONE	settimanale	P.d'A.	3.000
5) DEMOCRAZIA CRISTIANA	settimanale	democristiano	2.500
6) CALABRIA DEMOCRATICA	settimanale	liberale	3.000
7) LA VESPA	settimanale	umoristico	500
8) LA PAROLA	settimanale	religioso	6.000
9) CALABRIA MEDICA	mensile	soc.medica	1.500
10) BATTAGLIE SCOLASTICHE	mensile	pedagogico	1.000
11) BOLLETTINO DELLA ARCHI-DIOCESI	mensile	ecclesiastico	500
12) LA VOCE DEL SANTUARIO	mensile	religioso	1.000
13) IL SANTUARIO DI LAURI-CHIO	mensile	religioso	1.000
14) CIVILTA' CATTOLICA	bimensile	cattolico	1.000
15) L'AGRICOLTURA CALABRESE	bimensile	agricolo	1.000
16) IL FORO COSENTINO	bimensile	legale	200
ROSSANO DI CALABRIA (Cosenza)			
NUOVA ROSSANO	quadrimestrale	probl.locali	800
BIBLIOTHECA ROSSANENSIS	mensile	religioso	100
CASTROVILLARI (Cosenza)			

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MICASTRO (Catanzaro)

IL PROLETARIO	settimanale	comunista	2.000
LA CALABRIA	settimanale	demoliberale	2.000

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REGGIO CALABRIA

1) IL TEMPO	quotidiano	informazioni	12.000
2) IL LAVORATORE	settimanale	comunista	4.000
3) DEMOCRAZIE	settimanale	dem.lav.	2.500
4) L'AZIONE	settimanale	P.d'A.	3.000
5) VOCI DELLA CALABRIA	settimanale	democristiano	8.000
6) LA LUCE	settimanale		4.000
7) L'AMICO DEL POPOLO	settimanale	conf.lav.	8.000
8) IL COMMERCIO CALABRESE	settimanale	commerciale	3.000

COSENZA

1) CORRIERE DEL SUD (ex "Italia Nuova")	quotidiano	notiziario	5.000
2) ORDINE PROLETARIO	settimanale	ccomunista	4.000
3) LA PAROLA SOCIALISTA	settimanale	socialista	5.000
4) EMANCIPAZIONE	settimanale	P.d'A.	3.000
5) DEMOCRAZIA CRISTIANA	settimanale	democristiano	2.500
6) CALABRIA DEMOCRATICA	settimanale	liberale	3.000
7) LA VESPA	settimanale	umoristico	500
8) LA PAROLA	settimanale	religioso	6.000
9) CALABRIA MEDICA	mensile	soc.medica	1.500
10) BATTAGLIE SCOLASTICHE	mensile	pedagogico	1.000
11) BOLLETTINO DELLA ARCHI-DIOCESI	mensile	ecclesiastico	500
12) LA VOCE DEL SANTUARIO	mensile	religioso	1.000
13) IL SANTUARIO DI LAURI-CHIO	mensile	religioso	1.000
14) CIVILTA' CATTOLICA	bimensile	cattolico	1.000
15) L'AGRICOLTURA CALABRESE	bimensile	agricolo	1.000
16) IL FORO COSENTINO	bimensile	legale	200

ROSSANO DI CALABRIA (Cosenza)

NUOVA ROSSANO	quotidiano	probl.locali	800
BIBLIOTHECA ROSSANENSIS	mensile	religioso	100

CASTROVILLARI (Cosenza)

LA VOCE DEL POPOLO	settimanale	liberale	500

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TITOLO	PERIODICITA'	CARATTERE	TIRATURA
JUNGRO			
BOLLETTINO ECCLESIASTICO DELLA DIOCESI	trimestrale	religioso	100
CASSANO JONICO (Cosenza)			
BOLLETTINO ECCLESIASTICO DELLA DIOCESI	aperiodico	religioso	150
SAN MARCO ARGENTANO (Cosenza)			
BOLLETTINO ECCLESIASTICO DELLA DIOCESI		religioso	200
PALERMO			
1) GIORNALE DI SICILIA	quotidiano	D.C.	50.000
2) LA VOCE COMUNISTA	quotidiano	comunista	30.000
3) POPOLO E LIBERTA'	quotidiano	dem.cristiano	30.000
4) LA VOCE SOCIALISTA	quotidiano	socialista	5.000
5) L'ORA NUOVA (ex "Tribuna del Popolo")	quotidiano	dem.lav.	3.000
6) L'AZIONE DEL POPOLO	settimanale	P.d'A.	3.000
7) BOLLETTINO DEL LAVORO PER LA SICILIA	mensile		1.000
8) SICILIA AGRICOLA	mensile	agricoltori	2.000
9) IL LAVORATORE	settimanale	un.sindac.	2.500
10) FORO SICILIANO	mensile	legale	2.000
11) LA LEGGE	mensile	legale	1.000
12) ECONOMIA SICILIANA	bimensile	economico	2.000
13) GIORNALE DI MEDICINA	mensile	scientifico	1.000
14) SCIENZA E UMANITA'	mensile	scientifico	500
15) BOLL.DELLA SOCIETA' DEI CONCERTI DEL CONSERVATORIO	bimensile	musicale	500
16) LA NUOVA CRITICA	mensile	artist.lett.	1.000
17) NOVELLA SETTIMANALE	settimanale	novellistica	2.000
18) RADIO RIVISTA	settimanale	radio	3.000
19) LA ROTATIVA SPORTIVA	settimanale	sportivo	1.000
20) LA VOCE CATTOLICA	bimensile	religioso	3.000
21) AI NOSTRI AMICI	mensile	religioso	2.000
22) IL BECCO GIALLO	settimanale	satirico	10.000
23) RICOSTRUZIONE LIBERALE	settimanale	P.Liberale	5.000

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DELLA DIOCESI

CASSANO JONICO (Cosenza)

BOLLETTINO ECCLESIASTICO DELLA DIOCESI	periodico	religioso	150

SAN MARCO ARGENTANO (Cosenza)

BOLLETTINO ECCLESIASTICO DELLA DIOCESI		religioso	200

PALERMO

1) GIORNALE DI SICILIA	quotidiano	P.N.B.	50.000
2) LA VOCE COMUNISTA	quotidiano	comunista	30.000
3) POPOLO E LIBERTA'	quotidiano	dem.cristiano	30.000
4) LA VOCE SOCIALISTA	quotidiano	socialista	5.000
5) L'ORA NUOVA (ex 'Tribuna del Popolo')	quotidiano	dem.lav.	3.000
6) L'AZIONE DEL POPOLO	settimanale	P.d'A.	3.000
7) BOLLETTINO DEL LAVORO PER LA SICILIA	mensile		1.000
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CORRIERE DI SICILIA	quotidiano	P.N.B.	30.000
LA SICILIA	quotidiano	P.Liberale	30.000
BOLLETTINO SOCIETA' MEDICO CHIRURGICA	trimestrale	medico	20

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TITOLO	PERIODICITA'	CARATTERE	TIRATURA
TARANTO			
NOTIZIARIO DI MARINA	quotidiano	notiziario	10.000
URBINO			
LA GAZZETTA DEL POPOLO	bisettimanale	notiziario	1.000
BOLLETTINO MEDICO	trimestrale	medico	300
VICENZA (Provincia)			
AUSONIA	bimensile	arte lett.	1.000
SIRACUSA			
IL SOLLETICO	settimanale	umoristico	12.000
PALAZZOLO ACREIDE			
IL CRISAFORO	settimanale	P.d'A.	10.000
CALTANISSETTA			
LA VITA SICILIANA	bisettimanale	notiziario	2.000
RAGUSA			
LA GAZZETTA	bisettimanale	notiziario	5.000
VITA NUOVA	mensile	letterario	300
SASSARI			
IL SOLCO	bisettimanale	notiziario	2.000
CAGLIARI			
1) L'UNIONE SARDA	quotidiano	notiziario	30.000
2) CORRIERE DI SARDEGNA	settimanale	democristiano	6.000
3) RIVOLUZIONE LIBERALE	settimanale	liberale	6.000
4) PUBBLICAZIONI STAZIONE DI IDROBIOLOGIA	trimestrale	scientifico	400
5) RASSEGNA MEDICA	mensile	scientifico	250
6) RENDICONTO SANITARIO	trimestrale	religioso	400
ORISTANO			
LA SARDEGNA CATTOLICA	bimensile	religioso	9.000
ATTUALITA'	mensile	religioso	5.000

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LA GAZZETTA DEL POPOLO	bisettimanale	notiziario	1.000
L'OBIETTIVO MEDICO	trimestrale	medico	300
SICCO (Cremona)			
AIRONE	bimensile	arte lett.	1.000
SIRACUSA			
IL SOLLETICO	settimanale	umoristico	12.000
SALIZZOLO (Verona)			
IL SEMAFORO	settimanale	P.d'A.	10.000
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4) IL LAVORATORE	settimanale	P.C.	6.000
5) RISCOSSA	bimensile	indipendente	10.000
IGLESIAS			
IL SARDEGNA SOCIALISTA	settimanale	socialista	6.000

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3) IL SOLCO	settimanale	P.E.A.	6.000
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5) DISCUSSA	bimensile	indipendente	10.000

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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C/PRB

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I wrote to Ion a few days ago suggesting that he let me know about such matters - and particularly about A.C. officers making statements - before they actually happen. I am sure you will appreciate the desirability of such co-ordination.

Yours

Copy to: Brig. Upjohn

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APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

2/PRB 22 Dec 44

SUBJECT : Press Conferences

TO : Lieut. Colonel I.S. Munro,
Executive Secretary, APB.

Dear Ion,

A certain amount of alarm and despondency is being generated here by some of your Press Conferences. I have never, as you know, objected to them so long as I know that they won't run counter to policy. However, Andrews seems to have delivered himself of a pessimistic oration which would have been cut out of my Bulletins, if I had tried it on. I should be very grateful, and I think it would save complications, if you could inform me before you ask AC staff to deliver their views to the world.

Yours

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Rome Newspapers of Dec. 21.

ITALIA NUOVA, ITALIA LIBERA and RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE give account of an interview with PWB and Col P.S. Andrews of Allied Commission on appalling conditions of Abruzzi and other provinces South of Rome. Risorgimento Liberale also states that clothes have arrived to Naples from U.S.

ITALIA NUOVA under the title "Hunt to the Rabbit" states that there are over 15 casualties a day due to Allied traffic.

UNITA ' - Fish from Anzio and Nettuno goes mostly to the black market instead of AAS.

AVANTI in article bearing the title "For starving Rome" says that Rome population is tired of promises which are not kept. Provincial officials are responsible for it. For instance (1) in Sardinia the High Commissioner has fixed too high a price for lambs (the Allies would have given aircrafts for transport); (2) in Macerata a Rome retailer collected 80.000 eggs but was arrested because the Prefect had ordered the block of eggs in the Province in spite of Ministerial provisions to the contrary; (3) an official of SEPRAL went to Perugia for getting meat for ill people (incidentaly in Perugia they get 350 grs of meat per week) but the Prefect refused to give him any.

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PRB

Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers

n. 3158

Rome 16 December 194[illegible]

Dear Admiral,

I have received the copy of memorandum n.90 of A.F.H.Q. which you transmitted me, concerning the delegation to the Italian Press Commission of the powers which formerly belonged to A.P.B.

I agree with A.P.B. and think that a close cooperation between A.P.B. and the Italian Press Commission is necessary; this should take place through an exchange of informations about their respective activities, to facilitate the future passage to the Italian Authority of the territories which are now controlled by A.M.G. for what concerns the press.

I deem it useful that for what concerns their respective jurisdiction, A.P.B. and the Italian Press Commission should keep the present system of sending observators to the meetings of the organs and sending accounts of these meetings.

I have also considered what is said in order n.90 about the particular situation of the periodical papers printed by F.W.B.

Truly yours,

s/ I. Bonomi

Admiral Ellery Stone
Chief of the Allied Commission
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trans. e.c.

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Brig Fidden
Have the complete article

ADVANCED ALLIED FORCE
HEADQUARTERS
LIAISON SECTION.

11th December, 1944.

Colonel P. Astley.

You might be interested in the article on Italy in the U.S. Magazine "TIME" for the twentyseventh of November. I have not got it.

I have been told to-day that there is an article on a recent demonstration in ROME (which was only the socialist meeting) at which 25,000 Redshirts took part, and that this was part of the Italian Government crisis. This appears to be a serious instance of deliberate incorrect reporting, and if you think fit, appropriate action might perhaps be taken.

COUNT DE SALIS
Lieut. Colonel.

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Lt Col. de Salis.

This is purely a political matter. The damage appears to have been done already, but Maj Holden of AC might be interested.

12. Dec 44 -

JR Astley -
5849 Col
PTO.

"T I M E" M A G A Z I N E

- 27 Nov 44 -

CRISIS IN ITALY

In Italy the Government of Premier Ivance Bonomi faced a crisis almost as acute as that threatening Premier Pierlot. In Rome, the Socialists and Communists (whose Naples membership had bounded from 2,000 to 60,000 in a year) staged a huge public rally. Up the Palatine Hill trudged thousands of men & women, carrying big pictures of Stalin and Lenin and Hammer-&-Sickle flags. Soon the Domitian Stadium (some 175 yds. long by 52 wide) was jammed with 25,000 red-shirted demonstrators. Most of them were middle-class.

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OFFICE OF THE CENTRAL
A L L I E D P U B L I C A T I O N S B O A R D
62 Via Veneto - Room 108
Rome

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Minutes of November 30, 1944 meeting were read and approved, subject to the correction that Major Howard's name be inserted as a member of the Board present and not as an observer, in accordance with Paragraph 1 c (3) of Order 50.

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The 89 recommendations for new publications, together with the demands for increased newsprint tonnage suspended from last meeting were referred back to the Italian Commission for them to deal with in terms of Order 50.

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Mr. Barney, Rome Press Officer, reported that the Italian Press Commission and the Italian Government authorities had created a sub-committee of technicians ready to make contact with the Allied authorities in order to implement eventual plans for newsprint distribution and allotment.

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A letter from Col. W. P. Evans, Director of the Commerce Sub-Commission of A.C., writing for the Chief Commissioner, was read to the meeting. The arrangements referred to in the letter concerning newsprint requirements and distribution were accepted in principal and the Executive Secretary was instructed to insert the letter as part of the minutes (copy attached).

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A letter from Captain Piscop was read, describing the material required before the Nomentana Paper Mill could be put into efficiency. A note on this letter by Col. Brown was also read, pointing out that this problem was one for the Italian Government in conjunction with the Industry Sub-Commission of A.C. and that this mill was government-owned property and it was not the responsibility of APB. The motion was made and carried that this matter be referred to the Italian Press Commission.

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Major Alexander reported that this matter had been referred to General McCrystal, Head of INC, for action.

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The hand-over plan for the local Naples APB under Order 50 was read and approved, together with the minutes of the last Naples meeting, dated 29 November 1944.

10. NEW APPLICATIONS

"Il Menestrello" (Aquila)

As the location of this newspaper is in territory under Italian jurisdiction, the Executive Secretary was instructed to pass it to the Italian Press Commission under Order 50.

"Voce Adriatica"

A demand to change this bi-weekly into a daily was submitted by the Director, Prof. Carlo Lavagna, whose demand was supported by the Provincial Commissioner. The application was approved with a circulation up to 15,000 daily.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
COMMERCE SUB-COMMISSION
Special Materials Section

Ref. AC/5-66/Commerce
Tel. 478.192

LVRW/FZ
7 December 1944

SUBJECT: Newsprint Requirements and Distribution

TO : Allied Publications Board
Via Veneto - (Attn. Lt. Col. I. S. Munro)

1. Reference your letter of 2 December 1944 and the meeting of A.P.B. of 30 November at which Mr. L. V. R. White of this Sub-Commission was requested to contact the Italian Press Commission and arrange the system of allocation and distrioution of newsprint under the terms of AFHQ memorandum N.50 of 25 November 1944. The following report is submitted.

2. It has been decided by Mr. White and Capt. Piscop that P.W.B. needs which must be covered will be met in the following three ways:

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Ref. AC/5-66/Commerce
Tel. 478.192

LVRW/FZ
7 December 1944

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TO : Allied Publications Board
Via Veneto - (Attn. Lt. Col. I. S. Munro)

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5. Further suggestions or recommendations will be appreciated. Upon approval of this plan, immediate steps will be taken to allocate the present stocks of newsprint and put the new system into operation.

For the Chief Commissioner:

W. P. EVANS
Colonel - Director
Commerce Sub-Commission.

Copies to: Economic Section
Capt. Piscop, Deputy Chief, Printing & Paper Section, P.W.B.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

2/PRB

12 December 1944

SUBJECT : NEWSPAPER AUTHORIZATIONS IN FORWARD AREAS;

TO : The Regional Commissioners of the following Regions:
LAZIO-UMBRIA, 24 ABRUZZI-MARCHE, 27 TOSCANA, 28 EMILIA, 26
PIEMONTE, 24 LIGURIA, 27 LOMBARDIA, 26 VENEZIA, 8 and
SCAO 5th Army AMG 43
SCAO 8th Army AMG 32

I should be grateful if you would see that a copy of the attached directive is sent to all Provincial Commissioners and CAOs in your area, in order to ensure that the matter is fully understood by all concerned.

Up to the present, in spite of Circulars sent out, there has been considerable misunderstanding with resulting duplication and delay.

LIONEL FIELDEN,
Major,
Public Relations Director.

Encl.: x Copies of Directive.

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A L L I E D P U B L I C A T I O N S B O A R D
62 Via Veneto
Rome

NEWSPAPER AUTHORISATIONS IN FORWARD AREAS

The following guidance directive (which supercedes all previous instructions on newspaper authorisations in forward areas) is for PWB officers in Army areas and AMG civil affairs officers in forward areas not yet under Italian jurisdiction.

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On entering a newly-liberated town or area, suspend all existing newspapers, clandestine or otherwise. This is to prevent the survival of Fascist or Fascist-inspired sheets and to check up on politically uncontrolled papers.

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PRECAUTIONS

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provisionally authorized by PWB and AMG. The following particulars should be forwarded for the information of the Executive Secretary, APB, to the above noted address: location of newspaper; title; character (i.e. non-political or Six-party); circulation; whether Daily or Weekly; name of responsible editor; and name of printer.

Finance and Management

In no case does PWB or AMG concern itself with the financial or administrative side of the newspapers. Approved editors should be allowed the financial fruits - and risks - of their enterprise.

Military Censorship

Military censorship is essential. This censorship will be exercised by responsible persons appointed by the AMG Provincial Commissioner. These censors will work in accordance with military censorship directives laid down by APHQ. PWB combat team press officers have copies of these directives which will be issued by them to the appropriate local AMG authorities.

NEWS SERVICE

PWB can provide a free news service within the limits of whatever communications exist or may be established. Local AMG officials should contact the local PWB combat team officer or write the Chief Press Officer, PWB Unit No. 12, APO 512, for details as required.

/S/ [illegible]
Lt Col

I. S. MUNRO
Lt. Colonel,
Executive Secretary, APB

7 December 1944

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

2/PRB

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TO : Chief of Staff, A.C.

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

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DECEMBER 12, 1944

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10. Any Other Business

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5 December 1944

SUBJECT : Press Authority Handover

TO : President of the Council of Ministers.

1. I transmit herewith a copy of AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 50 by which, in conformity with the established policy of the Allied Publications Board of progressively delegating its powers to the Italian authorities, certain powers are now delegated to the Italian Press Commission in territory under Italian government jurisdiction.

2. The Allied Publications Board feels it desirable that close cooperation, on an informational basis, be maintained between the Allied Publications Board and the Italian National Press Commission because it is felt that only in this way will it be possible for the newspaper permit decisions in AMG territory to merge easily into the Italian Press Commission's newspaper framework as the zones, at present under Allied jurisdiction, are handed over to the Italian jurisdiction.

3. It is felt, therefore, that the Allied Publications Board and the Italian National Press Commission should keep each other informed of any changes made in the newspaper set-up in Italy, under their respective jurisdiction, and if it is desired by both parties, that the existing system of reciprocal observers and reciprocal exchanges of minutes and decisions should be maintained.

4. Special attention is drawn to Article 3-c of Order No. 50 together with a resolution passed by the Allied Publications Board on November 8, 1944, reaffirming its position in the priority protection of PWB publications.

ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

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The attached letter from Eduan is, as you will see, a much watered-down version of the document originally intended for your signature and which I showed you before the meeting. The meeting felt, as you did, that nothing should be added to the original order, but that there would be no harm in suggesting reciprocal information as now conveyed in paras 2 and 3 of the letter. Para 4 was also passed by the meeting, though I personally do not see much to be gained from insisting on this rather more point which is already provided for in the administrative memorandum.

December 4.

L. Fielden.
Lieut. RN.

P.R.O.

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Chief of Staff.

Draft submitted as requested.

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OFFICE OF THE CENTRAL
ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD
62 Via Veneto - Room 108
Rome

1 December 1944.

TO : Commodore Ellery Stone, Chief Commissioner, AC

FROM: George W. Edman, A.D.P.W.O. (Lib.)

SUBJECT: Press Authority Handover

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George W. Edman
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OFFICE OF THE CENTRAL
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62 Via Veneto - Room 108
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1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

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Major Howard was welcomed as the Liaison Officer, PWB AC, replacing Mr. Minifie

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3. ACTION REQUIRED ON ORDER NO. 50

A. The Board decided to communicate a copy of Order No. 50 to the Head of the Italian Government through Commodore Stone, the Chief Commissioner of AC.

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10. NAPLES LOCAL APB

A. The minutes of the meeting of November 22nd were read and approved.

B. The Board decided that the Executive Secretary should go about the dissolution of the Naples Local APB after Commodore Stone's action.

11. GERMAN STOCKS IN TAGLIACOZZO

The Italian observer, Sig. Paresce, reported that the Italian Press Commission and the Italian Ministry were acting in accordance with the suggestions of this Board at the last meeting.

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ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD
PWB Unit 8 - APO 512

MINUTES OF MEETING of Naples Local Board held at 14.30 p.m.
on Wednesday 29 November 1944.

PRESENT: Capt. J.Whyte, A.C. Naples Zone (Chairman),
Capt. E.L.Stuart, Executive Secretary,
Capt. P.A.Romano, Military Censorship.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 November were read and approved.

2. Newsprint situation - about 76 tons, week-ending 25 November.

3. A request from La Confederaziono Generale Italiana del Lavoro to change the name of "BATTAGLIE SINDACALI" to "BATTAGLIE DEL LAVORO" was approved, subject to confirmation of the Central Board. The change was to avoid administrative difficulties following the papers' change of ownership.

4. Executive Secretary reported that further applications had been received. It was decided to keep them in abeyance without recommendation.

5. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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OFFICE OF THE CENTRAL
ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD

62 Via Veneto - Room 108
Rome

29 November 1944.

TO : Major Lionel Fielden, Public Relations Director, AC

FROM: Lt.Col. I.S.Munro, Executive Secretary

Enclosed please find, for your perusal, a copy of the agenda, with various attachments, for the meeting of the Central APB to be held on Thursday, November 30th, at 3:30 P.M.

Please bring these papers with you to the meeting.

I. S. MUNRO
Lt. Col.
Executive Secretary

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AGENDA FOR MEETING OF CENTRAL APB
November 30, 1944 at 3:30 P.M.

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

2. DELEGATION OF POWERS

Report that attached Administrative Memo No.50, dated November 25th, was received by the Executive Secretary on Nove,ber 28th and circulated to members of the Board.

3. ACTION REQUIRED ON ORDER NO.50

A. Communicate copy of Order No.50 to the head of the Italian Government through the Chief Commissioner of AC. ✓

B. Propose accompanying letter (see attached) ?

C. Invite the Italian Government to designate the required agency for the distribution of paper in accordance with paragraph 4-a-(2) of Order No.50. ✓

D. Appoint an APB Sub-Committee or representative to contact the Italian Press Commission and arrange channel for consigning paper and amounts to Italian agency, when formed, and report back. ✓

E. Make provision for maintenance of PAB publication needs. ✓

F. Publicity question ?

G. Future action with proposed Press Law. ?

4. CAPTAIN PIRNIE'S PLAN (Reactivating Plan)

The report that the plan, as voted at the last meeting, had been referred, as ordered, to the Economic Section of AC. No reply yet.

5. SIG. ROSSINI'S LETTER (with reference to point 4 above)

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6. ITALIAN RE UEST FOR INCREASED TONNAGE

The report that the Board's decision to turn back Avv. Rossini's demand for increased tonnage for further Italian consideration has been carried out. In reply, Avv. Rossini has renewed the request, limiting it, however, to one (1) quintal extra for each of the eleven Rose dailies till the end of the year - which means 33 tons.

Suggest that this problem be returned to Avv. Rossini for consideration by the Italian Press Commission, in light of Order No.50.

7. ITALIAN PRESS COMMISSION

A. Report any developments re suspension of ITALIA NUOVA

B. Report any reply from Mr. Russo, PWB Bari, Press Officer, re PROVINCIA DI LECCE

C. 89 Italian recommendations. - Suggest this be referred back to the Italian Press Commission under Order No.50.

8. REGISTRATION OF "DON CHISCIOTTE"

Mr. Barney to report

9. EDUCATIONAL TEXTBOOK PAPER

Report agreement with Major Washburne

10. NAPLES LOCAL APB

A. Distribute and approve minutes of meeting held Nov.22nd.

B. Move the dissolution of Naples Local APB in light of Order No.50.

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11. GERMAN STOCKS IN TAGLIACOZZA

Report any action by Italian Press Commission

12. NEW APPLICATIONS

A. "GIORNALE DEL UMBRIA"

13. OTHER BUSINESS

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D R A F T of proposal to be sent to Commodore Stone, Chief Commissioner of AC.

PROPOSED - That the Chief Commissioner be invited to bring the following suggestions to the Italian Government for its concurrence:

1. The successive handing over areas to Italian jurisdiction as the war moves northwards, makes it desirable that close cooperation be continued between the Allied Publications Board and the Italian National Press Commission on an informational basis.

2. Only in this way will it be possible for the newspaper permit decisions in AC territory to merge easily into the Italian Press Commission's newspaper framework as the zones are handed back.

3. In the same way, any eventual modificationsof the newspaper set-up in Italy under Italian jurisdiction should be made known to the Allied Publications Board.

4. It is strongly recommended that the newspapers authorized by the Allied Publications Board in AC territory should be sustained by the Italian Press Commission after the handover of the successive zones, and no cancellations made without special reason. Without this understanding, all sense of stability in the north will be absent.

5. It is therefore recommended that the existing system of having reciprocal observers with reciprocal exchanges of minutes and decisions, should be maintained.

6. Special attention is drawn to Article 3-c of Order No.50, together with a resolution passed by the Allied Publications Board on November 8, 1944, reaffirming its position in the priority protection of APB publications.

L.S.MUNRO
Lt.Col.
Exec. Secty, APB

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

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ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM) 25 NOVEMBER 1944

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(4) Allied Commission (ALCOM)

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(2) Representatives of the Economic Section
(3) Public Relations Officer

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4. The Naples area will be regarded for Allied Publications Board purposes as territory under Italian Government jurisdiction. 5824

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AFHQ Adm. Memo No.50 (cont'd)

b. The Allied Publications Board reserves the right of intervention in territory under Italian Government jurisdiction at the request of Allied authorities in matters concerning military censorship or undemocratic practices, including the right to suspend or revoke licenses through the channels of the Italian Press Commission.

c. Nothing in this delegation of authority shall be construed to affect the existing status of PWB controlled, or to be controlled, papers in the territory under Italian Government jurisdiction.

d. The Allied Publications Board will continue to exercise its full powers in all the territory not under Italian Government jurisdiction.

4. The Board is empowered to draft such regulations and perform such functions as are necessary to properly carry out the following:

a. Control the flow into ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA of all newsprint and other forms of paper used for printing publications referred to in paragraph 3; to control all such paper found in ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA; to perform such functions as are necessary to maintain adequate supply of such paper, including freezing and releasing of stocks.

(1) Procurement of paper after the end of the current year either from abroad or from local resources will be agreed upon between the Economic Section, ALCOM and the Italian Press Commission so far as Italian needs in Government Italy are concerned, and between the Economic Section, ALCOM, and Allied Publications Board for the needs of AMG territory.

(2) Responsibility for the distribution of paper for use of the Italian Press in Italian Government territory will be assigned to an agency to be designated by the Italian Press Commission.

(b) Control the allocation to specific publications and news organizations of all such communications facilities as are made available by the Chief Signal Officer, this headquarters, for collecting and disseminating news and press matter within Italy.

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(d) Enforce the directives of the various sections concerned with publication problems, and to issue censorship and policy directives as are necessary to the proper carrying out of this authority.

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6. It shall be the duty of the Board to report its activities and submit any recommendations beyond the scope of this order to this headquarters via Allied Commission.

7. The Board may be addressed care of PWB, Unit No.12, APO 512. The Chairman of the Board is Mr. George W. Edman, PWB, AFHQ.

By command of General WILSON:

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PRESENT: Capt. J.Whyte, A.C. Naples Zone (Chairman),
Lieut. E.L.Stuart, Executive Secretary,
Capt. P.A.Romano, Military Censorship.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 November were read and approved.

2. Newsprint situation - about 106 tons, week-ending 18 November.

3. Executive Secretary reported that further applications had been received. In the absence of news concerning the proposed hand over it was decided to keep all applications in abeyance without recommendation.

4. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Morgan Fairlee

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OFFICE OF THE GENERAL
A L L I E D P U B L I C A T I O N S B O A R D

62 Via Veneto - Room 308
Rome

MINUTES of meeting of the Central APB held in the Conference Hall, 62 Via Veneto on Nov.22,1944 at 9:30 A.M.

PRESENT: Mr.George Pinney, PWB (Chairman)
Lt Col. I S.Munro, I.A.(Executive Secretary)
Lt.Col. Enoch Brown, Caison, AC
Mr. L.V.R.White, Economic Section, AC
Major I.C.Alexander, Censorship
Major J.W.Coleville, Censorship

OBSERVERS

Mr.Michael Stewart, Press attaché, British Embassy
Mr. R.H.Nesbitt, American Embassy
Mr. John Carney, Rome Press Officer
Capt. Jordan Piscop, PWB Printing Section
Mr. John Soffe, PWB Printing Section
Mr. Matt Betlin, PWB Chief of Printing & Procurement AFHQ
Mr. J.A.Thomason, PWB Chief Procurement Officer, OWI

1. Minutes of November 8th meeting were read and approved.

2. DELEGATION OF POWERS

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3. NEWSPRINT PROBLEMS

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Lt. Col. I. G. Lorio, PWB Executive Secretary
Lt. Col. Enoch Brown, Liaison, AC
Mr. L. V. R. White, Economic Section, AC
Major I. C. Alexander, Censorship
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The Board voted that this plan - with the Board's strong recommendation - be referred by the Executive Secretary, to the Economic Section of AC with the request to follow through.

NOTE: Mr.Getlin volunteered that PWB, if asked, would contribute all possible help to the proposed technical group.

B. - LIST OF STOCKS - Major Fielden's proposal at the last meeting, that a list of all stocks on hand and allocations should be circulated among the Board members, was tabled, together with "ledger headings" drawn up by the Executive Secretary, for a proposed paper stock bookkeeping system. These headings had been submitted to Col. Brown, who then advanced the following figures:

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   Present monthly requirements..... 680 tons
   Estimated consumption until 1/1/45..... 952 "
   Total estimated stocks as of 1/1/45..... 656 "

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3. No paper is expected from imports during the month of December.

4. The monthly requirements include Florence, but do NOT include any estimate for papers to be licensed in northern areas between this date and 1/1/45.

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The third proposal of November 14th, modified the second one by asking that one (1) quintal of paper for each of the eleven Rome dailies be allocated from now until the end of the year, for extra circulation in Florence and Sicily.

Col. Munro reported that when asked which of these the Italian government desired to be considered, Avv. Rossini named the third. The Board has thus to consider conceding a single consignment of 40 tons of newsprint for division among the listed papers, plus one (1) quintal per day for the eleven Rome dailies till the end of the year, which would come to 33 tons, bringing the demand to a total of 73 tons.

After discussion, the Executive Secretary was authorized to bring the following points to the attention of the Italian Press Commission:

1. That the Rome newspapers are receiving full registered allocation of newsprint, calculated on declared distribution; but that the Board believed that the papers have been printing over and above these figures. If this is so, the Rome Press has been condoning an evil at the expense of the Allies.

2. That the attention of the Italian Press Commission be called to the official statement of the newsprint situation as it stands revealed today in Col. Brown's report.

3. That we have yet to be informed that the Italian Press Commission has been authorized to circulate political paper in the Army forward areas.

4. That allegations are circulating that operations on the "black market" involving Allied imported paper, have taken place.

The Executive Secretary was further instructed to invite the Italian Press Commission, in the light of the above points, to reconsider its request of November 14th.

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4. ITALIAN PRESS COMMISSION

A. - ITALIA NUOVA OF COSENZA - The Executive Secretary suggested that the Italian Press Commission be invited to inform the Board of further developments in the suspension of this paper. The suggestion was accepted by the Board.

B. - PROVINCIA DI LECCE - The Executive Secretary tabled a letter from Sig.Rossiniwhich asked for the suspension of this paper. It was suggested by the Executive Secretary that there was the possibility of a clerical error in the application of this paper, and that it should be checked. He also raised the question, "Does the Party of Action recognize Bernardini?"

The motion was put that Mr.Russo, Press Officer for the Bari PWB, check as to a possible clerical error and also to give his opinion as to the character and usefulness of this paper. This investigation to take place immediately. Motion carried.

C. UNIONE OF BRINDISI - Col.Munro reported that this paper was being published over the signature of an editor who was no longer connected with the publication. Due to this irregularity, the Board referred this matter to theItalian Press Commission to deal with and the motion was made to ratify the revocation order. Motion carried.

5. NEW APPLICATIONS

A. "L'ALFIERE of Pistoia - Religious weekly requiring 4 to 5 quintals per month. Approved by local AMG. The Executive Secretary recommended that this application be ratified. Recommendation granted.

B. VOLTERRA LIBERA of Volterra - Non-political, informational sheet, published weekly; already authorized by local AMG; requires 2½ reams of paper weekly. The Executive Secretary recommende d that this application be ratified. Recommendation granted.

6. NAPLES LOCAL APB MINUTES NOV.8TH AND 15TH

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The motion was put to suggest, in writing, to Major Washburne

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B. - PROVINCIA DI LECCE - The Executive Secretary handed a letter from Sig Rossini which asked for the suspension of this paper. It was suggested by the Executive Secretary that there was the possibility of a clerical error in the application of this paper, and that it should be checked. He also raised the question, "Does the Party of Action recognize Bernardini?"

The motion was put that Mr.Russo, Press Officer for the Bari PWB, check as to a possible clerical error and also to give his opinion as to the character and usefulness of this paper. This investigation to take place immediately. Motion carried.

C. UNIONE OF BRINDISI - Col Munro reported that this paper was being published over the signature of an editor who was no longer connected with the publication. Due to this irregularity, the Board referred this matter to theItalian Press Commission to deal with and the motion was made to ratify the revocation order. Motion carried.

5. NEW APPLICATIONS

A. "L'ALFIERE of Pistoia - Religious weekly requiring 4 to 5 quintals per month. Approved by local AMG. The Executive Secretary recommended that this application be ratified. Recommendation granted.

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The motion was put to suggest, in writing, to Major Washburne to refer the matter to the Italian Ministry of Education, suggesting to the latter that they secure the urgent Naples requirements from the adequate supply of book paper from the government paper mills (Poligrafico dello Stato) at Foggia. Motion carried.

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B.- GIORNALE OF NAPLES - APB Executive Secretary of Naples made a special plea that this Board reconsider its decision of the last meeting to grant an increase in tonnage, of 5 tons, to this paper. In the opinion of the Naples Local APB Executive Secretary this concession would upset the political balance.

The motion was made to rescind the action of the last meeting and to concur with the Naples APB on the recommendation not to grant this concession. Motion was carried with the amendment that Naples APB turn this problem over to the Italian Press Commission when the latter takes over Naples.

7. <u>OTHER BUSINESS</u>

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The Executive Secretary suggested that a letter be sent to the Italian Press Commission, with the dossier attached, suggesting that that the Commission make the necessary investigation and take the ensuing action. The suggestion was accepted.

Meeting adjourned.

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AUTHORIZED NEWSPAPERS AND OTHER PERIODIC PUBLICATIONS IN TERRITORY UNDER ITALIAN GOVERNMENT JURISDICTION

NAME	PERIODIC	CHARACTER	CIRCULATION
ROME			
CORRIERE DI ROMA	Daily	PWB-Controlled	180,000
AVANTI	"	Socialist	42,000
UNITA	"	Communist	40,000
IL POPOLO	"	Chris-Democrat	23,000
ITALIA LIBERA	"	Party of Action	28,000
RICOSTRUZIONE	"	Dem.del Lavoro	23,000
RISORGIMENTO LIBERALE	"	Liberal	23,000
ITALIA NUOVA	"	Monarchist	10,000
TEMPO	"	Independent	25,000
VOCE REPUBBLICANA	"	Republican	20,000
QUOTIDIANO	"	Catholic Action	13,000
BOLLETTINO UFFICIALE	Monthly	" "	2,500
IL MAESTRO	Art.Mons.	" "	4,000
COLOMBO	Weekly	" "	5,000
L'ASPIRANTE	"	" "	5,000
CREDERE	"	" "	2,000
IN ALTO	Bi-Weekly	" "	2,000
LA DONNA DEL PARTITO	Monthly	" "	3,000
GIOVENTU ITALICA	"	" "	1,000
GIOVENTU NUOVA	Weekly	" "	5,000
LA RINASCITA (Transferred from Salerno)	"	Communist	15,000
LIBECCIO	"	Monarchist	10,000
UMANITA NUOVA	"	Anarchist	2,000
SERENISSIMO	Monthly	Satirical-Polit.	25,000
VOCE OPERIA	Weekly	Catholic Comm.	10,000
PARTIGIANO	"	Partisans	10,000
L'OPINIONE	"	Independent	5,000
L'OPINIONE ILLUSTRATA	"	Illustrated Supplement of Opinione	20,000
BATTAGLIE SINDICALI	"	Conf.Gen.del Lavoro	35,000
UNIONE PROLETARIA	"	Sponsored by 20 [illegible] Groups	10,000

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CORRIERE DI ROMA	Daily	PWB-Controlled	180,000
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RICOSTRUZIONE	"	Dem. del Lavoro	23,000
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BOLLETTINO UFFICIALE	Monthly	" "	2,500
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L'ASPIRANTE	"	" "	5,000
CREDERE	"	" "	2,000
IN ALTO	Bi-Mon.	" "	3,000
LA DONNA DEL PARTITO	Monthly	" "	1,000
GIOVENTU ITALICA	"	" "	5,000
GIOVENTU NUOVA	Weekly	Communist	15,000
LA RINASCITA (Transferred from Salerno)	"		
LIBECCIO	"	Monarchist	10,000
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SERENISSIMO	Monthly	Satirical-Polit.	25,000
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UNIONE PROLETARIA	"	Sponsored by 20 Labor Unit Groups	10,000
LAVORO	Bi-Mon.	Sponsored by Monarchist groups	10,000
GIORNALE DELL'AVIATORE	Weekly	Air Force Morale sheet	10,000
BUONA GUARDIA	"	Navy Morale sheet	20,000
ITALIA MARINARA	Monthly	Review of Lega Navale	10,000
DOMENICA	Weekly	Political-Literary	20,000
COSMOPOLITA	W	Literary	20,000
MERCURIO	Monthly	"	10,000
CITTA	Weekly	Artistic-Literay	10,000
PERSONE	Monthly	Literary	1,000

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ROME (cont)			
VITTORIOSO	Weekly	Boy's Adventure Sheet(Cath.Ac)	20,000
L'AVENTURA	"	Boy's Magazine	10,000
GIRAMONDO	"	" "	7,000
REGINA DEGLI APOSTOLI	Monthly	Missionary Mag.	500
IL MESSAIA	"	" "	10,500
IL MONTE CARMELO	"	" "	1,200
THE PYLON	Qtly	" "	5,000
LEGA MISSIONARIA STUDENTI		" "	
LE MISSIONE DEI SERVIDI MARIA		" "	
LA SANTA CROCIATA	Monthly	" "	30,000
LA MADONNA DEL POZZO	"	" "	800
LA VOCE DEL SEMINARIO	"	" "	500
NOI UOMINE	"	Catholic	20,000
IL PICCOLO FIORE DE JESU	"	"	1,000
STUDIUM	"	"	3,500
SUSSIDIO APOSTOLICO	"	"	2,000
BOLLETTINO DI PIAZZA CAVOUR	"	Religious	500
LA PAROLA DI DIO	Feastday Leaflet	"	80,000
CHARITAS	Monthly	"	1,500
ARA COELI	"	"	800
IL CROCIATO DELL' EUCARISTA	"	"	5,000
SANTA LEGA PRO CLERO	Thrice-Mon	"	6,000
KNIGHTS OF MALTA	Alt. Mons	"	1,400
MESSAGERO S. CUORE	Monthly	"	6,000
CUORE DI GESU NELLA FAMIGLIA	"	"	4,000
ADBENIAT REGNUM TUUM	Ev.4 Mon	"	80,000
EPHEMERIDES CAS.SANTIANAE	Ev.2 Mon	"	250
TESTIMONIO	Monthly	"	800
ACTA ORDENIS SERVORUM		"	
L'ADDOLORATA		"	
IL POLICLINICO	Weekly	Medical	6,000
CUORE E CIRCOLAZIONE	Monthly	"	500
LA CLINIC OSTERICA	"	"	1,000
IL VALSALVA	"	"	800
RIVISTA DI MALARIOLOGIA	Ev.2.Mons.	"	900
L'ATTUALITA MEDICA	Monthly	"	1,500
ANNALI D'IGIENE	"	"	1,000

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GIRAMONDO	"	" "	10,000
REGINA DEGLI APOSTOLI	Monthly	Missionary Mag.	7,000
IL MESSAIA	"	" "	500
IL MONTE CARMELO	"	" "	10,500
THE PYLON	Qtly	" "	1,200
LEGA MISSIONARIA STUDENTI		" "	5,000
LE MISSIONE DEI SER-VIDI MARIA		" "	
LA SANT. CROCIATA	Monthly	" "	30,000
LA MADONNA DEL POZZO	"	" "	800
LA VOCE DEL SEMINARIO	"	" "	500
NOI UOMINE	"	Catholic	20,000
IL PICCOLO FIORE DE JESU	"	"	1,000
STUDIUM	"	"	3,500
SUSSIDIO APOSTOLICO	"	"	2,000
BOLLETTINO DI PIAZZA CAVOUR	"	Religious	500
LA PAROLA DI DIO	Feastday Leaflet	"	80,000
CHARITAS	Monthly	"	1,500
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IL CROCIATO DELL' EUCARISTA	"	"	5,000
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TESTIMONIO	Monthly	"	800
ACTA ORDENIS SERVORUM		"	
L'ADDOLORATA		"	
IL POLICLINICO	Weekly	Medical	6,000
CUORE E CIRCOLAZIONE	Monthly	"	500
LA CLINIC OSTERICA	"	"	1,000
IL VALSALV.	"	"	800
RIVISTA DI MALARIOLOGIA	Ev.2.Mons.	"	900
L'ATTUALITA MEDICA	Monthly	"	1,500
ANNALI D'IGIENE	"	"	1,000
IL MEDICA CONDOTTO	"	"	5,000
BOLLETTINO DELL'ORTINE DEI FARMACISTI	"	"	200
IL NOTARO	Bi-Month.	Legal	3,000
IL CORRIERE GIUDIZIARIO	Weekly	"	4,000
LA SETTIMANA DELLA CASSAZIONE	"	"	2,000
QUADERNI DI ARCHITETTURA	Bi-Month	Architectural	2,000
L'ECONOMISTA	Bi-Week	Technical-Economic	20,000
LAVORO AERONAUTICO	Bi-Mon	Technical	3,000
RINASCITA CHIMICA	Monthly	"	3,000
RIVISTA ITALIANA DEL PETROLIO	"	"	1,000

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NAME	PERIDIC	CHARACTER	CIRCULATION
ROME (cont)			
URBANISTICO	Bi-Mon	Town Planning	800
POLITICO ESTERA	"	For.Press Review	10,000
REPORTER	Bi-Week	General News	40,000
BOLLETTINO ECONOMICO FINANZIARIO	Daily (Cyclostyle sheet)	Financial News	1,000
CRONACHE D'OGGI	Weekly	Information	6,000
GIORNALE DEGLI IMPIEGATI (ex PERIODICO DEGLI STATALI)	Bi-Mon	Civiel Service Organ	2,000
RIVISTA ITALIANA DI LA~~RREVIDENZA~~	Qtly	Accountant's Organ	2,000
	Bi-Mon	Insurance Organ	1,000
L'ACQUA	Monthly	Hydraulics	1,800
ISTITTUTO SUPERIORE DI SANITA	Qtly	Scientific(250 pp)	1,250
RIVISTA PSICOANALITICA	Ev.2.Mon	"	1,000
ATLANTE	Bi-Mon	Geographical	10,000
ROMANA GENS	Monthly	Archiological	400
A.R.D.E.A.	"	"	500
CUCINA ITALIANA	"	Food Magazine	10,000
LA CACCIA	"	Shooting	6,000
CORRIERE DELLO SPORT	Daily	Sport	2,000
IL CAVALLO	Occasional	Horse Racing	2,000
NOI DONNE	Bi-Mon	Women's Interests	20,000
SPECCHIO	Weekly	Fashions	10,000
BELLA	Weekly	Women's Magazine	8,000
LUI E LEI	"	Fashion Paper	1,000
VOCI	"	Radio	7,000
STAR	"	Flims	25,000
CINENOVELLE	"	Film Novelettes	3,000
CRONACHE SCOLASTICHE	Qtly	Teacher's Organ	10,000
DIRITTI DELLA SCUOLA	Monthly	" "	10,000
LA VOCE DELLA SCUOLA	Ev.20 days	" "	2,000
SCOLASTICA	Weekly	School Paper	5,000
CANTACHIARO	"	Humorous	30,000
RUGANTINO	Thrice-Wkly	"	5,000
MARFORIO	Weekly	"	20,000
CAPITOLIUM	Monthly	Cultural	1,500
CIVITAS	Bi-Mon.	Cult.-Religious	3,000
ESTERO	Weekly	Cult.-For.News	3,000
NUOVA EUROPA	Weekly	Cultural	15,000
REALITA POLITICA	Bi-Mon	Cult-Political	5,000
CRITICA POLITICA	Monthly	Pol-Republican	5,000

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BOLLETTINO ECONOMICO FINANZIARIO	Daily (Cyclostyle sheet)	Financial News	1,000
CRONACHE D'OGGI	Weekly	Information	6,000
GIORNALE DEGLI IMPIEGATI (ex PERIODICO DEGLI STATALI)	Bi-Mon	Civiel Service Organ	2,000
RIVISTA ITALIANA DI	Qtly	Accountant's Organ	2,000
LARRRIUTERNZA	Bi-Mon	Insurance Organ	1,000
L'ACQUA	Monthly	Hydraulics	1,800
ISTITTUTO SUPERIORE DI SANITA	Qtly	Scientific(250 pp)	1,250
RIVISTA PSICOANALITICA	Ev.2.Mon	"	1,000
ATLANTE	Bi-Mon	Geographical	10,000
ROMANA GENS	Monthly	Archiological	400
A.R.D.E.A.	"	"	500
CUCINA ITALIANA	"	Food Magazine	10,000
LA CACCIA	"	Shooting	6,000
CORRIERE DELLO SPORT	Daily	Sport	2,000
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BELLA	Weekly	Women's Magazine	8,000
LUI E LEI	"	Fashion Paper	1,000
VOCI	"	Radio	7,000
STAR	"	Films	25,000
CINENOVELLE	"	Film Novelettes	3,000
CRONACHE SCOLASTICHE	Qtly	Teacher's Organ	10,000
DIRITTI DELLA SCUOLA	Monthly	" "	10,000
LA VOCE DELLA SCUOLA	Ev.20 days	" "	2,000
SCOLASTICA	Weekly	School Paper	5,000
CANTACHIARO	"	Humorous	30,000
RUGANTINO	Thrice-Wkly	"	5,000
MARFORIO	Weekly	"	20,000
CAPITOLIUM	Monthly	Cultural	1,500
CIVITAS	Bi-Mon.	Cult.-Religious	3,000
ESTERO	Weekly	Cult.-For.News	3,000
NUOVA EUROPA	Weekly	Cultural	15,000
REALTA POLITICA	Bi-Mon	Cult-Political	5,000
CRITICA POLITICA	Monthly	Pol-Republican	5,000
DANNI DI GUERRA	Weekly	War Damage	5,000
DEMOCRAZIA INTERNAZIONALE	"	Unione Dem.Organ	10,000
LA GAZZETTA	Weekly	Musical Publication	10,000
ISRAEL	"	Jewish Publication	2,000
NOTIZIARIO	Monthly		200
NUOVO SPORT	Weekly	Sporting News	3,000

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NAME	PERIODIC	CHARACTER	CIRCULATION
NAPLES			
RISORGIMENTO	Daily	PWB-Controlled	120,000
IL GIORNALE DEL POPOLO	"	Chris-Democrat	15,000
L. VOCE	"	Comm.-Socialist	50,000
IL GIORNALE(ex LIBER.)	"	Liberal	50,000
IL LAVORO D'ITALIA	Weekly	Dem.del Lavoro	12,000
AZIONE	Bi-Week	Party of Action	35,000
IL GIORNO	Weekly	Dem-Liberal	30,000(4 pp)
BATTAGLIE SINDICALI	"	Con.Gen.del Lav.	20,000
L. FIACCOLA	"	Soc-Revolution	10,000
IL DOMANI D'ITALIA	Daily	Chris-Dem	
BOLL.MENSILE INTERNO	Monthly	Communist Party	500
L. REPUBBLICA	Weekly	Republican Party	10,000
L. TRIBUNA DEI FERROVIERI	Bi-Mon	Railwaymen's Trade Union	2,000
IL LAVORATORE DEL MARE	Weekly	Seaman's Union	10,000
IL FARO	Bi-Mon	Port Workers Organ	10,000
CORRIERE DEL LAVORO	Weekly	"Free" Unions	5,000
PANORAMA	"	Independent	10,000
BOLL.DELL'IST. SANITARIALE	Monthly	Medical Review	500
IL PROGRESSO MEDICO	Bi-Mon	Official Medical	4,000
FOGLIO ANNUNZI LEGALI DELL. PREFETTURA	Bi-Week	Legal Notices	1,000
GIUSTIZIA	Weekly	Legal	5,000
CIMENTO	"	Art Review	10,000
RENDICONTO DELL. SOCIALE	Yearly	Roy.Soc.Scientsts	500
STOA	Monthly	Scien.-Poltical	500
IL NOSTRO DOMANI	Ev.3 Mon	Oriental Inst.Rev.	250
ARETHUSA	Monthly	Literary Review	2,000
GIOVENTU	"	School Paper	2,000
LIBERA SCUOL.	Bi-Mon	Teacher's Organ	5,000
SOLIDARIET.	Monthly	Educational	10,000
L. LANTERNA(ex L. PRUA)	Weekly	High School Organ	3,000
L'UNIVERSITA DI NAPOLI	"	Official Bulletin of Examinations	14,000
L'ACROPOLI	Monthly	Youth Pol.Education	7,000
BOLL.ECCLESIASTICA DELL'ARCHDIOCESI DI NAPOLI	"	Church Notices	2,500
L'ORFANELLA DE SANTA GELTRUDE	"	Support of Orphans	8,000
L. MADONNA DELL'ARCO	Ev.2 Mon	Orphanage	5,000
GIORNALE DEI RAGAZZI	Weekly	Children's Paper	15,000
LISTINO UFFICIALE DELLA BORSA VALORIE	5 times Wk	Stock Exchange Bull.	80

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L. VOCE	"	Comm.-Socialist	50,000
IL GIORN.LE(ex LIBER.)	"	Liberal	50,000
IL L.VORO D'IT.LI.	Weekly	Dem.del Lavoro	12,000
AZIONE	Bi-Week	Party of Action	35,000
IL GIORNO	Weekly	Dem-Liberal	30,000(4 pp)
B.TT.GLIE SINDIC.LI	"	Con.Gen.del Lav.	20,000
L. FI.CCOL.	"	Soc-Revolution	10,000
IL DOM.NI D'IT.LI.	Daily	Chris-Dem	
BOLL.MENSILE INTERNO	Monthly	Communist Party	500
L. REPUBBLIC.	Weekly	Republican Party	10,000
L. TRIBUN. DEI FERROVIERI	Bi-Mon	Railwaymen's Trade Union	2,000
IL L.V.TORE DEL M.RE	Weekly	Seaman's Union	10,000
IL F.RO	Bi-Mon	Port Workers Organ	10,000
CORRIERE DEL L.VORO	Weekly	"Free" Unions	5,000
P.NORAMA	"	Independent	10,000
BOLL.DELL'IST. S.N.TORI.LE	Monthly	Medical Review	500
IL PROGRESSO MEDICO	Bi-Mon	Official Medical	4,000
FOGLIO .NNUNZI. LEGALI DELL. PREFETTUR.	Bi-Week	Legal Notices	1,000
GIUSTIZI.	Weekly	Legal	5,000
CIMENTO	"	Art Review	10,000
RENDICONTO DELL. SOCCRE.LE	Yearly	Roy.l Soc.Scientsts	500
STO.	Monthly	Scien.-Poltical	500
IL NOSTRO DOM.NI	Ev.3 Mon	Oriental Inst.Rev.	250
.RETHUS.	Monthly	Literary Review	2,000
GIOVENTU	"	School Paper	2,000
LIBER. SCUOL.	Bi-Mon	Teacher's Organ	5,000
SOLID.RIET.	Monthly	Educational	10,000
L. L.NTERN.(ex L. PRU.)	Weekly	High School Organ	3,000
L'UNIVERSIT. DI N.POLI	"	Official Bulletin of Examinations	14,000
L'.CROPOLI	Monthly	Youth Pol.Education	7,000
BOLL.ECCLESI.STIC. DELL'.RCH-DIOCESI DI N.POLI	"	Church Notices	2,500
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LISTINO UFFICIALE DELLA BORSA VALORIE	5 times Wk	Stock Exchange Bull.	80
CORRIERE DEL COSTRUTTORE	One Edition	Building Industry Report	2,000
N.POLI RIVISTA MUNICIPALE (Requires no Paper)	Monthly	Official Statistics	300
BOLL. DELL'ISTITUO SANA-TORIALE PRIN.PIEMONTE	"	Sanitary Report	500

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NAME	PERIODIC	CHARACTER	CIRCULATION
SALERNO			
LA LIBERTA	Weekly	Comm. Liberation	5,000
IL LAVORO	"	Socialist	7,000
DEMO. DEL LAVORO	"	DEM. del Lavoro	3,000
L'ORA DEL POPOLO	"	Chris.-Democrat	7,000
ALBA REPUBBLICANA	"	Action Party	5,000
GIOVENTU (ex LA VERITA)	Monthly	Religious	1,000
DON CHISCIOTTE	Bi-Mon	Humorous	15,000
ARCHIVIO DI SCIENZA DELLA CEREBRAZIONE E DI PSICHISMI	Qtly	Scientific	350
VITA DIOCESIANA	Bi-Mon	Parish Magazine	300
(LA RINASCITA ITALIANA - Transferred to Rome)			
BARI			
GAZZETTA DEL MEZZOGIORNO	Daily	PWB-Controlled	70,000
L'IDEA LIBERALE	Weekly	Demo-Liberal	15,000
CIVILITA PROLETARIA	"	Communist	35,000
ITALIA DEL POPOLO	"	Action Party	15,000
IL RISVEGLIO	"	Chris-Democrat	12,000
AVANTI	"	Socialist	20,000
LA RASSEGNA	"	Independent	12,000
IL SECONDO RISORGIMENTO	"	Youth Organ	5,000
GIOCONDA	"	Women's Magazine	6,000
RACCONTI	Bi-Mon	Stories	5,000
GRILLO PARLANTE	"	Humorous	10,000
FIAMMA	Monthly	Boy Scouts	6,000
L'ECCO	Bi-Mon	For Press Review	8,000
RADIOCORRIERE	Monthly	Musica,	5,000
PENSIERO E VITA	Bi-Mon	Religious	5,000
VITA CARMELITA	Monthly	"	500
L'OPERAIO	Weekly	" (Workers)	5,000
EDUCARE	Monthly	"	1,500
DOMENICA RELIGIOSA	"	"	8,000
LA FAMIGLIA	Bi-Mon	"	10,000
BOLLETTINO DIOCESANO	Monthly	"	
L'AURORA SERAFICA	"	"	5,000
LA DILIGENZA	Weekly	Children's Paper	5,000
JAPIGIA	Ev.& Mon	Historical	500
CASSINO			
LA CROCE	Bi-Mon	Religious	700

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ALLA RISCOSSA		Action Party	3,000
GIOVENTU (ex LA VERITA)	Monthly	Religious	1,000
DON CHISCIOTTE	Bi-Mon	Humorous	15,000
ARCHIVIO DI SCIENZA DELLA CEREBRAZIONE E DI PSICHISMI	Qtly	Scientific	350
VITA DIOCESIANA	Bi-Mon	Parish Magazine	300

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BOLLETTINO DIOCESANO	Monthly	"	
L'AURORA SERAFICA	"	"	5,000
LA DILIGENZA	Weekly	Children's Paper	5,000
JAPIGIA	Ev.& Mon	Historical	500

CASSANSI

LA CROCE	Bi-Mon	Religious	700

ROSSANO CALABRIA (COSENZA)

BIBLIOTECA ROSSANENSIS	Monthly	Religious	100

MOLFETTA

MILES CHRISTI	Bi-Mon	Seminary Periodical	1,500
ORRIZONTI	Weekly	Cultural	3,000

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NAME	PERIODIC	CHARACTER	CIRCULATION
FOGGIA			
L'AMICO DEL TERZIARIO	Monthly	Religious	600
LA CAPITANATA	Weekly	Political & Lit.	5,000
TARANTO			
LA VOCE DEL POPOLO	Weekly	Monarchist	
LA RINASCITA	"	Demo-Liberal	
FORZE UNITE	"	Committee Liberation	3,000
GIUSTIZIA SOCIALE	"	Demo-Christian	5,000
LECCE			
LIBERA VOCE	Weekly	Party of Action	
IL SALENTO	"	Demo-Liberal	
IL TRIBUNO SALENTINO	"	Socialist	3,000
DEMOCRAZIA DEL LAVORO	"	Partito del Lavoro	4,000
IL LAVORATORE DEL SALENTO	"	Communist	4,000
LA BOTTEGA	"	News Sheet	5,000
ITALIA	"	Army Morale Sheet	
LA FIAMMA	Monthly	Religious	600
RITORNO	"	Literary	150
ANDRIA			
L'IDEA DI ANDRIA	Monthly	Local News	
BRINDISI			
L'UNIONE	Monthly	Monarchist	
POTENZA			
L'ORDINE	Twice-Mon	Demo-Christian	2,000
IL LAVATORE	Monthly	Non-Party	1,000
AZIONE PROLETARIA	Weekly	Communist	2,000
IL GAZZETTINO	Bi-Mon	Legal	

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LA VOCE DEL POPOLO	Weekly	Monarchist	
LA RINASCITA	"	Demo-Liberal	
FORZE UNITE	"	Committee Liberation	3,000
GIUSTIZIA SOCIALE	"	Demo-Christian	5,000

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LIBERA VOCE	Weekly	Party of Action	
IL SALENTO	"	Demo-Liberal	
IL TRIBUNO SALENTINO	"	Socialist	3,000
DEMOCRAZIA DEL LAVORO	"	Partito del Lavoro	4,000
IL LAVORATORE DEL SALENTO	"	Communist	4,000
LA BOTTEGA	"	News Sheet	5,000
ITALIA	"	Army Morale Sheet	
LA FIAMMA	Monthly	Religious	600
RITORNO	"	Literary	150

ANDRIA

L'IDEA DI ANDRIA	Monthly	Local News	

BRINDISI

L'UNIONE	Monthly	Monarchist	

POTENZA

L'ORDINE	Tri-Mon	Demo-Christian	2,000
IL LAVATORE	Monthly	Non-Party	1,000
AZIONE PROLETARIA	Weekly	Communist	2,000
IL GAZZETTINO	Bi-Mon	Legal	
DEMOCRAZIA-MELFI	"	Labor Democrat	500

MURO LUCANO

RINASCITA	Bi-Mon	News Sheet	4,000

SAN MARCO

BOLLETTINO ECCLESIASTICO DELLA DIOCESI	Ev.2 Mon	Parish Magazine	200

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NAME	PERIODIC	CHARACTER	CIRCULATION
CATANZARO			
NUOVA CALABRIA	Daily	News Sheets	8,000
LA VOCE DEL POPOLO	Weekly	Communist	6,500
CALABRIA AVANTI	"	Socialist	6,000
L'IDEA CRISTIANA	"	Christian-Demo.	8,000
IL RINNOVAMENTO	"	Liberal-Demo.	4,000
L'AMICO DEL POPOLO	"	Republican	4,000
VETRINA DELLA CULTURA	Monthly	Cultural	3,000
LA CALABRIA GIUDIZIARIA	"	Legal	2,000
VIBO VALENTIA			
IL LAVORO	Bi-Mon	Labor-Democrat	1,000
NICASTRO			
IL PROLETARIO	Weekly	Communist	2,000
LA CALABRIA	"	Demo-Liberal	2,000
REGGIO CALABRIA			
IL TEMPO	Daily	News Sheet	12,000
IL LAVORATORE	Weekly	Communist	4,000
DEMOCRAZIE	"	Labor-Democrat	2,500
L'AZIONE	"	Action Party	3,000
VOCE DELLA CALABRIA	"	Christian-Democrat	8,000
LA LUCE	"	Socialist	4,000
L'AMICO DEL POPOLO	"	Conf. of Labor	8,000
IL COMMERCIO CALABRESE	"	Commercial	3,000
COSENZA			
ITALIA NUOVA	Daily	News Sheet	5,000
ORDINE PROLETARIO	Weekly	Communist	4,000
LA PAROLA SOCIALISTA	"	Socialist	5,000
EMANCIPAZIONE	"	Action Party	3,000
DEMOCRAZIA CRISTIANA	"	Christian-Demo	2,500
CALABRIA DEMOCRATICA	"	Liberal	3,000

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LA VOCE DEL POPOLO	Weekly	Communist	6,500
CALABRIA AVANTI	"	Socialist	6,000
L'IDEA CRISTIANA	"	Christian-Demo.	8,000
IL RINNOVAMENTO	"	Liberal-Demo.	4,000
L'AMICO DEL POPOLO	"	Republican	4,000
VETRINA DELLA CULTURA	Monthly	Cultural	3,000
LA CALABRIA GIUDIZIARIA	"	Legal	2,000

VIBO VALENTIA

IL LAVORO	Bi-Mon	Labor-Democrat	1,000

NICASTRO

IL PROLETARIO	Weekly	Communist	2,000
LA CALABRIA	"	Demo-Liberal	2,000

REGGIO CALABRIA

IL TEMPO	Daily	News Sheet	12,000
IL LAVORATORE	Weekly	Communist	4,000
DEMOCRAZIE	"	Labor-Democrat	2,500
L'AZIONE	"	Action Party	3,000
VOCE DELLA CALABRIA	"	Christian-Democrat	8,000
LA LUCE	"	Socialist	4,000
L'AMICO DEL POPOLO	"	Conf. of Labor	8,000
IL COMMERCIO CALABRESE	"	Commercial	3,000

COSENZA-

ITALIA NUOVA	Daily	News Sheet	5,000
ORDINE PROLETARIO	Weekly	Communist	4,000
LA PAROLA SOCIALISTA	"	Socialist	5,000
EMANCIPAZIONE	"	Action Party	3,000
DEMOCRAZIA CRISTIANA	"	Christian-Demo	2,500
CALABRIA DEMOCRATICA	"	Liberal	3,000
CIVILITA CATTOLICA	Bi-Mon	Catholic Church	1,000
CALABRIA MEDICA	Monthly	Medical Society	1,500
BATTAGLIE SCOLASTICHE (ex SCUOLA COSENTINA)	Monthly	Teacher's Society	1,000
L'AGRICOLTURA CALABRESE	Bi-Mon.	Agric.Asstn	1,000
LA VESPA	Weekly	Humorous	500
LA PAROLA	Weekly	Religious	6,000
IL FORO COSENTINO	Bi-Mon	Legal	200
BOLLETTINO UFFICALE DELLA ARCHIDIOCESI	Monthly	Parish Magazine	500

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CASTROVILLARI			
LA VOCE LIBERALE	Weekly	Liberal	500
CAGLIARI			
L'UNIONE SARDA	Daily	News Sheet	30,000
SASSARI			
RISCOSSA	Bi-Mon	Independent	10,000
L'ISOLA	Daily	News Sheet	30,000
LIBERTA	Weekly	Catholic	7,000
NUORO			
L'ORTOBENE	Bi-Mon	Catholic	9,000
ORISTANO			
LA SARDEGNA CATTOLICA	Bi-Mon	Catholic	5,000
ARBOREA	Monthly	"	5,000
FRATTAMAGGIORE			
IL PELLEGRINO	Monthly	San Rocco Parish	500
SORRENTO			
LA RIVIERA	Weekly	Catholic	15,000
LUCERA			
AZIONE DEMOCRATICA	Weekly	Local News	2,000
LUNGRO			
BOLLETTINO ECCLESIASTICO DELLA DIOCESI	Daily	Parish Magazine	5807100

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L'UNIONE SARDA	Daily		
SASSARI			
RISCOSSA	Bi-Mon	Independent	10,000
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LIBERTA	Weekly	Catholic	7,000
NUORO			
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ORISTANO			
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ARBOREA	Monthly	"	5,000
FRATTAMAGGIORE			
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SORRENTO			
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LUCERA			
AZIONE DEMOCRATICA	Weekly	Local News	2,000
LUNGRO			
BOLLETTINO ECCLESIASTICO DELLA DIOCESI	Qtly	Parish Magazine	5807100
CATANIA			
CORRIERE DI SICILIA	Daily	PWB-Controlled	30,000
BOLL.SOC.MEDICO.QUIRUG	Qtly	Medical	200
ENNA			
IL SOLCO	Thrice-wk	News Sheet	2,000

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PALERMO			
GIORNALE DI SICILIA	Daily	PWB-Controlled	50,000
L'AZIONE DEL POPOLO	Weekly	Party of Action	3,000
LA VOCE DEI COMMUNISTI	"	Communist	5,000
POPOLO E LIBERTA	"	Christian-Dem.	5,000
L'ORA NUOVA	"	Demo.del Lavoro	3,000
LA VOCE SOCIALISTA	"	Socialist	5,000
BOLLETTINO DEL LAVORO PER LA SICILIA	Monthly	Labor Off.Bull.	1,000
SICILIA AGRICOLA	"	Lega Agricoltori	2,000
IL LAVORATORE	Weekly	United Syndicates	2,500
FORO SICILIANO	Monthly	Legal	2,000
LA LEGGE	"	Legal jurisprudence	1,000
ECONOMIA SICILIANA	Bi-Mon	Economic	2,000
GIORNALE DI MEDICINA	Monthly	Scientific	1,000
SCIENZA E UMANITA	"	" & Educational	500
BOLL.DELLA SOCIETA DEI CONCERTI DEL CONSERVATORIO	Bi-Mon	Musical Sheet	500
LA NUOVA CRITICA	Monthly	Literary,artistic	1,000
NOVELLA SETTIMANALE	Weekly	Light Reading	2,000
RADIO RIVISTA	"	Radio Review	3,000
LA RONDINE SPORTIVA	"	Sport	1,000
LA VOCE CATTOLICA	Bi-Mon	Religious	3,000
AI NOSTRI AMICI	Monthly	"	2,000
IL BECCO GIALLO	Weekly	Satirical	10,000
TRAPANI			
LA GAZZETTA DEL POPOLO	Bi-Week	News Sheet	1,000
BOLLETTINO MEDICO	Qtly	Medical	300
CALTANISSETTA			
LA VITA SICILIANA	Bi-Week	News Sheet	2,000
RAGUSA			
LA GAZZETTA	Bi-Week	News Sheet	5,000

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L'AZIONE DEL POPOLO	Weekly	Party of Action	3,000
LA VOCE DEI COMMUNISTA	"	Communist	5,000
POPOLO E LIBERTA	"	Christian-Dem.	5,000
L'ORA NUOVA	"	Demo.del Lavoro	3,000
LA VOCE SOCIALISTA	"	Socialist	5,000
BOLLETTINO DEL LAVORO PER LA SICILIA	Monthly	Labor Off.Bull.	1,000
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AI NOSTRI AMICI	Monthly	"	2,000
IL BECCO GIALLO	Weekly	Satirical	10,000

TRAPANI

LA GAZZETTA DEL POPOLO	Bi-Week	News Sheet	1,000
BOLLETTINO MEDICO	Qtly	Medical	300

CALTANISSETTA

LA VIT. SICILIANA	Bi-Week	News Sheet	2,000

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RAGUSA

LA GAZZETTA	Bi-Week	News Sheet	5,000
VITA NUOVA	Monthly	Literary	300

MESSINA

NOTIZIARIO DI MESSINA	Daily	News Sheet	10,000

ALCAMO

ALCIONE	Bi-Mon	Art, literary	1,000

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FROSINONE			
IL POPOLANO	Qtly	Communist	3,000
CASSANO IONICO			
BOLLETTINO ECCLESIASTICO DELLA DICESI	Occasional	Parish Magazine	150
VITERBO			
VOCE DI VITERBO	Weekly	AMG-Controlled	3,000
AQUILA			
RISORGERE	Weekly	PWB-Controlled	4,000
CHIETI			
LA RINASCITA D'ABBRUZZO	Weekly	PWB-Controlled	4,000
RIETI			
PRVENCIA		AMG-Controlled	

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The chairman welcomed Mr. White, who has taken the place of Major Colin A. MacKenzie of the Economic Section of AC, to the Board.

Minutes of the meeting held on October 26th were approved.

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APPLICATIONS RATIFIED

1. INDIPENDENTE alias MESSAGGERO - Application demand for a daily newspaper in Rome called INDIPENDENTE, has been approved by the Italian Press Commission, and ratification by the APB invited. This ratification was given. It was noted that it was an independent, non-partisan paper.

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UMANITA NUOVA

2. ~~IL PARTIGIANO~~ - A letter from Avv. A. Rossini, requesting the speedy decision of the Board on the authorization of the weekly UMANITA NUOVA ~~IL PARTIGIANO~~. Although this paper is questionable, the Italian Press Commission is in favor of letting it be published and then suspended, in order to avoid the possibility of it being clandestinely published. The motion was forwarded that the Board ratify this application and motion was carried.

FROZEN DEMANDS

The Italian Press Commission authorized 49 urgent priority publications out of a list of 97, for which 5 tons of additional paper per month will be needed.

A motion was made that in view of the exceptional circumstances, the Board ratify this priority list submitted by the Italian Press Commission and also ratify the list already submitted by the Naples Local APB, without prejudice to unfreezing paper supplies. The motion was carried and the Executive Secretary suggested that it be accompanied by a strong recommendation to the Italian Press that they(the Italian Government) study the important question of the press and newsprint supplies in Sicily and elsewhere outside of Rome.

ITALIAN PRESS LAW

The Executive Secretary stated that the Legal Sub-Commission was to draft an Exchange of Letters in connection with the Italian proposed Press Law, but that the Legal Sub-Commission had replied that the text of the Exchange of Letters could only be usefully prepared after a new draft of the proposed Law had been agreed upon between APB and the Italian government, on the basis of the suggestions and requirements set out by APB on September 15th. The Italian government has written, asking the position of the Board and requesting that it hasten approval of the Press Law. In view of the fact that the decision of AFHQ on the Delegation of Powers proposed, will considerably affect the text and procedure of the Press Law and the Exchange of Letters, a motion was made that the Italian government was to be informed that we are awaiting word from AFHQ and asked to have patience until the Board hears from AFHQ.

Motion was carried.

NEWSPRINT

1. The Executive Secretary read the Memo on the Special Meeting on Newsprint Distribution held on November 1st.(Copy attached). The Memo was approved.

2. Col. Brown reported on the newsprint situation.

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2. Col. Brown reported on the newsprint situation.

3. A discussion of the stringent newsprint situation arose and the following figures of stocks on hand were tabled:

Naples - 150 tons
Bari - 167 "
Sicily - 150 "
Rome - 580 " (not here, but expected)

These figures total 1040 tons of newsprint on hand. Col.Brown suggested turning this tonnage over to the Italian government and making them responsible for the allocation of paper, with the warning of the serious paper situation and the statement that we MUST protect our

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own P.W.B publications.

The motion was made that paper tonnage requirements, with figures showing deductions for P.W.B publications, be put into the hands of the Italian government. The motion was carried with the amendment that this Board restates its position on the guarantee of No.1 priority for P.W.B papers.

4. The question of reactivating the mills with the help of the Board was brought up. It was suggested by Capt. Piscop that one means of securing aid for these mills would be for the Italian government to appoint a technical commission to coordinate all needs, and from that, determine what they can supply and what must be had from AC in the way of transportation, newsprint, etc. The chairman requested Capt. Piscop to put in writing the needs for reactivating the mills.

Mr. White reported that there are discussions now taking place about this problem, although no committee has as yet been appointed. The discussions concern immediate problems in paper and dormant mills could be put into action if the Italian government and AC could circumvent other problems, among which were those concerned with more urgent priorities, such as food.

A suggestion was made by Major Fiolion that a list of all stocks on hand and the allocations of such stocks on present basis of production be circulated among Board members. This was to be acted upon and followed out by the Executive Secretary in cooperation with Col. Brown and Capt. Piscop.

5. A telegram from the prefect of Sardinia to the Italian Press Commission was read, which stated that all Sardinian papers were suspending publication for lack of newsprint, and urged Naples to ship stocks lying there. It was reported by Col. Brown that newsprint had been delivered by airplane and the situation was therefore, now well in hand.

6. An extract from the monthly report of October 1944 from P.W.B Sardinia was read by the Executive Secretary, stating [illegible] the critical newsprint situation in Sardinia and requesting regular and sufficient shipments to this island, and the possibility of the Allies sending more paper to Sardinia, since in Rome there is enough newsprint to feed 60 newspapers! It was decided to send a copy of this extract to the Italian Press Commission.

7. A telegram from Catanzaro stating that there was no ink or paper in all Calabria was read and although paper and ink has now been sent to Calabria, a copy of this is also to be sent to the Italian Press

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Mr. White reported that there are discussions now taking place about this problem, although no committee has as yet been appointed. The discussions concern immediate problems in paper and dormant mills could be put into action if the Italian government and AC could circumvent other problems, among which were those concerned with more urgent priorities, such as food.

A suggestion was made by Major Fiolion that a list of all stocks on hand and the allocations of such stocks on present basis of production be circulated among Board members. This was to be acted upon and followed out by the Executive Secretary in cooperation with Col. Brown and Capt. Piscop.

5. A telegram from the prefect of Sardinia to the Italian Press Commission was read, which stated that all Sardinian papers were suspending publication for lack of newsprint, and urged Rapaes to ship stocks lying there. It was reported by Col. Brown that newsprint had been delivered by airplane and the situation was therefore, now well in hand.

6. An extract from the monthly report of October 1944 from P.B Sardinia was read by the Executive Secretary, stating the critical newsprint situation in Sardinia and requesting regular and sufficient shipments to this island and the possibility of the Allies sending more paper to Sardinia, since in Rome there is enough newsprint to feed 60 newspapers! It was decided to send a copy of this extract to the Italian Press Commission.

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7. A telegram from Catanzaro stating that there was no ink or paper in all Calabria was read and although paper and ink has now been sent to Calabria, a copy of this is also to be sent to the Italian Press Commission.

8. An extract from the Press Office Report No.3 from Florence was read, which stated satisfaction that supplies for Florence after the end of November were being taken care of. But that they were cutting things rather fine in assuming that they could comfortably operate until the end of November. As a result, they have cut circulation of CORRIERE from 110,000 to 95,000 and NAZIONE was being held to 30,000 although they had been promised and increase to 50,000 as soon as rotary printing was started. Since this reduction was contrary to the

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aims of the Press Office, which aimed to increase rather than decrease circulation, it was decided that Florence was to get more paper, which was to be supplied from AMG and local mills.

9. The Executive Secretary reported that a special plea had been made on behalf of the Liberal Party newspaper GIORNALE of Naples for a concession of 5 additional tons of paper to the 13-2/3 tons already received, so that they could increase their circulation from 37,000 to 45,000 daily. It was recommended that this plea be granted. The recommendation was carried.

10. An extract from the Naples Weekly Report of October 28th was read in which RISORGIMENTO requested increased circulation back to the original figure of 200,000. It was suggested that an adjustment be made and that authorization for an increase to 160,000 be made. The motion was put and carried.

11. The Italian Press Commission, in a letter of November 4th, which was tabled, requested a larger assignment of paper to the opposition papers LA VOCE REPUBBLICANA and L'ITALIA NUOVA, who found themselves in serious trouble due to lack of supplies. It was suggested that the demand be returned to the Press Commission for more definite figures.

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The Board concurred in the Naples APB recommendation to suspend "RISORGIMENTO" and will inform the Italian Press Commission of this decision, which is to be left in suspension until the Italian government Press Commission takes over Naples in, it is expected, a few days.

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OTHER BUSINESS

An application for a paper for the island of Elba was presented, along with a request for paper supply. This paper is to be called ELBA and is to be a weekly publication with a circulation of 3,000. There is a problem of supply, but the recommendation was carried for authorization.

A request for the Italian Press Commission for the suspension of "UNIONE PROLETARIA", due to the unsavory character of its editor and the improper use of the paper, was tabled and a motion was put to concur with the Italian Press Commission's request, with a reference to our own previous action. Motion was carried.

A resolution was made and carried that, on the departure of Miss Lou Peart, the appreciation of the Board for her able and valuable services as personal assistant to Lt. Col. Munro since the initiation of the Board, should be put on record and advanced through the appropriate authorities in the form of a formal citation to her headquarters.

Meeting adjourned.

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MEMO ON SPECIAL MEETING ON NEWSPRINT DISTRIBUTION
NOVEMBER 1, 1944.

On November 1, a special meeting on Newsprint Distribution was held in the office and under the chairmanship of Mr. Antolini, Head of the Economic Section of AC. There were present:

Mr. Vaughn, Director of Industry & Commerce Sub-Commission, AC
Major W.E.Scotten, Acting Director of Commerce Sub-Commission, AC
Lt.Col. Enoch Brown, Liaison, AC
Mr. George W. Edman, APB Chairman
Lt.Col. I.S.Munro, Executive Secretary, APB
Lt.Col. P.E.Cayley, PWB
Capt. R.F.Wardley, PWB
Mr. John Sofio, PWB.

The letter of the APB Sub-Commission to the Chairman, Allied Publications Board, on the subject of Delegation of Powers, dated 26 October, 1944, was tabled.

It was decided:

1. That Mr. Antolini would enquire why the APB 1945 paper importation requisition had not been sent forward and see in any case that it was sent forward straightaway.

2. That as soon as APB's Delegation of Powers proposal was adopted by AFHQ, APB would put Mr. Antolini in contact with the Italian Press Commission to work out, a supply and distribution scheme for newsprint and paper in the regions under Italian jurisdiction.

3. That, at the same time, APB would contact Mr. Antolini to work out the responsibility of AC, through the Economic Section, for the supply and distribution of newsprint and paper throughout the combat and liberated areas of Italy not consigned to Italian jurisdiction.

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